

Indy Mopar Club News

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Meetings are the last Thursday of every month except November & December Next regular meeting: Thursday September 30, 2010 will be held at MCL Cafeteria, 3630 South East street Indianapolis (US 31- N of Southern Plaza between Sumner & National). Meet for dinner at 6pm, meeting at 7pm. A Map Quest link is available on the IMC website — www.indymoparclub.com.

Welcome to new members **Jon & Megan Cline**, 1973 Dodge Charger; and **Michael Noe**, 1957 Chrysler New Yorker and 1973 Chrysler New Yorker Broughm. (Information for roster on 3.

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Ronda and Dennis Cherry









Hi everyone, I'm really not very good at this sort of thing, but here goes! When Dennis and I met he owned 3 different cars. There was a 1976 Plymouth Arrow, a 1970 Cuda and a 1970 Superbird. I didn't have a car because I couldn't afford one. I was using my Dad's old used mail truck that he had purchased as an everyday vehicle to get back and forth to work. It was a lot of fun to drive though because the driver's seat was on the opposite side of the truck. Dennis actually bought me my first vehicle and it was a 1966 Dodge Coronet, gold in color with a wrecked front fender. He ended up selling it to a friend and it got stolen.

I really liked the Bird and the Cuda. The Cuda was black and had Flames on the front and Indiana Kid on the quarter panels. (If you are wondering about the quality of the picture of it it's because Dennis carries it with him all the time.) But when the gas crunch hit in the early 80's he decided to sell it, even though I didn't want to! He ended up selling it to a buddy. One night the guy was showing off to some other friends and broadsided a customized van. I don't know what happened to it after that.

As for the Superbird, we had both gotten laid off from our jobs and it was sell the Bird or the house. Well, we ended up selling the Bird since we couldn't live in the car. Personally, I wish we could have kept the Bird. Since then we have had several cars that I wish we still had. But things happen that is out of our control.

We had many cars, but all were drivers, not real nice. Then we got a 1971 Roadrunner that was fairly nice. We got into car shows with that. Then we sold it to Ken Mosier and a few months later bought our 1971 Challenger from him. Since then we also purchased the 1966 Dodge Coronet.

Authored by Ronda and Dennis Cherry

From And About Our Members

Our thoughts and prayers are with Chris Dewees and family. His father passed away Saturday, September 11, 2010. Received from Chris: Thank you for the card that the club members gave to my mom and I. Also I would like to thank the club members that were able to come to the memorial service, Mike Leyes, Bob Rosenberger, Tom Kelly and Ronda Cherry.

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*** Cook-Out/Movie Nite: Date: Saturday Oct 2. Location: The Kelly's, 2345 N. State Road 39, Danville, IN 46122. This is 2.5 miles north of US 36 in Danville on North US 39, east side of road. Time: 6PM, Cookout at 7PM; Movies afterward. Those attending should bring your favorite 'Covered Dish Specialty', your own drinks, campsite chairs and a blanket (it may be cool in the evening). Teresa and I will supply the camp fire, hot dogs, buns, chips, marshmallows, paper plates & plastic ware. We have plenty of parking space so drive your 'hot rods'. If weather turns sour, we'll set up in the garage.

Indy Mopar Club at the Mopar Nationals
Submitted by Tom Kelly

The 2010 Edition of the Mopar Nationals is now behind us but a large number of club members made it another great time. The August weather played a big part in the weekend from hot and humid during the day to the rain that blew through Saturday night. The Indy Mopar Club (IMC) group brought lots of awnings and we set them up together behind our cars so we had plenty of shade, chairs and cold drinks at our oasis. With our new IMC banner hung up across the front of the awnings, the Club was well represented with the beautiful cars the group brought. The group included Brian Berkowitz who brought his Duster, Dave Sanders along with Gary & Jessica McCormick with their Darts. Steve & Chad Wisdom with Chad's friends had the Road Runner and Dakota, Mike Leyes drove in his T/A Challenger. Rick and Ginger Zimmerman had their 70 Road Runner, Rick Eilert with his Charger, Jim Kelly had his '63 Plymouth Wagon, Rick Kelly brought his '64 Plymouth and I brought my Road Runner. Dave Watt along with former Club officer Kent Wallace, down from Michigan with his son Drew, set up with the group. Drew's new Dart had a transmission issue just before the show so did not make it this year. Ronda and Dennis Cherry were parked elsewhere but stopped by IMC's 'tent city' a few times over the weekend to visit as did Bob Vorpe. IMC's *The Finer Detail* award sponsors Ken & Pat Mosier had a number of their shop's beautifully restored cars on the Manufacturer's Midway along with former Club President Ben Gorman's ProMax business.

Though the hot weather drained us by the end of the weekend, the group had a great time and I'm pretty sure everyone is already looking forward to the Mopar Nats 2011.

Fletcher Chrysler Dodge Jeep Show Sept 11, 2010

Though the weepy skies kept many show cars away, it did not dampen the spirits of those that made their way to the Fletcher show in Franklin on the 9th anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy. The show tee shirts were designed specifically with a patriotic theme from the background soldiers to the Red, White and Blue silk screened colors.

Joining the Indy Mopar Club members, other car enthusiasts and the Fletcher staff were representatives of the United States Army who brought along their Hummer and City of Franklin Fire Fighters with one of their fire trucks for display. Members of the Franklin Police Department stopped in periodically to also help remember the day with us.

Thanks primarily to Steve Wisdom, a wonderful assortment of door prizes kept the raffle ticket sales active all day. **Car Art Signs** again stepped up with their beautiful display sign donation, Debbie Mounce contacted **Koorsen Fire Protection** who once more donated an awesome chrome fire extinguisher and Sue Mayes donated a gorgeous handmade "flamed" blanket for our charity raffles.

After registration of 26 entries, the show started with the National Anthem and enthusiastic applause. The group dodged rain, dried, shined and then repeated the process but always kept the smiles and laughter. We did share the dealerships' large overhang with the delicious Bar-B-Q pork and corn on the cob, graciously donated by Fletchers. Sooo...we all stayed dry and obviously no one went away hungry!

As typical with IMC shows, the host dealership staff did the judging. Everyone was a winner as we only had 25 vehicles for the TOP 25 but the Fletcher judges did put in a good day determining the winners of the "Best Of" awards. Additionally, Ken and Pat Mosier graciously donated the **FINER DETAIL AWARD** and its accompanying \$100 cash award for the show, also chosen by the Fletcher Staff.

When the final raindrops dried, the "Best Of" Award winners were:

Denny Parker BEST MOPAR: '69 Dart GTS **BEST GM** Oren Snyder '55 Chevy Bel Air BEST FORD Herb Adkins '52 Ford Pickup BEST TRUCK Glen Kirk '01 Dodge Ram 2500 Dennis & Ronda Cherry '66 Dodge Coronet **BEST PAINT** BEST INTERIOR Ken Scobel '66 Dodge Charger '55 Chevy Bel Air **BEST ENGINE** Oren Snyder

THE FINER DETAILS AWARD:

John Heeringa '62 Dodge Polara 500 Convertible

Many thanks to Ginger and Rick Zimmerman for working with Fletcher to organize the event. Additionally, we could not pull together meaningful donations for the Club's charity, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF), without the wonderful sponsors who provide services and door prizes:

Our Sponsors included:

Fletcher Chrysler Dodge and Jeep, Franklin
Car Art Signs, Beech Grove
The Finer Details, Danville
Applebee's, Franklin

Advance Auto Parts, Main and St Rd 135 Advance Auto Parts, US 31, Whiteland

Advance Auto Parts, Franklin AutoZone, Franklin

Beck Muffler and Auto Repair, Franklin Circle City Auto Parts, Greenwood

Car Quest Auto Parts, Whiteland Chick-fil-A Greenwood

Dairy Queen, Franklin Frames Plus, Smith Valley Road

Franklin Muffler and Brake, Franklin Grand Rental Station, Greenwood and Franklin

Little Caesars, Franklin McDonalds, Franklin

Meineke Car Care, Franklin Rascal's Fun Zone, New Whiteland

O'Reilly Auto Parts, Franklin

Jim Covert State Farm Insurance, Indianapolis

Toby's Tires, Franklin

Again, special thanks to the United States Army and City of Franklin Fire & Police Dept representatives who attended our event.

Membership Roster Information

In the 2010 Indy Mopar Club Roster please change **Dave Sanders** phone number to 317-522-6848. Please add: **Jon & Megan Cline**, 16359 Meadows Ln, Westfield IN 46074; Phone 765-513-0587;

jcline@ivytech.edu; 1973 Dodge Charger; Expertise: Farming

Michael Noe, 2184 N CR 1250 E, Frankfort IN 46041; Phone 765-947-5625; 1957 Chrysler New Yorker, 1973

Chrysler New Yorker Broughm; Expertise: Retired/Chrysler

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Indy Mopar Club Monthly Meeting Secretary's Report

August 26, 2010 7:00 pm

Welcome and Sign-in: Tom Kelly, President

- Tom brought the meeting to order at 7:00pm
- Ronda Cherry announced September Birthdays and Anniversaries.
- All members were asked to introduce themselves and tell about their car(s)

• <u>31</u> Members and <u>1</u> guest attended

Attendees were: John Bauer, Brian Berkowitz, James & Laura Bratby, Bill Bratton, Ronda & Dennis Cherry, Estell Claycomb, Terry Cummings, Rick & Susan Eilert, David & Terry Fishburn, John Heeringa, Tom Kelly, Mike Leyes, Larry & Susan Mayes, Gary & Jessica McCormick, Bud & Debbie Mounce, Jan Peel, Bob Rosenberger, David Sanders, Ken Scobel, Mike Wallace, Dave Watt, Steve Wisdom, Rick & Ginger Zimmerman, and guest Jon Cline – Bud & Debbie's son-in-law.

Secretary's Report: Jessica McCormick

• Jessica gave the highlights of the July 2010 meeting

Treasurer's Report & Membership Update: Mike Leyes

- Balance Sheet
 - o August beginning balance: \$2,474.43
 - o August income: \$98.50
 - o August expenses: \$148.03
 - o August ending balance: \$2,424.90 (Flower Fund balance: \$659.99)
- Membership: 77 members

Communications Report: Dave Watt

• Archive old club info- missing all 1999, Nov & Dec 2000, various from 2001-2004

Unfinished Business: Tom Kelly

- A. Member profiles for newsletter and website
 - a. September: Dennis & Ronda Cherry
 - b. October: John Bauer
 - c. November: John Heeringa
 - d. December: Larry Mayes
 - e. January: No profile, holiday party highlights
- B. Updates for IMC 2010 Car Shows
 - a. Fletcher, September 11th- Rick & Ginger Zimmerman
 - i. Volunteer sheet distributed
 - ii. Goodie bags (reusable shopping bags)
 - iii. DJ will play beginning at 9am to avoid 'dead/down' time
 - iv. Games schedule like TV show Minute to Win It
 - b. Initial Discussion on 2011 Shows
- C. Event Advertising Update- Brian Berkowitz
 - a. No new publications
 - b. Will send Fletcher show fliers to area car clubs/groups
- D. Other Events
 - a. RECAP- Mopar Nationals: Tom Kelly
 - i. Good turnout
 - b. Drive-In Movie: Dan Kelly & Dave Sanders
 - i. Tentative date: October 2nd
 - ii. Tibbs drive in, \$10/person, gates open at 7:30
 - iii. Possible cook-out at Tom Kelly's home with movie
 - c. Kokomo Chrysler Plant Cruise-in
 - i. Sunday, August 29th 12-3
 - ii. Meet at Gas America (236th & HWY 31), leave at 9:30
 - d. ARC: James & Laura Bratby

- i. Confirmed Date: Monday, September 20th, 6pm
- ii. Car will be in tunnel
- E. Member Directory: Jan Peel, Terry Fishburn
 - a. Distributed to members at meeting;
 - b. Great work Jan and Terry! Tom suggested purchasing a gift card for both as a thank you.
- F. Club Event Insurance Policy
 - a. Expire September 15th
 - b. Members agreed on changing to Hagerty
- G. Club Member Benefits
 - a. Sponsor stores
 - i. Harbor Freight- no word
 - ii. NAPA- please let Tom know if you know anyone at NAPA
 - b. Sponsor Dealerships
 - i. Champion- 15% to 20% off on parts, say you are a club member
- H. Storage Trailer
 - a. Needs to be at least 10 feet
 - b. Suggestion to start collection to raise funds needed

New Business: Tom Kelly

- A. Ideas for other 2010 group participation
 - a. Advance Fire Dept Labor Day Festival (near Lebanon off SR 75)
 - i. Monday, September 6th
 - ii. Parade at 10:30; all members welcome to take car in parade
 - iii. Fall Cruise: Dave Sanders
- B. Club Christmas Party
 - a. Tentative location same as last year
 - b. will check with venue on available Saturdays and Sundays in December

Events Calendar: Ronda Cherry

• Check website's non-club page for other events

50/50 Drawing: \$92 total; John Heeringa won \$46

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded

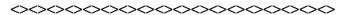
Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica McCormick, Secretary

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Upcoming Events – **Indy Mopar Club and others

- **September 17-18-19, 2010, The Fall Hoosier Auto Show & Swap Meet, Marion County Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN
- **September 29-October 3, 2010 Fall Carlisle
- **September 30, 2010, Indy Mopar Meeting, MCL Cafeteria
- **October 6-10, 2010 Hershey AACA
- **October 14, ARC Engineering James & Laura Bratby Tentative date watch for news
- **October 28, 2010, Indy Mopar Meeting, MCL Cafeteria Nominations for 2011 Officers
- **November 18, 2010, Indy Mopar Meeting, MCL Cafeteria Election of 2011 Officers



Member Birthdays and Anniversaries

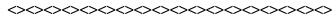


October Birthdays:

Carol Ann Bauer, 10-5 Thomas Williams, 10-7 Patricia Patterson, 10-14 Preston Droddy, 10-18 Michael Patterson, 10-20 Karen Rosenberger, 10-20 Scott Oller, 10-27 Jack Collins, 10-30

October Anniversaries:

Bill & Carla Crask, 10-2 Stephen & Cheryl Graham, 10-5 Tony & Thelma Fields, 10-15 James & Laura Bratby, 10-20 Jerry (Bud) & Debbie Mounce, 10-22 Congratulations to all!



Parts for Sale

Mopar parts for sale: A, B and C body axle/housings, Slant six parts-(almost anything ya need). Slant six 4 spd bell housing and O/D trans. 66/67 B body SS trim and wiring harnesses, frt bumper brackets, factory AM/FM radio, rear and side glass. 67-69 Cuda bumper cores/ brackets and frt plate bracket. Stock Iron 4 bbl intakes. New A body super stock rear springs, 70-73 A body rear bumper brackets. E body frt bucket seat brackets (not rusted). Many new (not remanufactured) stock electronic and points, distributors --- lots of stuff. (317) 753-8385 – Brownsburg IN 46112

**318 Wide block engine – needs to be rebuilt. If interested call Jan Peel at 317-357-5760 or e-mail Jpeel83719@aol.com





Tattler's Corner

Well, I know that there were some shenanigans going on at the Mopar Nats but it seems like no one wanted to be a "tattle tale". I was hoping for some pictures of the proof of that but so far none have come to my attention. Maybe later?????????



I would appreciate any news about our members that have attended other events and/or have had their cars or stories in other publications. This is your newsletter, help me make it an even better one by sharing this kind of information so it can be published here. You can contact me by E-mail Jpeel83719@aol.com or call me at 317-357-5760 or send it to me by mail: Jan Peel, 5128 E Rowney St, Indianapolis IN 46203-3741. (Complaints may also be handled this way. Be gentle when you do this please.)

