

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 2 Cowtown Mopar Christmas Party, gift exchange and Dec club meeting, 7p-9p, Mercado Juarez, Matlock and IH 20, S Arlington Dec 25 Merry Christmas, Peace on Earth

Jan 1 Happy New Year

No regular club meeting Dec No Saturday breakfast Dec



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THE STARTING LINE

Official Monthly Publication of Cowtown Mopars

2017-2018 BOARD MEMBERS

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Appointed Positions

Race Team - Bobby Avis / Don Deering Website - Kirk Maisenbacher Show Team - Ron Carroll / Morris Counts



Ewing CJDRF is now Classic CDJRF and remains our club sponsor. Dan Dunfree, Service Manager, is still our contact at Classic CDJRF. For all your Mopar needs, Service, Parts, New Car Sales or Used Car Sales, Dan will introduce you to the people that can help.

FROM THE WEST WING

HO, HO, HO....EVERYONE!!!! I'M WITH SANTA AND RUDOLPH. IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR!!!! ITS MY FAVORITE TIME!!!!! YAY MY FIRST CHRISTMAS WITH Y'ALL!!!!!

MERRY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!!!! YAY IT'S MY FIRST CHRISTMAS AS PRESIDENT AND WHAT AN AWESOME AND AMAZING YEAR IT'S BEEN...WELL OK SINCE APRIL 1ST, BUT STILL I HAVE LOVED EVERY MINUTE OF IT!!!!

I love how OUR club has grown so much this year and how much closer we all are getting!!!! I am sooo very thankful for ALL OF YOU and YAY on 128 club members...GREAT AND AWESOME JOB TO EVERYBODY!!!

It was soooo much fun at the Toy Drive even though it was windy. That didn't stop our 41 registered cars for the car show and over \$600 in donations on that day alone!!!! We also had the cutest kids that came out and thank you very much to Don Dearing for being Santa Claus walking around and having the best time!

Also thanks to Classic CDJRF, which is now our official sponsor, allowing us to have a 2018 Dodge Ram Rebel and a 2018 Dodge Challenger to show off at the show! We filled the Rebel with tons of toys!

Dan Durfee who has helped us a lot and is now part of the Classic CDJRF sponsorship was very impressed with our toy drive and show and is excited for 2018 with us!

Congratulations club members we have arrived. I can't wait to see what 2018 unveils for us which will be the greatest of things!

I also can't thank you enough for the support you have given me as president. I am SOOOO proud and honored to be a part of this amazing club that has amazing hearts and has come together and working together. It is just such a privilege to be with you guys and to be a part of y'all and to represent y'all. I appreciate it more than you will ever know! And I love you all very, very much. Each and every one of y'all! Thank you thank you thank you and MERRY FIRST CHRISTMAS TO YA'LL!!!!

GO TEAM MOPAR!!!!



Th president asks Santa to make the minions obey

Santa visits the Toy Drive Car Show...



The boss, Mrs Clause gets whatever she wants, right Santa?

Lydia



YES! Santa is bringing the whole list.

"In The Works"

Editors note...

Due to everyone's busy and hectic holiday schedule, **No** regular club meeting or Saturday breakfast scheduled for Dec.

Annual Christmas Party, White Elephant Gift Exchange and Dec club

meeting, Sat, Dec 2, 7pm to 9pm at Mercado Juarez, Matlock Rd and IH 20, South Arlington. Fajita dinner and beverage, \$5 per adult, children free, club paying the balance of the meal. Adult beverages and desserts available for purchase. If you want to participate in the famous White Elephant gift exchange bring a wrapped gift, real or gag but keep it clean, under \$10 value to exchange after dinner. Santa is rumored to be there arriving by SRT. A good time will be had by all.

January will resume our regular 3rd Sunday club meetings, Saturday breakfast club and cruise-in dinner socials.



Our Sponsor's store, our Dealer's truck, and two halo Dodges



Makes? We got all makes



Santa arrives in his own SRT







The Go Fast(er) Department

Bobby Avis and Don Deering
Race Team Coordinators
Mike Bearse TMCCC Rep

SIXTEEN TIME TMCCC CHAMPIONS!!!!

Greeting 16 time TMCCC champions! Once again after a tight race at mid-season our racers finished strong to take the 5A crown once again. Congratulations to all the racers, you guys make it happen. We have a great club and great racers. It's not just 16-time champions but 16 times *in a row*. How impressive is that!

A big thanks to the race team sponsor, Bill Boon, for all his support for the race team. Also a big thanks to Mike Bearce, Don and JoAnn Deering, Ken Angel, Frank Smith and Kurt Schuster for all the support helping make sure every event went smooth and we all got to eat. So congratulations on another great year for the Cowtown Mopar Performance Team.

In closing, thanks again everyone it takes a team to get done so lets get ready to do it again next year!!

A BIG THANKS TO **TEXAS TRAILER MAN** FOR BEING OUR 2017 COWTOWN MOPARS RACE TEAM SPONSOR.



Texas Trailer Man, long time member and club sponsor is also our official sponsor for the Cowtown Mopars TMCCC Racing Team. Thank you Bill Boon.



Don't forget we're online:
www.cowtownmopars.com
and "Cowtown Mopars" on Facebook!!!



Results are in for the 2017 TMCCC Season

Cowtown Mopars - 539 points GM Performance - 457

N TX Mustangs - 440

Class Winners

Bill Boon - 2nd Place Super
David Huffman - 3rd Place Super
Richard Brownell - 2nd Place Street
Michael Bearce - 1st Place Stock

ENNIS 10/29 1st Race

Stock-	Winner:	Mike Moriarty	1220L
	Runner-up:	Mike Bearce	555L
	Semi:	Susan Brownell	704L
Street-	Winner:	Richard Brownell	583L
King-	Runner-up:	Dana Burth	111L

ENNIS 10/29 2nd Race

Stock-	Winner:	Jason Hammer	4757L
	Runner-up:	Joseph Green	43L
	Semi:	Susan Brownell	704L
Street	Semi:	Richard Brownell	583L
Super-	Winner:	Bill Boon	4773L
•	Runner-up:	David Huffman	602L

On behalf of the entire club, Cowtown Mopars says thank you to the Performance Team for another proud and outstanding year winning the TMCCC club award and winning and placing in your individual divisions. Bobby, Don, Mike and JoAn did another superb job of organizing and communicating with the racers and TMCCC. Kurt, Ken and Frank a great and tasty job of providing meals at the tracks. It was a particularly difficult season battling the weather, delays, rescheduling, one double race day and a surly track owner. Racers hung in there at both local and away races. Congratulations once again.

We send our prayers and good wishes to Morris Counts as he continues to recuperate. Let's all pack his mailbox with Christmas cards. And please consider a visit.

> Morris Counts c/o Forum Parkway Health and Rehab 2112 Forum Parkway, Room 202 Bedford, TX 76021 817-799-4600

Off The Wing by Barry Hansen

The annual November Toy Drive, Car Show and Dyno Pull was a big success. Pictures scattered throughout this newsletter. I arrived early to help set up then had to leave for work later in the day. Weather was beautiful if not a bit windy. Parking lot was filling up shortly after officially opening at 9am. Great cross section of all brands across many many years and some cool foreign stuff as well. I guess technically you shouldn't say foreign anymore as there were Mecedes-Benz, Honda, Nissan and other "foreign" makes showing that are all now built in America. So, we had lots and lots of all types of "domestics" there. All looking good.

Congratulations again to the Cowtown Mopar Performance Team on becoming the 16th consecutive TMCCC champs. Again they overwhelmed the competition with great driving and sheer numbers of participants. Read an expanded report in this newsletter. We name names!

Mopar spotting...a white Dodge Daytona with red wing and orange Plymouth Superbird at a consignment place on I-30 and Las Vegas trail in Ft Worth. More Mopar spotting..."Hot Rod Magazine online" had an article about the value of HEMI cars. Reports that recently the first "B" body was purchased for over a million dollars and it was...wait for it...wait for it...a '69 HEMI Daytona. Had it been and orange Daytona with faded paint and a worn out interior this would be my last column, penned from my own island or private mountain retreat.

Didn't know dept...a couple came into the store the other day looking for parts for their newly acquired 1965 Dodge Town Wagon. (picture below). Googled it and there it was, looks like an early 60's two door Surburban but cooler. Poly 318 engine. We had no parts but I found several resources including headers at Mancini Racing for them. They promised to drive it up.

Didn't know part two...someone asked the other day what I thought of Don Garlit's electric dragster. He is a hero of mine and I thought I kept up with him (his Museum of Speed in Ocala, FL is awesome) but didn't know a thing about his electric dragster. Named Swamp Rat 37 he is trying to break 200 mph in the quarter mile with electric power. Has gone 184 so far but last reports and youtubes are from 2016. By the way, Garlits is 82 years old. Amazing.

Channel surfing...watched the end of a repeat of the History Channel's "Cars That Made America" 3 part 6 hour docudrama on the history of the American Big Three car companies. Did review of it last month and again reminded how good it was. Walter Chrysler and Lee laccoca well presented. Catch it "On Demand" if you have cable or dish TV.

Channel surfing part two...missed season three of Jay Leno's Garage. I do not watch channels that block recording with my regular DVD recorder thus CNBC (Leno's Garage) and Turner Classic Movies have not been watched in a long time. When they get smart and lift, I will be back.

Thank goodness NHRA's season is over. I got to where I hated to read the weekly results. Our Mighty Mopars did rather poorly this year with rule changes, lack of sponsorship and the like. I was even worried that a Mopar might not win the HEMI Shoot-Out at the Nationals this year. Funny Car is a spec car race. Pro Stock (Chevy) is on its last legs and Pro Mod seems to be following. I hope against hope that off season the powers-that-be rethink Pro Stock and Pro Mod and reorganize and promote the new FX super stock class for factory stockers.

Be Safe, Be Fast...Be Mopar



1965 Dodge Town Wagon Photo OldCarsWeekly.com



Santa winging it

Show Off Your Mopar

Monthly:

Every First and Third Tue. 6p-10p, Johnson County Car Meets, 812 S. Crowley Rd, Crowley, TX. Free.

Every Wed. 8p-10p, Mopar Cruise-in, Redneck Heaven, IH 20, The Highlands, Arlington. Free.

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.

Every Fri. 6p-9p, Cruise-In, Underwoods Boots, 530 S Main St, Grapevine.

Every 1st and 2nd Sat. 1p-4p. SH Classic Vintage Car Club Winter Series Cruise In and Show & Shine, hosted by El Primo Mexican Grill, 2300 Matlock Rd, Mansfield, TX, starting 11-4-17 thru 1-10-18.

Every 3rd Sat. Cars and Coffee, 8am-10:30am, Texas Motor Speedway, FW. Free.

Every 3rd Sat. 9a-12n, Maverick H-D car, truck and motorcycle show, 1845 N I-35E, Carrollton, TX. \$15 entry. Top 30.

Every Last Sat. 9a-12n, Cars and Coffee at Gateway Classic Cars, 1250 Mustang Dr, Grapevine, TX. Free.

December Events:

Dec 2 and Dec 16 SG Classic Vintage car club winter series car show & cruise hosted by El Primo's Mexican Grill, 2300 Matlock Rd, Mansfield, TX. FREE, 1p-4p.

Dec 16 Mayerick H-D, 1845 N I35E, Carrollton, TX. 9a-12p. \$15 entry. TOP 30 %, BOS.

Dec 16 Cowtown Cars and Coffee, TMS, 8a-11a. FREE.

Dallas Auto Rama is in Feb. If interested contact Ron Carroll 972-672-5298 or dodge_roncarroll@yahoo.com. I will have entry forms at Christmas party.

Attend an event? Win something? We sure would like to brag about you. Contact me, Ron Carroll at dodge_roncarroll@yahoo.com.



Entries overflow out of the picture



They might be naughty but they look nice



Sun's out, Guns out

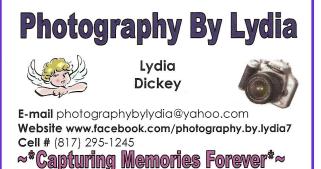


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Good Members, Good Products

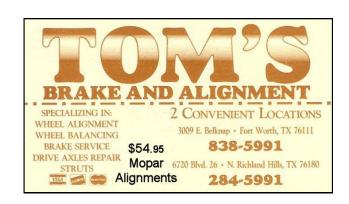














DEAN ALLEN

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Dean is offering up his years of knowledge to help members with their automotive questions.

ITEMS FOR SALE / ITEMS WANTED

WANTED: Big Block K-member for a 1971 'Cuda. Contact Dave Valfer, 214-663-6865 or dvalfer@swbell.net

FOR SALE: 73 Barracuda bucket seats and rear seat, great cores, \$350.00. 73 Barracuda small block console shifter, T handle and all levers to trans. \$100.00. 2 1/8" big block Mopar Hooker Super Comp headers, \$1300.00 new, sell for \$300.00. I can send pictures of all. Call Mark 214-727-4324 or email markbuch64@hotmail.com

FOR SALE: '71 Plymouth Satellite, red, fresh 440 (150 miles), ATM, new interior, new tires, new wheels, \$14,500. '71 Charger, fresh 383, ATM. '76 Dodge Pick Up clone of Little Red Truck but with 440 engine. (X2) 383 engines, both run, 512 Big Block, complete 440 six pack set-up with manifold, lots of other misc parts. Owner retired, would like to sell off some of his collection of cars and parts. Bill Height, 903-883-9028. Just south of Greenville in east Texas.

FOR SALE: Factory smallblock (340) steel bellhousing w/inspection cover. Casting part #2843887. Trans input dia 4 11/32". Good condition. \$150. Doug Gulley, 972-672-4839.

FOR SALE: Original T/A fiberglass hood. Great shape, ready to bolt on your car. \$1700.00. Call Ken at 972-742-4456

A reminder to anyone looking for First Gen Charger ('66-'67) parts, especially original. Roger Bohl is selling all of his stock. He would like to sell it all before his health gets too bad. Roger is the Grandfather of First Gen parts (next to Great-Grand-Pappy Jim Rodebaugh). He has been my go-to First Gen guy since well before I got my first one back in 1998 and has a wealth of knowledge. There aren't too many parts he doesn't have. Contact Roger at bohl@sunflower.com or 913-400-7281. He now lives near KC, KS...Dan Robinson

Club Members Your Car is the Star...

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JoAn Deering, Membership Director

Time to Enroll for 2018

Annual membership fees are due by January 1st of each year. You can mail them now or give them to JoAn at the Christmas Party. You must be paid up to vote in board member/officer elections in March and to receive member discounts at our supporting businesses and dealership.

Join or Renew by mail or at one of our events Single membership New \$30 / Renewal \$20 Family membership New \$40 / Renewal \$30



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