



UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 20 Cowtown Cars and Coffee, 8am-11am,
Crystal lot front of Speedway Club,
Texas Motor Speedway, N. IH 35W

(check Facebook as will cancel if races same weekend)

Aug 20 Christian Classic Cruisers, 6pm-9:30pm,
Birdville Athletic Complex, North Richland Hills

Aug 21 Cowtown Mopar Monthly Meeting, 5pm,
Spring Creek BBQ, Bedford

Aug 27 Saturday Breakfast Club, 9am, Rudys BBQ,
northside service road IH 20 between Collins
and Matlock, Arlington

Sep 3 32nd Annual Southwest Mopar Mini Nats, Dallas
Mopar Club, 9a-5p, Central Park, Garland

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Cowtown Cars and Coffee, every third Saturday, 8 am to 11am, Crystal lot front of the Speedway Club, Texas Motor Speedway, N. IH 35W. FREE.

Always check before attending as it will cancel if races same weekend.

www.cowtowncarsandcoffee.com

Christian Classic Cruisers, every 3rd Saturday, 6pm-9:30pm, March through October, Birdville ISD Athletic Complex, 9100 Mid Cities Blvd, North Richland Hills. \$15 entry fee, spectators free. www.christianclassiccruisers.com

FROM THE WEST WING

Well it's that time of year again, you know the time of year when you have a ton of stuff to do and it's 100 degrees outside making it almost impossible to get anything done in a timely manner. I say this because after not wanting to work on the Dart for almost 6 months Sarah has finally decided "Hey can we work on the car this weekend?" So for the last 2 weeks it has been work on the car for 30 minutes and rest for an hour. I really feel like we are almost there but we are at that point to where everything you do effects something else in a minor way and then you get sidetracked for an hour trying to fix it. The latest problem is the head-light switch appears to have gone bad so now I get the pleasure of searching everywhere for a replacement. Any ideas? Hopefully we'll have her finished up in the next couple of weeks just in time for school to start. I know she's pretty excited but I'm not sure she's as excited as I am about her finally regaining an interest.

On another note can someone please remind me why I went nuts and bought a Ford? This weekend it officially blew up. I took it to the Ford house on Monday and it was the last 5 miles it could take, blew the head gasket about a mile from the dealer ship and literally coasted into the parking lot. Then to top it off when I asked how long they thought it might be there they said at least a couple of weeks and gave me a rental car on them for the next 20 days. Pretty sure the list of repairs are going to include head gaskets, turbo (since that was the actual reason I was taking it to the dealership in the first place), oil cooler, and maybe an EGR cooler but we'll see. Regardless, I'm really glad I bought that warranty now.

Anyways it's late and I have a long day of working and then driving back to Dallas so hope to see you all soon and happy Moparing.

Mike

BY THE MINUTES Rich Lemmon



Cowtown Mopars Meeting

July 17, 2016

Start 1700

1. Mike starts with a rehash of the car show.
2. Mark Buchanan gives a race team up date.
3. New Race shirts are in, see Mark Buchanan.
4. Still looking for a dealership sponsor.
5. Please be generous with the race food kitty to help offset costs.
6. Jo Ann says we now have 151 members.
7. Ron talks about up coming car shows.
8. 50/50 pot won by Doug Dutton \$33.
9. Left over show shirts for sale \$10.

End 1730

From The Veep's Desk

Well folks, back again with more rambling. Just read an article about Honda coming up with a new magnet for use in hybrid electric vehicles. The automaker has freed its hybrids of the need for heavy rare earth elements. Working with Daido Steel, the automaker has developed the first magnet suitable for automotive drive applications that doesn't require materials like dysprosium or terbium to improve its heat resistance. Instead, the neodymium-iron magnets are manufactured using a new hot deformation method to create a fine crystal grain structure that can handle high temperatures without the additives. Honda designed an all-new motor to accommodate them. The sourcing of heavy rare earth elements has been an issue for the automotive and electronics industries in recent years as China has a near monopoly on their production and has often been accused of restricting their supply for economic and political ends. Neodymium is classified as a light rare earth, but is more widely available. Honda will introduce the new motor this year in a hybrid version of an Asian-market minivan called, somewhat appropriately, the "Freed" and plans to quickly expand its use to other hybrid models. However, the technology is not yet ready to withstand the higher temperatures generated when used in a pure-electric car.

On a lighter note, FCA is offering 1500 bucks to anyone that can find a flaw in their car software so as to try to keep the cars safer. Wonder how much it is going to cost them?

Anyone aware the Saleen company so far has only estimated the top speed for their Saleen 7? The original, 2000-2002, was supposed to reach 202 mph, with a 555 hp naturally aspirated Ford engine. In 2005 they added twin turbos to the same engine giving it over 800 hp, but have never done top speed testing. An owner tried his na Saleen 7 and went 240 mph, but ran out of road, not engine. Saleen says the turbo'd one should do 248 mph. Think maybe it will do more than that? I think so. Just think, the original Saleen 7 would have been the fastest road car back then as the Veyron hadn't come out yet. Kudos to the Saleen peeps.

Read an article that says FCA is going to revive the Jeep Grand Wagoneer model in 2019 in a bid to destabilize the luxury offroading market, i.e., the Land Rover. Jeep brand manager Mike Manley says "upscale vehicles that will push the premium boundaries of the brand." They will be built at the Detroit Warren Truck assembly plant whereas the new Jeep trucks will be built at the Sterling Heights plant. No info on trim levels or powerplants available yet.

Well, enough rambling for now, see ya'll around!

Phil

We continue to send our prayers and good wishes to Morris Counts. Still recovering from a stroke and a fall, he is getting better. Please send a get well card and consider a visit.

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“In The Works”

Chris Sharp, Activity Director

Calling all club members. Time to revive the monthly Saturday breakfast club. Starting August 27th, we will meet at Rudys in Arlington at 9am for breakfast and get together. Bring your Mopar and appetite and let's have some fun!!

Weekend of October 8th or 15th we are looking to take an overnight cruise down to Brookshire, Texas to a place called Hemi Hideout. An amazing place filled with Mopar cars and memorabilia. We will leave on Friday afternoon or evening to cruise down to Brookshire and spend the night. Then have all day Saturday at Hemi Hideout then cruise back. All the details still being put in place. If anyone has ideas of other places to stop as a club, please let me know.

Hope to see lots of Cowtown Mopars at the Gas Monkey show in August!!

Thank you.
Chris



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JoAnn Deering, Membership Director

Renew for 2016

2016 is half over. If you have not renewed for 2016, shame, shame, oh the shame of it all. You can stop this shame, the sleepless nights, the guilty conscious by taking a moment right now to renew your club membership. Thanks.

Join or Renew by mail or at one of our events

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The Go Fast(er) Department

Mark Buchanan - Race Team Coordinator

HEY FOURTEEN TIME TMCCC CHAMPIONS!!!!

I try to have a positive outlook, so I choose to believe we will be 15 time champs, but we are going to have our work cut out for us. It's very important we have a good showing when we go to Wichita Falls. First time at a track we haven't had a race at before. Sounds cool!!!!

The only other thing I would like to bring up is we still don't have a club sponsor for 2016. Please keep this in mind as you make your donations for the food provided at the races. THANKS!!!

Stay tuned

Mark

2016 Race Schedule:

March	6	Denton
April	3	Ennis
April	10	Denton
May	1	Denton
June	5	Ennis
Sept	11	Wichita Falls
Sept	18	Ennis
Oct	2	Denton
Oct	9	Kennedale
Oct	30	Ennis
TBA		banquet

Denton opens 9 AM
All others open 8 AM



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Off The Wing by Barry Hansen



The engine (360) is rebuilt and back in the Charger. Couple of issues like a carb rebuild and the correct pushrods to resolve before it is solid again. It has been a long time since I rebuilt an engine. Forgot how long it takes, how much work, how many details. But oh the satisfaction. Also I have this affliction where I can't install a part without first modifying it somehow. I know some of you suffer from this as well. For example while installing the timing chain cover I noticed casting lines in the water passages. I figured I could get more flow out of it if I opened and blended the passages so an hour later with my Mototool and die grinder and a handful of aluminum shavings I had a smooth bore timing cover.

Jay Leno's Garage just concluded the second season with six episodes. Again some great segments such as cruising with Dan Aykroyd in a clone "bluesmobile" Dodge. Challenged Tim Allen to a rematch race with his restored '66 Hemi Coronet with dog dish hubcaps (Jay said on several occasions that with all the cars he owns this is one of his favorite cars to drive). He rides with 82 year old Bob Riggie as Bob rolls the Hurst Hemi Under Glass Cuda after a wheels up run. Captured on tape inside and out by several cameras. Bob said in all his years that was only the second time he wrecked it. Three weeks later it was wheelstanding again. Catch it on YouTube if you missed it.

Can't fool mom dept...I was thinking about my mom the other day (gone several years now) and how I tried to pull one over on her. I had just put a new cam in my first car, a '64 Dart GT, 273, 4 speed. She was riding with me and I was speeding. "Slow down" she says, "you're going way over the speed limit". "Got to go faster now mom. New cam. Got to keep it cleaned out". "You got a 4 speed, just drop it down a gear". Busted.

NHRA results...K&N Nats, Chicago, IL, All Dodge final in F/C, Fast Jack Beckman over Ron Capps. Mile High Nats, Denver, CO, Tony Schumacher winner T/F, finally a Dodge, Allen Johnson, winner in Pro Stock.

Pikes Peak Hillclimb, June 26, Colorado Springs, CO. Dodge Viper ACR (Hot Rod Magazine cars) came in 2nd and 3rd in Time Attack 2 Production Class (1st was an AWD Acura NSX) and a 1971 Cuda came in first in Vintage Class.

What do you call a group of Dodges? A "Rumble of Dodges". Courtesy of the latest clever "Dodge Bros" TV commercial where they show up in a pair of ACR Vipers leading SRTs, Hellcats and Scat Paks.

Show Off Your Mopar

Monthly:

Every Fri. 5p-9p, Truck Cruise-In, Home Depot, IH 20 and Cooper St, Arlington. Free.

Every Fri. 6p-10p, Cruise-In, Albertsons, Hwy 287 and Sublett Rd, Arlington. Free.

Aug shows:

Aug 14 Dallas Mopar Club monthly meeting, 2 pm, Spring Creek BBQ, 12835 Preston Rd, Dallas

Aug 20 We Are Mopar Car Show, Gas Monkee Live and DFW/LX Club, 10a-3p. 10110 Technology Blvd, Dallas. Top 50, 10 BOS. Pre entry \$25, same day entry \$45.

Sep 3 32nd Annual Southwest Mopar Mini Nats, Dallas Mopar Club, 9a-5p, Central Park, 1310 West Ave F, Garland. \$20 fee.

Upcoming:

Oct 8 2ND ANNUAL MOPAR FAMILY GATHERING, THOMPSON PARK, AMARILLO, TX

Mopar Shakers Of The Plains want to welcome every Mopar to a great show and cruise this year, October 8, 2016, in Amarillo, Texas at Thompson Park in north Amarillo. No awards, just a great time and wonderful cruise! Cruise this year will be about 2 hours plus. We will see more wonderful sites like last year but better. We will tour the Texas Caprock area. Stay tuned for updates! We will do lunch again for all attending.

Kenny Flanagan
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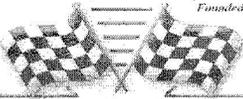


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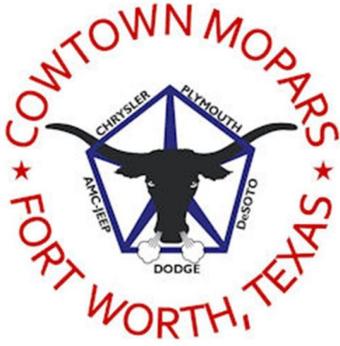
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