

Tennessee Valley Mopar Club Newsletter August 2008

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Next Club Meeting

The next meeting is 16 August 2008 at The Optimist Club, from 0800-1000a.m. Attached is a map showing where the club is located.

Hello all. Wow, hold on to your Mopar visors, hide the wife and kids in the basement. Dig out your old issues of "Mopar Muscle" and "Hot Rod" as we have a barn burner of a meeting coming up for you guys this Saturday. Just when you thought things were settling down from our annual "Show & Go," letting out a long sigh as you relax in the recliner; getting ready to put the ride up for winter, our president has pulled out all the stops and is bringing you a Mopar event that you may only experience once in a lifetime. Guys and gals, this Saturday the 16th of August you will have the opportunity to sit around the table with a Mopar engineer who was on the cutting edge of technology in Chrysler's NASCAR racing development of the 60's and 70's. Mr. John Vaughn, of Huntsville, is that engineer and he will be discussing his involvement in the development of the winged Charger Daytona and Superbird with us. This is one for the annuals. Come out this Saturday and bring your questions and listen to the stories.



703 Oakwood Ave, Huntsville, AL, 256-427-5775 If you are on the Memorial Parkway, exit on Oakwood going east. The Optimist Recreation Center is the 2nd left past Andrew Jackson Way.

July Meeting

Well, our July meeting was a fun one. It was not very informative or educational but we did have a good time and discussed our cars, the show and various other subjects. We also watched the movie of our show which you can see soon on our website. Thanks George for hosting a relaxed and enjoyable morning.

In case you missed it, here are the stats from the show this year. Unfortunately, we were not helped by the threat of inclement weather.

Show Cars	44
Race Cars	24
Swap Meet	36
Car Corral	2
Spectators	255

"You guys come out this weekend as we will be having a barn burner for you. Hey, Lennie says bring all your Superbird and Daytona brochures, ads, magazine articles, collectables, toys........whatever you have! I will be bringing some collectable giveaways for you lucky guys or smart ones that know your trivia."



New Memberships

Extending a warm Mopar welcome to new members Jerry and Becky Glover of Moulton, Perry Moore of Guntown, MS. and Eugene and Dianne Richards of Lacey's Spring, AL Welcome all to the Tennessee Valley Mopar Club. We look forward to seeing all of you at an upcoming TVMC event.

Cruise-In Corner

Upcoming Cruise-In Dates: *Saturday, August 16th*



TVMC would like to welcome all Mopar car owners to the Sonic Drive-In, located on Wall Triana just off highway 20 in Madison, Al. No prizes or trophies, it's just a fun get-together for us Mopar fans to hang out and talk Mopar. Remember, we hold them on the **3rd Saturday** of the month at **7:00 PM**.

2008 TVMC Events

- 16 August 2008 8:00-10:00am TVMC General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club
- 16 August 2008 7:00 pm Cruise-In at Sonic in Madison
- 2 September 2008 5:30 pm Officer meeting at L/M
- 20 September 2008 8:00-10:00am TVMC General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club
- 20 September 2008 7:00 pm Cruise-In at Sonic in Madison
- 7 October 2008 5:30 pm Officer meeting at L/M
- 18 October 2008 8:00-10:00am TVMC General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club
- 18 October 2008 7:00 pm Cruise-In at Sonic in Madison

Website

A huge "thank you" and "congratulations" to Judson Hudson for the tremendous work he has done over the last month moving our website to a new provider. If you have not visited the TVMC website lately, do so. It has a new look, new feel and lots of forums in which to participate. If you have events or other things that need to go on the TVMC website, contact Jud and he will be happy to post it for you. Jud and John have done an outstanding job with the TVMC Website and are in need of information to post. Look for a huge assortment of pictures and candid shot of this years show on the web soon. You can also buy your 10^{th} Annual "Show & Go" t-shirt off the web. Check it out.

2008 Regional and National Events

August 16, Cove Lake State Park, TN

Norris Lake Mopar Club 10th Annual Mopar Show. The entry fee is \$20 and there will be many judged classes. Show hours are from 8-5 and trophies awarded at 4 pm. For more information, check them out on the web at www.norrislakemopar.com or call Larry at 423-489-8437.

August 23rd, 8th Annual Ardmore Car Show; John Barnes Park, Ardmore, TN Awards and Prizes, Best of Classes/Show, Door Prizes and 50/50 Drawing. www.aqbc.net

September 27-28, Julian, NC

The McCandless Mopar Classic, will be held at Piedmont Dragway.

This event will include: A Special Tribute to Ronnie Sox and Jake King at their "Home Track", Piedmont Dragway. Appearances by Buddy Martin, Herb McCandless, and Diane Sox. There will also be a Charity Raffle with proceeds going to: The Ronnie Sox Foundation and Jake King Scholarship Fund. See actual cars raced and driven by Ronnie Sox. Saturday will feature the Car Show, Swap Meet, Car Corral, Vendors, Burn Out contest, and Test and Tune racing. Saturday Night Cruise-In with a special tribute to Ronnie Sox and Jake King in their home town of Burlington, NC. Sunday Swap Meet, Vendors and race featuring Top Footbrake Street and Trophy classes. Gates Open at 9 am. Info: Marie McCandless 336/227-2156, moparclassic@bellsouth.net; www.piedmontdragway.com

Oct. 3-5, Clay City, KY

The Annual Mopar Southern Classic will be held again this year at Mountain Park Dragway. It's a Mopar only event with 1/8 and 1/4 mile drag racing, They have a car show, swap meet, and vendors row.

Info: Joe Payne 502/868-0517, hemi472@bellsouth.net. Track phone 606/663-2344, mpdragway@snapp.net; web: www.mpdragway.com

October 26, Palmetto, FL

Manasota Mopar Club Car Show located at Lamb & Sutton Park, 10th Avenue W & 7th Street W Manasota Mopar Club, 2919 39th Street East, Bradenton, FL 34208

Editor's Corner

Hey guys. Well another month has come and gone and we are coasting through this summer. As I write this, many are cruising back home from the Nationals, an event that I have not been to yet but intend to in the near future. Others are doing yard work and many of our fellow Mopurist are wrenching on their rides. I've stalled with my projects right now due to the heat. Most are outdoor related and I have not finished the garage yet. My plans to finish it will have to wait a bit longer for cooler weather or the purchase of the A/C unit I plan to install. All depend on funds, naturally. Currently it is full of stuff that has to be moved out before I can finish, including two cars. Yes, the Roadrunner and the Fury are both in there for the time being. I walked around the cars this past weekend and found a puddle of tranny fluid oozing out from under the Fury. So, along with the engine freshening scheduled on the Poly motor, I have a transmission overhaul coming my way as well. Other than that, the car should be a detailing away from the cruise-in's this fall.

The runner project is moving ahead. I've begun checking out shops to do the paint work on the car when we get to that point. Several very good shops have been referred and checked out. As soon as the walls and ceiling go up in the shop, the dismantling begins.

I'm looking for other member project photos and stories to go in future issues of the Newsletter Project Page. Send me yours today! Many, many thanks to Roy and Chris for sending updates on their project cars.

Until next time.....

v/r Bob



Project Page

This month you get more of Pete Shreeve's Coronet.



Here is Pete's car before he started pulling, pushing, crushing and stretching it back into shape. In Pete's words......"The car had been driven into a ditch by a previous owner which pushed up all the metal work up in the front...... Since I don't have a hydraulic bumper press I made us of some wood blocks and the front wheel my pickup truck......This 'redneck bumper press' allowed me to place sufficient weight in the right spot while carefully shifting the bumper and blocks.....During the accident, the bumper was driven far enough up into the fenders that that the lower corners of the fenders were folded back 180 degrees!"



Now, Pete's car looks like a Mopar again.

Swap Shop

For Sale

If you have items listed here, please shoot me an email to verify if it is still good.

Member Ed Downing has 2 Dodge Darts bodies for sale, a 71 & 74. He is asking \$1,200.00 for both of them. You can reach Ed at 256-651-9175.

Updated: Thanks John, Member John Bynum is parting out 69 Coronet 2 door(not a lot left, good rear glass, some trim good rear bumper core with guards) 66 Monaco 2dr 383, auto/console car, 71-72 Chargers, 80's RWD Fifth Avenues, other cars & have some 73-74 Road runner parts. 1980 VW Diesel Pickup for sale & 3 diesel rabbits included for spare parts. Also, for sale a Ludwig Hollywood Blue Oyster Pearl Drum set circa 1970, good shape with cases. He may be reached at 931-967-4499 or by email at johnwbynum@bellsouth.net

Member Rocky Rozelle has a 69 Barracuda hood - \$75, a 68 or 9 Roadrunner grille - \$75. Contact Rocky at 497-0110.

Member George Zoller passes on the following: A good friend of mine Mike Masters has a 89 or 91 (I can't remember the year) Dodge turbo shadow. Runs and drives great, typical paint fade, interior is in good shape, great gas mileage. \$1500 OBO.

You can get Mike on his cell 256-603-1700. If you can't reach him, call me 256-679-1316 and I will hunt him down for you.

Contact George at 256-679-1316 or gz11@chrysler.com

Member Pete Shreeves has a 72 Demon, 72 Dart Swinger, 78 Aspen, 70 Coronet, 68 Coronet, 74 Dodge truck and a General product which will remain a mystery, For Sale. For information, call or email Pete. Pete 503-0902. Pete.Shreeves@tbe.com

Member Robert Lewis has a 1967 440 with 727 Torqflite. The engine and transmission are a numbers matching set. The engine is date coded 10-66 for any of you looking for a date correct power train set up for your project. The engine still has standard bores and is complete minus the carburetor, distributor, and valve covers. Price is \$1500.00 negotiable. Robert can be reached at 256-603-5134 or robert.g.lewis@us.army.mil

Member Jud Hudson has the following for sale. 2 Sets of 1968 Dodge Charger taillights. Chrome is pitted in various places, but the lenses are excellent. Needs to be cleaned up. \$20 a set. Need to get rid of them!

Wanted

Member Judson Hudson is looking for the following items:

"I'm looking for parts to convert my 68 Charger to a 69, and need the following":

- I Piece for Grille
- Grille Trim
- Middle Section of Grille
- 69 Tail panel
- 69 Hood Latch for Grille
- I'm willing to trade too! Great Mint Condition complete 68 Charger Grille for a Mint 69 Grille. Rust free 68 tail panel already drilled out from car, will trade for a workable 69 tail panel.
- Judson can be reached at judhudson@knology.net

(The club does not accept responsibility for typographical errors, incorrect prices and other claims as to condition, or owner claims. Direct contact with the seller is required for confirmation of the above.)