

MOPAR MUSCLE

Official newsletter of the East Tennessee Mopars Car Club.

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Club meeting:

The ETM regular monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 3 at the Knoxville Volunteer Rescue Squad. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm. Several members will cruise to a restaurant for supper after the meeting. Join us!

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My Space in the Garage ...

By Judy Holman



My Road Runner came out of the garage for the Cars and Coffee cruise in at West Town Mall this past Sunday. What a terrific turn out. Harper Infinite sponsored this event and invited all cars no matter the make, model, or year. I arrived around 8:15am that morning and met up with club member Jim Hill. He brought out his '65 Coronet. By this time there had to be over 150 cars already there. After getting that morning cup of coffee I settled into my lawn chair to enjoy the morning. My Road Runner got a lot of attention - mostly to hear the horn go Beep Beep! I didn't mind at all. The older generation remembered and the younger ones got a kick out of it. There was one little boy, about 4 years old, that bugged his father to take his picture with my car. His dad tried to talk him out of it saying - why not this Mustang or the Corvette. The little boy was very persistent and got his way. Smiling from ear to ear as his dad took his picture standing next to the car he liked - a MOPAR! I visited with several Mopar friends I haven't seen in awhile. Catching up on family and the cars in their garages. On a sad note - two young men lost their lives and a young lady is still at UT hospital, after leaving the cruise in. One was helping the other after one car broke down on I-40. Another vehicle lost control and struck them. Our thoughts and prayers are with these families. The next cruise in, another Coffee and Cars, will be on Saturday, May 10, at the Atomic Speed Shop in Oak Ridge. The hours will be from 8am- 11am. Depending on the weather, Mike and I will be attending the CTE car show at the Toyota Knoxville/Lexus of Knoxville dealership at 10416 Park Side Drive.

Several members talked about attending the Mopar Mania car show in White Pine on May 31. Let's talk about a caravan or meeting up with each other for this show. Be sure to read John's car show article and become involved in the day of show jobs. Members are being asked to get items that can be used for the Dollar Bill races and door prizes for both car show entrants and the kids.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our wonderful Mopar Moms a Happy Mother's Day.

Hope to see you all at an ETM meeting or activity.

“Fun In The Sun” by John Foster, Car Show Director

It's hard to believe that the 26th Annual Fun In The Sun Car Show is only 12 weeks away. It has been another busy month of preparation and we need everyone's help to continue to spread the word and hand out car show flyers. More pre-show registration forms have been received and the field of quality cars is looking good.

During our board meeting on April 24th, we discussed sponsorships, goody bag items and door prizes for both adults and kids. Although we have made good progress in each area, we still have room and need several more sponsors for both the T-Shirts and Trophies, as well as more goody bag items and door prizes for all of the different contests and games.

Please check around with your local Mopar auto dealers and high performance auto parts stores to see if they can help with inexpensive promotional items. Also, remember to get a business card for any items you receive so we can thank them as a sponsor during the show. If anyone needs a sponsor invoice for T-Shirts or Trophies, please contact me or Judy. As a reminder, all sponsorship invoices and funds are due no later than June 1st.

We will be meeting with the T-Shirt supplier this week to discuss the 1st draft of the design concept, and hope to have a rough layout to show at our next meeting on Saturday, May 3rd to get everyone's input, so please plan on attending

Next, we reviewed the job sheet and filled in a few more positions, but we still need several more people to step forward and volunteer for at least a 4 hour morning or afternoon shift. If you haven't let us know yet that you can volunteer to help, please contact me about one of the remaining open positions that needs to be filled to balance the workload.

Lastly, I just want to thank everyone that has been so helpful to keep things moving along, the sponsors that have come forward so far, and the participants that have gotten their registration forms sent in early. It's going to be a great show!!!



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expiration date.
**Send your updated mem-
bership application and
money to:**

**Jim Hill
Membership Director**

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Welcome these new members to the East Tennessee Mopars Car Club

Welcome back these members who renewed their membership

Randy & Julie Hodges, proud owners of a '64 Dodge D-100

Happy Birthday to these club members

May

Rita Elwood

Paul Arnwine

Sam Vogeley

Sharon Clark

Katie Yaroach

Hugh Clark

Todd Howland

Joe Daid Stansberry



ETM EVENTS/CAR SHOWS FOR 2014*(calendar will show 3 months in advance (space permitting) any meetings/events for ETM members)*

May 3	Regular ETM monthly meeting to be held at the Knoxville Volunteer Rescue Squad. Meeting will begin at 6:30pm. Cruise for supper after the meeting.
May 10	*CTE goes Shine & Show will be at 10416 Park Side Drive. The show runs from 10 am -2 pm. The event is sponsored by Toyota Knoxville, Lexus of Knoxville, Snap On, and Advance Auto. Entry fee is \$20. Everyone is welcome. (this show supports technology classes in the Knox County schools)
May 10	*Cars and Coffee at the Atomic Speed Shop, 114 Union Valley Road, Oak Ridge, TN 8:00am-11:00am Everyone is welcome.
May 17	Mopars@McDowell, The Mountain Gateway Mopar Association presents their 17th annual Mopar car show. McDowell Technical Community College, Marion, NC (I-40 exit 86 & highway 226 south. 9:00am - 3:00pm. Info: Randy, (828) 659-2607.
May 22	ETM Board/Car Show Committee Meeting - meet at Chilhowee Park, at the bandstand. Meeting will begin at 7:30pm.
May 24	10th Random Rods Car Show, Rogersville, TN - "Cruising Down Memory Lane", Pre 1980 vehicles only. Info: random-rods.com or Harold @ (423)921-4447
May 24-26	All Mopar Southern Nationals - Adel, GA Info: www.moparmuscle.com
May 31	*1st. Mopar Mania All Mopar Show - Walter State Expo Center, I-81 to the White Pine exit. Info: Dennis @ (423)-748-2231.
May 30-31	38th Annual Silver Dollar Rod Run - presented by the Volunteer Street Rod Association., Oak Tree Lodge, Sevierville, TN Info: www.volunteerstreetrod.com or (865)-675-5162.
June 7	Regular ETM monthly meeting to be held at Chilhowee Park at the bandstand. Meeting will begin at 6:30pm. This is a very important meeting (one month before our car show) Make plans to attend. Cruise for supper after the meeting.
June 8	*Hot Rod Power Tour Comes to Knoxville - Chilhowee Park from noon until 7pm.
June 14	*ETM will cruise to the Clinton Highway Cruise In - More info to follow
July 11-13	All Chrysler Nationals in Carlisle, PA
July 15 (Tuesday)	Workers meeting for the 26th Annual "Fun In The Sun" All Mopar car show. This meeting is very important and all members working the show are asked to attend. Meeting begins at 7:30pm.
July 19	26th Annual "Fun In The Sun" All Mopar Car Show. Chilhowee Park Fair Grounds, Knoxville, TN Presented by the East Tennessee Mopars. Info: John @ (865) 898- 0558

* indicates that ETM will be in attendance

FOR SALE/WANT ADS

All For Sale and Want Ads will run for 3 newsletter issues. Please notify ETM if you wish to run your ad longer or make changes. Be sure to include a contact number or e-mail address. Send all inquires to ETM, P.O. Box 51401, Knoxville, TN 37950. Or e-mail them to etm@knology.net

Wanted:

Items for the want/for sale ads

For Sale:

Other Stuff:

- If you are in the west Knoxville area - the Conoco gas station on Kingston Pike between West Hills and Walker Springs Road has 100% gas in regular and premium (this station is next to the Auto Zone). Accepts cash and credit cards.
- Gregg & Trent Professional Auto Detail - bumper to bumper, fabric, upholstery , all ... License, bonded, and insured. Call Gregg for more information. (865)266-0773 (Gregg is the restaurant manager at Calhoun's on the River. I spoke with him after our Valentine Dinner - Judy)
- Atomic Speed Shop is owned by club member Robert Elwood. His specialty is Mopar! Give him call for your Mopar needs.



Premier Mopar Engine Shop
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**114 Union Valley Rd, Oak Ridge TN,
865-272-3619**

**East Tennessee Mopars Club Minutes
April 5, 2014**

East Tennessee Mopars Club met April 5, 2014, 6:30 at the Knoxville Rescue Squad. Twelve (12) members were present. President Judy Holman called the meeting to order

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Old Business

Past Events:

Floyd Garrett Museum

The Club toured the Floyd Garrett Museum and had lunch at the Starlite Diner. Special entertainment was Debbie having her purse "baptized" with an entire glass of water. Judy came to the rescue with about a 1000 paper towels and all the contents of the purse were spread in the backseat of John's car to dry. Thanks Debbie for being so gracious to the sever (who was also the owner). On a happy note, they did get a free lunch!

Thunder Road Car Show

The Club attended the Thunder Road Car Show in Rockwood. Everyone had fun looking at cars and shopping. All the looking and shopping worked up an appetite so we all ate a great home-style lunch.

New Business

Birthdays

Judy wished happy birthday to Chris, Danny, and Carroll.

Members

Judy asked the Club to remember Liz Henry who fell and chipped her ankle bone.

Polo Shirts

The club previously voted to change the color of the polo shirts to white. If members want a shirt, Judy has the forms. The shirts are pre-pay.

Calendar Review

April 19 - Halls Crossroads

April 24 - ETM Board/Car Show Meeting - Shoney's at Walker Springs Road at 7:30 p.m.

April 26 - Cruise Against Cancer - Lowes Home Improvement in Newport. The show is from 6:00 a.m. to Mid-night

May 3 - ETM monthly meeting at the Knoxville Rescue Squad. Cruise for supper following the meeting

May 10 - Shine and Show - Toyota of Knoxville (This show supports technology for Knox County Schools) The show is from 10:00-2:00

May 22 - ETM Board/-Car Show Meeting - Chilhowee Park Bandstand at 7:30

May 24 - Random Rods Car Show - Rogersville, TN

May 31 - Mopar Mania, All Mopar Show - Walter State Expo Center, White Pine

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No Report

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was available for discussion. The 2013 tax return has been filed.

CAR SHOW

Tee shirt designs were discussed.

Job assignments were made.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Clark
Secretary

ADVENTURES IN M-BODYLAND

(...or, “It won’t do *WHAT!?!)*

BY: Chris Yaroch

Soooo... last installment, I bored you to tears with my anecdote about playing bumper cars out in the frontier town of Fort Smith. Where was I... ? Oh, yeah!

So, we’re post Labor Day and my newly rebuilt and freshly repainted LA 318 is once again nestled between the fenders of my 1987 Dodge Diplomat, aka “The Sabotage”. So named by my co-workers after the 1986 Ford Crown Vic that appears in the Beastie Boys video “Sabotage”. I tried explaining to them that they’re two separate cars. One is a Ford, mine is a Dodge. Yeah, um... never mind.

The motor looked great painted in the 1969 Chrysler turquoise blue and sounded pretty bad-to-the-bone running on open headers. My mechanic Rex dutifully hooked everything up and plumbed the exhaust with my new tti Headers. The fit was perfect!

I thought (“thought” being the key word, here) I was seeing a light at the end of the tunnel. Yeah, the whole project was, in my mind, several months behind. But, hey... the hardest part was behind me. – famous last words-

Rex took the Dippy for its inaugural test run down Blair Road. The sound of that motor rumbling was electrifying. Hearing the loud staccato slap of the exhaust valves gave us goose bumps. This car sounded just like a big block from 1969! I knew this was gonna be a real head-turner!

Rex rumbled off and you could hear it roaring down in the Dyllis Valley. I just knew Rex would have an exciting ride. Little did I know how exciting it would be! When Rex drove back in from the 10 minute test drive, he was white as a ghost! The slightly panicked look on his face wasn’t helping much, either.

When he climbed out of the car, he asked me, “What kind of cam did you put in there!?!?” I muttered, “Comp Cams Thumpr Cam” and mumbled some indecipherables followed with a weak, “... supposed to be streetable... why?” Rex looked at me blankly and informed me I had an extremely radical cam and had NO VACUUM for the power-assist brakes. Ergo... I HAD NO BRAKES!!!

Rex explained that I needed to find a vacuum pump to run the brakes if I was to continue using this cam. –oh, great... another damned kink!- Off I went to a speed shop in Powell, TN. I lucked out and got the very *last* vacuum on the shelf. When I took Rex the pump, I brought along the specs on the Thumpr Cam. Rex just looked at it wide-eyed and wondered aloud as to why I would want such a radical cam. Well, DUUUUUH! Because I DIDN’T KNOW!!! I pointed out to Rex the ad for the Thumpr Cam and kept pointing to the part where it stated that it was a fully streetable cam.

Within a week, the pump was mounted and my M-body had brakes that worked. Maybe, just maybe... it’s finally coming together. Next month, we’ll learn how they get the candy coating on M&Ms without messing it up.

Lesson Learned: Don’t always believe what you read!

2014 THUNDER ROAD FESTIVAL – ROCKWOOD

By: Chris Yaroach

East Tennessee Mopars kicked off Spring by attending the annual Thunder Road Festival & Car Show in downtown Rockwood. The event took place April 5th and this year marked the 60th anniversary of the famous movie “Thunder Road” starring Robert Mitchum. It was a clear, cool day for the event.

Several club members were in attendance with their cars. Several to mention were Bobby G and his lovely wife, Janet, with their 1969 Dodge Charger R/T. Also in attendance were Mike & Judy Holman with their 2010 Dodge Challenger SRT8 and Chris & Katie Yaroach with their 2013 Dodge Challenger SRT8 Core. Jim Hill along with Hugh & Sharon Clark came sans Mopars.

The day started off clear and sunny, albeit a bit cool. There were an estimated 120 cars in attendance of the car show and many door prizes were awarded. Chris Yaroach won such a door prize. It was a UT canister and gift set. Chris had finally gotten some balls... golf balls, that is! It was a gift pack of three golf balls, and assorted tees. All items had the UT power “T” emblazoned on it. Chris spent the better part of an hour trying to find Judy Holman’s seat on the Neyland Stadium canister.

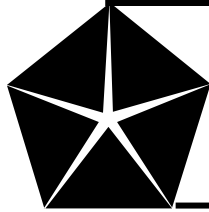
Members had a fun time perusing the antique shops and especially enjoyed touring the Rockwood Event Center. The Event Center was the original Chrysler-Dodge-Plymouth dealership in downtown Rockwood for many years. The building was replete with historic automobile memorabilia.

ETM members had a really good (and SUPER filling) lunch at Junior’s Restaurant on Rockwood Street. The food was delicious, portions extremely generous and price cheap. Many of our club members actually left with to-go containers for evening dinner!

The Thunder Road Festival is a great show and appears to be a regular for East Tennessee Mopars for years to come!



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Address _____

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I Currently Own the Following Automobiles

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2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

If you need additional space write on the back

My favorite type of car event/activities are: _____

I would like to receive the club newsletter by (circle one): e-mail regular mail

LIABILITY RELEASE (please read and sign)

1. I, the undersigned, hereby release the officers and members of the club known as the "EAST TENNESSEE MOPARS" from any liability for damage, theft, loss of life, or accident related to club activities.

2. I agree to abide by the by-laws of the club.

3. Annual dues \$20.00 (family membership)

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

Editor's Notes**By Judy Holman**

A BIG thank you to club member Chris Y. for the articles on his M-Body (another good one) and on the Thunder Road Festival. I agree with Chris, we all had a good time at the Thunder Road Festival. Mark your calendars for next years show.



The club Calendar of Events has a lot going on for the month of May. Attend a car show or cruise-in and pass out our car show flyers while enjoying the event. Take pictures and send the information in. We would love to hear about the event. Also, once the pollen has cleared, send me pictures of your Mopar! Your car at a show, a cruise-in, in the drive way. I would like to set up a page of club member's rides. No article necessary (unless you want to send one).

Not much happening with my cars in the past month. I've been a little busy getting ready to close out another school year that includes closing out with the school system as well - Retirement Here I Come!

*This is a reminder to all club members, when renewing your membership, please fill out a club application and send it with your money. **Check your address label for your renewal date.** **For the club members who receive their newsletter via e-mail, I will remind you of your renewal date.** This helps to keep our records accurate.

*If you know of a local car show or cruise in or receive a flyer from a Mopar show, let me know. Let's spread the word about a great family outing - a car show!

East Tennessee Mopars Club Wearables

Polo shirts: sizes are small to xxxl prices: \$22 - \$24
(white shirt with ETM logo and your name embroidered on the front)

Black Satin jackets: sizes are small- xxxl prices:\$60 - \$62
(ETM logo and your name embroidered on the jacket)

Hats - \$9 each
(ETM logo embroidered on the front)