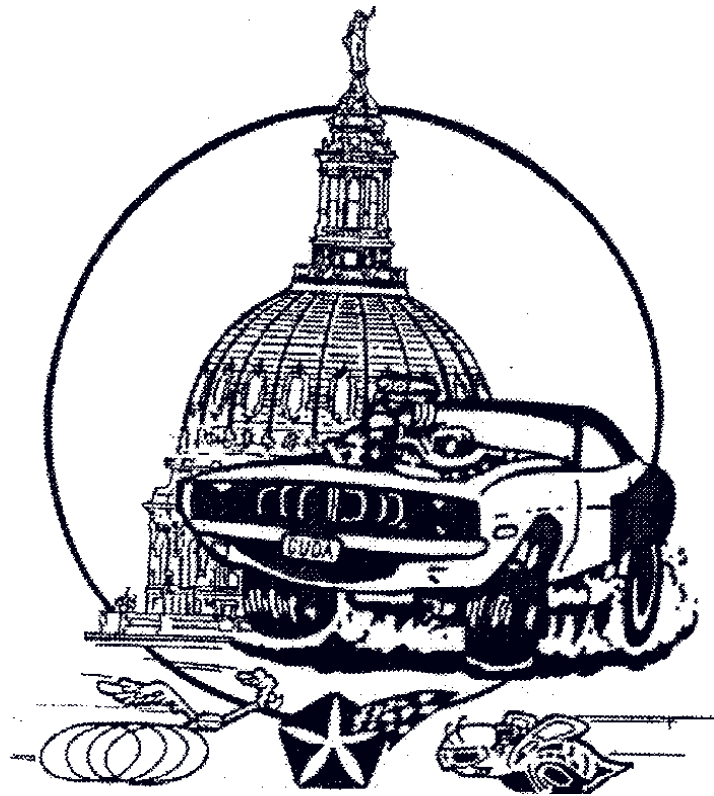


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Mopar Muscle Cars of Austin is a non-profit organization formed September 1986. The MMCA is "Dedicated to the restoration, preservation, and promotion of Chrysler built products." Monthly club meetings are currently being held the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Austin, Texas, located at 183 and Georgian Drive next door to the Humane Society.

The MMCA is open to all persons of good character. Yearly membership dues are \$25.00 per person. As a member, you receive a newsletter with free newsletter classifieds, a discount on parts at participating vendors, access to a network of Mopar parts and paraphenalia, and become eligible to attend club functions as well as show off your Mopar. Non-members may place an ad in the newsletter for a \$5.00 donation. Copies of the newsletter are available for a \$1.00 donation.

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Editorial

Ever realize how much a group of people affects you? I did. Last month, I missed the monthly meeting because I wasn't feeling well and my sister-in-law was visiting. For the next few weeks, I felt lost. I found I was addicted to this club. Who would of thought?

This Month

The 21st annual San Antonio Mopar show is this month. Lets try to make a great group showing and walk away with the "Club participation" award, again.

Maxwell Dodge has asked for the MMCA to attend their grand opening. Free food and drinks will be provided as well as a free dyno run.

The Rudy's BBQ car show is this month as well. Some of you may remember that last years show was rained out a few times, but

(according to Steve L.) it was a good time. Even in the rain.

We need a club event. Maybe a car cruise, rally, or poker run. Would anyone like to volunteer to set this up?

Next Month

The 14th annual Houston show and race is coming up. This year Ronnie Sox will be there to answer questions and sign autographs. Plus you can check out the legendary S&M 68 Hemi Barracuda.

Dues Blues

Please remember to take a moment to send in your dues.

Kenneth Ramoin	Ron Chinn
Amanda Presley	Joe Matush
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MMCA Discussion List is an easy way to contact club members, get technical advice, and find out about club events. To join send an email to mopar_muscle-subscribe@topica.com

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 2003

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2 MMCA Meeting	3	4	5	6 Texas Classic Car Show at Rudy's
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Maxwell Dodge grand opening
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Mopar Muscle Club of San Antonio Annual Show
28	29	30				

Sept 6 -- Texas Classic Car Show at Rudy's BBQ. 9 AM to 3 PM. Entry fee is \$20 and the show benefits Make A Wish Foundation. More info at <http://www.texasccs.com>

Sept 11- 14 – Rosanky 6th Annual Swap Meet, Car Corral, and Car Show, Rosanky, TX. For more information, call: Bo Franks at 512-360-3562 or email frankspromotions@ccms.net.

Sept 20 – Maxwell Dodge grand opening. No entry form and no need to sign up. All you have to do is show up. Start time 10am. Free bar-b-que, drinks and dyno run. Location: N. Austin @ 620 and 183.

Sept 27 – Mopar Muscle Club of San Antonio Annual Show at Biff Buzby's Burgers, 12702 Toepperwein Rd., San Antonio, Texas. 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. Pre-registration is \$15 and must be submitted before September 10th, 2003. Late or day of entries will be registered from 10 am - noon and are \$25. For information, call: Joe Gonzales at 830-709-5908 or Lee Zimmerman at 210-863-0355 or Silvia Zemgals at 210-402-0329.

Oct 4– 1st Annual Forum Car Show and Chili Cook-off, Forum Shopping Center Parking Lot, Live Oak, TX. For more info, call: 210/694-0703, 830/634-2698, or 210/497-4162.

Oct 4– Mean Streets import car show. It is 35.00 to register a car. First place is trophy with 2nd & 3rd being probably plaques, but we have not put that in stone yet. There will be Muscle cars awards, a DJ, wet T-shirt and an evening booty contest [after the young-uns are gone]. Free parking, 10.00 admission, indoor shopping, beer, food, model talent search & more! Call Victor for info 259-5603

Oct – 14th Annual Houston Mopar Show & Race, Houston Raceway Park Baytown Texas, 281-383-RACE, Swap Meet & Car Corral, 50/50 Jar, Over 70 Show Trophies will be presented, Free T-Shirts, Goody Bags & Dash Plaques for the First 100 Entrants. Proceeds Benefit Local Charities including the Houston Food Bank. Hosted by the Houston Mopar Connection Club, www.houstonmopars.org. Also Special Appearance of Ronnie Sox. For more information: Alex Tennyson, 281-443-1017, Moparalex6@hotmail.com

Monthly events:
RPM Raceway parking lot every Saturday night. Take the Business 35 exit.

Albertsons parking lot every Saturday night at the Y in Oak Hill.

Member Advertisement Section

Poor Mans Mechanic

Saggy Mirrors by Paul E. Mossberg

This approach for a dual post will probably not make it into any Mopar magazine, but it worked for me!

First remove the mirror...on the dual post, this was easier than it looked. Press the glass in, there's a spring inside holding it against the seal. There's a small circle of spring steel holding the mirror in place. It fits into a groove that runs the inside circumference of the housing. Take a small screwdriver and pry it out of it's fitting. The glass will then slip out easily.

You see the small piece of metal holding the pivot ball in place. It will probably be riveted in place.

I made two small pie shaped wedges out of some scrap aluminum sheet. The exact sizes will depend on how loose your mirror is. But mine were roughly a half inch across the top, about 5/8" inch high and about 1/4" across the bottom.

Shaped sort of like this:



Now hold bend it to about a 70 or 80 degree angle along a vertical center line

You've made a wedge that can be pressed under the fitting in the mirror.

I made two, one for each side of the pivot ball. The wedge went in with the bend line down, narrow end first, with "wings" for lack of a better term, pressing against the pivot ball and the underside of the metal piece that holds in all in.

Place the spring back in place, hold the glass and slip the spring steel ring back into its groove.

Done.

It's been on the car for about a week. The mirror is nice and firm, holds position when you shut the door, and at highway speeds where the wind used to blow it out of position.

Good Luck,
Dustin C.

Green Hornet Movie

from AUTOWEEK Magazine:

"Miramax asking record \$35 million to make a car the star of upcoming Green Hornet movie

Remember the Green Hornet? Aided by his karate-chopping sidekick Kato, the Green Hornet fought crime on your TV screen from 1966 to 1967. But it

was his car, Black Beauty, that was the star. Now the show is coming to the big screen in summer 2005 and Miramax Films wants a record \$35 million to place a car product in the movie.

"It has to be a cool car," Lori Sale, executive vice president of worldwide promotions for Miramax, tells sister publication Advertising Age. "Minivans need not apply. It needs to be a new vehicle or a concept car." There's no word on who will direct or star in the film. There isn't even a script.

The car that was featured in the 1960s ABC series, "The Green Hornet," was a modified 1966 Chrysler Imperial. It fell into relative obscurity. The coming Chrysler 300C, due out next year, would be nice. Considering all the recent red ink, can DaimlerChrysler spare \$35 million on Hollywood? Sale says: "It's not very often where the product is one of the cast."



Plymouth doing better now that it's gone

By Edward Lapham

Automotive News

August 05, 2003

When an automaker kills a brand, there is always the risk of disconnecting the current owners and forcing them into the arms of the competition.

You can bet that General Motors executives are thinking about that as they phase out Oldsmobile. And Chrysler group officials faced it when they whacked Plymouth in the 2000 model year.

So far, Chrysler and its dealers have done a pretty good job of staying connected with Plymouth owners. In June and July, about 35 percent of the people who traded in a Plymouth, bought a new Dodge, Jeep or Chrysler, according to J.D. Power and Associates.

That's not bad for a dead brand. In fact, it's slightly better than the corporate loyalty rate that Plymouth was pulling at the end of its life.

And that's one of the reasons that they killed Plymouth.

Member Advertisement Section

Quotes

"November 14, 1914 - First Dodge Brothers car rolls off the line. When asked why the Dodge Brothers wanted to build their own car, John Dodge replied, "Just think of all the Ford owners who will someday want an automobile." Dodge Brothers end contract with Ford Motor Company as Ford begins building it own engines."

The sound of the gear reduction Chrysler starter was described as "the call of the Highland Park Hummingbird".

Dodge Commemorates One Millionth Cummins-Powered Dodge Ram With Truck Giveaway

Columbus, Ind.,
May 08, 2003

The one-millionth Cummins diesel engine built for the Dodge Ram Heavy Duty was shipped from Cummins' Columbus, Ind. factory today. To commemorate the milestone, Dodge will hand off the keys of its one-millionth Cummins diesel-powered Ram to a lucky sweepstakes winner.

"Dodge Ram Cummins diesel owners are the most loyal Dodge customers," said Darryl Jackson, Vice President of Dodge Marketing. "What better way to thank our loyal Dodge Ram owners than to give away a new Ram Heavy Duty, the Motor Trend Truck of the Year."

"The one-millionth Cummins-powered Ram is the result of a very successful partnership. With the help of the Cummins team, we have redefined the meaning of tough trucks and set new standards for capability in the heavy-duty pickup segment," added Jackson.

"Dodge has the longest lasting lineup of pickups on the market, and the Cummins diesels are a big part of that."

Cummins has supplied Dodge with diesel engines since 1989 and has become the benchmark for diesel power in the heavy-duty segment. Since 1989, the exceptionally durable straight-six Cummins Turbo Diesel engine has increased its horsepower and torque ratings by 91-percent and 39-percent, respectively, culminating in the current High Output Cummins Turbo Diesel, which delivers 305 horsepower and 555 lb.-ft. of torque. Fitted with the High Output Cummins Turbo Diesel, the Dodge Ram Heavy Duty features a class-leading gross combined vehicle weight rating (GCVW) of 23,000 lbs.

"We are thrilled to reach this milestone in our partnership with Dodge," said Joe Loughrey, Cummins Executive Vice President - Engine Business. "The Cummins/Dodge combination has proven that

the market for diesel power not only exists, but continues to grow in North America."

The specially badged one-millionth engine is destined for installation in a Dodge Ram Heavy Duty 3500 Quad Cab which will be the grand prize in the Dodge Rodeo Sweepstakes and given away this December at the nationally televised Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. Beginning this summer, the One Millionth Dodge Ram Cummins will be on display throughout the PRCA rodeo circuit. More than 20 million people attended a PRCA rodeo last year.

"We are very proud of Dodge's sponsorship of the PRCA," said Steven J. Hatchell, Commissioner of the PRCA. "Dodge trucks and rodeo are a great combination and the Dodge Rodeo Sweepstakes giveaway is just another benefit to the association. More than 170,000 people will attend the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas during the 10-day competition and one lucky rodeo fan will soon be driving one of the toughest horse-haulers on the market, the Dodge Ram Heavy Duty."

Mopar Brain Game

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Member Advertisement Section

Items For Sale

Mopar Muscle Cars of Austin 10th Anniversary License Plate Frames.

These are metal frames with black-on-white lettering. Frames are now officially real cheap!. **Contact Harry Amon (512) 345-5832** and he might just give you a pair (or charge \$5 each, \$8 for a pair). 12/98

Mopar Muscle Cars of Austin gift store

Check out the many item in our new gift store. From T-shirts to beer mugs to lunch boxes, it's got it all. Go to www.mopar.org and click on "SHOP".

1966 Dodge Coronet 500, 383 4bbl, 400 not running yet, 727, 8 3/4, headers and duels, auto on the floor, Red/White. It's a straight, solid, west Texas car, doors and glass all operate smooth and tight, it has a small rust spot (baseball size) on the pass rear 1/4, Complete new white/black interior, all chrome and stainless trim intact, 70's American Racing rims (BBS like, honeycomb), orig. bias ply tires. Very complete car. Currently being restored, I'd just like to get what I have in it - \$3500 OBO or trade for what I really want 67-72 Dart with a V8 and hopefully a manual trans. email me at chris.ryon@parsons.com for photos. **Chris Ryon 512-699-0629** 07/03

1968 Coronet project. 440 model with #'s matching 318 & column shift AT. 8-3/4, PS, bench seat. Treated with POR15, needs bodywork. Primered, originally PP1red, factory air (equipment is missing). Also missing driveshaft and front windshield. Completely taken apart, all trim and other parts are labeled. **Call Aria 512-323-5679** or email aria@jwamopar.com. Photos available to email. Located near 45th & Duval. 01/03

'94 Dakota SWB V-6, dark blue, gray leather, Mark III conversion, auto, A/C, PS, PW, PL, Tilt, Cruise, AM/FM/Cassette, bed rails, sliding rear window, fender flares w/integrated running boards, bedliner, extended range fuel tank, alloy wheels, good set of 265/50x15 TAs, 115K miles, Clear title. Kelley Blue Book value is \$3305 in fair condition, MMCA price \$2750. Known mechanical flaw is electrical with rear ABS. Price reflects discount for this problem. **Steven Dykes** jsdykes@swbell.net 10/02

Parts for sale: 66 black A-body bucket seat backs. \$20 each
66 black A-body door panels(rough with good vinyl, needs new backing) \$50 pair
65 Barracuda drivers side rear wheel molding. \$15
65 blue Barracuda fold down rear seat(needs recovering) \$65
67 black Dart GT drivers side door panel \$30
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1964 Dodge Dart GT convertible. Must be running/drivable and have a straight body. Preferred with a 273 engine and must have a push button automatic. **Call Dustin Cloud @ (512)836-9490** 03/01

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1964 Plymouth Valiant **EMAIL bug123@ev1.net** (4/02)

Help Wanted/Given

Need help rebuilding 273 engine. Also, need help with minor bodywork to fix a few rust spots on a 65 Barracuda. **Contact Dustin Cloud at hell_fish_65@hotmail.com** 10/02

Computer and some HTML help given. I will be glad to help any club members that need a hand. **Contact Dustin Cloud at 680-9958** 12/02

General auto help available, looking to gain mechanical experience. I'll try to work around my busy schedule. **Joe Hoppe 452-6400** 01/03

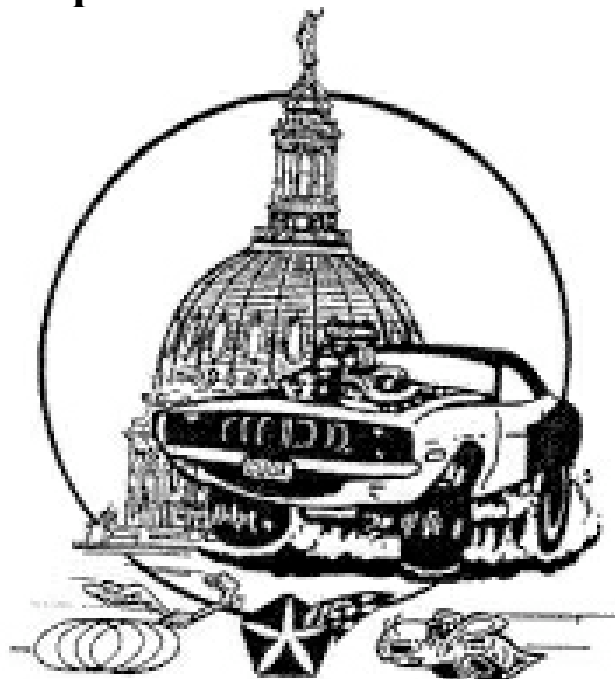
Frustrated with 68 Coronet project; need help finishing body work (bondo). I only have time to work on it on weekends and would love the help. **Aria 512-323-5679 or aria@jwamopar.com** 01/03

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