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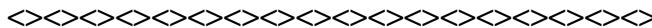
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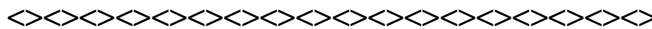
Meetings are the last Thursday of every month except November & December.

Next regular meeting: Thursday, March 27, 2014 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.



Member Information

Welcome to new members **Darrell & Mary Keck**, Bainbridge, 1970 Plymouth Road Runner, 1968 Dodge Dart GT; **Ralph & Vickie Rhees**, Kokomo, 1962 Chrysler 300H, 1968 Chrysler 300 Convertible, 1970 Chrysler 300; and **Ted & Robin Sanders**, Greenfield, 1967 Plymouth Barracuda. We hope to see them at some of our meetings and/or events.



Rick's Love Affair(s)

It all began several years ago with a 1966 Chrysler NewPort land sled. This was a hand me down from my grandmother who worked at the Chrysler plant. She usually traded about every three years but she offered it to my parents so they bought it for their daily driver. I ended up buying it from my parents.

It had a 383 automatic with peg leg. Being 16 years old it needed some upgrades that included wide tires with raised white letters and dual exhaust with glass paks. I thought it was the coolest car and being now the coolest kid in town, I tried racing it and did beat a few cars. My buddy had a 64 Ford Galaxy 500 with a 390 Thunderbird – he wasn't happy that day when I beat him and I still remember it like yesterday.

Had the typically problems with it over heating and tore it down and it was bad; found a guy with a new short block so had the heads redone and reinstalled – sure ran fast for an old sled.

Due to a lot of front end problems, I parked the car and sold the engine to a friend that needed it for a 70 Roadrunner. Next car was a 73 roadrunner and drove it until I graduated and then sold it – owned several trucks until 1998.

Then the real story begins – met Ginger and with that came a new life and my passion for the Dodge truck was reunited. Bought a 98 Red Dodge truck and as all my friends have heard; it became “rickified”; now you ask what does that mean – it gets the standard 4” lift kit, bed liner, new exhaust system, nerf bars.

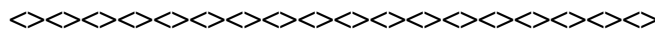
Ginger came to Indiana with a Grand Prix – that had to change and we got a Chrysler Sebring Convertible. Now that the daily drivers were taken care of; the next task was to locate my muscle car – having nowhere to store the vehicles, the projects begin with a 3 ½ car garage to house the anticipated 69-70 Roadrunner with a family room above the garage in 2001. The only condition was the family room was to be finished before the car was purchased; guess she knew that once the car came that there was nothing getting in the way of the new “girl” – room was finished in December and the hunt began.

The search began with internet hits but looking back I would tend to agree that the obsessive behavior was extreme – in the middle of the night she would find me looking for cars, most ended up as dead ends.

On a particular Sunday, she had decided she had had enough and presented me with a stack of potential cars for sale and told me to find one; but that still didn't happen so again she went on the hunt and located a car for sale in Lancaster, Kentucky on Friday before Father's day in 2002. See that is important in the storyline because we had plans to travel to Ohio for Father's Day but once again, she stepped to the plate and fed my addiction to find the car – drove down on Sunday, test drove the car, closed the deal and proceeded to take the next Wednesday off work to go and pick up the 1970 B5 Blue 4speed with grabber hood but with a 70HP motor.

Our first car show was in Delaware, OH; Blast from the Past hosted by The Vintage Auto Club (Ginger's parent's club) but our second show brought us to the Indy Mopar Club. We have since attended every Mopar National event and have grown our Mopar family to include a 98 red hemi truck, 69 Roadrunner, 12 Jeep, 13 Dodge 2500 Ram, 73 Duster and my current joy – 13 Dodge Challenger. I did choose to trade the 70 Roadrunner on the Challenger, and no regrets! Even made the deal on the Friday before Father's Day – can't mess with a tradition.

Author ~~~~~Rick Zimmerman



From IMC Club President:

From the IMC Club President:

As I write this, it's officially Spring now and headed to 60 degrees today. I'm sure we're not done with the chilly weather and maybe even a bit of snow but I do hope I'm done mounting the snow plow on the Jeep! This past week, I hung the Club Event List on my bathroom mirror (I can get away with that as my wife uses the other bathroom). It reminded me that we are only a month & a half away from our Indy Mopar Club/Fletcher Car Show on May 10 in Franklin. Though this winter seemed to last forever, May will be here quickly so we need to start organizing & signing up the 'team' at the March 27 meeting.

It always takes a group effort to make the Show a success so I would encourage you to offer to assist as you can. The more we can spread the work load, the more enjoyable for everyone. If you have not attended the show in the past, we would love to see you, your family & vehicle. Please talk to your friends and have them bring their cars & trucks as well. Remember it is an Open Show so all vehicles are invited. The more that attend, the more funds we raise to benefit our Club charity, **Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF)**.

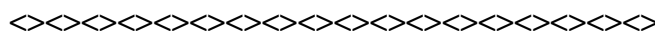
Don't forget, if you have an event you think the Club would enjoy attending, please let us know. It can be as simple as a group attending a local town or Indy area Cruise-in night. If you could take the lead pulling together some details, I'm sure others will be willing to help get it rolling.

Well, the next meeting is Thursday March 27. See the Newsletter or website for specific details. If you can attend, don't forget our 'Show and Tell'. Bring in something you enjoy and we'll spend a few minutes discussing during the meeting then let people view & ask questions afterward.

I'll have the IMC Event slide show going during dinner again so you or your car might even appear on the big screen!

Hope to see you Thursday.

Tom Kelly
MARCH 2014



INDY MOPAR CLUB MONTHLY MEETING, February 27, 2014

WELCOME AND SIGN-IN: Sign-in was conducted by Jan Peel. Attending were Jeff Ancil, Jeff Andis, Brian Berkowitz, Bill Bratton, Ronda Cherry, Jack Collins, Harry & Lou Ann Ewing, Tony & Thelma Fields, Dan Kelly, Rick Kelly, Tom & Teresa Kelly, Ed Leyes, Mike Leyes, Gary McCormick, Bud & Debbie Mounce, Nicole Nash, Jan Peel, Bob & Karen Rosenberger, Don Sainsbury, Dave Sanders, Evan Springer, Bob Thomas, Mike Wallace, Dave Watt, Rick & Ginger Zimmerman, and guests Dave Jones and Jeannette Leavitt.

President, Tom Kelly, brought the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Dave Opel was absent so Ronda Cherry read the highlights of the minutes for the January meeting. Then she asked if there were any corrections. The minutes were approved with no corrections.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP UPDATE: Mike Leyes reported the following: Income for February \$480.00; Expenses for February \$936.16; February 27, 2014 Balance \$2,355.79.

Membership – Mike reported that there are 43 paid members.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Dave Watt reported the website has been updated. He has some event flyers printed to be handed out at events and the 2014 Indy Mopar Club applications are ready. Need to get flyers ready advertising the Fletcher show.

MEMBERSHIP BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: Mike Wallace reviewed the birthdays and anniversaries for the month of March.

EVENT CALENDER: Tom Kelly – Tom gave an update. There will be a new format on-line.

- a. World of Wheels, February 8-9, 2014 Indiana Fairgrounds
- b. February 28, 6-9pm, Ken Mosier's Grand Opening of Ken Mosier's new "The Finer Details" muscle car restoration facility 2001 E Main St, Danville, In 46122.
<http://www.thefinerdetails-1.com>
- c. Indy Cylinder Head Swap Meet, March 1-2, 2014
- d. Walter P. Chrysler National Meet, July 9-12, 2014, to be held in Auburn Hill, MI
- e. Westgate C/P, September 6

EVENT ADVERTISING: Ronda Cherry will be handling this.

OLD BUSINESS – Tom Kelly:

1. Recap of World of Wheels – IMC was not a presence there this year.
2. Recap of the Slot Car Racing Event February 23rd – Brian talked about the slot cars and the members that showed up. A good time was had by all.
3. Indy Cylinder Head Show – March 1 & 2 – a sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteering time to help at booth.

NEW BUSINESS – Tom Kelly

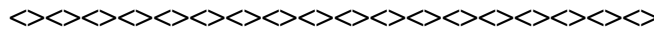
1. Club member profile or article for newsletter:
 - a. March 2014 – Rick Zimmerman
 - b. April 2014 – Jeff Ancil
 - c. May 2014 – Karen Rosenberger & Debbie Mounce
 - d. June – TBD
 - e. July – TBD
2. Fletcher Show Upcoming May 10 – will need volunteers
3. JDRF Walk Date is set for Saturday, October 4th - Possibly bring our own tent this year and put up stanchions.

4. New Club Activities possibilities:
 - a. Skillman's
 - b. Studebaker Museum
 - c. Mike Wallace mentioned Memorial Day Weekend show – Somerset All Mopar
 - d. Drag Racing at IRP
 - e. SCCA
 - f. Cook out at Tom & Teresa's home
 - g. Movie night
 - h. June 22nd Marion County Fairgrounds for Animal Shelter in New Palestine
5. Show and Tell – Tom Kelly
 - a. Tom Kelly brought in more literature he has collected. He reminded the members to share their hobbies by talking about them and/or bring “samples”.

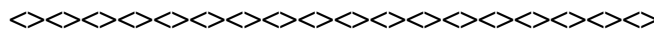
A motion to adjourn was made by Evan Springer, seconded by Brian Berkowitz, the motion carried. President Tom Kelly adjourned the meeting at 7:46.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronda Cherry in Dave Opel's absence



**For those of you that have been unable to attend a meeting yet this year you are missing out. Tom Kelly has a slide show of past events and pictures that are really bringing back memories, ooh's and aah's.



Member Birthdays and Anniversaries

April Birthdays:



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| Diane Gillock, 4-4 | Debbie Komlanc, 4-5 |
| Mel Crane, 4-7 | Kristen Gallup, 4-12 |
| Ginger Zimmerman, 4-14 | Stan Sanders, 4-17 |
| Rick Zimmerman, 4-19 | Evan Springer, 4-23 |
| Jessica McCormick, 4-27 | |

April Anniversaries:

Jeff and Sherri Andis, 4-29

Congratulations to all!



Tattler's Corner



Tom Kelly did seem to be a little disgruntled at the meeting last month – seems like one of their puppies decided to cut teeth on an important computer “hook up wire” that he needed for the meeting. I think that is called Murphy's Law. I wonder if the puppies got a “chewing out” when Tom got home. Not that that would do any good. Puppies seem to have a mind of their own.



A reminder from your editor: you may send your “Member Profile” to me in either Microsoft Word or Works by e-mail to Jpeel83719@aol.com or typed or hand written to:

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In order to have the newsletter completed and ready to e-mail and/or snail mail I would appreciate having the information by the 15th of the month. If you have pictures and can send them by e-mail that would be great or if you send them to me by mail I will scan them in and return the picture(s) to you.

Jan Peel, Editor

2014 INDY MOPAR CLUB – EVENT LIST

<u>Jan</u>						
30	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>Feb</u>						
7-9	Fri-Sun		World of Wheels	Ind State Fairgrounds		
23	Sunday	1p-4p	Fast Tracks-Slot Car Racing 1pm	Avon IN		Brian Berkowitz
27	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
28	Friday		Indy Cyl Hd Show Set-up	Ind State Fairgrounds		
28	Friday	6p-9p	Finer Details New Facility Open House	Danville IN		
<u>Mar</u>						
1 & 2	Sat-Sun		Indy Cyl Hd Chrysler Performance Trade Show			
27	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>Apr</u>						
24	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>May</u>						
3	Sat	11a-5p	Cinco DeMopar-American Cancer Benefit	Lafayette IN		Tom Kelly
10	Sat	9a-3p	Fletcher Chrysler/IMC – OPEN Car Show	Franklin IN		Tom Kelly
16-18	Fri-Sun		Chrysler Power Classic – Nat'l Trail Raceway	Columbus OH		Tom Kelly
29	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
23-24	Fri-Sat		Mopar Mania Somernites Cruise Memorial Wknd	Somerset KY		Dave Sanders
<u>Jun</u>						
4-8	Wed-Sun		Chrysler 3i00 Club, Inc Nat'l Meet	Kokomo IN		Ralph Rhees
5-8	Thu-Sun		IMS Vintage Car Races	Indpls Motor Speedway		
13-14	Thur- Fri		Pure Stock Drags	Martin MI		Dave Watt-Mike Leyes
26	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
28-29	Sat-Sun		Monster Mopar Weekend	Kil-Kare Drag Strip		Xenia, OH
<u>Jul</u>						
9-12	Wed-Sat		WPC National Meet	Auburn Hills MI		
11-13	Fri-Sun		Carlisle Chrysler Nats	Carlisle PA		
16-20	Wed-Sun		Natl DeSoto Meet	Ft Wayne IN		
31	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>Aug</u>						
8-10	Fri-Sun		MOPAR NATIONALS	Columbus OH		
20-24	Wed-Sun		Plymouth Owner Club National Meet	Port Huron MI		
28	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>Sep</u>						
6	Sat	TBD	West Gate Chrysler / IMC Cruise-in	Plainfield IN		
6	Sat	6p-10p	IMC Cookout – Kelly's	Danville IN		Tom Kelly
12-13	Fri-Sat		Pure Stock Drags	Stanton MI		Dave Watt-Mike Leyes
25	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>Oct</u>						
8	Sat	9a-12n	JDRF RUN/WALK- Military Park	Indianapolis IN		Tom Kelly
9-12	Thur-Sun		NMCA Race-Show @ IRP	Lucas Raceway (IRP-Clairmont)		Dave Watt
30	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg-Halloween	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>Nov</u>						
20	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria		Tom Kelly
<u>Dec</u>						
7 or 14	Sunday		Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party	TBD		
<u>Jan 2015</u>						
TBD			World of Wheels	Ind State Fairgrounds		



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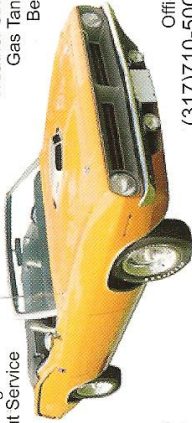
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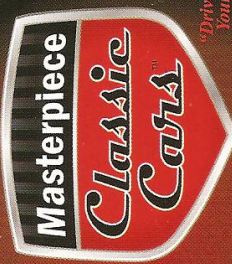
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