

MOPAR EXPRESS

Presidents report

Hi everyone!

We are just heading into Spring and already the weather feels more like summer these past few days. You don't have to look very hard to spot the cars as they come out from hibernation, a reminder that cruising season is here. Even Duke got a bit of a polish to remove the Winter dust and taken out for drive and some fresh ethanol laden gas (no more ethanol free Chevron 94). On that topic... Jerry Johnson with the Wagonmaster Group will be at our meeting to lead a discussion on concerns about ethanol. If you would like to be part of the discussion or have questions about the effects of ethanol on your fuel system, be sure to come out to the meeting this coming Wednesday, March 20.



Car show season is approaching quickly, and work is underway for Mopar Madness. A draft of the artwork for T-shirts and posters will be available for viewing at the meeting. Cliff Guinand has once again produced our artwork, a Super Bee with the Dunlop tire.

We will have a sign-up sheet at our meetings for volunteers to help at Mopar Madness. Hopefully we will have enough volunteers, so you don't have to work the entire day. If you can't make it to the meeting but would like to volunteer, please send an email to: mopars.vancouver@gmail.com .

Safe cruising,
Jim

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Mopars Unlimited is a non-profit car club dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Mopar cars and trucks

DID YOU KNOW?



What Is a Mopar?

Used colloquially, "Mopar" means any Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, DeSoto, Ram, or Jeep vehicle, with an emphasis on classic or vintage models. Mopar is the original-equipment replacement and aftermarket accessory parts division of Stellantis car brands distributed in North America.

What does Mopar mean?

What Exactly is Mopar? Mopar, the combination of the words "MOtor" and "PARts", is the exclusive source for authentic original equipment parts and accessories for the millions of Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep®, Ram, and Fiat vehicles. If you own one of these vehicles, you can get access to Mopar's excellent, dedicated service.

Why is Dodge called Mopar?

The name Mopar was introduced by Chrysler in the 1920's, and used as an official Chrysler brand name of antifreeze in 1937. Since its conception, the term Mopar has been adopted by car enthusiasts to describe vehicles and parts produced by the former Chrysler Corporation, now FCA US LLC.



DID YOU KNOW?

Is Fiat owned by Mopar?

The Bottom Line. Chrysler is part of the Stellantis NV conglomerate as of 2023. Stellantis is the result of a merger between Fiat Chrysler and PSA Group, forming one of the largest automakers in the world. Stellantis owns several subsidiaries in addition to Fiat and Chrysler, including Comau, Teksid, Mopar and Maserati ...



What is the difference between Mopar OEM and Aftermarket?

When comparing OEM vs. Aftermarket, the first thing that may jump out at you is the price. Now, while Aftermarket may be cheaper than OEM parts, genuine Mopar® parts are specifically designed for your Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram, Wagoneer vehicle.

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DID YOU KNOW?

What do SRT stand for?



Street and Racing Technology

So, what does SRT stand for you might be wondering? SRT stands for “Street and Racing Technology,” but the SRT meaning goes deeper than that. Dodge SRT automobiles are made with the highest quality Dodge parts designed for high-octane performance, and represents the Fiat Chrysler division devoted to performance-optimized vehicles.

Why did Ram leave Dodge?

The separation of the Dodge and Ram brands allowed each brand's manufacturing facilities to focus on research and development for new vehicle models. Upon its split, Dodge focused its work on developing muscle cars and sedans that it could market to compete with vehicles produced by Jeep and Chevrolet.

Who owns RAM?

In 2009, Dodge's parent company, Chrysler, decided to make RAM a standalone marque. But both Dodge and RAM are owned by the Chrysler group, which is itself a subsidiary of Stellantis.

What does RAM stand for Dodge?

The name “Ram” was intended to pay homage to the Ram air hood, which had first become popular around 1933. Dodge-brand trucks quickly became popular throughout the twentieth century, and in the 1980s, the company founded Dodge Ram, or just Ram, a name many will associate with premium pickup trucks.

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29-30	Sun Valley Swap Meet, Vernon, BC		(250) 308-4701
29-30	Draggins 61st Annual Car Show, Saskatoon, SK	Open Car Show	(306) 931-9181
31	Kamloops V.C.C. Easter Tour + Show, Kamloops, BC	Stock Vintage Vehicles	(250) 320-8369
31	VCCC Antique Chptr "Good Friday Excursion", New West. (Annacis Island), BC	Open To Pre 1928	(604) 436-4547
31	Vancouver VCCC "Easter Gathering", Burnaby (Trev Deeley), BC	Open	(604) 433-3010
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04-06	PIR Auto Swap Meet, Portland International Raceway, OR		(503) 307-5420
05-07	Portland Swap Meet, Portland (Expo Center), WA		(503) 678-2100
07	Golden Ears Swap Meet, Maple Ridge, BC		(604) 477-3954
08-13	Cherry Lane Mall Vintage Car display, Penticton, BC	Vintage Car Display	(250) 498-6020
12-14	Spokane Speed & Custom Show, Spokane, WA		(509) 362-7237
21	St. George's British Motoring Show, Fort Langley, BC	British	
27	South Okanagan VCCC Automotive Swap Meet, Oliver, BC		(250) 498-9680
27-28	SCCBC - CACC Road Race #1, Mission (Raceway Park), BC	Race	
28	10th Annual Country Car Show, Aldergrove (Secondary school), BC	Open- See Website	(604) 856-2755
28	Cars & Coffee Steveston - (last Sunday-April-Sept), Richmond (Garry Point), BC	Open - 8:30-10:00 Am	

COUNTRY CAR SHOW
10 TH ANNUAL
SUNDAY APRIL 28, 2024

Hosted by the Central Fraser Valley Chapter of the VCCC

Free admission for spectators
Show: 9a.m. to 3p.m.
Raffle at 2:30p.m.

Dash plaques for the first 250 vehicles registered.
For Info - Regan Lewis 604-715-1541

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Green Truck of the Year - Green Car Journal



All-new Ram 1500 Named 2019 Green Truck of the Year™ by Green Car Journal

Green Car Journal has selected the Ram 1500 as its 2019 Green Truck of the Year™. The announcement was made at the 50th annual San Antonio Auto & Truck Show in San Antonio, Texas.

Green Car Journal editors consider all potential truck models in the U.S. market, weighing environmental attributes alongside traditional criteria that define what makes a great pick-up, such as capability, versatility, safety, value and style. The winner was selected from five finalists by a Green Truck of the Year jury, comprised of automotive experts and Green Car Journal staff.

“The all-new 2019 Ram 1500 is a no-compromise pickup leading in efficiency, technology and durability, and our new eTorque mild hybrid system is proof that fuel economy and capability can coexist,” said Reid Bigland, Head of Ram Brand. “We are thrilled to receive The Green Truck of the Year award, affirming our technological leadership in the truck market.



Mopars Unlimited Car Club Meeting

February 21st, 2024 at Ricky's Walnut Grove

25 members in attendance

Called to order @ 7:02pm

Housekeeping Items

- gratuity has gone up from 15% to 18% which is automatically added to the bill for our group.
- membership fees are now due, please see Sandy to complete your form & pay
- we have a raffle license for 50/50 draws at club meetings, with money going to the Kruse for Kids
- The Gaming Policy & Enforcement Branch now requires a list of names, etc for all winners for raffles. Sandy will keep track of this

T-shirts

- interest in purchasing black t-shirts with the club logo on it
- prices have gone up about 10%
- womens styles are available
- available in grey or black
- approximately \$19, depending on the amount we order
- we will take orders starting next meeting

Activities

- looking at organizing some more club activities like garage tours & cruise
- guest speakers suggested for future meetings

Mopar Madness

- July 14th
- currently booked at George Preston but we are also looking at Kwantlen Langley but the process has been very slow (on their end)
- it takes a lot of volunteers to run our show traditionally so we are scaling back our show to eliminate the classes thus reducing the number of volunteers required
- last year we had 28 volunteers but we needed about 15 more to have it run smoothly
- volunteer sign up sheets will start circulating early, probably next month
- discussion around allowing participants to set up tents at the show to provide shade
- suggestion to have participants vote if we are eliminating classes to prevent participants from accusing the club of voting for their friends • Executive will discuss the issue of having classes or not further
- Jim has contacted the artist who will create the shirt design with Ray's Super Bee as inspiration
- volunteers may get a free t-shirt & lunch voucher instead of a Christmas dinner because there hasn't been enough people attending the Christmas dinner to make it worthwhile

BREAK

50/50 held

Executive Reports

- **Treasurer** – we have money and more coming in & shared a letter from the Christmas bureau thanking us for the donation
- **Membership Director** – currently at 28 memberships • **Secretary** – completed the filing of the AGM & updating the Executive list with the Society Act & the yearly club insurance application; thank you to the club for supporting the Senior Stocking program last year, the money donated went to purchase gifts for 4 seniors who wouldn't have received anything for Christmas
- **Newsletter** - will be started next month

BUY & SELL

Meeting adjourned @ 7:54pm

Mopars Unlimited Executive Meeting

March 6th, 2024

Attendees: Jaylene, Jim, Bruce, Garry, Sandy, Rick, Emanuel, Brian, Lore & Vern

Absent: all in attendance

Meeting called to order @ 7:05pm @ Ricky's

Mopar Madness

- Jim shared the artwork mock-up. A few suggestions for edits (smaller tires, change the colour of the car & the colour of the Mopar font)

Club

- members who are from out of town will get the window stickers mailed to them
- SVABC membership is in progress
 - discussed if we will get just the club membership or for each member as well
 - just the club is \$50, for all members as well, will be about \$100 so decided to go ahead
- we will take orders for club tshirts at the next meeting
 - we need to order 48 minimum so the club will need to order extras if members don't order enough
- discussion about where to host Mopar Madness this year, still waiting to get a firm response from KPU but can't wait much longer
- discussion about the raffle prizes - we have been informed by the gaming act that we are required to record the winners' information
 - decided to accept gifts in kind & ensure we have a maximum of 30 prizes so it is easier to manage
 - agreed to have a participants draw
- forms will need to be updated to include the 2024 date, Jaylene will look into this
- discussion about whether we will allow tents, decided to add that no tents are permitted to the registration form
- trophy & classes discussion - difficult to find enough volunteers to park classes
 - more discussion will take place next meeting

Meeting adjourned @ 8:09pm



GFV MOPARS UNLIMITED CAR CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Our purpose is to promote the preservation and restoration of motor vehicles produced by the Chrysler Corporation and to provide a common meeting place to accomplish the purpose of the organization and promote goodwill among themselves and their sport.

2024 CLUB DIRECTORS

President: Jim Miki
Vice Presidents: Garry Keay
Bruce Johnston
Treasurer: Loré Arens
Secretary: Jaylene Smillie
Membership Director: Sandy Raadschelders
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CLUB MEETS every 3rd Wednesday of the month except for December & January at Ricky's Restaurant in Walnut Grove (8720 202 st. Langley, BC) @ 7:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP DUES: \$30.00

TREASURY REPORT: available to members by request to the Treasurer or attending the monthly meetings.

NEWSLETTER:

Please email your event photos / stories to:

mopars.vancouver@gmail.com

Web Site: Mopars Unlimited, Vancouver

Club Email Address:

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DISCOUNTS OFFERED TO MEMBERS

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