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## Monthly Feature MEMBER'S MOPARS

Joey's Project Dart



About two (2) years ago I bought my 1967 Dodge Dart for two hundred (200) dollars. The left front fender was caved in, with no grill, and very few emblems. The paint was white with black spray paint all over it. It also had the old stock flat hood. It was a factory 273 4 barrel car. Since then, I've had a new paint job put on it. along with new OEM carpet, headliner, and the seat recovered to factory specs. It still sports the factory AM radio, and guages.

Now, my Dart has a new 1967 440 HP engine, 4200 stall converter, 727 torqueflite transmission, 391 sure grip 8¾" rearend. The engine is equipped with a MP M1 aluminum intake, mallory dual point distributor, 320 dur. - 533 lift camshaft. To top off the engine is a 850 double pumper Holley Carb.

It has a GTS frog eye hood with 440 inserts that reveal the engine size. New reconditioned small bolt pattern ralley wheels, with 10" drum drakes at each corner. The car is a factory aircondition car, and may again one of these days.

Even though the car is still a long way from being finished I still have a lot of Thanks to give to my dad for labor, and last but

not least to my girlfriend, Stephanie, for helping get parts, and put them on the car.

Owned by Joey Sisco, Lebanon, TN

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## PERORIAL PADMESS

Sunday: May 28th

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Music City Mopar Club Events Committee

### TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS,

The new show and race season is starting, It's time to unwrap those trailer queens, desalt and degrime the daily drivers, finish up any major winter projects, tune-up those race cars, whip out the Gold Card and head to parts near and far in search of fun, friends, and trophies.

By now you know me and the other board members. We have pledged to put together some great MCMC Events and keep you informed on other events in the Mid South and beyond. If you hear of anything let me know and we'll get it out in the club newsletter. Also, I'm looking for enthusiastic members for the events committee.

The events committee is offering a reward to the person garnering the most points during the year. Points will be awarded for any show or race between 4/1/95 and 10/31/95. Points will be awarded as follows:

Attending 1 Point 3rd Place 2 Points 2nd Place 4 Points

1st Place 10 Points

It will be up to you to keep proof of entry and outcome and turn it in at the November Meeting. The winner will be announced at the December Meeting.

See You There.

Bill Bradley

Events Director 615 449-6605





### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 20, Doug Marine Motors "Mopar Madness" Washington Court House, Ohio. -20 classes. Stump Davey 614 333-4327.

May 19-21, MoPar Muscle Club Internation Show & Race. Paris, Tn. Reg. 9am-Noon.MMCI 901 644-9409. May 28, 2nd Annual "Memorial Madness" Drag Race. "Beat the Heat" scheduled to appear! Pre-race info call 615 449-1260.

June 3-4, Page High School Benefit Spring Festival & Flea Market. 6329 Arno Rd. Franklin, TN 791-4039. Cars are asked to exhibit only - call now to reserve your spot and help attract visitors to this benefit for the Vocational Dept. of the Page High School.

June 10, 10th Annual Summer 95 Open Car Show. Waverly Tn. Henry Bullington, Jr. 615 582-3030 2 Mopar Classes.

June 17, 3rd Annual Southern Wheels 'n Motion. ullahoma, Tn. Mike Cunningham 615 454-9537. 4 Mopar Classes.

June 24, Al Menah Shrines Open Car Show. Nashville, Tn. This is Club Function and Club Meeting at 2:00 pm in the Pagota.



## KIM'S KORNER



### **AKA Ladies Choice**

Just when you thought it was safe - Guess what? I'm back!!

Thought I'd talk about helping your significant other in the garage - I know what you are thinking what can I do? It's really quite simple - I know from experience when you are laying under a car or truck, it's inevitable that the tool you need is not there - So, what you do is go out to the garage and ask what tool looks like what - If you get lucky, they will actually tell you what they are - screwdrivers, ratchets, sockets, wrenches, pliers, the list goes on - The sockets and wrenches have the size stamped in them - Screwdrivers are either flat or X shaped at the end - Ratchets are big or small drive - The great thing about getting to know the tools, is you also get to spend time with your significant other - If they say they don't need help -Hang around and chit chat - If you get a little greasy, that's part of it - That great smelling orange stuff is around - If you really hate the idea of helping -grab a seat and ask questions about what they are doing and why - The more you know, the more you will understand what draws them to their "other" pride and joy.

If they won't tell you what tool is what, give me a call, I'll bring some to the next meeting and explain them to you.

Another great way to help out, is to help clean up the car or truck for a car show - Be super critical of how you clean it - The cleaner it is inside and out - The more points it will get at a show!

Stay Safe and Be Aware!





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## FYI

I appreciate all the members that came to the April Meeting. The May Meeting will be held at the Drag Race on May 28th. The June Meeting will be at the Shriner's Car Show on June 24th in the Pagota on the back lot at 2:00 pm. This show is also a club function, so lets go in mass and win the Club Participation trophy again.

We want to welcome Hallmark Jeep Eagle as a club sponsor. If you are interested in a Jeep Vehicle go see them. They are located at 2431 Gallatin Road; just past Sam's Club toward Hendersonville.

We need people to write articles for the newsletter. Also more Member's Mopars for future issues. Please send me your articles or see me at any meeting.

Don't forget the all Mopar Show in Paris, Tennessee on May 20-21. Our drag race is the following weekend and we need

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more volunteers to help make this a smooth operation. It was such a blast last year to watch the faces of the Blue Oval and Bow Tie People as the "Little Slant Six" put them all away.

Hippodrome Dodge has elected to sponsor the Drag Race and will be on the back of the Drag Race T Shirts instead of the show shirt. Let's show them our appreciation and do some business with them.

The following members have bought club T Shirts and I have them in my possession. Jason Winningham, Lionel Bohn, Jim Wheeler, Harold Woodroot. Please pick them up as soon as possible. I have also gotten in touch with the company in Indiana that supplies our shirts and they are sending me an up to date price sheet for future orders.

See You at the Drag Race

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Registration Saturday Only! No Sunday Registration

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\$15.00 Pre-Entry / Day of Show \$20.00

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### For More Information Contact:

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	Butch Price @ 615 746-33 Bill Bradley @ 615 449-66				
Return Entry Form with Entry Fee(s) to: Music City Mopar Club, P.O. Box 130, LaVergne, TN 37086-0130					
Phone No.:	O Vendo	Vendors Vendors	Fee \$10.00, 20x40 Space \$20.00 (	Pre-Entry Onl	y)
Name:				Age:	T-Shirt Size:
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FOR SALE: 69 Dart GTS Hood, \$175.00. 68 Satellite or Road Runner or GTX Trunk Lid \$100.00. Joey Sisco at 444-7170 - leave Message.

FOR SALE: 78 Plymouth Valarie Wagon factory 360 air car. \$550; 79 Dodge 3/4 Ton Custom Pickup Show Truck like new \$4500. 70 Dodge Challenger RT Straight Car auto 440 \$3800. 80 Dodge Diplomat lower leater 2 dr. 318 air. \$2000; 78 Dodge Diplomat 318 air like 1500. Danny 824-7817 or 865-0962.

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Please Update Your Directory.



## More of Music City Mopar Club Winning Ways for 1995

Winners at the Walter Chrysler Club Car Show April 22nd, at Chattanoga, Tennessee were: Larry George, Wayne Hall, and Carl Harvey.

Winners at the Elk Valley Car Club April 29th, in Fayetteville, Tennessee were: Nick Willmore and Carl Harvey.

Winner at the Tims Ford Region Antique Auto Club held May 6th at Decherd, Tennessee was **Nick Willmore**.

Winners at the May 13th, 12th Annual Celebration City AACA Car Show in Shelbyville, Tennessee were Nick Willmore and Wayne Hall.

**WAY TO GO!!!** 



## Rev. Mopar's Grease Pit

As all of you know by now, I built Donna a "temporary" race car with a goal in mind of running at the fast end of the HEAVY class at Music City Dragway, and I am pleased to report that on five outings we have managed one win, one runner up, and one quarter final finish (the other two we won't even talk about). What was not mentioned, and deliberately so, was the assistance I got from club member Mike Gore. . . Why didn't I say anything, you ask? SIMPLE, because we were, at the same time, constructing a car for him with the same goal in mind and we wanted to keep it hush, hush. . . Well, now Mike's car is done and has been on the track two mes, and it is time to share the results with you and to tell of the kind of build we did on Mike's 440.

Mike has a neat 1970 Dodge Coronet 440 that is REALLY PURPLE. . . The poor car suffered and hobbled along with a sick 318 until Mike and Carol made the decision to dismantle their 1969 Barracuda drag car, rework the 440, and transplant it into the BIG PURPLE BEAST. . . Our goal was to get the car right, run the mid 8's with street tires and full exhaust, be competitive (read consistent), and all for less than you'd expect to spend on the down payment for a decent used car. (Like less than \$1200). Again, strategy and packaging would be the key.

We started with the STOCK, YES MATILDA, STOCK, 1974 440 that powered Mike and Carol's Quick Divorce Barracuda. After disassembly we noted that the rocker arms were so worn that the Comp cam 280 wasn't even really working in that combination. Couple that with a bent value or two and the need for a valve job, and you had serious trouble. A leak down test revealed that only THREE

linders were functioning at about 80 percent efficiency, and they were at about 83! Since this was a budget build, we carefully honed the walls, cleaned the pistons, and installed "file gap" moly rings when we reassembled the engine. Of course, we had the crank polished, a valve job done, and we honed the heads .010" and used the thin metallic gasket. The Comp cams 280 was reinstalled at 106 degrees and less work rocker arms assured good geometry. A top the engine rests a street oriented Weiand dual plane intake and a 750 vacuum carburetor.

Mike and Larry George lightened the bumper mounting stuff, and Mike and Carol worked diligently on the floorboards to remove the rust, connect the frame, and mount the fuel cell (gas tank was rusted out). Mike found a set of M&H street Fighter tires (11 inches wide) for the rear and installed BFG Comp T/A's up front. And although funds have yet to surface for the exhaust, the car has been taken to the track and run. To say I'm impressed would be to say the least. . .

Let's give a rundown on what it did. . . Two Friday nights of test and tune and King of the Hill. . . Down to three cars both outing. . . How's that for strong? What did it run? How about an 8.58 off the gas (break out)... Compare this to the four door and you will find that YOU TOO can build a good budget buster. The four door has run a best of 8.59 and was built with a \$2500 goal in mind. Mike and Carol have spent about \$1100 thus far and are running a touch quicker (albeit a somewhat lighter car). The point is, packaging remains the key to making a car truly work for you. When you set about a project, have firmly in mind your goals and if you don't know exactly how to get there on your budget, ask folks who have done ti, like Mike and Carol Gore. . . Above all, DON'T be unrealistic in what you set out to do - like "HEY, I WANT TO RUN SUPER PRO WITH MY SLANT SIX VOLARE AND MY BUDGET IS \$1500." More like "I WANT TO RUN PRO IN MY 360 DUSTER AND HAVE A BUDGET OF \$1500". That can be done. By the was, either Mike or the good Rev. can make our current cars go PRO without spending much more than a dollar. . . Just enough to get some gasket sealer and put the camshafts where they were intended to be for racing. . .

Till next month, keep a level head, look before you leap, listen before you speak, and always carry a big stick (DRIVE A MOPAR).

> PEACE Rev.

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