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President's Message

Ken Hamer

Pandemic Predicaments

Before I get into possible predicaments that require Inland Mopars Car Club member consideration, discussion and decision, I want to thank everyone who attended our May 3rd club meeting. It was great to get out of the house and see everyone who was able to attend. It was also fun to get together as a group with a common interest. I know our support of Cactus Cantina restaurant was very much appreciated by management and restaurant staff. Having our club meeting in the parking lot went well as there was plenty of shade afforded by the theatre. We even received some "nice car show" comments from a couple that drove by in a Corvette. Again, thank you.



Left; Shade provided by Tim for President Ken.

Below; Most cars & trucks were practicing social distancing. Norma, Joey, Ken & Judy, Sil & Carol (new red Dodge truck), Bill & Debbie, Sam & BJ, Bill H, Mike K, Lonnie & Robin, Joe & Tish brought out their Mopars. Mike C left his Road Runner home but did attend.







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(From the 030120 roster)

Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to:

Robin Clabaugh	;
Lonnie Clabaugh	;
Leo Tafoya	;
Cat Gibbons	;
Chris Thompson	;

*dates have been intentionally removed

*Cactus Cantina
9 am breakfast, 10:00 am meeting
151 Alessandro Blvd
Riverside, CA 92508

** Cactus Cantina 10:30 breakfast, <u>11:00</u> am meeting

Tentative in the parking lot

2020 MEETING SCHEDULE

January 5 (CC)*

February 2 (CC)*
(Super Bowl Sunday)

March 1 (CC)*

April 5 (canceled)

May 3 (CC)**

June 7 (CC)**

July 5 (CC)*

August 2 (CC)*

September 6 (CC)*

October 4 (Ont Elks)

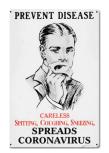
November 1 (CC)*

December 6 (CC)*

Meeting 1st Sunday of the month except as noted

Bits 'n Pieces; Signs (think Five Man Electrical Band song)

You too can have all the signs below for your shop or garage. Maybe even inside your home. They can be ordered from Car Guy Garage. Unless you have become one of the "long-haired freaky people" thanks to COVID-19 & no haircuts.











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Even after the start of the COVID-19 issue it seemed, to me at least, that Inland Mopar's annual activities wouldn't be affected too severely. We had recently completed our annual fundraiser with the completion of the Grand National Roadster Show and our annual all-Mopar charity-benefit "Mopars In May At CSDR" car show was still a couple of months away. It seemed like the shelter-in-place orders of our state and local governments were something that may last a few weeks and we grumbled because we couldn't get out to our favorite car show activities. Now that my work office has been my kitchen table for the last two months, the reality of the potential impacts of our "new normal" demands attention. We are currently moving toward the hybrid reality – not quite lockdown conditions, yet not quite normalcy – that I mentioned last month. We need to discuss and have alternate contingencies in place for a seamless transition in case we are unable to return to "normal". Please take some time to think about the following and be ready to discuss at our upcoming June club meeting:

2020 Toy Drive for the kids at Fort Irwin

At this point we don't know how many of our scheduled Toy Drive events will actually take place. Please bring ideas on alternate ways to bring in toys and other items for the kids. Let's hear all of your ideas. What may seem crazy and far-fetched may end up being the best action to take. At this point in time we don't know the status of our annual Toy Drive Christmas Party so we cannot count on that being the main source of toys.

2021 "Mopars In May At CSDR" car show

Social distancing will almost assuredly continue to be a recommendation/requirement of the post-pandemic "new normal". CSDR is a component of the State Special Schools and Services Division of the California Department of Education. At this point we do not know what the 2020-2021 school year schedule will be or if the CSDR campus will be available for activities such as our annual car show. Please be ready to discuss alternate considerations and ideas at our June club meeting. It may seem like we have a lot of time for planning but, in reality, we do not as we traditionally have our formal "Save the Date" notices ready for distribution in early October. We need to have firm alternatives approved, in place and ready to go before then.

2021 Grand National Roadster Show

Event information for activities at the Fairplex is very fluid at this point. The upcoming Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show on June 7th has been cancelled as has the 2020 L.A. Roadster Show on Father's Day weekend, and the Los Angeles County Fair in September. The rodshows.com website currently shows the 2021 show dates of January 29-31. The deadline for vehicle entry registration is traditionally October 1st. At this point all we can do is to wait and see.

As of this writing, our June 7^{th} club meeting is planned for Cactus Cantina because of the reported postponement of the 10^{th} Annual Cruise for Kids Car Show at March Field Air Museum. We may still be holding our meeting in the parking lot. I will notify all club members by email as soon as we know for sure. I look forward to seeing all of you.

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Also, at our May club meeting Norma Johnston suggested the "Cruisin' Brea Classic Car Show" scheduled for Father's Day, June 21^{st} as a replacement club activity. Take a look at the show flyer at www.socalcarculture.com/Images/062120CruisinBrea.pdf. We will discuss further at our June 7^{th} club meeting.

Stay healthy and take care of yourselves. But more importantly, take care of each other.

As always, thank you to everyone for all you do to make Inland Mopars Car Club the very best it can be - the club's reputation is a direct reflection of the members //



Do you Remember?

- 1. Where have you seen this car before?
- 2. What was happening here?

- 3. What was the name of the business that produced these calendars?
- 4. Which Inland Mopars club president owned a 1969 Dart besides Ken?











Meeting Minutes-May

The May 3rd, 2020 meeting of Inland Mopars, held at Cactus Cantina in Riverside, was called to order at 11:59 AM by Sergeant-at-Arms, Mike Counts. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we ordered take out to support Cactus Cantina and met in the parking lot, practicing social distancing.

Members present; Tim & Diane Baer, Joe Bolin & Tish Anderson, Sil & Carol Brander, Lonnie & Robin Clabaugh, Mike Counts, Sam Frisby, Joey Garcia, Ken & Judy Hamer, B.J. Hayden, Bill Heckman, Norma Johnston, Mike Keller, and Bill & Debbie Whitson.

<u>Happy Belated Birthdays</u> to our club members with April birthdays: Tim Baer, Camille Counts, Cynthia Parris, Daemon Garcia, and Joey Garcia.

<u>Happy Birthday to our club members with May birthdays:</u> Pam Hubbard, Barbara Tafoya, Donna Hayden, and John Smithson.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> - Sam gave the treasurer's reports for March and April.

Club Social Media

- <u>Club Website</u> Joey Garcia shared that he posted our latest newsletter and a banner on the homepage directing viewers to Covid-19 breaking news. He will leave the info on for cancellation of this year's Mopars in May at CSDR until the 17th of May and then remove it.
- Facebook Mike Counts shared that we've had about 1700 views.
- <u>Instagram</u> Jason Gibbons provided an update to Ken since he was unable to attend our meeting today. We have about 800 followers including some from out of state and out of the country. One follower expressed an interest in joining Inland Mopars after the virus restrictions have ended.

Announcements

- A belated thank you and round of applause for Norma Johnston for another outstanding "Unholiday Party" back on March 7^{th} . A good time was had by all who attended. Event coverage in the April newsletter.
- Sam Frisby shared details about the new supplier club member tee shirt pricing.
- New club member prospecting:
 - Thanks to Tim Baer for finding West Side Garage, 424 W. Chapman Ave., Orange;
 - *Owned and operated by prior Inland Mopars member, Robert Gomez
 - *Hot Rod, Muscle car builds and restorations; works on all brands but partial to Mopars
 - *Has some very nice Mopar builds on display and being worked on
 - *Ken visited on May 1^{st} and talked about the club when Robert belonged and our current activities
 - *Robert and family are active in drag racing, shows, and community involvement
 - *Robert is interested in rejoining. Ken gave him a Membership Application; he asked for another for his daughter and several more for Mopar friends and acquaintances

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Announcements (cont)

- Unpaid 2020 Club Dues:
 - > For the past several years Ken has not notified club members of unpaid dues and they have eventually paid. He asked for input from members on how to handle the following:
 - *Four that he believes have simply forgotten and he expects them to pay (should we notify or simply wait?) consensus was to notify them
 - *Two that he considers "questionable" (should we notify or simply wait?) consensus was not to notify
 - *Four that he really wishes would return but most likely will not (should we discontinue sending club newsletters?) consensus was yes

Annual Club Activities - Status Reports

- 20th Annual "Mopars In May At CSDR" Car Show originally scheduled for May 17, 2020:
 - Currently, rescheduled date is May 16, 2021
 - Registrations received for this year's show have been returned including refunds to those who registered on-line
 - Lonnie has 13 cases of Monster, received as a donation. All were in agreement to donate them to March ARB due to shelf life
- 2020 Ft. Irwin Toy Drive:
 - "Cruise for Kids" The Dawgs Project March Field Air Museum, Riverside. (Postponed) This charity benefits children of military dog handlers who have been killed in action. The Dawgs Project (short for Feed the Dawgs Project) raises money for the type of recognition and appreciation barbeques servicemen and women and their families deserve.
 - > 15th Annual Rock 'n' Roll Cruise and Car Show, Torrance, hosted by South Bay Mopars, originally scheduled for August 10th on hold as Rock-Ola is currently on shut down.
 - Champion Cooling Systems 3rd Annual Car Show Elsinore First Assembly, Lake Elsinore rescheduled from March to October 24th
 - Mopars & Friends at Motech Performance, Murrieta tentatively scheduled for November 7th or 21st
 - Racer's Party at Glendora Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram tentatively scheduled for November 12th
 - Ramona Tire, Rancho Cucamonga November 14th
 - > Toy Drive Christmas Party Don & Ann Long's 'Party Garage', Corona December (tba)
- Grand National Roadster Show January 29-31, 2021 no COVID-19 updates on rodshows.com
 - NOT too early to start planning and working toward this event
 - > October 1, 2020 probably will be cutoff date for club display car entries
 - > Need to be planning and working toward completion of current car builds

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Annual Club Activities - Status Reports (cont)

- Annual "Unholiday" Party 2020
 - > Future discussion

Recent Club Business and Activities

Nothing new to report

New Club Business and Upcoming Events

Before going over some May through September events, Ken shared that he had received club member comments that, as a club, we need to be doing some more actual DRIVING of our Mopars. It has been suggested that we add more variety like club cruises and activities to our monthly events. Let's go see something, not just a car show every month.

- We would have more appeal to younger potential club members who would probably want to drive their (more than likely) modern Mopars
- Lonnie suggested Idyllwild; please let Ken know of any other ideas.

May

- 9th 26th Annual Car Show & Cruise, Euclid Ave, Ontario. Previously hosted by Inland Valley Street Rods who have retired from doing the show. Now hosted by Ontario-Montclair Rotary, Community Event. (canceled)
- 17th 20th Annual Mopars in May at CSDR Car Show, Riverside. (canceled)
- 23rd "A Flag for Every Hero", Riverside National Cemetery. (canceled)

June

- 7th "Cruise for Kids" at March Field Air Museum, Riverside. *Fort Irwin Toy Drive event* (postponed).
- 7th Monthly club meeting, Cactus Cantina (parking lot?), Riverside. The Dawgs Project, "Cruise for Kids" at March Field Air Museum has been postponed to a new date in either August or September.
- Suggestions for a June club event? Norma suggested the Cruisin' Brea car show on Father's Day, the 21st, in Brea near the downtown theaters, Birch & Brea Blvd, 10AM-4PM.

<u>July</u>

- 4th "Concert for Heroes", Riverside National Cemetery. (canceled)
- 5th Monthly club meeting, Cactus Cantina (parking lot?), Riverside.
- 18th All American Car Show XXII, Mira Costa College-San Elijo Campus, Encinitas, hosted by San Diego Mopars. *July club event* (canceled)
- Suggestions for a July club event?

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August

- 2nd Monthly club meeting, Cactus Cantina (parking lot?), Riverside.
- 7-9th 31st Annual Big Bear Fun Run, Big Bear Lake (canceled)
- TBA 16th Annual Rock 'N' Roll Cruise & Car Show, Torrance, hosted by South Bay Mopars *Fort Irwin Toy Drive event* *club event*
- 22nd Cool Cruise, La Verne (new date)
- 23rd Fallbrook Vintage Car Show, Fallbrook. On the grass at Potter Jr High School, 1743 Reche Rd, Fallbrook, CA 92028. (new date & location)
- 28-29th Temecula Rod Run, Downtown Temecula (new date)

September

- 5th 11th Cool Run in the Mountains Car & Motorcycle Show, Big Bear Lake.
- 6th Monthly club meeting, Cactus Cantina (parking lot?), Riverside.
- 12th 18th Corn Feed Run Car Show, Chino (new date)
- TBA Moparty Car Show, Lancaster, Antelope Valley Mopars *(club event)*
- 19th Menifee Motor Madness Car Show, Mt. San Jacinto College, Menifee Valley Campus
 supports Transportation Technology Program.
- 26th 21st Annual Cruisin' For A Cure Car Show, OC Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa (canceled until September 25, 2021)
- 26th 8th Annual Big Barn Car Show, Menifee, Motte Museum (new date)

<u>October</u>

- 2nd Patriots & Paws Car Show, Anaheim.
- 3rd Ontario Elks Car Show, Ontario.
- 3rd Monthly club meeting at the Ontario Elks Car Show.
- 24th Champion Cooling Systems 3rd Annual Car Show,. Lake Elsinore, (new date & location Elsinore First Assembly)

November

• 7th - Guns & Hoses Car Show, Ontario.

Round Table Discussion

Ken - the outside of his Dart is painted and it should be home in a few weeks

Tim - inching along on the Fury

Sil - has a new Ram truck, the Rambo is underway and the motor fits

Bill & Debbie Whitson - their home improvements are completed and the house is back together

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Round Table Discussion (cont)

Norma - last time Baby had her oil changed, they managed to strip her drain plug; luckily Norma found a Mopar fan at another shop who took good care of her

Joe Bolin - has been working on the '30 Plymouth

Mike Counts - the Road Runner is now on jacks to rebuild the motor

Joey Garcia - Daemon is completing his AA degree; Joey is looking for a painter for their car Bill Heckman - has been working on the Road Runner; did not predict a completion date Mike Keller - has replaced two tires on the Demon do to dry rot and a battery on the Ram truck from not being driven

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Diane Baer, Recording Secretary

Tools Explained (in no particular order) submitted by Pat from Old Farts

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, 'Oh shit!'

DROP SAW: A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER: An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

VISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting on fire various flammable objects in your shop. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race.

TABLE SAW: A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

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BAND SAW: A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening oldstyle paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms. (May lead you to drink the kind of drink made with orange juice.)

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent to the object we are trying to hit.

UTILITY KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. It is especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

ADJUSTABLE WRENCH: aka "Another hammer", aka "the Swedish Nut Lathe", aka "Crescent Wrench". Commonly used as a one size fits all wrench, usually results in rounding off nut heads before the use of pliers. It will randomly adjust size between bolts, resulting in busted buckles, curse words, and multiple threats to any inanimate objects within the immediate vicinity.

SON OF A BITCH! Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'SON OF A BITCH!' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

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Places to Go, Things to See

President Ken has asked for ideas for things to do besides sitting at car shows. Below are a few of my ideas that do involve cars. Most are probably closed right now due to COVID-19 but should be opening soon. Some you may be familiar with. Some you may have taken the long way around to get there, but that is all part of the driving experience. Check out their websites for more details.





Motte Historical Museum

28380 Highway 74

Menifee, CA 92585

Website: $\underline{\text{mottemuseum.com}}$

Email: info@mottemuseum.com

Phone: (951) 928-3210



Randy's Drag Racing Museum

27560 Lindell Road

Lake Elsinore, CA 92532

Website: randysdragracingmuseum.com

Email: <u>rjshaap@yahoo.com</u>

Phone: (951) 245-9355/ cell: (951) 265-2151



Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum

1101 W McKinley Ave, LA County Fairplex, Gate 1

Pomona, CA 91768

Website: nhramuseum.org Phone: (909) 622-2133





Automobile Driving Museum

610 Lairport St

El Segundo, CA 90245

Website: automobiledrivingmuseum.org

Phone: (310) 909-0950



Petersen Automotive Museum

6060 Wilshire Blvd

Los Angeles, CA 90245

Website: <u>petersen.org</u> Phone: (310) 930-2277

"Essential" Thank You Cruise

photos submitted by Tish Andersen, Judy Hamer & Norma Johnston

Bob Kallas from the Ontario Police Museum & Inland Mopars member, arranged for an Inland Empire Car Club "THANK YOU CRUISE BY" at a couple of the local hospitals, Kaiser in Ontario & San Antonio in Upland. Bob would need to get a permit from each city so this cruise by would be limited to 36 cars. Mike & Camille Counts, Tim & Diane Baer, Joe Bolin & Tish Andersen, Sam Frisby, BJ Hayden, Norma Johnston, Bill & Debbie Whitson, and Ken & Judy Hamer were in the eight vehicles representing Inland Mopars.

Meeting spot was at the parking lot of the Ontario police department so the drive to Kaiser would be short. The drive to San Antonio would be about another 7 miles. Comments from Inland Mopars members follow:

Ken Hamer: It went fairly well. The cruise at Kaiser went off pretty much on time, but there was about a 40-minute wait after we got to San Antonio before the cruise started.

Lots of appreciation from the medical staff at both facilities.

Channel 4 was at San Antonio but no info when/if any coverage will be shown on TV.

Everybody on our list was there. We didn't participate in the cruise at Kaiser so Judy could take pics of the cars on the drive to Kaiser and during the cruise.

Tim and Diane left before the cruise at San Antonio because Diane wasn't feeling 100% so we took their spot in line and Judy got some better pics of the medical staff from inside the truck as we cruised by.

While waiting for the cars to drive from the Ontario PD to stage on Philadelphia we stopped in front of a building on the south side of Philadelphia so Judy could shoot the cars going by. A couple came out of the building as the cruise started going by - 39 cars in groups of 9 max. getting through the light at the left turn lane on Archibald. After the cruise went by we explained what was happening. Turns out the guy was wearing a "Modern Mopar Muscle" shirt and is possibly interested in the club. I told them when/where we meet and suggested they check out the club website. Hope to see them at an upcoming meeting.

Just saw the cruise on Ch. 4 news! (after 4:30)

Norma's "Baby" and Mike Counts' Road Runner are seen on camera. Also on camera was up-close shot of Camille Counts riding with Mike.

Mopar Stars all!

Debbie Whitson: It was fun. Lot more healthcare workers came out at Kaiser. They all appreciated it. Channel 4 was at the other hospital, just not as many workers there. They all enjoyed it very much. Bill and I took up the rear of the caravan in the truck. Well worth the time we took to do this. Well it was good to see how much they appreciated us as we appreciated them.

Saw a little blurb on Channel 4 news at 4:30 about the cruise in. Norma and Mike Counts cars were shown along with a couple other hot rods. Talked to the Ontario Police Rich and then showed the cars. It was a pretty cool to be a part of it.

Mike Counts: It went very well. It seemed very appreciated at both hospitals. NBC news was at San Antonio hospital so be on the watch for it.

Tish Andersen: Did anyone capture it on video or do you think it will air again? Really enjoyed it!

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Ontario PD Parking Lot







Left: Inland Mopar members from the unmasked Sam Frisby on the left, Mike Counts, Tim Baer, Bill Whitson, Joe Bolin, BJ Hayden.





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San Antonio Community Hospital























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Watch for a future "Essential" Thank You Cruise By

Club Cars Wanted

Last month we had a little bit of info on Ed & Linda Sobiecki's 1970 340 Dodge Challenger. Since then Ed has provided a "little" more history;

Back in November, 1970, I had just completed my active duty portion of 4-1/2 months in the army. Then it was back home to regular life and National Guard meetings. I had a job teaching and wanted to buy my first new car. I ordered a 1971 Dodge Challenger hardtop with the 340 4-bbl package, with a 4-speed and factory air conditioning. I wanted a 1970 model, but the model changeover had already taken place, so I ordered a '71. It was a root beer metallic color (dark gold metallic) with a black interior. Drove the hell out of it for five years, then sold it during the Arab oil embargo in 1977 and replaced it with my girlfriend's 1970 VW Beetle.

Fast forward to now. It is a 1970 Dodge Challenger Coupe with TX9 black paint and black interior. It is equipped with the 340 4-barrel engine, 4-speed manual w/pistol grip shifter, and heavy-duty suspension. The car also has factory A/C and AM/FM stereo radio options. Also rallye dash, manual 6-way adjustable driver's seat, rear bumblebee stripe, and remote adjust outside mirror. The car is a non-console car. The car is not an R/T because Dodge, unlike Plymouth, did not include the 340 engine package in the engines available as an R/T. Yet, when you ordered that engine, it came with all the other things that an R/T would include (heavy-duty suspension, heavy-duty brakes, performance hood, 15" rallye wheels, four chromed exhaust tips), just no R/T badging. Plymouth, on the Barracuda did include the 340 engine as an option in the 'Cuda series similar to Dodge's R/T. Go figure. This sometimes causes confusion for fans, and I have seen many 340 Challengers (1970 & 1971) classified as R/T's (especially at car shows) when, in fact, they are not.









Our car also has front disc brakes and Flowmaster exhaust mufflers, which the guy who restored the car added during the restoration. Some background on that. The car was originally a Texas car, but within a few years made its way to California. It went through a couple of subsequent owners before it came into the hands of the fellow, Dean Mendel, who did the

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restoration. This was around 1990. Right after purchasing the car Dean moved his family up to Alaska, taking the car with him. He spent the next two years restoring the car in a small warehouse on his property. He had previously restored motorcycles, but never attempted painting or restoring a car. As the drivetrain and interior of the car were in excellent shape, little needed to be done, except disassembly, cleaning, and replacement of any worn parts. Dean spent the bulk of restoration time on the paintwork. By his telling, he is not sure just how many coats and clearcoats of paint he applied over the two years. He says at least 12 coats of paint. The winters in Alaska leave little for one to do (as there is no daylight for close to three months), and in those days they didn't have cable up that way, and only VHS for movies. Needless to say, he had a lot of time to paint, sand, buff, and repeat. Considering the time of the painting, and the condition of the paint today, 26 years later, I think his efforts were worth the result.

In 1993 Dean had had enough of Alaska and he moved his family and the Challenger back to California. He settled in Modesto and soon put the Challenger up for sale. I believe he sold the car for around \$7500 to a guy named Bill Fowler. Bill owned a t-shirt company that did silkscreen shirts with car and hot rod motifs on them. He bought the Challenger with the intent of flipping the car so he could get more money to finance his 1969 Chevy Camaro build. Linda and I first saw the car at the Pomona Swap Meet in late 1993, when it was parked behind his t-shirt display booth with a for sale sign on it. Bill wasn't around when I asked about the car, so I left a business card with his assistant, and we went home. The next day I heard from Bill and we talked price. He wanted \$16,000 for the car. I said it was a fair price, but more than I wanted to spend on a "toy" at this time. I told him I was sure he'd find a buyer soon and wished him well. Several weeks later Bill called me again. He said the only firm price he could get for the car was \$13,000 from some Japanese gentlemen, and they wanted to take the car back to Japan. Bill said he would rather sell the car to me for that price, if only to keep the car in this country. This was a nice line of bullshit, but I really liked the car, and the price was more than fair at the time...so I bought it. And it's been with us since.

Since the purchase of the car we have added an Edelbrock Performer RPM top end kit, which includes aluminum heads, hydraulic flat tappet cam, lifters, & valve train, Air-Gap intake manifold, and Holley 750 double-pumper carburetor. Things I'm planning down the line include a Tremec 5-speed with upgraded clutch, if necessary, and a Sure-Grip rear differential (strange that the car didn't come with that, but that's optioning). Other options I may consider include carburetion changes. I have a Carter Thermoquad 800 cfm, for which I would want to get an aluminum high-rise manifold, and I have an Edelbrock six-pack manifold, for which I would want to get a Holley tri-carb setup. Not really sure about making these changes, but I'm halfway there either way if I do. A final interesting footnote, several years ago when the Challenger was one of the cars Inland Mopars entered at the GNRS show, I found a business card on the floor of the back seat after I had brought the car back home. It was from Bill Fowler, the guy who sold me the car. He has a car parts business up in Cudahy, CA. I called him and we chatted. He wondered if I ever might want to sell the car, realizing I might want a bit more than what I paid him. I said sorry, not at any price. This one's a keeper.

Club Cars Wanted (cont)

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Photo taken May 2019 at CSDR, from the left; new Jeep, Tim & Diane Baer; 1972 Plymouth Road Runner, Mike Counts; 1974 Plymouth Duster, Joey & Daemon Garcia; 2014 Dodge Challenger Shaker, former members Steve & Beth Backer; 2012 RAM, Paul & Kelly Roddy; 1969 Plymouth GTX & 1970 Plymouth Barracuda, Robin & Lonnie Clabaugh

Mike Keller, 1971 SL6 Dodge Demon bought in 1988 as a driver so the "good" car would be not used as the daily commute vehicle due to stupid drivers. As it looked in 1995 with only addition having been electronic ignition & rallye wheels, peeling paint.





Left; March 2010 at MATS still with SL6 1BBL running 19-20 second $\frac{1}{4}$ mile. Body work & paint by owner at Chaffey College.

Right; Oct 2017 for Mopars at Extreme Automotive shirt.





1977 Dodge Aspen wagon, 318, auto, was a 360 swap project that was never completed when traded for parts.

Just 1 of several that have come & gone.



1971 340 Plymouth Duster, auto, numbers matching, body work finished & ready for paint when sold.

June Club Meeting Update provided by Ken Hamer as of May 27

- * Inland Mopars Car Club monthly meeting for June is scheduled for 11:00AM in the parking lot of Cactus Cantina. We will maintain "social distancing" in order to obey all of the current guidelines and remain healthy. We may just have to talk a little louder.
- * I talked to Gloria (Cactus Cantina owner) last month and she is extremely happy we are thinking of and wanting to help support their business. Unfortunately, we will not be able to set up shade structures on the lawn area adjacent to the restaurant. Gloria doesn't have any objection but she's concerned about setting a precedent for other groups possibly wanting to do the same in the future fully understandable.
- * WE WILL BE ABLE TO SET UP SHADE IN THE PARKING LOT AWAY FROM THE RESTAURANT. I'm thinking probably the western end of the parking lot by the Galaxy theatres because they are closed now anyway. So please bring an ez-up for shade and chairs for comfort. We will set up as many as necessary. Gloria volunteered to contact mall security on Saturday evening and let them know we will be coming on Sunday and to not hassle us about the shade.
- * The restrooms in Cactus Cantina will be accessible should anyone need them.
- * Gloria also volunteered that anyone ordering a soft drink or iced tea should feel free to come in and ask for a free refill. Anything else you may want to drink is up to you to bring.
- * Cactus Cantina is unable to take online/telephone pre-orders earlier than 10:30AM on Sunday. After 10:30 you can place an order online, telephone your order to the restaurant, walk-in and order, or order at curbside if you may be uncomfortable walking into the restaurant.

Unanswered Questions

I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.

How important does a person have to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered??

What disease did cured ham actually have?

How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?

Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

Why is "bra" singular and "panties" plural?

If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?

Why did you just try singing the two songs above?

Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?

HOW DID THE MAN WHO MADE THE FIRST CLOCK KNOW WHAT TIME IT WAS?

Ft. Irwin Toy Drive 2020

The toy drive for Ft. Irwin officially kicked off at the NHRA Mopar Racer's Autograph Session at Glendora Dodge in February. We were scheduled to be at the Champion Cooling Systems Car Show in March but due to COVID-19, this has been postponed. Mopars in May, where we usually have a toy collection, has been cancelled for this year and the Cruise for Kids at the March Field Air Museum in June is postponed. That brings us to August & South Bay Mopars, but their website still does not have a date of location.

I still have not been able to meet with the Longs or get a date set for the Toy Drive party.

2020 Toy drive schedule so far:



March 28 - Champion Cooling Systems (postponed)
May 19 - Mopars in May at CSDR, Inland Mopars (cancelled)
June 7 - Cruise for Kids, March Field Air Museum (postponed)
August tbd - Rock 'N Roll Cruise & Car Show, South Bay Mopars
October 24 - Champion Cooling Systems, Lake Elsinore (new date)
November tbd - Mopars at MoTech Performance, Inland Mopars
November 12 - Glendora Dodge, World Finals Racer's Party
November 14 - Ramona Tire, Rancho Cucamonga

February - Glendora Dodge Racer's Autograph Session













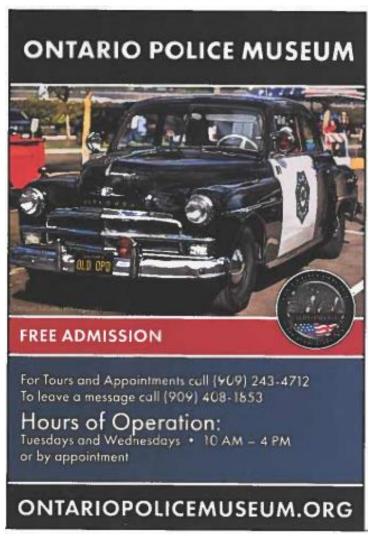








Misc



Do you Remember? Answers

- 1. Where have you seen this car before?
- 2. What was happening here?
- 3. What was the name of the business that produced these calendars?
- Which Inland Mopars club president owned a 1969 Dart besides Ken?

Best of Show winner at 2010 Inland Mopars Summer Kickoff at Enderle Center in Tustin & Mopar Muscle magazine.

2012, Phil & Jill Painter presented with this MATS quilt put together by Judy Hamer.

Pentastar Promotions before getting a cease & desist letter from Mopar.

Ed Brown.



Upcoming Events (Mopar & non-Mopar)

Check www.socalcarculture.com for latest updates & additional events

June Events

- 7: Cruise for Kids, Riverside postponed
- 7: Inland Mopars Club Meeting, Cactus Cantina parking lot
- 13: Alta Laguna Mobile Estates Car Show, Rancho Cucamonga, canx
- 13: Fountain Valley Classic Car Show, rescheduled to Aug 29 19-20: LA Roadster Show, canx 20: Legends Burgers Car Show, Rancho Cucamonga, canx

21: Cruisin' Brea Car Show 27: Tenth Annual Cucamonga Classic Car Show, Sycamore Inn, canx

27: 2nd Annual American Legion Car & Bike Show, Castaic Lake RV Park 27-28: NHRA Summit ET Series, Fontana (?)



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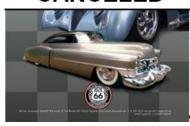
















Upcoming Events (Mopar & non-Mopar) (cont)

June Events (cont) July Events



- 4: Haven City Market Car Show/Cruise first Saturday (?)
- 5: Inland Mopars Club Meeting, location Cactus Cantina
- 11: Mooneyes Spring Get Together Show & Drags, Fontana, canx
- 11: Honoring Our Fallen, Cypress
- 18: All American Car Show XXII, Mopar Club of San Diego, canx
- 18: 18th Annual Cruise for Sight Car Show, Redlands
- 25: Cruise for Paws Car Show, Hesperia



CANCELED









August Events

- 1: Haven City Market Car Show/Cruise first Saturday (?)
- 2: Inland Mopars Club Meeting, location Cactus Cantina
- 15: 26th Wrightwood Mountain Classic Car Show
- 22: Cool Cruise Car Show, rescheduled from April
- 23: Fallbrook Vintage Car Show, Fallbrook
- 29: Fountain Valley Classic Car Show, Fountain Valley, rescheduled from June



26th Annual Wrightwood Mountain Classic Car Show

> Saturday August 15, 2020



Upcoming Events (Mopar & non-Mopar) (cont)

August Events (cont)

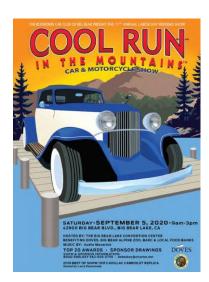






September Events

- 5: Haven City Market Car Show/Cruise first Saturday (?)
- 5: Cool Run in the Mountains Car & Motorcycle Show, Big Bear Lake
- 6: Inland Mopars Club Meeting, location Cactus Cantina
- 12: Corn Feed Run, rescheduled from April
- 19: MSJC Menifee Motor Madness, Menifee
- 26: Motte Museum 8th Annual Big Barn Car Show, rescheduled from April
- 26: Cruisin for a Cure, canx













Club Member Recommended Businesses

MoparLeo's Parts



11308 Evans Court Moreno Valley, Ca. 92555-5249 moparleo@hotmail.com Leo Tafoya
Cell (951) 413-4775
USA MOPAR DOOR HINGE
REMANUFACTURING SERVICE
1967-1976 A-BODY
1962-1978 B-BODY
1970-1974 E-BODY

Why buy Taiwan made reproductions when you can get the highest quality remanufactured door hinges, using only original, Mopar made hinge cores.

I <u>Remanufacture</u> a complete line of Mopar application only door hinges using only new, high quality US made components. No import parts ever.

Over 25 years experience remanufacturing Mopar only door hinges.

I remanufacture the following hinge applications: 1967-1976 A-body, 1962-1965 B-body, 1967-1970 B-body, 1971-1978 B-body, 1970-1974 E-body. Most are in stock, primed, ready to paint and install. Or I can refurbish your old hinges with quick turn-over time.

Normally available for exchange or out right with a refundable core charge (\$60.00 if/when available). Refurbish process:

- * Disassemble and inspect for damage or excessive wear or rust pitting. Must meet my quality standards (undamaged, unaltered, rebuildable). If they pass inspection: then I remove door check pins (these are pressed in and must be cut out). Remove pins and bushings in upper hinges.
- * Square up hinge bodies. Bore & ream to fit oversized pivot pins in lower hinges. NO BUSHINGS.
- * Install new roller pins by MIG welding with new wave springs and refurbished rollers
- * Tighten upper hinges.
- * Prime hinges with Automotive grade primer. Compatible with enamel or lacquer.
- * Install new Oil-lite bronze bushings and new pins in upper hinges.
- * Lube all pins and other moving parts with a Teflon lube
- * Install pins and "S" lower pivot springs
- * Chase all threads with proper sized thread chaser die
- * Mark hinge install location on hinge bottoms
- * Package in moisture proof, sealed heavy thickness transparent packaging
- * Box up , enclose packing slip, install and adjust instructions from service manual
- * Ship out by US Priority Mail

Mention you are a member of Inland Mopars Car Club, FABO, FBBO, or FEBO and receive a 10% discount from revised 2020 retail prices (effective June 1, 2020):

A-body 67-76 Retail \$210.00
B-body 62-65 Retail \$210.00
B-body 67-70 Retail \$210.00
B-body 71-78 Retail \$260.00
E-body 70-74 Retail \$210.00
Member price \$190.00
Member price \$230.00
Member price \$190.00

All prices are exchange plus refundable core charge plus and Priority Mail shipping. PAY-PAL, Postal Money Orders accepted.

Also New factory key blanks and door springs are available.

Thank you for all of your prior and future business: REMEMBER-MOPAR OR NO CAR.

Club Member Recommended Businesses (cont)



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Ft. Irwin Toy Drive location & good guys



Recommended by Ken Hamer



Mention Inland Mopars & get a 10% discount on parts



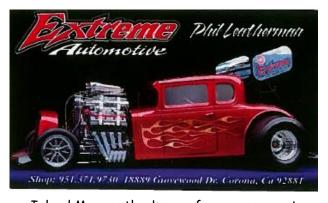
They do very nice work



Recommended by Ken Hamer



Recommended by Bill Heckman



Inland Mopars thanks you for your support



Club Member Recommended Businesses (cont)





Nuts & Bolts-

Ads will run until I hear they are no longer needed.

Please contact me with any changes, additions or deletions. Phone & e-mail are on Page 1.

Wanted

 Need a driver's side air vent assembly for an A-body Duster/Demon. Preferably with a working vent door.

Contact Mike: cell: 951-212-0817 or e-mail limedust70@gmail.com

 Looking for a '69 Dodge Charger, motor not important. Sergeant Major at Ft. Irwin looking to replace his car.

Contact Mary Leatherman: e-mail leatherman.mary48@gmail.com

• Looking for a '69 GTX convertible lense for the dash. No more info than that.

Contact Smilin' Ed: cell: 702-807-1408 or e-mail moparsoflasvegas@cox.net

For Sale - California

 Chrysler 440 engine engine, rebuilt with best of everything, balanced to one gram, \$3000

Contact Sherm Taylor 909-758-6933 or e- mail Sherm.Taylor@chaffey.edu



- 1965 Barracuda big back window, the speedometer cluster as well as the chrome pieces along with a few other Barracuda pieces.
- 1950 5 window Dodge pickup. It is completely there but needs to be put back together.
- 1956 Dodge pickup. Complete, was running when we parked it but needed a fuel pump.

Moving out of state so for any of the items above call Marie Hubert at 909-709-5010 or e-mail: grandmamarie5@gmail.com

For Sale - California

1950 Plymouth with blown HEMI. I brought the complete car with motor, transmission
and rear end, wheels and tires, from Fresno. I have it all at my shop in Rancho
Cucamonga still on the trailer. We have some interest and now the car is local and can be
seen easily. Please let our Mopar friends know of this unusual and monster engine.

Call Rich at 909-921-6313 or e- mail richmehas@gmail.com











For Sale - California

For any of the items below call Bill Heckman at 909-593-4431 (leave name & phone number if no answer, he will return calls, no e-mail). No shipping, must pick up.

Engine Bay

- The following parts have only 10-15 passes in a Plymouth Arrow which ran in the 9's (mid 1990's era). Car flipped at Vegas & was not repaired. If interested in a package I will sell all for \$1100.00:
 - > 1970 A12 (Six Pack) 440 engine rotating assembly. Crank has been balanced with Mallory metal, is now .010/.010 with radiused journals and chamfered oil holes, mags ok. A12 rods have been resized, polished, shot peened, & have ARP bolts. Rods have 13.1 forged .030 pistons. \$500.00
 - > 1970 A12 (Six Pack) 440 engine Cam Dynamics adv. 310 deg/310 deg cam and lifters (lifters are in order) with Cloyes timing set that is degreed to above cam. \$150.00
 - Pair of "906" heads that are ported & polished to match above cam, with springs, retainers, etc. \$350.00
 - \triangleright Oil pan (approx. 8 qt) & $\frac{1}{2}$ inch pickup from above motor. \$25.00
 - > Tunnel ram manifold that ws on above motor (no carbs). \$350.00
- 400 B-block, cast steel crank, std/std, magnafluxed ok. \$20.00
- Multiple original 1961-? used starters, as is. \$15.00 each
- New B/RB/Hemi Milodon #30930 7-qt oil pan with #18325 pickup. \$200.00
- New in box B/RB/Hemi Milodon #31581 7-qt road race oil pan with external pickup.
 \$450.00

Trans related

- Chrysler A-833 18-spline 4-speed, input shaft has been modified for use behind Chevrolet engine. \$750.00
- E-body A-833 23-spline 4-speed with rear shifter mount. \$400.00
- Three A-833 23-spline 4-speed, misc applications. \$400.00 each
- 1966 Dodge 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton truck 5-speed, includes rebuilt 13 inch clutch, new clutch disc, resurfaced flywheel, & big-block bellhousing. \$100.00
- Dodge truck 172 tooth, 6-bolt flywheel for 11 inch clutch (used with direct drive starter), used. \$10.00
- McLeod 143 tooth steel "Zero Balance" flywheel for 6-bolt crank. \$300.00
- New in box McLeod 143 tooth steel "Zero Balance" flywheel for 8-bolt crank. \$300.00

For Sale - California

Trans related (cont)

- New in box McLeod 12 inch, 18-spline clutch disc. \$75.00
- New in box Turbo Action #17156 reverse pattern stick valve body for 1966-77 Torque-Flite. \$300.00

Suspension related

- One pair 1966-69 B-body QA-1 tubular lower control arms (only used for mock-up, never driven). \$200.00
- New 1970-74 B-body QA-1 front sway bar with hardware. \$200.00
- New, one set 1960-76 A, B, E-body adjustable strut rods with poly bushings, etc (only used for mock-up, never driven). \$200.00
- New in box Wilwood #140-7144 Dynalite rear disc brake kit for 8.75/Dana 60. \$600.00

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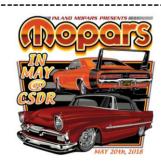
- Almost new 1969 Plymouth B-body gas tank with new sending unit & pickup. \$100.00
- 2018 Mopars in May shirts.

Sizes; L white (4 available) \$5 ea

M grey (1) \$5

XL grey (1) \$5

Call or text Mike 951 212-0817 or e-mail
limedust70@qmail.com



2016 Mopars in May shirts.

Sizes; S white (1) \$5 L white (3) \$5 ea XXL white (2) \$5 ea

Call or text Mike 951 212-0817 or e-mail limedust70@gmail.com



May 15th • 2016

- Set of 2 M/T ET Street radials with tubes, 270/60R15, 28 inches tall X 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, mounted on chrome 8 inch wide Mopar wheels, \$150.
- Set of 2 M/T ET Street slicks with tubes, 26 X 11.6 15LT, mounted on chrome 8 inch wide Mopar wheels, \$100.

Call Sil at 951 716-8049 & leave a message

For Sale - California

- 2 15×10, 5 on 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ET mags. \$25 ea.
- 2 15x10, 5 on 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cragar look-alike 5 spoke mags. \$25 ea.

Contact Ken 909-336-9974 or strathman@charter.net





 1996 Dodge Ram Dually Club Cab, Cummins turbo diesel, automatic transmission, New paint and chrome, nice interior, good tires, trailer brake-setup for towing, tonneau cover on bed, 100 gal aluminum fuel tank with pump and tool box in bed, looks good-runs good, ready for travel. \$6950.00

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