

# **Indy Mopar Club News**

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Meetings are normally the last Thursday of every month except November & December. Refer to the President's Message for both those and future meeting dates.

Next regular meeting: Sept 26, 2024; 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 – <a href="https://www.indymoparclub.com">www.indymoparclub.com</a>



#### **Message from Jeff Platzer, Club President:**

OK we're winding down summer into fall but there are still a few more weeks of fun left until we hibernate.

We've been passing out flyers for the York show. We're getting the last few things in order before the show at Portillo's in Avon Sunday Oct. 6, 12-3pm. We'll discuss at the meeting who can help work the show. Steve and I will have everything ready to go in terms of all the paperwork, auction items and door prizes. Steve says we will again have a representative and child from Breakthrough T1D (formerly JDRF).

We only have one show competing against us down in Mooresville, so we're hoping for good attendance and of course good weather. In case of rain, we have the following Sunday listed to do it. I hope most everyone can make it. Should be a good time at Portillo's, having easy access to restrooms and good food.

There were a lot of shows recently and Tom always has some good photos to recap things. Not much else to report on. Remember that in October we will be looking for nominations for officers for the 2025 season. If you are interested in any position start thinking about it.

Be there!

Jeff

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## **IMC SEPTEMBER 2024 Meeting Minutes**

- The meeting was called to order to order at 7pm by IMC Club President. Jeff Platzer.
- Introduction of Guests. Jeff Platzer.
- Secretary Report Dave Opel.
  - Accepted as Printed in Newsletter: Motion by Evan Springer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Walter Thomas.
- Treasurer's Report Steve Wisdom

## Balance Sheet Aug 29, 2024

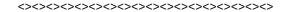
	July 25 Balance \$				
August Income					
8/2024 Fletc	\$ 95.00				
Aug Total Inc	ome:	\$ 95.00			
August Expenses					
8/2024 Reir	nbursement to Tom Kelly - Newsletter	\$ 51.00			
8/2024 JDR	F Fletcher and Indy Cyl Head Shows	\$2,242.34			
8/2024 Crys	stal Graphics	\$ 16.05			
Aug Total Expenses:		\$2,309.39			
(Flower Fund: \$205.7	72)				
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Aug 29<sup>th</sup> Balance

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52 Paid Membership Families (from prior month)

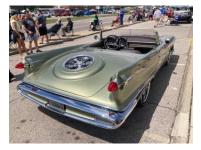
- Communications Director Report Randy Smith absent due to school commitments.
  - A new IMC listing is on Facebook
- Member News, Birthdays, Anniversaries Ronda Cherry
  - Read from newsletter Congratulations to all!
- Event Calendar Tom Kelly
  - o September 2 Church of the Nazarine, Greenfield, IN approx. 300 automobiles as shown on TV.
  - Sept 7 Danville IN, Ellis Park.
  - Sept 13-14 Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race, Stanton MI. Some members participating.
  - o Sept 13-14 is the Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race in Stanton MI. Some members will be racing.
  - Sept 13-15 Holley MoParty is in Bowling Green, KY.
  - Sept 19-22 is the NMCA Race and Car Show at Lucas-IRP in Clermont IN.
  - Sept 26 is the next IMC Meeting.
  - October 6 YORK/IMC JDRF (Breakthrough T1D) Cruise In. Chrome for a Cause Portillo's Avon IN.
- Attendance Ronda Cherry
  - o 15 Members & Guests were present.
  - Attendees: Ronda Cherry, Steve Wisdom, Randy Smith, Dave Opel, Larry Mayes, Dick & Dorinda Crawmer, Tom Kelly, Rick Zimmerman & grandson Rhett Perry, Walter & Elaine Thomas, Steve Claycomb, Jeff Andis and Tim Little.
- Old Business Jeff Platzer
  - New Iron-on IMC Patches available at \$8 ea.
- New Business Jeff Platzer
  - 'New/Broke/Fixed' John Walker's '71 Cuda being painted.
  - o Rick Bruettig has a '69 Road Runner for Sale.
  - o Tom Kelly, mentioned that in 1969 Chrysler Corporation provided 100 Road Runners for their annual Plymouth Trouble Shooting Contest, held at the Indianapolis 500 track (*see below for IMC Connection*).
  - o Motion to Adjourn by Dick Crawmer, Seconded by Steve Wisdom. The Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.



## The Cool (& The Crazy) from Jeff & Deb Platzer's Woodward Dream Cruise Weekend:





















Jeff's buddy's Hemi Dart was his 'Ride Along' for the week. Cool Uber!!

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## 1969 PLYMOUTH TROUBLESHOOTING CONTEST





The annual Plymouth Troubleshooting Contest National Finals was held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in 1969. One hundred 1969 Plymouth Road Runners were assigned consecutive VINs (Vehicle Identification Numbers), assigned a scheduled build date, assembled and shipped directly to IMS for the event. All were prepared at the track with identical defects for the competition. The 2-man High School Teams, having won their state competitions, raced the clock to be the first to get their car running. Along with much fanfare and local tours, the winning teams were awarded Scholarships, fabulous trophies & great prizes.

Now the connection... The VINs of the 100 Road Runners in the contest have been verified for an on-line YouTube video, in part, through two members of our Club. Member **Mike Leyes' dad Ed**, who recently passed away, had purchased one of those 100 Road Runners after the contest. Ed bought the car from a dealership in Dayton OH. area, where he and the family lived at the time. The car's history was known at the time since the original Window Sticker (actual name: Monroney Label) showed delivery to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway instead of a Chrysler-Plymouth dealership as normally done.

More recently, **Dave Watt** remembered this detail and after conferring with Mike, passed a redacted copy of Ed's Window Sticker to the author of a restoration book on 1969 Road Runners. The author had been looking to verify the 100 sequential VINs of the Plymouth Troubleshooting cars. Armed with a copy of Ed's original Window Sticker, Wes Eisenschenk confirmed and proceeded with his very informative video. Wes also has a Facebook group 'Lost Muscle Cars' that is highly interesting as well. I'd suggest Googling both the book and the video (YouTube "100 Special Order Muscle Cars"), if this is of interest!

Submitted by Tom Kelly









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#### **MEMBERSHIP FUN FACT**

Dave Opel noted that the 1955 Chrysler C-300's List Price was \$4055. It weighed in at 4,005 pounds and 1.725 were produced.

#### **BREAKTHROUGH T1D (JDRF) WALK-RUN Saturday September 21**

The Breakthrough T1D Walk\Run Benefit Event was held Saturday Sept 21 at the Indiana University Indianapolis Campus Michael A. Carroll Track & Soccer Stadium. Steve Wisdom coordinated the IMC's participation with representative Jesse Stover and arranged for our cars to be displayed in the median of New York Street so participants would pass for both the Start & the Return legs of the 1 Mile & 5 K event route. Club members Cheryl & Steve Wisdom, Elaine & Walter Thomas and Teresa & Tom Kelly staged their cars at 9am prior to the 9:45am start. Dick & Dorenda Crawmer had to cancel at the last minute due to illness but we do thank you for signing up.

We had an abundance of shade to set our chairs to enjoy the smiles as families, friends & multiple pets made their way past to raise money for this most worthy cause. We chatted with many and saw quite a few pose for pictures next to our cars (two Challengers and a Viper). Walter even got a "Which one of you is Walter?" from a lady walking past as she noticed his personalized plate and side stripe! He got a bit of teasing from us over that! We had a great time watching the boundless energy of the kids and realized thanks to the dollars we raise, many more are smiling today thanks to our efforts.

Submitted by Tom Kelly









#### TATTLER'S CORNER (In Memory of Jan Peel and her sense of humor!)

During discussion at the last meeting, our leader dumped over his drink which was followed by an loud & emphatic "SH--". It was quickly followed by "Strike that from the Minutes" and then a volley of laughter from the group!!

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Ann Smith 10-01 Michael Patterson 10-20 Scott Oller 10-27

## October 2024 Birthdays:

Dave Opel 10-05 Gwen Nitzel 10-21 Jack Collins 10-30 Patricia Patterson 10-14 Vickie Walker 10-25

### October 2024 Anniversaries:

Gwen & Kevin Nitzel 10-05 Donna & Dart Liebrandt 10-26 Dru & Ron Kriech 10-09 Vickie & John Walker 10-29 LouAnn & Harry Ewing 10-11 Jackie & David Tays 10-31

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!!**

2024 INDY	MOPAR C	LUB – E	VENT LIST TBV - to be verified TBD - to be	e determined 07-20-24 tvk	IMC Contact:
Sept 13-14 13-15 19-22 21 26	Fri-Sat Fri-Sun Thu-Sun Sat Thurs	9a 7-8p	Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race Holley Moparty-Beech Bend Raceway NMCA Race-Show JDRF Breakthrough T1D WALK Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	Stanton MI Bowling Green KY Lucas Raceway (IRP-Cleri Indianapolis IN MCL Cafeteria	Dave Watt/Tom Kelly J Platzer mont) Dave Watt Steve Wisdom Jeff Platzer
Oct 6	Sun	12-3p	York CDJR / IMC Cruise-in	Portillo's US 36 Avon IN	Jeff Platzer
31	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg Nominations for 2023 Officers	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Nov 23-24	Sat-Sun		Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals sho	ow Rosemont IL	Tom Kelly/Dave Watt
28	Thurs	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Jeff Platzer
Dec 15	Sun NOTE:	5p NO DEC	Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party EMBER MEETING AT MCL 1202	Steve Wisdom's Clubhous Leisure Lane, Greenwood 46	
			Local Cruise-Ins (Reocci	· 	
April thru Oct Fri 5-9pm		5-9pm	Culvers/Meijers Cruise-In E. Washington Indpls, IN		Larry Mayes
Oct 4 Last One Fri 5-9pm		5-9pm	Danville Cruise-In 1st Friday of Month Danville IN Ellis Park		Tom Kelly
May thru Sept Sat 6-9pm		6-9pm	Lowes Summer Cruise-in - Every Sat Night Avon IN US 36		Jeff Platzer
May thru Sept <b>TBV</b>		TBV	Mooresville Cruise-in / TBV Mooresville Cruise-in / TBV	resville IN	Dick Crawmer
Apr thru Oct Sat 4pm		4pm	The SUDS Cruise-in	Greenwood IN	Evan Springer
May thru Sept Thur 5-9pm Martinsville Thursday Cruise on the Square Martinsville IN		Dick Crawme			