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## THE STARTING LINE

Official Monthly Publication of Cowtown Mopars

### Cowtown Mopars Board Members

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General Meeting Jan 18th at Pizza Inn at 6900 Blvd 26,  
Richland Hills, Tx at 5pm!



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## From The Pres's Desk

*Kirk Maisenbacher*



Happy New Year, and welcome to 2026!!

I hope everyone had a good holiday season. Our first order of business is Board elections. We will be accepting nominations until the March General meeting, at which point we will vote for our 2026 Board. Anyone who is paid up on their dues and member in good standing can run for a Board position. At this time, most members will run again for 2026. However, Rene Kontac will be stepping down from her role as club Secretary, and Frank Smith will be stepping down as Activity Director. We are looking for club members to nominate for these positions. Please contact myself or any board member if you are interested.

For January, February and March— all regular club meetings will be on the 3rd Sunday of each month, at 5pm:

Pizza Inn

6900 Blvd 26

Richland Hills, TX

Our annual Car Show will be April 8th, with a rain date on May 9th, 2026



Don't forget we're online:  
[www.cowtownmopars.com](http://www.cowtownmopars.com)  
or search "Cowtown Mopars" on Facebook!!!



**LOTS of Upcoming Car Show Events**  
**CMPT Car Show Coordinator      RON CARROLL**



**Weekly and Monthly Shows:**

**Weekly**

Wednesday: Billy Bob's Cruise-in, 2520 Rodeo Plaza, Ft Worth, Tx (6p-9p)

Thursday: Cooper's BBQ, 910 FM 731, Crowley, Tx (6p-9p)

Kaycee's Bar & Grill, 314 Main St, Keller, Tx (7p-10p)

Fridays: Classical Gas Nostalgia Cruise-in: Albertson, 6620 US 287 (Sublett Rd & 287) 6p-10p

Grapevine Cruise-in Blagg Tire Pros (Goodyear) 604 S Main St, Grapevine 5:30p

Sundays: Good Day Café Sunday Morning Cruise-in, 6204 S Cooper, Arlington 8a-11a

Rose Café Sunday AM Cruise-in, 5000 Overton Ridge Blvd, Ft Worth 6:30a-11a

**Monthly:**

1st Sat: Bubb's 33, 4025 Hwy 121, The Colony, 75056, 9a-12p \$20

1st Sat: Torque Grill & Cantina, 2795 Wilshire Blvd, Burleson, 76028 9a-1p \$20

2nd Tues: Taco Casa, 205 Whilsire Blvd, Burleson, Tx 6p-9p \$20 TOP 20

3rd Sat: South Parking Lot Farrington Field off University & Lancaster 6:30a-10a FREE (3-15 to 10-18)

3rd Sat: Christian Classic Cruisers, Birdville ISD Athletics, 9200 MidCities Blvd, NRH, Tx 5p-9p \$20

4th Sat: Caffeine & Chrome Gateway Classic Cars, 1250 Mustang Dr, Grapevine, Tx 9a-12p

4th Sat: Caffeine, Classics & Community, Streetside Classics, 5404 S. Sandshell, Ft Worth, Tx 9a-12n

**Remember Autorama Feb 13-15 at Dallas Market Hall  
in Dallas, Tx.**

**Register on line, filling the line that you are part of  
Cowtown Mopar.**

**Any questions call me 972-672-5298**

Ron Carroll @ [RCarroll@cowtownmopars.com](mailto:RCarroll@cowtownmopars.com) or 972-672-5298



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CMPT MEMBERSHIP Director

*Phillip Taylor*



## COWTOWN MOPARS 2025 MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE NOW

*If you have already renewed your membership for 2026—Thank You !*

**All that is required is a love of Mopars and the desire to have FUN!**

Well, I managed to get back into my email, looks like the operating system on my computer is arguing with yahoos system, guess I need to update it. I was sorry to hear that Jimmy Blackwell is having issues again, our prayers are going to you Jimmy! We had a few people renew at the Christmas party, but nowhere near the number we usually have, so peeps we need to step it up! We are also need to replace a couple board members this year as life has gotten difficult for them, we are going to need a secretary and an activities director, so let us know if you can help.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!

Phil and Annette

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## FOR SALE

~~Hughes Powerglide transmission, Reid SFI case and Mopar SB bell housing, SFI flexplate, starter, & torque converter. Rated for 2000HP \$1000~~

BB windage trays \$10ea

BB Mopar Performance cast aluminum rocker covers black. \$50

Richmond gear installation kit for 8.75" 742 case part number 83-1037-1. Minus shims \$100

Edge torque converter 10" \$300

Edelbrock 383 Torker intake \$100

Edelbrock RPM Performer Air Gap Intake for SB Mopar. \$250

Holley double pumper with 1050 Annular Booster Proform body \$200

Trans Go TF1 Shift kits \$40ea

Pioneer Torqueflite filter kits FK119 (rubber gaskets not cork) \$10ea

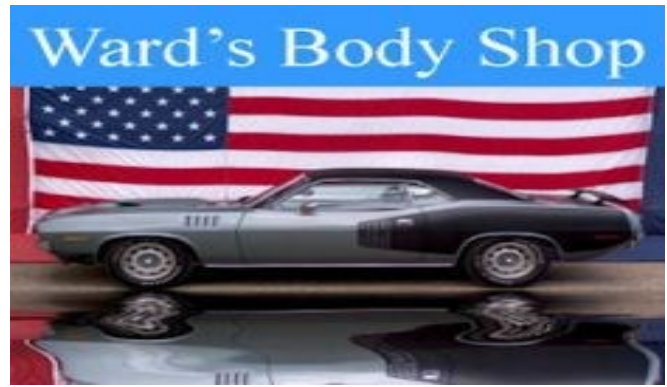
Mopar P5429484 Differential clutch & steel kit for 8.75" NIB \$65

Kay-Dee engine hoist 1500 LBS rating. Easy breakdown and assembly for transport. \$200

Steel workbench 60"L X 36"D height adjustable 29" to 38" \$150

If you are interested in any of these items or have questions **please text 817-217-8008.**  
I am located in Haslet Texas

*Bryan Carpenter*



From our Activities Director:

**Frank Smith**



We have now had one board meeting and it is time to change some dates.

The February board meeting will be on January 31st at Kirk's house at 9am. We will use this time to do our club trailer clean up. Please feel free to join us.

The March board meeting will be on February 28th. Location subject to change. Stay tuned.

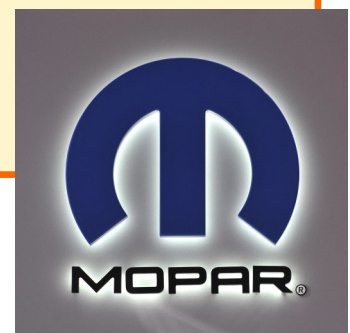
Feb 13-15, Autorama

Feb 15, general meeting Pizza Inn

Mar 15, general meeting Pizza Inn

Apr 11, Spring Show at SpeedTek + blood drive

Frank





**The Go Fast(er) Department**

**Race Team Coordinator** *Greg Gores*  
*Colleen Fuselier*

**HEY TWENTY TIME TMCCC CHAMPIONS!!!!**



Hello Race Team!

Happy New Year!

Hoping you all had a Merry Christmas and wishing you blessing and good health in the new year.

We have a new schedule for TMCCC races.

We will be visiting some tracks we haven't been to in a long time.

13 races with 6 of them in-town.

If a race the cancelled, it will not be re-scheduled.

Hope you all are working on your cars if need be and are ready for the new season.

Be safe

Greg

See next page for the Race dates.



## **EVENTS SCHEDULE**

**See next page for the TMCCC 2026 Schedule**

*Just in case you need an excuse to drive your Mopar.....*

Albertsons Cruise In—Every Friday Night Hwy 287 & Sublet Road, Arlington.

**Monthly Board Meeting breakfast:**

Board Meetings are at Rudy's on the first Saturday, at 9am. So come on out and participate in the CMPT Board Meetings. All Members are welcome.

Follow your Club at Cowtown Mopars on Facebook

# TMCCC Race Schedule, awaiting a more shareable format, this is just a few snips of the race schedule.

3/22/2026	<b>Race #1 Xtreme Raceway Park</b> Track Phone: 972-544-3724 Website: <a href="https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com/">https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com/</a>	<b>9am - 5pm</b> 1800 South I-45 Service Rd. Ferris, TX 75125	6/7/2026	<b>Race #6 Thunder Valley Raceway Park</b> <b>*1/4 Mile*</b> <b>**4 points 1st round**</b> Track Phone: 405-413-1522 Website: <a href="https://www.thundervalleyracewaypark.com">https://www.thundervalleyracewaypark.com</a>	<b>9am - 4pm</b> 10500 48th St., Lexington, OK 73051
4/25/2026 *Saturday*	<b>Race #2 Little River Dragway</b> <b>*4 points 1st round*</b> Track Phone: 254-982-0119 Website: <a href="https://littleriverdragway.com/">https://littleriverdragway.com/</a>	<b>3pm - 11pm</b> 13550 State Hwy 95, Holland, TX 76534	6/28/2026	<b>Race #7 Xtreme Raceway Park</b> Track Phone: 972-544-3724 Website: <a href="https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com">https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com</a>	<b>9am - 4pm</b> 1800 S I45 Service road, Ferris TX 75125
5/2/2026 *Saturday*	<b>Race #3 Wichita Falls Raceway Park</b> <b>*4 points 1st round*</b> Track Phone: 940-613-5359 Website: <a href="https://www.wichitaracewaypark.com">https://www.wichitaracewaypark.com</a>	<b>4pm - 12am</b> 1633 FM 369 , Iowa Park TX 76367	8/30/2026	<b>Race #8 Xtreme Raceway Park</b> Track Phone: 972-544-3724 Website: <a href="https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com">https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com</a>	<b>9am - 4pm</b> 1800 S I45 service Rd. Ferris TX 75125
5/16/2026 *Saturday*	<b>Race #4 Pine Valley Drag Strip</b> <b>*1/4 Mile*</b> <b>**4 Points 1st Round**</b> Track Phone: 936-699-3227 Website: <a href="https://www.pinevalleyraceway.com">https://www.pinevalleyraceway.com</a>	<b>4pm - 12am</b> 3427 FM 2497, Lufkin TX 75904	9/13/2026	<b>Race #9 Xtreme Raceway Park</b> Track Phone: 972-544-3724 Website: <a href="https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com/">https://www.xtremetracewaypark.com/</a> * DOES REQUIRE ENGINE DIAPER IF RUNNING 6.50 OR FASTER	<b>9am - 4pm</b> 1800 South I-45 Service Rd., Ferris, TX 75125
5/31/2026	<b>Race #5 Texas Motorplex</b> <b>*1/4 Mile*</b> Track Phone: 972-878-2641 Website: <a href="http://www.texasmotorplex.com">http://www.texasmotorplex.com</a>	<b>8am - 4pm</b> 7500 W HWY 287 , Ennis TX 75119	9/19/2026 *Saturday*	<b>Race #10 Concho Valley Dragway</b> <b>** 4 Points 1st round**</b> Track Phone: 325-610-6346	<b>3pm - 11pm</b> 7955 RM 853 , San Angelo TX 76904
10/10/2026 *Saturday*	<b>Race #11 Little River Dragway</b> <b>**4 Points 1st Round**</b> Track Phone: 254-982-0119 Website: <a href="https://www.littleriverdragway.com">https://www.littleriverdragway.com</a>	<b>3pm - 11pm</b> 13550 State Hwy 95, Holland TX 76534			
10/24/2026	<b>Race #12 Thunder Valley Raceway Park</b> <b>*1/4 Mile*</b> <b>**4 Points 1st Round**</b> Track Phone: 405-413-1522 Website: <a href="https://www.thundervalleyracewaypark.com">https://www.thundervalleyracewaypark.com</a>	<b>3pm - 11pm</b> 10500 48th St., Lexington OK 73051			
11/8/2026	<b>Race #13 Xtreme Raceway Park</b> BIG DOG RACE TO FOLLOW Track Phone: 972-544-3724 Website: <a href="https://xtremetracewaypark.com">https://xtremetracewaypark.com</a>	<b>9am - 6pm</b> 1800 S I45 service rd., Ferris TX 75125			
12/5/2026	<b>2026 TMCCC Banquet</b> Phone: 817-685-7888 Banquet tickets go on sale 9/19/2026 for \$30 per ticket. You can pay cash at the merchandise trailer or PayPal @ <a href="https://www.paypal.com/paytoemail?email=mustangsarah07@gmail.com">PayPal.Me/TMCCCSV</a> or <a href="mailto:mustangsarah07@gmail.com">mustangsarah07@gmail.com</a>	<b>6pm - 10pm</b> 1400 Texas Star Pkwy Euless, TX 76040			



## Our TMCCC Race Team

Darrell Bailey  
Greg Gores  
Frank Bonzak  
Gary Kemble

Donald Deering  
Carmen Mauro  
David Martin  
Wilson Shuptrine  
Ron Miller

JoAn Deering  
Frank Smith  
Bobby Avis  
Mark Buchanan  
Rex Taylor

Mike Ellebracht  
Brian Thomas  
Mark Ayers  
Jimmy Carney  
Trice Van Keuren

Danny Bell  
Lisa Estrada  
James Blackwell  
Matt Dollison  
Renne Kontak

Bill Boon  
Richard Lemmon  
Mark Gisslbrec  
Ron King  
Jim McCutcheon

Dana Burth  
Micheal Bearce  
Jason Hamner  
Miles Mathews



**Minutes from our Club Meetings**

**From Madam Secretary**

***RENE KONTAK***



**RENE'S 1965 FURY**

No notes taken at the Christmas Party, but fun was had!!





### **Greetings from the Newsletter Editor**

Morning yall!

2026 is now here and starting up. Looking forward to the new year and to the start of the race season. If we get any ice/snow yall be careful. Other than that, looking forward to seeing everyone at the General meeting in a few weeks.

Thanks  
Rex Taylor



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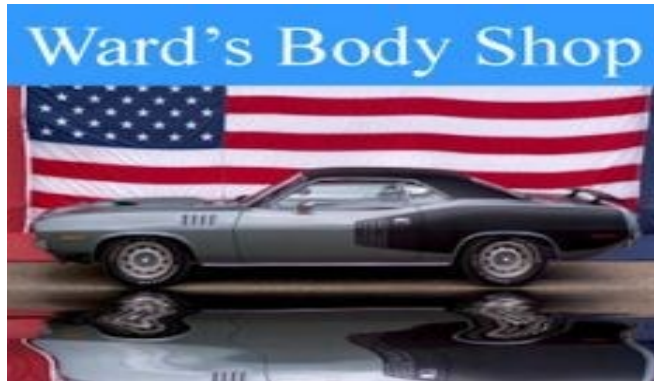
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Richard Lemmon

In Memory Of  
Howard & Phyllis Lemmon



# Cowtown Mopars Performance Team

P.O. Box 162413 Fort Worth, Texas 76161-2413  
www.cowtownmopars.com  
Membership Form

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Membership: New \_\_\_\_\_ or Renewal \_\_\_\_\_  
Single \_\_\_\_\_ or Family \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print or Type

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Spouses Name \_\_\_\_\_ # Of Children \_\_\_\_\_

## Your Vehicles

	Year	Make	Model	Driver/Show/Race	Stock/modified
1)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

How were you referred to the club? \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Information-Name, Address, Phone number, etc are placed in to a club roster and made available to club members. Cowtown Mopars will also attempt to get club-pricing discounts for its members. This will require providing the vendor with a club roster to verify affiliation.

Cowtown Mopars can include my information in the club member roster: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
Cowtown Mopars can include my information in the club discount roster: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Initial Single Membership: **\$30**  
Initial Family Membership: **\$40**

Renewal Single Membership: **\$20**  
Renewal Family Membership: **\$30**