

# Music City Mopar Club

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Monthly Feature

## MEMBER'S MOPARS



Hello Fellow Members,

My name is Nick Willmore. I live in Rome, Tennessee, about halfway between Lebanon and Carthage. In the picture with me is my 1970 Plymouth Road Runner.

My car was built in June, 1970 in California's L.A. Assembly Plant. I brought the car new in Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee on August 17, 1970. There were only 43,404 Road Runners sold in 1970. My car has exactly 189,900 miles on it.

The engine in it now is a 440 C.I.D., 375 h.p. with Dual Line 750 Holley, Trans: 727 auto with B&M Quick Shift, Limited Slip Rear End, Charger Rally Dash Kit with guages. The color is

original, "Moulin Rouge", but is clear coated now.

I restored it three years ago, and showing it is like driving it, - It's Wonderful and Exciting. Showing it has introduced me to a great group of people called "The Music City Mopar Club"



Thank for the Space,

Nick Willmore

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# TECH TALK with John Dodson

## Mopar To Ya!

Before I get started on this newsletter, I have some corrections from the past two. The March issue talked about paint and paint colors. You may recall reading a sentence that read "Chasis is Black". It should have read Chasis Black. The only time you will have a black chasis is when your car is black. Second, in the April issue, the word "were" was left out of the sentence that should have read, "The Mickey Thompsons were awesome."

Did you find the previous newsletter easier to read? If so, it was because a bon-a-fied senior english teacher proof read it. When I got the paper back from her, I could tell that my grade wasn't very high.

Have you heard talk about the rare disease that is now plaguing our society? Maybe, you even have it. Once you acquire it there is no cure, although temporary relief is sometimes obtained. I happen to have it but mine has been dormant for twenty years. Just in the past year or two has it given me problems. Now that it is back, it is a much worse case. It can be very costly, the medicine can cost as much as the most expensive pills. It doesn't take a doctor to diagnose it, so how do you know if you have it? It has no health related problems, except for a little bit of stress. The disease I am speaking of is Mopar Addiction. I contracted this rare virus as a teenager, but it became dormant when I got married. Oh, it would flare up every now and then. I'd just be driving down the road and have quick reflexes in my neck to see what just passed. Now the virus is fully active again with only one look at an AAR 'Cuda.

Are you addicted to Mopars?

### Some Signs of the Illness

1. Must buy a Mopar, followed by a desire to have a backyard full.
2. Regularly scan the Trader's Post, Wheels and Deals, or Hemming Motor News. Also you have a subscription to a Mopar Magazine.
3. Have sudden urges to induce pressure in right foot while driving a Mopar.
4. Going to Car Shows and drooling over the Mopars.
5. Spending endless hours restoring a Mopar.
6. Greasy, sore, chapped, and sometimes cut fingers.
7. A desire to raise money to buy Mopars and Moparts.
8. Joining the Music City Mopar Club.
9. A wife who gets upset with you for spending more time with your Mopar than with her.

If you have six of the nine listed symptoms, you are probably addicted to Mopars. Don't worry though, it is definitely not life threatening.

Now for this month's topic, blasting. After many years of hand cleaning parts with wire brushes, Brillo pads, scrapers, and wire buffers, I finally broke down and got a blasting cabinet. I use it so much that I've wore out two nozzles on the gun. Prices for blasting cabinets run between \$329.00 for Eastwood's model to the top of the line at \$1,299.00. You'll also need a quality air compressor to provide the 40 to 60 psi necessary to operate the gun on the blaster. Don't underestimate their worth. You'll have the resources to make hinges, nuts, bolts, bumper brackets, intakes, exhaust manifolds, brake parts, pulleys, all front suspension parts, and a thousand other metal parts look new. It will pay for itself. I recommend the Aluminum Oxide for parts cleaning, especially surface rust.

I must warn you that blasting a part will get the tiny grit in and on your part. You'll need to tape up areas that you don't want blasted. This procedure does not remove grease, grime, and undercoating though. Back to the old chemicals and Brillo pads for that.

For body blasting, the glass head media is the most recommended. A company by the name of Ready Strip, in Nashville does a fine job. The man is fair and honest. Get an estimate first though. Of course, sand blasting is the old stand by. From what I've read, it does do a good job but a clean, fine grain of sand is recommended. The problem with blasting large parts outside a cabinet is the collection of the grain. You will need a big tarp if you choose to do your blasting outside.

I have enclosed two pages from an Eastwood catalogue for your convenience. I don't think they will mind. Their toll free number is enclosed. Until next time, the Lord loves you.

John Dodson

A personal note:

It doesn't really matter what kind of Mopar you have. If you like it. That's all that matters. A man should not be judged by the dollar value of his car but instead by the man that he is.

Next month's Topic

*Winning The Parts War*

See page 7 for Eastwood's inserts.



## Sponsor Appreciation

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# MOSTLY OLD PARTS AND RELICS

## CARS & PARTS FOR SALE

**'64 Barracuda** - 273 4-speed, needs paint, head-liners, and seat covers, \$1800.00 or best offer. Call Christopher Dugger, 883-5775 any time.

**'67 Barracuda** - 340 727 automatic, needs little touch up paint, perfect interior. \$3500.00 or best offer. Call Christopher Dugger, 883-5775.

**'68 Chrysler 300** - 2-door hardtop, black, no engine or trans.

**'72 Dodge Adventurer SE** pickup, 400 2 bbl. with 727 trans.

**'81 Dodge Mirada CMX** - 318, blue with white leather. This car will start and drive off.

Any one is welcome to come and make offer. Stan Hardcastle 794-4204

**'71 Road Runner** - 440 cid, AT/PS/PB/AC, Rallye Dash, Vinyl Top, and Road Wheels. Good Body - needs another engine or rebuild this one. (was originally a 340 car). Would trade for '71 or '72 Demon or 340 Duster. Call Danny Frost (901) 658-9270.

**'73 Road Runner** - 400 Big Block, new paint - purple overall - great shape. \$4500.00. Call Ronnie Boyd at 399-3243.

**'70 Chrysler Newport** - 383 engine, was running when parked. Body is in good shape. Call Jason Barnes at 356-3231.

**'64 Chrysler LaBaron Imperial** - Push button auto, V-8 413 cu. in. 4 bbl., all power seats, antenna, white leather interior (no rips or tears), needs brake work, dent on passenger side of car door. \$800.00 Call David Meeks at 896-6626.

**4 Tires LT235/75R15 M&S**, white raised letters, Road Handler, some miles left. Call Carl Harvey, Jr. at 896-3599.

**V-8 318 cu. in. engine.** Call Carl at 896-3599.

**904 Auto transmission** was O.K. when moved. Call Carl at 896-3599.

**Dress Up that small block** with chrome kit breather, wire looms, oil cap, valve covers. New still in box. Call Carl at 896-3599.

**2 ea. '65 Dodge Polara Center Caps** with logo. Used but like new. Call Carl at 896-3599.

## CARS AND PARTS WANTED

**Twin Four Non-High Rise Intake** for 440. Call T.C. Tomlin at 901-386-9329.

**H.P. Exhaust manifolds** for a big block. Would love to find Max Wedge Type. Call Stan Hardcastle at 794-4204.

**Air Conditioner Bracket** to mount Late Model "rotary type" compressor on a 440. Call Stan Hardcastle at 794-4204.

**Right-Left side chrome** for box rear 1970-71 Dodge Truck LWB Adventure SE. also short pieces chrome at the cab for 1970-71 Adventure SE. Call Carl at 896-3599.

**To place ads call or write before the 12th.**  
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Franklin, TN 37064  
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All Ads must be submitted MONTHLY.



# Prez's Page

**"REMEMBER" Club members Make the Club! Participating Members Make It BETTER!!!**

I am happy to report that our April Meeting had another good turnout and was very productive! For those members who were unable to attend, Here is a brief recap! A motion to ban smoking during the actual meeting, (2pm till the meeting is over) was passed unanimously. This will make it much easier on our nonsmokers as it does get a little thick when the door is closed. Please add this to your copy of our bylaws!

The Club event for August was voted on! It will be the Sportsmans Lodge 2nd Annual Show at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Saturday, August 21st 1993. Pre-Entry \$15.00! Day of Show \$18.00 Flyers and Information will be available at our May Meeting! Member Bobby Mace is one of the movers and shakers for this show! This is a Club Event so let's mark our calendars and turn out.

We have some commitments for the Hollow Rock Show, Labor Day Weekend. I have talked to Ted Craig who is in charge of this show and there will be plenty of Mopar classes. This will be a fun time so let's get on it. Hollow Rock is only 10 miles from Camden on Hwy 70! The show will be held on Sat. Sept. 4th. I will have all the info at our May meeting!

Ron Gillespie presented the treasurers report and let everyone know where the Club stands financially. I noticed quite a few surprised looks when members became aware of how much it costs to put on a show of the quality our Club does! When you go first class as Our Club does, it costs! Ron stated that any member interested in knowing more than what was said at the meeting was welcome to contact him at anytime!

I hope you all like our new newsletter format. Dale Qualls is constantly working on improvements to make our newsletter one to be proud of!

Please note our New Members in you directory. We are only able to publish one directory each year so please update yours from the newsletters!!

I hope you all noticed our new sponsors page! This is just a small token of recognition for the sponsors, without whom Our Club would not be able to put on the type of first rate show we have become noted for! They help us, so if any of you have need of any of their products or services give them a shot at it!! It's only fair!

I would like to touch for a moment on judging! As most of you know I have been a judge at Shelbyville each year I have been there. This year I was a Team Captain and was able to have a say on Best of Show and other special awards. I learned a lot as all the other Team Captains were A.A.C.A. judges. I heartily recommend that if you have a chance to participate in judging at any show you attend, take it! What you

learn about how judges look at cars, what they look for and why, will help you improve your own beloved vehicle. The knowledge you gain will more than make up for the time and trouble you put in!!!

## **May Doin's**

**Sunday, May 23rd**, Our Club Meeting!!! at Rudy's Farm Restaurant on Music Valley Dr. 1 p.m. to Meet, Eat, & Great. Meeting starts promptly at 2:00 p.m.

**Saturday, May 29th**, Acuff & Rose 2nd Annual Car Show, Lebanon, TN. Two Mopar Classes. For info call 449-3674 or 444-1177. (I understand they have added a few extra Mopar Classes. Member Nick Willmore got quite a few commitments at our last meeting. If you possibly can please attend.

## **June Doin's**

**Saturday, June 5th**, Smokey Mountain Mopar Club Show, Sevierville, TN. Pre-Entry \$12.00 after May 15th, \$15.00. Registration 8:00 am to Noon. For info call David Barnes 615 453-1624, Gary Sonner 615 531-2415, or Andy Hixon 615 753-6200.

**Saturday, June 12th**, Poor Boy's Classic Chevy Club's 8th Annual Open Show, Waverly, TN. 2 Mopar Classes. Entry \$15.00. Registration 8:00 am to Noon. For info: Henry Bullington 615 582-3038, William Travis 615 789-5102.

**Saturday, June 26th**, 5th Annual "Fun in the Sun" Car Show (Present by East Tennessee Mopars), Knoxville, TN. Pre-Entry \$12.00. Day of Show \$15.00. For info call Mike & Judy Holman 615 691-6002, Bo Lusby 615 690-6236, Dave Micheletta 615 693-4943, Bill Hargis 615 694-4692.

**Sunday, June 27th** - Our Club Meeting!!!

## **July Doin's**

**Sunday, July 4th** - Fourth of July Freedom Festival Car Show, Cottage Grove, TN. for the Cottage Grove Whitlock Volunteer Fire Dept. Six (6) Mopar Classes. Entry Fee \$5.00 Registration 10:00 a.m.

**Saturday, July 10th**, 15th Annual Car Show & Flea Market for the Lawrence County Rescue Squad & Fire Dept. Member Mike Frakes has asked as many fellow members as possible to attend. It's for a good cause. I will be talking to the person in charge before our May meeting to see what Mopar classes we will have and have more info by our May 23rd meeting.

**Saturday, July 10th and Sunday July 11th** - Muscle Car Super National Beech Bend Raceway Park, Bowling Green, Ky. Car Show, Drag Racing, Etc. For info call Butch Hume (502) 448-7187. Hosted by the Falls City Corvette Club.

See Ya Thar!

*Big Lar*

More of Music City Mopar Clubs  
Winning Ways for 1993!!!



Member **Carl Harvey, Jr.**, Member **Bobby Mace** - Winners at the Humongus Open Car Show in Cookville, TN

Member **Kim Litton** - Winner Mike Jones 4th Annual Car Show in Dickson, TN, April 17th

Member **Bobby Mace**, Member **Roger Hendrick**, Member **Leonard McBath**, Member **Mike Boer**, Member **Butch Price**, Member **Neil Johnson**, Member **Paul Julian**, Member **Kim Litton**, Member **Nick Willmore** - Winners at the 11th Annual World's Biggest Fish Fry Auto Show in Paris, TN, April 24th.

The Club Trophy for M.C.M.C.'s favorite Non-Mopar went to Benjamin Waller of Nashville, for his 1932 Chevy Sedan!

Member **Butch Price**, Member **Paul Julian**, Member **Nick Willmore**, Member **Ronny Holland**, Member **Phillip Hire** - Winners at the Show & Shine Car Show in Lafayette, TN, May 8th.

Member **David Hite**, Member **Leonard McBath**, Member **John Dodson**, Member **Mike Cunningham**, Member **Kim Litton**, Member **Joe Johnson**, Member **Stanley Pearson**, Member **Roger Hendrick**, Member **Duane Murphy** - Winners at the 11th Annual Celebration City Car Show

Participation Trophy for the 2nd year in a row.  
I'll have it at our meeting the 23rd to show it off!

The Club Trophy for M.C.M.C.'s favorite Non-Mopar went to Richard Hill of Estill Springs, TN for his 1936 Chevy Pickup!



Welcomes its  
New Members



- # 78 David Bolinger  
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"1992 Dakota"
- #81 Stan Hardcastle  
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Please use this to update your directory.

# Beggar's Corner

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## COMPLETE SELECTION OF ABRASIVES

It is important to use the proper abrasives for the job at hand. An abrasive that is too aggressive will remove some of the part's details. The proper abrasive to use depends on the base metal, the severity of the rust, paint or grime to be removed, and finish desired. If in doubt of the proper abrasive, call our technical service staff at 1-800-227-8321 (CarTec1) for assistance. The following will help you determine which abrasive is best for your application and see page 3a for a quick reference chart.

### Glass Bead - General Purpose Abrasive

A general all-purpose abrasive for all types of metals and many plastics. Works best on softer metals such as aluminum and brass. Dust is minimal with glass bead. Creates a final finish for many metals and parts come out of the cabinet looking like new.

9563 Glass Bead, 50 lbs .....\$31.50



### Aluminum Oxide - an Aggressive Abrasive

Excellent cleaner for rust and corrosion. Great for pits on cast iron parts like manifolds and water pumps. Use only with metals to be finished.

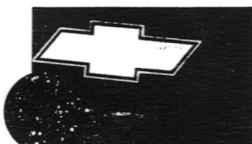
9565 Aluminum Oxide, 50 lbs.....\$31.50



### Silicon Carbide - Long Lasting Abrasive

A long-lasting abrasive where the edges maintain their sharpness longer than glass bead. An all purpose abrasive that lasts 5 times longer than glass bead at less than 3 times the price. Ideal for areas of extreme heavy rust and areas where you need to weld. Great for etching glass too.

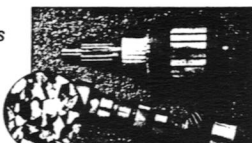
9567 Silicon Carbide, 50 lbs .....\$79.95



### Walnut Shells - for Engines & Transmissions

This abrasive works on cleaning most internal parts. The soft walnut shell breaks down without damage to working metal parts if any abrasive remains in the engine or transmission.

9569 Walnut Shells, 50 lbs.....\$37.95



### Poly Beads for Fiberglass and Soft Metals

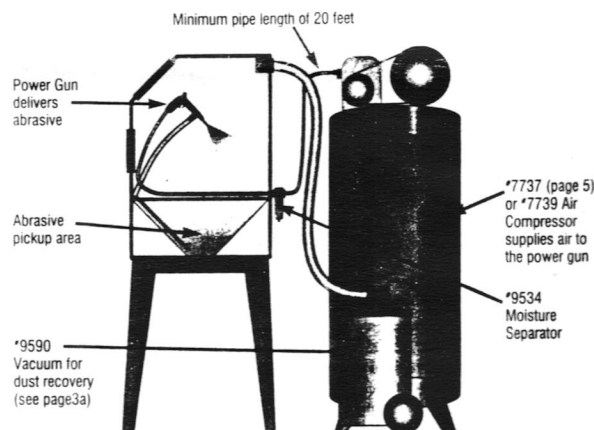
Ideal for cleaning fiberglass parts for Corvettes or reproduction parts. Poly bead does not harm the fiberglass. Works on softer metals without harming the surface.

9566 Poly Bead, 50 lbs.....\$99.95



## HOW SANDBLAST CABINETS WORK

Cabinet sandblasting is an efficient, fast way to clean parts and contain the mess indoors. A blast cabinet works together with an air compressor by rushing a stream of compressed air past a hose connected to an abrasive. The force of air creates a partial vacuum which pulls the abrasive into the blast. The blast slams the sharp edges of the abrasive into the part and strips the surface clean. Sandblasting saves time and effort in cleaning parts and is generally the superior method of rust and paint removal.



### Sandblast Abrasive Selection Chart - Good, Better, Best Ratings

Blasting Material	Removal of carbon, rust scale	Removal of paint with no rust on surface	Removal of paint with rust on surface	Paint preparation	Transmission and engine cleaning	Brazing & welding preparation	Glass etching (tooling)
Glass bead	Better	Good	Good	Good		Better	Good
Aluminum Oxide	Best		Best	Best		Good	Better
Silicon Carbide	Good		Better	Better		Best	Best
Walnut Shells		Better			Best		
Poly Beads		Best			Better		

# Calendar of Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MAY 23  CLUB MEETING	24	25	26	27	28	29  Acuff/Rose Show Lebanon, TN
30	31	JUNE 1	2	3	4	5  4th Annual Smokey Mtn. Show Sevierville, TN
6	7	8	9	10	11	12  Poor Boy's Classic Waverly, TN
13	14	15	16	17	18  Mopar Muscle Reunion Rock III Cincinnati, OH	19  18th - 20th
20	21	22	23	24	25	26  East TN Mopar Club "Fun in the Sun" Knoxville, TN
27  CLUB MEETING	28	29	30	JULY 1	2	3  Mid-West Auto Fest Bloomington, IN



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