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Monthly Feature

MEMBER'S MOPARS



DARLA'S FARM TRUCK

Hello there Mopar lovers. I am a 1978 Dodge D-200 P.U. truck who happens to have the misfortune or the priveledge of beloning to Darla Price (depending on how you look at it). Unfortunately I am Darla's other truck. Her first truck and primary love is ED, a 1978 Plymouth Trailduster 4x4, featured in the October 1993 newsletter. I was purchased from my original owner, a Navy Captain in May 1993 to provide Darla with reasonable daily transpertation and the hard work and hauling capabilities of a truck and to save ED's 440 towing ability for heavy trailers. I am pwered by a 225 ci slant super six, NP435 H.D. 4 speed manual trans, and a Dana 60 with 4.10 gears. Creature comforts include genuine manual roll up windows, after market high back seat, tach and stereo installed by my original owner. Since my purchase bed rails and mat, tailgate protector, trailer brake box, and C.B. have been installed and the 16.5 wheels and tires swapped for LT235/85R16s on 16x7" spoke wheels. Last year I received new paint from Nelson Covington and his students at the Auto-Diesel College. In addition to normal hauling jobs I have hauled Darla's 7000#GTWR horse trailer a few times, once over Paris Mountain in Virginia

(ouch). In 1993 I pulled a couple of trailers over to Hermitage Landing for the MCMC show. The 25' long trailer was "HEAVY" and I'm sure the cars behind me were saying things that can't be printed in this newsletter, but I did get the job done. Well, I have to go now. It seems it is time for me to pull the "manure spreader" through the fields; and I bet you can guess what's in it. Somebody please tell Darla that I am not the right shade of green to be a tractor. What's next?!?!

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TECH TALK WHAT CAM DO I USE?

As you all know I motivate my 2 door post Valiant with a 360 small block. My heads are stock, but have a good set of springs and have turned well over 6000 rpm many times without parts failure. In deciding what cam to use I first tried a Cam Dynamics 280* duration / .484" lift hydraulic cam. It worked very well, but I thought I could get more out of a bigger cam. After all bigger is better, right? So I tried a Comp Cam 292* / .508" hydraulic cam and the car fell off badly. I felt it might be due to the intake manifold not flowing enough air to supply the cam. So I swapped on a better one and it helped, but not enough. The next choice was to get heads to match the cam, after all I was still using stock heads. I mean these things could choke like a Chevy with those small exhaust runners. So I bought a great set of heads from Kirt's Machine Shop with 2.02 intake valves, great springs and all the rest, but no porting. Off to Indy they went for an econo porting job. Econo was right. After six months they came back with no charge and NO work. By now it was the middle of race season and something had to be done. Back to a smaller cam. I did not swap on the new heads because they would not flow more than the ones already there and their springs would work fine with a smaller cam. After doing some checking I started thinking about drag race "stockers" and what they are allowed to run. (1) limited head modification. (2) can't change the full lift of a cam. (3) can use all the duration in the world. So, I bought a \$52.00 mechanical cam shaft from Columbus Performance. I used lifters and rockers I already owned that were new in the box. If you used a similar hydraulic cam you could save some money on lifters and rockers, but I can't guarantee the same kind of improvement. This cam had a little more lift than stock at .464" as compared to .440" or so, but, it had 298* advertised duration. This solved the problem. The car pulled well to about 6500 rpm. So, if you want to go quicker without spending big bucks on heads try a longer duration cam. It holds the valves open longer so more air can flow, giving a broader power curve without expensive springs and high performance

parts and high dollar porting. It helped me pick up the couple of tenths I lost, plus the couple I was looking for, so I can go out and give those big blocks a taste of high winding small block power.

Your Friend, Baby Block Bob

EVENTS DIRECTION

As the weather begins to cool off we can look forward to getting back into our unairconditioned muscle cars more often. As you may know we are having a cruise from Hermitage Landing to Car-B-Q's on Friday evening September 27th, 1996. That's after we set up for the car show. Come help with the set up. It is easy and the cruise is what kicks off the annual car show on the 28th and 29th. But, that does not mean we can have only one cruise a year. I am looking for suggestions on starting and finishing points for other weekends. It gives us a chance to drive and show our cars where the most people can see them and it is fun. Please give me or one of the other board members a call if you have ideas.

Robert Vachunek, Events Director

STOW IT

THE CLUB IS LOOKING FOR A NEW TRAILER TO STORE CLUB PROPERTY. WE HAVE OUTGROWN THE OLD ONE. IT IS IN BAD SHAPE AND THE ELEMENTS ARE TAKING A TOLL ON WHAT IS INSIDE. WE NEED A BOX TRAILER WITH INSIDE DIMENSIONS OF 6' HIGH, 6' WIDE, AND 10' LONG. OBVIOUSLY IT MUST BE IN GOOD SHAPE, BUT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE NEW. IF YOU KNOW OF A GOOD DEAL ON A TRAILER PLEASE CALL BILL BRADLEY AT 615-449-1260.

FYI

THE BIG SHOW SEASON IS WITH US. THE BRISTOL AND INDY SHOW HAVE COME .ND GONE. MANY OF OUR CLUB MEMBERS. WERE AT BOTH SHOWS AND FROM ALL I HERE AND EXPERIENCED THEY WERE A BLAST. OF COURSE THE BIGGEST SHOW OF ALL IS THE MUSIC CITY MOPAR CLUB'S ANNUAL SHOW AT HERMITAGE LANDING AND IT IS COMING UP ON SEPTEMBER 28TH AND 29TH. WE ARE HAVING SET UP ON FRIDAY THE 27TH AROUND NOON UNTIL WHENEVER IT GETS DONE AND THEN OFF ON OUR CRUISE AT 6:00 P.M. TO CAR-B-Q'S. THE 28TH IS ALL DAY REGISTRATION FOLLOWED BY OUR PARTY AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE SHOW SITE. I AM ASKING THAT CLUB MEMBERS WAIT THIS YEAR UNTIL ALL OF OUR GUESTS HAVE BEEN SERVED BEFORE DIGGING INTO THE BURGERS AND DOGS. AS YOU MAY HAVE HEARD WE ARE HAVING LIVE MUSIC AND THE PARTY SHOULD BE MORE FUN THAN EVER. SUNDAY IS JUDGING AND TROPHY DAY AND WILL BE AS HECTIC AS EVER. WE EED YOUR HELP AT THE REGISTRATION TENT, PARKING LOT, AND TROPHY TENT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. PLEASE VOLUNTEER. THIS IS A CLUB FUNCTION, NOT A BOARD FUNCTION. OUR NEXT MEETING IS AUGUST 25TH AT RICHARD PRICE'S HOUSE IN BRENTWOOD. SEE THE MAP. IT IS AN IMPORTANT MEETING. FIRST OF ALL THE CLUB PROVIDES THE MEAT AND CONDIMENTS, BUT WE DEPEND ON YOU FOR COVERED DISHES AND DRINKS. PLEASE BRING SOMETHING WITH YOU. SECONDLY IT IS THE MEETING THAT DETERMINES WHERE THE NEXT YEAR'S CAR SHOW WILL BE AND HOW IT WILL BE RUN. WE NEED YOUR INPUT. IT IS ALSO OUR LAST MEETING BEFORE THIS YEAR'S CAR SHOW AND WE NEED TO COORDINATE. LET'S MAKE THIS YEAR'S PICNIC A BIG SUCCESS.

BIG BLOCK BILL

KIM'S KORNER



AKA Ladies Choice

I was wondering if anyone out there had been to any shows. I haven't heard from any of you, so if you want your name in the newsletter please call or write.

We brought the A-100 home from Neal's. He was getting one of his cars ready for our show and needed the room. The A-100 sure did look funny on the trailer with those little tires out back. The frame is in, and the rear end is in. Next I guess we start putting in panels and other stuff.

Ron and I went to Bristol and had a pretty good time. We met lots of new people and saw people we new from past shows and some MCMC people. The weather was hot and so were the entries. Saw lots of beautiful new vehicles. Can't wait until the A-100 is part of them. I was surprised at the amount of new entries this year plus the people that had been there before doing new things the their cars. We were a bit surprised at the fact that there weren't as many show cars as there were last year. There were more racers. In fact there were so many racers that they completely filled up the pit area plus one of the show areas. In years past they had Mopars against everyone (Off Brands). No Off Brands this year because there was no place to park them.

Possibly my favorite vehicles were the three right hand drives from Australia. And, they had an honest to goodness movie celebrity complete with "make up". A white '70 Challenger R/T from the sequel to the movie "Vanishing Point". First glance made you wonder why they didn't wash the dirt off of it. Then when you got to reading and you found out it was movie magic painted on. Pretty neat.

We were so surprised to see friends Ben and Barry. David and Reba, Jay and Jay, plus Jerry Taylor and the rest. It is nice to have time to catch up things. DON'T FORGET THE RECIPES.

Stay Safe and Be Aware. Kim Litton



MOSTLY OLD PARTS QND FELICS

WANTED: Would like to borrow VHS tapes of 90,91 & 92 MCMC shows. Call Kim after noon daily 615-441-2953.(4) 'FOR SALE: 67 Dodge Coronet Deluxe., .030" over balanced 440, 3000 stall torque converter turbo action valve body in fresh 727, 3.55 sure grip, Hooker Headers, 2.5" aluminized exhaust, Dynomax Mufflers, H pipe, Police rims, new radials, new gas shocks, halogen lights, electronic ignition, Sun tach, drive shaft loop, Hemi radiator, T'Stat controlled electric fan, H.D. alternator, rear mount battery, new paint, late model front disc brakes, new suspension parts. This car is fast and reliable. Own the ultimate four door grocery getter for \$4800. Call Rev. Mopar. 876-8903 evenings. PARTING OUT: '74 Duster, small block automatic. Call for parts and prices. Butch after 6pm 746-3390.

WANTED: 456 pos, 8 3/4 chunk. Butch after 6 pm 746-3390. WANTED: Pos trac or limited slip unit for 8 3/4. Butch after 6 pm 746-3390.

FOR SALE: '76 Warlock, 318, 4 bbl, Auto, P/S, P/B, A/C. \$3000 Butch after 6 pm 746-3390.

FOR SALE: '89 Ply Sundance, 4 dr, 2.2 auto, P/S, P/B, AM/FM, 77K miles, \$3200 Butch after 6 pm 746-3390.

WANTED: 727 trans for small block, must be part #3681052, fits 72-73 A,B,E Body 340. Also, '72 Challenger Ralley 340 4-speed, no basket cases. Wayne after 5 pm 444-1521.

WANTED: Single groove water pump pulley and crank pulley for big block. Kim 441-2953.

FOR SALE: '68 Ply Fury III 383, 2bbl, 727, P/S, P/B, 4 dr, A/C, red and white. \$2500. Don 893-4252.

FOR SALE: '73 Dodge Charger S.E. Brougham, 2 dr, P/D/B, 400 h/p, 4 bbl, Headman Headers, \$2500. 893-4252.

WANTED: Bucket seats w/ console for '70-'71 Dodge truck Adventurer S.E., parts of anything that will fit my '58 Dodge truck Custom 100. Carl 896-3599.

WANTED: 'Cuda/Barracuda, '70-'74 in decent shape to put a 440 in. Sam 446-5509.

FOR SALE: Mickey Thompson Mopar Big Block valve covers, used \$20. Big Block ci exhaust manifolds \$10. Pair 185R15 24" tall V.W. type front runners new \$50. Bill 449-1260.

FOR SALE: '69 Charger RT, auto ,console, A/C, P/S, P/B, triple green, no engine, needs retoration, \$1100 in new sheet metal. Call Mike 648-4721.

FOR SALE: 8 3/4 rear end chunk, 741 case, 391 trac-lok. \$150, call Butch after 6pm, 746-3390.

WANTED: '70 Roadrunner or Satalite parts car. Must have good rear clip. Prefer complete car with a good motor. John Dodson 790-2998.

BAD

FOR SALE: '66 model 383 engine (2 BBL) from '66 Newport. Ran good when removed. Parting out '66 Sport Fury- this was a big block car. Call for details. Jerry Taylor 449-3900.

FOR SALE $\,$ EZ Up expandable tent canopy. Perfect for car shows. $\,$ \$125.00

*86 Dodge D-100 225ci std shift bell hsg, fly wheel, clutch & linage. Sell complete or parts

*318 cast iron std shift bell hsg & 3 speed trans

*86 Dodge Daytona complete front suspension: k-member, struts, hubs, rotors, axles, calipers, power rack and pinion

*perfect '72 Dodge PU grille - will trade for '76

*roof luggage rack for Jeep Cherokee Call Butch after 6:00 P.M. 615-746-3390

For Sale Mopar parts, mostly A-body. What do you want? James after 6:00 P.M. 860-9691

FOR SALE '73 Dodge Charger 1 owner, 107k, body good, needs paint & headliner, driver seat messed up, 318ci 2bbl, a/t may need work, \$3500 Rick Boyer 518-4047

Melissa's Minutes

- A. 20 + CLASSES NEED TO BE SOLD FOR SHOW SPONSORSHIPS.
- B. KIM, BILL, AND MELISSA TO CHECK ON TROPHIES AND DASH PLAQUES AND GET COMPETITIVE BIDS
- C. PICNIC FOR AUGUST MEETING AT RICHARD PRICE'S HOUSE. CLUB PROVIDES MEAT, MEMBERS PROVIDE COVERD DISHES. AUGUST 25TH. PUT MAP IN NEWSLETTER.
- D. SEPT 22ND GOODY BAG STUFFER AT GARY WILKERSONS HOUSE. WE NEED STUFFING ITEMS AND DOOR PRIZES. THIS IS NOT A REGULAR MEETING AND NO FOOD WILL BE PROVIDED. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO DO THIS.
- E. OCTOBER MEETING AT MONTGOMERY BELL STATE PARK WITH DETAILS SET UP BY ROBERT VACHUNEK.
- F SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK TO PICK UP CANS. A REMINDER TO EVERYONE TO BRING CANS TO EVERY MEETING.
- G. KIM LITTON IS LOOKING FOR RECIPES FOR THE CLUB COOK BOOK.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 31: Hollow Rock Labor Day Spectacular 4 Mopar classes plus best Mopar. 586-7058

SEPT 6-8: Mopar Meet 96 at Atlanta Dragway Commerce Ga. Mike Hayes 1-800-241-8124

SEPT 28 & 29: MUSIC CITY MOPAR CLUB CAR AND TRUCK SHOW AT HERMITAGE LANDING IN NASHVILLE OFF I-40 EAST. NEW DEISEL TRUCK CLASS 615-449-1260

OCTOBER 12 & 13: 9th annual Lowcountry Mopars Show & Swap North Charleston, S.C. 803-821-8760 Rodney Williams

MOPAR NATIONALS

I HAVE SAID IT BEFORE AND I'LL SAY IT AGAIN: IF YOUR ARE NOT GOING TO ONE OF THE BIGGER MOPAR SHOWS HELD WITHIN FIVE HOURS OF NASHVILLE EVERY YEAR YOU ARE MISSING OUT BIG TIME. KIM LITTON COVERS THE BRISTOL SHOW IN THIS NEWSLETTER. CHECK IT OUT. FOR LACK OF A BETTER WRITER I'M GOING TO HIT THE HIGH SPOTS OF THE INDY SHOW FOR '96. THE NAME SAYS IT - MOPAR NATIONALS. PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY WERE THERE WITH AN EXAMPLE OF JUST ABOUT EVERY LICENSE TAG IN THE COUNTRY RACING, SHOWING OR CRUISING. HOW ABOUT THE BIGGEST BURNOUT CONTEST IN THE COUNTRY ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY: MONSTER DODGE TRUCKS CRUSHING CHEVYS FLAT. I MEAN FLAT; MAX WEDGE SHOOT OUT; KING OF STREET SHOOT OUT IN THE 8'S; VIPERS: RT'S AND GTS, PROWLER, DAKOTA, AND MORE FACTORY IRON; A-, B-, C-, D-, E-, F-, AND ANY OTHER BODY YOU COULD THINK OF; CONCOURSE SHOW CARS, CUSTOM SHOW CARS, AND TRUCKS EVERYWHERE; PARTS VENDORS GALORE AND FACTORY DISPLAY TENTS AS FAR AS THE EYE COULD SEE. IF I MISSED ANY-THING ITS BECAUSE THREE DAYS WASN'T ENOUGH TIME TO RACE AND DO EVERYTHING ELSE THERE WAS TO DO. SOME OF THE MCMC FOLKS I KNOW WERE THERE ARE: WAYNE HALL, ROBERT WILLIAMS, JOHN DODSON, MIKE GORE AND FAMILY, GARY TUCK AND FAMILY, RICHARD ELMORE AND FAMILY, RED ROMINES AND FAMILY, STANLEY PEARSON, STAN HARDASTLE AND FAMILY, GARY WILKERSON, DALE MCDANIEL, BUTCH PRICE, MIKE AND MELISSA BOER, AND ME, BIG BLOCK BILL. IF I MISSED ANYBODY IT'S BECAUSE THE PLACE WAS TO BIG TO SEE IT ALL. ON A PERSONAL NOTE I WANT TO THANK MIKE BOER FOR HELP AND FRIENDSHIP ALL WEEKEND AND ESPECIALLY MELISSA BOER FOR PUTTING UP WITH US, NO SMALL THING. FOR INDY AND BRISTOL THERE IS NEXT YEAR. FOR NOW WE STILL HAVE THE MCMC SHOW ON SEPT 28 & 29 PLUS THE "MOPAR MEET '96" IN ATLANTA ON SEPT 6-8. SEE YOU THERE.



Directions to August 25th Meeting:

