

# MOPAR MUSCLE

Official newsletter of the East Tennessee Mopars Car Club.

Established April, 1988

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## Club meeting:

This months regular ETM meeting will be held on **Saturday, June 6 at Chilhowee Park** at 6:30pm. Join us and cruise to a restaurant for supper afterwards.

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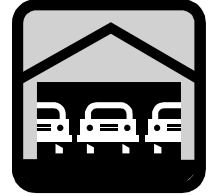
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## *My Space in the Garage ...*

*By Judy Holman*



The month of May was definitely the month for car shows and ETM being represented at several. The Fairview Church car show in Maryville had around 90 cars. Hugh and Raymond Clark won the award for Best Mopar for their '66 Belvedere II. We had club members in attendance who also enjoyed supper at TC's Grill afterwards. Mike and I attended to CTE car show at Toyota Knoxville/Lexus of Knoxville taking the '69 Road Runner and the '66 Belvedere II. Mopars represented better than half of the cars in the show field. We all parked together and it looked impressive! We all knew each other (everyone had attended our show last year) and it felt like family. Each of us won a top 25 award. Mopars also won - Best Truck, Best Paint, and Best in Show. The raffle prizes were a Snap On tool roll away cabinet and tickets to the August Bristol race. I purchased an arms length of tickets. Public schools are worth supporting. Well, I was taking pictures of the winning cars when they called the winning ticket for the Bristol Races. I rarely win so I wasn't paying much attention until Mike said I better check my numbers. You guessed it - I won!! It's "Bristol Baby" in August! Our seats are in the Junior Johnson section 10th row from the track. Mike and I are looking forward to seeing the race, smelling the race, and wearing the race. We just returned from vacation, the Outer Banks of North Carolina, and on the way out there traveling I-40 east we saw several cruise in's. The largest one was in Burlington, NC at the local Northern Tools Equipment store. Next year we hope to have the time to stop and enjoy the local cars in Burlington.

The next local car show is the 1st Annual Claxton Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show. Reg: \$20, door prizes, fun and games. Location: 2218 Clinton Hwy, Powell. (Claxton Elementary School) Info: Chip 865-385-0814. Several members (Mike & I included) will be attending. We will meet other members at the **Advance Auto in Powell** on Clinton Highway around 8:30am. The show starts at 9:00am. If anyone would like to caravan just call or e-mail me and we'll wait on you.

Congratulations go out to the newly wed Mr. & Mrs. John Foster. John and Debbie tied the knot on May 30. We wish them many years of love and happiness.

See you at the June meeting.

*Judy*

## Car Show Update - by Judy

This is it, less than 21 days until car show time in Tennessee! Trophies and t-shirts have been ordered and will be ready by June 23. They are going to look great! Door prizes are filling up my dining room. We are still in need of goody bag items, Dollar Bill race items and Kid's door prizes. Please bring any items you have to the June 23 meeting. If you get anything from a business, be sure to get their business card. They will be mentioned as a sponsor the day of the show. If you have not signed up for a "Day of Show" job attend the workers meeting on Tuesday, June 23, and place your name on the list. Please note the important dates below.

Dates to remember:

- June 23: all door prizes, goody bag items, Dollar Bill race items, and Kid's door prizes are due. If you're not sure what items would be good, just call or e-mail me with your question.
- June 23: Important workers meeting at Chilhowee Park. We will meet at 7:00pm at the band stand. We will be going over the set up for this year's show and answer any questions you may have. At this meeting be sure to pick up another ETM club t-shirt to wear at the show.
- June 25: Stuffing goodie bags, arranging door prizes, doing all the paper work for the show. We will meet at John's house at 6:30pm. If interested, call John and get directions to his house.
- June 27: Show Time! Set up begins at 6:00am at Chilhowee Park. See you all there.

If you plan to bring your Mopar to the show, you have a choice.

1. You may park it around the flag pole (back it in) and place it on display.
2. You may pay the entry fee, have your car judged, and still park around the flag pole.

All club members driving other vehicles are asked to park behind the First Aid Station.



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Check your address label  
for your membership  
expiration date.  
**Send your updated mem-  
bership application and  
money to:**

**Jim Hill  
Membership Director**

**ETM  
P.O. Box 51401  
Knoxville, TN 37950**

**Welcome these new members to the East Tennessee Mopars Car Club**

**Welcome back these members who renewed their membership**

**Happy Birthday to these club members**

**June**

Kim Nelson

Claire Williams



**East Tennessee Mopars Club**  
**Minutes**  
**May 2, 2015**

East Tennessee Mopars Club met May 2, 2015, 6:30 at the Knoxville Rescue Squad. Nine (9) members were present. President Judy Holman called the meeting to order

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Judy said the Spring Dinner (aka Valentine Dinner and Spring Picnic) was a great success at Calhoun's on the River. The club shared the evening with several proms and one wedding therefore; it was busy and festive evening.

**New Business**

**Upcoming Events**

May 9: Shine and Show car show, at 10416 Parkside Drive, Knoxville

May 9: Fairview United Methodist Church annual car show, 2508 Old Niles Ferry Hwy, Maryville (Next to T.C. Grill)

May 16: Mopars @ McDowell on the campus of McDowell Technical Community College, Marion, NC

**\*May 21: Board Meeting at Chilhowee Park bandstand**

May 30: 2nd Annual Indoor All Mopar Mania Car Show, Walter State Expo Center, White Pine, TN

**\*June 6: Club Meeting at Chilhowee Park bandstand**

June 13: Claxton Volunteer Fire Dept - first annual car show. Registration is \$20 and admission is free All proceeds benefit the Fire Department. Contact Chip 865-385-0814. Rain date is June 20. Show is at Claxton Elementary School, 2218 Clinton Highway, Powell

Cruise in: This will be the first Saturday April - October from 8-Noon. Location is downtown near Roane State Community College

**Membership Report**

No Report

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

No Report

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financials were presented for approval. Following a motion to approve and a second approval of the financial report carried unanimously.

**CAR SHOW**

John Foster, Car Show Chairman, said that registrations were coming in nicely. May 15 is the deadline for the plaques. Two weeks prior to the needed by date, plaque information must be submitted. The workers Sign-up sheet was passed around to members

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Clark  
Secretary

**Please note that all club activities are noted with an asterisk and are in bold.**

ADVENTURES IN M-BODYLAND

(or... "Not again...!")

By: Chris Yaroch

OK, it's been a few years now since I bought my humble 1987 Dodge Diplomat, rebuilt the motor and made some select mods. I've had great fun running the back roads and busting through the tullees in my thunderous ride, dubbed "the Sabotage" by my co-workers. My car reminded them of a car they saw in a Beastie Boys video for a song called "Sabotage". The video is cheesy shtick comedy, entertaining... and the car is a 1987 Ford Crown Victoria. *\*rolling my eyes\** I know, because I drove one when I was a dirt road deputy in south Mississippi! -no accounting for taste-

My fearless M-body made the ride down from Northern Virginia where I first bought it. It's been out and back all the way to Fort Smith, Arkansas. The car has run all over the place!

Ever since I got the car, I've pretty much used it as a daily driver. You ask, "But Chris... race gas has spiked to \$6.00 a gallon! How the heck do you afford that???" Well, I don't drive it *all* the time, My normal car is an '07 Nissan Altima. The Dip is my run around car when the spouse has the Nissan. Ever since I've had the rebuild done on my Dip, my usual joke is, ".. it gets 4 gallons to the mile!" That bad boy certainly can drink some gas!!!

One afternoon, I was heading out to the local greenway (walking path) for a run. Unfortunately, I have a job that requires a certain level of physical fitness, so I have to run. But, no biggy, because I've always been a good runner.

I'm cruising down the road and hit the turn lane to pull in, pull a U-ee and head back to the greenway which is on the other side of the 4-lane. I pull down the street and as I turn around the island, the car starts sputtering. -???- I get the car started, put it in drive and take off. As I cruise up to the stop sign to make my right, it dies again! -????-

OK... here we go again! Back through the mental rolo-dex for diagnostics. Gas? -3/4 tank- Cranks? -yep- Power? -Lights and dummy warnings work- The car cranks and cranks and cranks. Nothing! It seemed like it wasn't getting fire, but why did this just happen all of a sudden??? The M-body gods must be laughing at me!

I hoof it 2 miles down the road to the office. No worries about running today, not after THAT hike! I call for the tow truck... again. Same drill. The Dippy is hauled off to Rex's and I call the spouse for a ride.

Not an hour after I shelled out \$75 for a tow, Rex calls and says the car is ready. -???- Surely, not! So, I head over to Rex's shop to see what was up.

Rex informed me about the problem. He said the car fired right up and they backed it off the roll back tow truck. Now, I'm thoroughly puzzled. How???

When the car got on level ground and moved forward, it died. Rex had a hunch and popped the hood. Yep... exactly what he thought it was. **-the orange ECM box-** The bottom screw that held it to the fire wall was loose. The ECM was wiggling back and forth, breaking the ground. That's why the car would die. ARE. YOU. SERIOUS??? *\*shaking my head\**

Rex dutifully tightened the screw and handed me the keys. He was gracious enough to not charge me for the simple fix and sent me on my way. Next month, we learn why certain letters are silent, but certain folks aren't!

Lesson learned: Sometimes, complex mechanical problems are cured by simple fixes.

**ETM EVENTS/CAR SHOWS FOR 2015***(calendar will show 3 months in advance (space permitting) any meetings/events for ETM members)*

- June 6 (Sat)** Regular ETM monthly meeting to be held at Chilhowee Park. 6:30pm. This is the last Regular club meeting before our car show. It is important that club members attend.
- June 13 (Sat) 1st Annual Claxton Volunteer Fire Dept. Car Show. Reg: \$20, door prizes, fun and games. Location: 2218 Clinton Hwy, Powell. (Claxton Elementary School) Info: Chip 865-385-0814
- June 23 (Tues)** Workers meeting: Everyone working the car show is asked to attend this meeting. We will go over the plans/set up for the show. 7:00pm at Chilhowee Park Bandstand.
- June 25 (Thurs) Stuffing goodie bags at John's house - 6:30pm. More info and directions next month.
- June 27 (Sat.)** 27th Annual "Fun In The Sun" All Mopar Car Show. Chilhowee Park Fair Grounds, Knoxville, TN. Presented by the East Tennessee Mopars Car Club. All club members are asked to be at the park at 6:00am ready to set up.
- July 10-12 Chrysler Nationals at Carlisle Fairgrounds, Carlisle, PA
- July 18 (Sat)** Regular ETM monthly meeting at the Knoxville Volunteer Rescue Squad. Meeting at 6:30pm. Cruise to a restaurant for supper afterwards. (Note the date change because of the July 4 weekend and the All Chrysler Nationals at Carlisle Car Show)
- July 23 (Thurs) ETM Board meeting. 7:00pm. Place to be determined.
- Aug. 1 (Sat)** Regular ETM monthly meeting. We will cruise to Hot Rods 50's Diner in Alcoa. Club members will meet at the Rice CDJ Dealership on the Alcoa Highway, at 6:00pm. Then cruise to Hot Rods 50's Diner for supper and our club meeting.
- Aug. 22 (Sat) Annual Summer ETM club picnic at Norris Dam. Several of us will be there early to get the pavilion. Lunch is around 11:30am. A sign up sheet will be available at the July meeting. Everyone is asked to bring 2 covered dishes, BYOSD (bring your own soft drinks) and lawn chairs. The Corn Hole competition continues!!!
- Aug. 27 (Thurs) ETM Board meeting. 7:00pm. Place to be determined.
- Sept. 26 (Sat) Music City Mopar Car & Truck Show, Presented by the Music City Mopar Car Club
- Monthly Cruise In's (Saturday's) behind the Advance Auto on Clinton Highway (April - October)  
Monthly Cruise In's (Thursday) behind the Advance Auto on Asheville Highway (now - end of summer)

**Recommended Mopar friendly businesses.**

- 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.
- Atkins & Son Transmission, 4001 Rutledge Pike, Knoxville, TN (865) 524-3059
- NAPA Auto Parts
- Advance Auto
  
- 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 High End B-Body Restorations  
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Super Flow SF-502 Engine Dyno **865-272-3619**  
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**(256) 247-1332**  
**Call and ask for Ted or Jackie**

**Editor's Notes**

By Judy Holman



The newsletter is a little late this month - vacation, work, getting door prizes, sponsorship monies, placing t-shirt and trophy orders. Anyway - how's your car coming along? Haven't heard from any club member lately. Drop me a note and let's feature your car and its history.

Please check the calendar for up and coming meeting dates and times along with club events. See you at the monthly meetings, club activities, and June 27 at your "Fun In The Sun" All Mopar Car Show.

**Club Wearables**

Place your order at any regular club meeting. All items must be paid for at time of ordering.

Club Polo shirts: S - XL are \$22 each

Club Polo shirts: XXL - XXXL are \$24 each

Club Jacket, black satin: S - XL are \$60 each

Club Jacket, black satin: XXL - XXXL are \$62 each

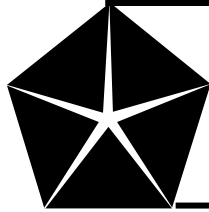
These are embroidered shirts and jackets with the ETM logo and your name. See Judy to place your order

\*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, Jim Hill, the club Membership Director, 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!



Membership Expires \_\_\_\_\_



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(checked when received)  
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### OFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**I Currently Own the Following Automobiles**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

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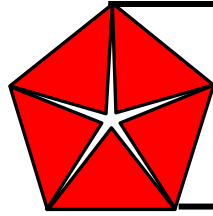
My favorite type of car event/activities are: \_\_\_\_\_

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: \_\_\_\_\_



**EAST TENNESSEE  
MOPARS®**

PROUDLY PRESENTS OUR

**27<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
"FUN IN THE SUN"  
ALL MOPAR CAR SHOW  
and SWAP MEET  
SATURDAY JUNE 27, 2015**

LOCATION: CHILHOWEE PARK FAIRGROUNDS  
3301 EAST MAGNOLIA AVE - KNOXVILLE, TN 37914  
KNOXVILLE ZOO EXIT 392 OFF I-40

REGISTRATION: 9:00AM – NOON / SHOW: NOON – 4:00PM

*Proceeds to benefit the  
Knoxville Volunteer Rescue Squad*

*50/50 Drawing   Live D.J.   Model Car Contest*

**Drive through Judging**

Decisions of the judges are final  
Car Show judging: 10:00am-1:30pm

**FIRST 50 REGISTRATED VEHICLES RECEIVE A FREE CAR SHOW T-SHIRT**

General Admission: \$8.00 (children under 12 free with adult admission)  
Free parking for general admission visitors  
Car Registration: \$20 (Includes car and 2 admissions)  
Dash Plaques for First 100 Entrants  
Swap/Vendor Registration: \$20/space & 2 admissions  
Car Corral Area Registration: \$20/space & 2 admissions  
Please make checks payable to East Tennessee Mopars

\*Confirmation letters will be sent to all registrants received by June 12th\*

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## ENTRY REGISTRATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Car Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliations \_\_\_\_\_ Show Entrant \_\_\_\_\_ Vendor/Swap Entrant \_\_\_\_\_  
(Vendors are responsible for sales tax)

**Liability:** By entering this show and completing this entry form, I understand the East Tennessee Mopars, Chilhowee Park, and the City of Knoxville will not be held liable or responsible for damage, theft, loss of life, or accidents to and from the show and during the day long event. **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES/ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN OR AROUND THE SHOW AREA.** Reckless driving will not be tolerated. The East Tennessee Mopars reserve the right to evict violators of the above rules. **I HAVE READ THE ABOVE RULES AND REGULATIONS AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE REQUIREMENTS. E.T.M. HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY CAR THAT IS NOT MOPAR POWERED.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
(If under 18 years of age, parent/guardian must sign)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## CLASSES

### STOCK

A BODY ALL  
B BODY 62-67  
B BODY 68-70  
B BODY 71-74  
E BODY ALL

### MODIFIED

A BODY ALL  
B BODY 62-67  
B BODY 68-70  
B BODY 71-74  
E BODY ALL

### OTHER

C BODY/IMPERIAL 62-68  
C BODY/IMPERIAL 69-74  
RACE  
PRE '62 CARS  
1975 - 1999 RWD & FWD  
TRUCK PRE 2000  
NEW CAR (2000 & NEWER)  
NEW TRUCK (2000 & NEWER)  
CHALLENGER (2008 & NEWER)  
SPECIAL INTEREST: WING, T/A,  
AAR, VIPER, P.T.CRUISER,  
PROWLER, AMC

### SPECIAL AWARDS

CLUB PARTICIPATION  
HARD LUCK  
BEST IN SHOW (4 foot trophy)

### MODEL CAR CONTEST

13 yrs – younger  
14 yrs – 17 yrs  
Adult

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards in all classes.  
Stock classes: 3 or less modifications.

**All vehicles must be Mopar powered.**