

# MOPAR MUSCLE

Official newsletter of the East Tennessee Mopars Car Club.

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## Club meeting:

The February regular club meeting will be held on Thursday, February 4 at the Shoney's Restaurant on Rutledge Pike. This will be a meet and eat. We will be stuffing envelopes and mailing out car show flyers.

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## *President's Corner*

By Judy Holman

Happy New Year to everyone! This newsletter begins the 29th year of the East Tennessee Mopars as a car club. It's hard to believe that 29 years have gone by. This year the club decided to begin meeting on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. We hope that this new day and time will bring out more members to attend the meetings and enjoy the Mopar fellowship. At the January meeting the members gave their input on the activities or events they would like to do or attend. Attending shows and cruise in's as a group was something we all want to do. So, if you hear of a show or cruise in (Mopar or open), send the information to the club by sail mail or e-mail. The club also decided to keep the annual Valentine Dinner, August club picnic and Christmas Party on the calendar. These 3 activities have been well attended and a lot of fun. There is a Moparty Picnic on the calendar for May 6 in Ringgold, GA. This is going to be a terrific get together of all the Mopar Clubs in the region. Slated to attend are Herb McCandless and Mike Buckel from the Ramchargers, along with Groethers SS Cuda and Landy's SS Dart. There will also be an tribute area to the Mopar Race Cars. Make plans to attend. If you are not on Facebook and want to attend, just let and me and I will forward your RSVP. See the flyer in this newsletter.

The February meeting will be held at the Shoney's Restaurant on Rutledge Pike. We will eat and meet beginning at 7:00pm. After the business portion of the meeting, we will fold car show flyers and stuff envelopes to be mailed.

I hope to see you all at a meeting real soon.



## 28th Annual “*Fun in the Sun*” All Mopar Car Show Update

We are well on our way to the 28th Annual “Fun in the Sun” All Mopar Car Show. This years show will be held at Chilhowee Park, on the Midway Side. In years past when we registered cars and they went through the tunnel, this show will be held on that side of the park. It is a very large area with both grass and black top areas for parking, along with bathrooms and a large pavilion. We will be able to park visitors cars right across Beaman Street at no extra charge. Everyone (car show entrants, swap/vendor, & spectators) will enter through one gate with easy access to their parking areas. Our car show flyer this year will include many of our sponsors who were able to commit early to sponsorship. ALL sponsors will be announced and acknowledged the day of the show, So we are still accepting sponsors until May. During the next several months we will be busy on flyers, selecting a t-shirt design and dash plaque design, and car show layout. If you would like to be a part of this process, then we invite you to attend the ETM board/Car Show Committee meetings that meet once a month. Your ideas and input is important to making our car show another success! If you have any questions just give me (Judy) a call at (865)-691-6002 or drop me a line at [etmcarclub@gmail.com](mailto:etmcarclub@gmail.com).

Schedule:	February 4 February 25	Reg. meeting: fold, stuff envelopes, and mail out flyers Bd/Car Show meeting: discuss t-shirt design & cars. Bring pictures and ideas.
	March 3 March 24	Reg. meeting: Select trophy colors and design Bd/Car Show meeting: select a dash plaque design and finalize t-shirt design.
	April 7 April 28	Reg. meeting: begin “Day of Show” job list Bd/Car Show meeting: Final layout of the show and finalize the jobs needed for the show
	May 5 May 19	Reg. meeting: need all list of sponsors and monies Bd/Car Show meeting: meet at Chilhowee Park and do a walk through of the show layout and make any last minute adjustments.



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**REMINDER**

Check your address label for your membership expiration date.

**Send your updated membership 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**

**January & February**

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|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Bill Robinson  | Barbara Baker | Barbara Payne |
| Darlene Turley | Bobby G.      | Randy Hodges  |
| Raymond Clark  | Rebekah Ellis |               |



***ETM EVENTS/CAR SHOWS FOR 2016****(calendar will show 3 months in advance (space permitting) any meetings/events for ETM members)*

Feb. 4 (Thurs)	Regular ETM monthly meeting - Shoney's Restaurant on Rutledge Pike. Meeting will begin at 7:00. After the business portion we will be folding flyers and stuffing envelopes for mailing.
<b>Feb. 20 (Sat.)</b>	<b>Annual ETM Valentine's Dinner. We will meet at the Longhorn Restaurant at West Town Mall parking lot by Dillard's, at 5:00pm. Please RSVP to Judy by February 19 so we can hold a place at the table for you. See the article in this newsletter for more info.</b>
Feb. 25 (Thurs)	ETM Board/Car Show Committee Meeting at Buddy's BBQ, Kingston Pike at Gallaher Rd. Meeting begins at 7:00pm.
Mar. 3 (Thurs)	Regular ETM monthly meeting - place to be determined
Mar. 24 (Thurs)	ETM Board/Car Show Committee Meeting at Buddy's BBQ, Kingston Pike at Gallaher Rd. Meeting begins at 7:00pm.
April 7 (Thurs)	Regular ETM monthly meeting - place to be determined
April 28 (Thurs)	ETM Board/Car Show Committee Meeting at Buddy's BBQ, Kingston Pike at Gallaher Rd. Meeting begins at 7:00pm
Spring ??	Cruise In to Atomic Speed Shop in Oak Ridge
May 5 (Thurs)	Regular ETM monthly meeting - place to be determined
May 7 (Sat)	All Moparty Picnic in Ringgold, GA (location: 1151 Pine Road, Ringgold, GA) Begins at 11:00am. Open to all Mopar clubs and fans of Mopars. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish. There is a cost of \$7-\$10 per person. It is important to RSVP so enough BBQ can be ordered. One way to do this is on Facebook. Facebook: Southeast Moparty Picnic. This is shaping up to be quite a Mopar get together! See the flyer in this newsletter.
<b>June 25, (Sat)</b>	<b>28th Annual "Fun In The Sun" All Mopar Car Show. Chilhowee Park- Midway Side. Knoxville, TN For more info: (865)-691-6002, etmcarclub@gmail.com, or www.easttennesseemopars.com</b>
July 15-17	Chrysler Nationals at Carlisle, Carlisle Fairgrounds, Carlisle, PA
Aug. 12-14	Mopar Nationals, Columbus, Ohio
Aug. 20 (Sat)	Annual ETM Club Picnic at Norris Dam
Sept. 24	Music City Mopar Car & Truck Show, Wilson County Fairgrounds, Lebanon, TN

**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 a call for your Mopar needs.
- Looking for that Mopar part, give club members Ted and Jackie a call at Stephens Performance. All they do is MOPAR!

**Stephens Performance**

**For All Your Mopar Needs**  
**9321 Hwy 207, Anderson, AL**  
**(256) 247-1332**  
**Call and ask for Ted or Jackie**

Premier Mopar Engine Shop, High End B-Body Restorations  
Quick Turnaround – No Deposit 10% Off Labor for ETM members  
Super Flow SF-502 Engine Dyno **865-272-3619**  
**114 Union Valley Rd, Oak Ridge TN,**

**For Sale/Wanted Mopar Parts**

1974 Plymouth Roadrunner, 72,329 miles, original paint was yellow with a black stripe (a Daisy Duke car), now it is jet black with a black interior that is in good condition, 318 engine- but is currently not running (intake & 2bbl is off but have the parts), This car is an award winner. \$7,000. More info: call Brian (423) 453-7224

East Tennessee Mopars Club  
Minutes  
January 7, 2016

This is an attempt to do minutes. The keyboard on the computer is dead. It types a mixture of numbers, symbols, and letters. I have worked on it for a week

President Judy Holman called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Knoxville Area Rescue Squad.

**Club Business:** A slate of officers was presented to the Club for discussion and approval.

President: Judy Holman, Vice President: Joe David Stansberry, Secretary: Sharon Clark, Treasurer: Mike Holman, Membership: Jim Hill, Car Show Director: Judy Holman, Board member: John Foster, Newsletter Editor: Judy Holman

The slate of officers was unanimously approved.

**Board Meeting:** Everyone is invited to Board Meetings. The January 28 meeting will be a review of the car show flyer.

**Bylaws:** Article I - Purpose

There was a recommendation to continue the purpose as written

Article one was approved 6-1 in favor of the "purpose" remaining as written.

Article III - Government

Paragraph three - line two

A recommendation. ....and Board Member(s)

A motion was made to approve changes by John Foster

And a second by Jim Hill. The recommendation was approved unanimously

Article IV - Meetings

Paragraph one - line one

.....meeting will be held on the first THURSDAY of each month

Jim Hill made a motion to approve the meeting day change from the first Saturday to the first Thursday. Jim Hill seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously

**2016 calendar**

February 4: club meeting club members we will be stuffing envelopes for the car show

February 20: Valentine's celebration at the Longhorn Steak House. Meet at 5:00

April 23 or April 30: Club meeting at Atomic Speed Shop in Oak Ridge, TN

August: Annual picnic (date to be decided)

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned

Sharon Clark, Secretary  
East Tennessee Mopars

## COPS AND RUBBER

By: Chris Yaroch

Greetings, MoFans! The title should be “cops & robbers”, right? WRONG! Now that the holidays are behind us and we’ve packed away Aunt Agnes’ ugly Christmas sweater and used your fruitcake from the office party to shore up the foundation on your house... let’s get down to some serious business! There’s a horsepower war brewing and it’s in the most unlikely place!!! -Cop Cars-

These muscle baddies in blue have come by many names over the years. They’ve been called “interceptors”, “police pursuits”, “prowlers”, “squad cars”, “police cruisers”, “patrollers”... you name it! Over the course of history of the American muscle car, many of our Mopar muscle benefitted from design developments and parts taken from their law enforcement cousins.

Many remember when the big horsepower war between the Big Three went into high gear in the 1960s. Everyone wanted a car that was “...raced on Sunday, in the showroom on Monday”. Dodge-Chrysler-Plymouth was no different. We saw the creation of the Dodge Charger, Plymouth Roadrunner, the winged cars with the Daytona and the Superbird and other notables like the Challenger and the ‘Cuda. They were propelled by big engines like the 383 Commando, the 426 Hemi and the 440 Magnum.

Many don’t realize that the same horsepower race was raging within the police car circles, too. Many auto manufacturers were trying to design cars that would catch the muscle cars the public were buying. Dodge and Plymouth turned out some iconic designs for police cars in the 1960s. In 1969, the Dodge Polara took the crown as the fastest and best police car when it was clocked at the Chelsea Proving Grounds at 147 miles per hour! The 1969 Dodge Polara would remain the king of the cop cars for 37 years!

Police cars, much like muscle cars, succumbed to the era of emissions and low horsepower. The death rattle for the big block police cars came in 1979 when the last 440-powered Monacos and Furys rolled off the assembly line and went into service. Some states were so panicked by the loss of the big blocks that they bought extra patrol cars for their state troopers to carry them over the next few years.

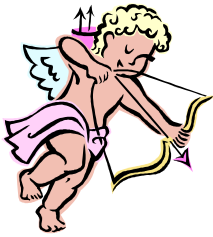
Chrysler Corporation soldiered on with the Volares, Aspens, Dodge St. Regis and even a Chrysler Newport version called the “Enforcer”. In 1983, Chrysler Corporation settled on the M-body platform for their police package and, thus, remained virtually unchanged through the rest of the 1980s.

1989 was the last year for Mopar police cars. Lee Iaccoca and Chrysler Corporation made the decision to focus on front-wheel drive technology. The M-body platform was the last car line from Chrysler with a rear axle. Mopar pulled out of the police car business. In the 1990s, there was an attempt by the law enforcement community to try and get the Dodge Intrepid as a police car, but it never took hold.

Dodge re-entered the police market with the 2004 5.7 hemi powered Dodge Magnum SXT. In 2006, Dodge changed up and made the Dodge Charger the new offering for a police package vehicle. The 2006 Dodge Charger became new king of cop cars when it was officially clocked at 150 miles per hour!

The horsepower war has heated up again between Dodge, Chevy and Ford. The Charger Police remained the king of cop cars until 2011 when Chevy revamped the Impala and released it as a 6.0 liter V-8, rear wheel drive car and a top speed of 155 miles per hour. This year, not to be outdone, Ford bested Chevy with (of all things) their V-6 EcoBoost motor at both the Michigan State Police trials and the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department police car test. Dodge placed third (last) in both trials. So... what’s Dodge going to do to get the crown back???

Stay tuned, MoFans...



## *Annual ETM Valentine's Dinner*

Place: Longhorn Steak House, West Town Mall parking lot by Dillard's

Date : Saturday, February 20, 2016

Time: 5:00pm

Dress: Casual

We are on the books for a great evening at Longhorn Steak House at West Town Mall. The food is terrific and the atmosphere is casual. The menu offers a variety of food and their prices are comparable to Calhouns. Bring your spouse, significant other, or just yourself for a relaxing evening with fellow Mopar friends. It is important that you RSVP to Judy by Friday, February 19 so we can hold a place for you at the table. Call (865)-691-6002, or e-mail at: [etmcarclub@gmail.com](mailto:etmcarclub@gmail.com).

### Editor's Notes

By Judy Holman

A big thank you to Chris for the article on Cops and Rubbers. Good reading! If you have an article that you would like to see in the newsletter, just send it to [etmcarclub.com](mailto:etmcarclub.com)

Also, send information on your car along with a picture or two. I know other club members would like to read about your treasure.



**Club Wearables** - car show season is right around the corner and wouldn't you look good wearing a shirt or jacket with your name and the club logo on it? Please note that once your order is placed, it will take about 3 weeks to get your items. Place your order at any regular club meeting. All items must be paid for at time of ordering.

Club baseball hat: \$8 (ETM logo is embroidered on the front)

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

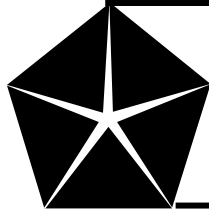
These are embroidered shirts and jackets with the ETM logo and your name. See Judy to place your order.

\*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)  
Club T-Shirts: \_\_\_\_\_

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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. \_\_\_\_\_

If you need additional space write on the back

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: \_\_\_\_\_



# SOUTH EAST MOPARTY PICNIC



R.S.V.P. to  
SE Moparty Picnic  
on FACEBOOK



**Saturday, May 7th, 2016**

**from 11:00 AM til . . .**

**1151 Pine Grove Rd, Ringgold, GA 30736**

### Who's coming?

- ◆ Music City Mopar Club
- ◆ East Tennessee Mopar Club
- ◆ North Georgia Mopar Club
- ◆ Birmingham Mopar Club
- ◆ Pentastar Mopar Club

*And it's open to ALL Mopar Clubs  
and Mopar Fans & Owners.*

### Why?

- ◆ **Because it's Fun!**

### What do I bring?

- ◆ **Bring a covered dish to share, and a dessert if you like.**

*(Covered dish is most important).  
To make it easy, put your dish in a  
throwaway container & a throwaway  
serving spoon.  
We will have catered BBQ for main course.*

### What's it cost?

- ◆ **\$7 - \$10 per person**  
(to cover BBQ, Port-a-potties, & trash cans)
- ◆ *Cool car tunes will be provided by NGMC*