



Hammer Drop

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President's Message

Well July 26/27 has come and gone. I am still in shock and still trying to get some sleep. It took 11 months to get sponsors, a plan together and get the members to be ready for this adventure we called Western Mopar Madness. Friday night was a great day... +26. We divided and conquered. A small group set up the track. You know who you are and thank you!

Then the Blackjacks Meet and Greet. I did not get to go and see in person, but the pictures and comments... we blew their minds with 150 cars filling the parking lot. We filled the restaurant. Krysta Sheilds said, and I quote "The meet and greet went extremely well! A lot of new faces came into Blackjacks and the BBQ was a hit! We are already looking forward to next year on how we can improve :)" thank you EMA.

Saturday morning, July 27, at 5:30am I heard something in the parking lot. It's Kim Koda already out setting up! Well it's time to give now! The rest of the members show up a little later and like superbees things were moving! As usual cars showed up early so Gail and her team took charge and did what needed to be done. Car after car, truck after truck, we filled up the parking lot including 14 wing cars, 5 funny cars, 1 pro-mod and 4 cars of history. Old Trapper, Tuff A Nuff, Trapmate and Wheeler Dealer and Dick Panthers personal GTX car. It was Dick's last race as his sister Janice put it. I am glad we were a part of it. 2:30 came and so did the rain. The day was done. People stayed as long as they could but Mother Nature gave us some wind to go along with the rain. We did the awards as soon as we could, ate and called it a great day.

Monday was to be a run around day for John and I. We stopped at all the sponsor's businesses and dropped off a bottle of Double Double we had made at Rig Hand Distillery to say thank you for their support. Well this is the amazing part, everyone we talked to loved the show! We have set the bar high at 400+ cars for Western Mopar Madness and all of the sponsors want in again for 2020 Western Mopar Madness 2. Now what is up my sleeve? I guess we will have to wait till the next meeting Sept 14th to start the ball rolling.

This membership we have is truly amazing. Give us a task and watch us do it and amaze the onlookers.

Thank you! Ed Holland

Events

First and most important event. Miranda is taking bookings for our 2020 EMA calendar. If you wish to have your vehicle featured in next years calendar please contact Miranda and make a date for your photo shoot. This is a first come first choice situation. Miranda Kurpe
587-982-0781 mnkphotography@hotmail.com

August 10 Central Alberta Mopar Association show and shine in Red Deer.

August 18 club meet at Crosstown **Has Been Postponed. To be rescheduled.**

September 14 EMA Monthly meeting

October 12 EMA Monthly meeting

November 9 EMA Monthly meeting

Don't forget your weekly Cruise meetups

Tuesdays

- Classic car Tuesdays, Century Casino St. Albert
- Beaumont Dairy Queen, 6010 - 50 Street
- Safeway Sherwood Park Wye Road, 985 Fir Street

Wednesdays

- Rotary Park Stony Plain, 4815 - 44 Ave
- Wendy's Mainstreet Mall, 66 Street & 28 Ave

Thursdays

- PetroCan 137 Ave and Fort Road
- Classic Car night Blackjacks Roadhouse Nisku, 2110 Sparrow Drive
- Columbus Park Spruce Grove, 116 Main Street

Fridays

- A&W 122 Street & 137 Ave you can use you discount card

Saturdays

- A&W 111 Ave & 149 Street you can use your discount card
- Leduc Cruise, Leduc Common

Future Business

To help make our newsletter a success we are going to need help from all of you.

We want to have a Members Business section, but still have not received anything. If you or your spouse has a business that you would like mentioned in our future issues, please send a picture of your business card (if you have one) and contact info so we can support each other. This information will only be available to current paid members through the newsletter.

We have added membership section. If you wish **not** to have your name, phone number and email made available through the newsletter please email us and it will be removed. If you notice a mistake in a phone number or email please e-mail me and I will change it for you. This information will only be available to current paid members through the newsletter in hopes of connecting with each other and recognizing each other a bit more. Please respect this private information, please ask before passing on someone's information.

There is also going to be a Wanted/Needed section. If you have anything you would like to give our members first pick at, please send a detailed email with pictures, prices and your contact info. This can be yours or a friends item, and it can be vehicles, parts, accessories, or anything you think we would be interested in.

In keeping with getting to know each other better, there will be a Members Ride/ Spotlight section. If you would like to be our featured member for an upcoming month please send pictures and a write up on your vehicle. It's always nice to see what has been done to a vehicle as well as the history. We are going to share some of Edmonton's race car history in the next few issues, to get us excited about seeing these cars at Western Mopar Madness.

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Spotlight

Continuing our series of stories about the OLD Trapper stories by Rod Hanner.

Part 2 of 6

Old Trapper
1970 Plymouth Hemicuda #2
1969 - current

Part 2

The next chapter in Trappmate's life was I changed the name to Balance Due... when it had the Silver with Multi - Toned Blue with Yellow pinstripes. Everywhere I went with the car, I was asked "Is this the Old Trapper Car?"

1985: I figured it was time to put the TRAPMATE name back on, as this was the name when I bought it. I had the car painted in white and blue in the same scheme it was when I first saw it. I painted the red part blue. TRAPMATE went back on the doors in Mylar with black outline. The style of the lettering was like it was last time Lee Brothers owned it. The coolest part of this, was I worked for a Ford Dealer, and they let me have it in the main showroom to have it lettered. I raced in Calgary, Saskatoon, Lethbridge, and Seattle at that time. 1986: Was my first NHRA Division Event. It took me a couple of years (1987-1988) to get the car competitive, and once it was, it has always been.

1989: Time for another paint job (1989-present). With a new motor and new paint, it was time to do some serious racing. My first win, and most memorable race, was the 1989 Division 6 Winston Drag Racing Series in Calgary. What an event. I won Best Appearing Car Award, Set a New National Record, and Won the Super Stock Eliminator Race. WOW! I was

hooked. I won the 1991 Division race in Calgary, 1992 won Super Stock SS/EA Class Eliminations at the Mopar Mile High Nationals at Bandimere in Morrison, CO. Runner up at the Division 6 Renegade Raceways in Yakima, WA., Runner up at the Division 6 Seattle International Raceway in Kent, WA., Quarter Final Northwest Nationals in Kent, WA., as well as other placings in Boise Id., Ashcroft B.C., Mission B.C., Acton Mt., Medicine Hat AB., and of course Castrol Raceway in Edmonton AB. Won Super Stock Class Eliminations at the inaugural Rocky Mountain Nationals.

2005-2007 Participated in only a few races...time are a changing. 2007 we went to the memorial for Jim Ronaghan (the Old Trapper founder). It was an overcast and dank day. It fit the ambience of the occasion. Sadly, we lose another "member" of the family. Jim Baraniak (who owned the 1967 GTX Old Trapper), and Gary Wolosinka (Old Trapper Cuda #1 then Tuff-A-Nuff) were also there. The 1969 Dart Old Trapper was the only one missing. 3 of the 4 were there...not bad. This was the last time I would see Jim Baraniak as he too, has now passed. He was a very friendly, down to earth, great guy. His family were also fun to be around. 2007, I hurt my knee very bad.

2008: Semi retired I finally had my knee surgery in 2008, and it didn't go well.

2009: almost a year to the date later, I had to have it done again...the same one. This time it went good, but left me not being able to do certain movements. I was told this could happen, and it did, to me. The only good thing was that Karen and I finally got married. We had been together since 1992!

2010: I hurt my back...worse than I thought. This semi- retirement wasn't going the way I planned.

2011-2013: Spent almost all my life being sent to specialty clinics and Doctors, Physiotherapists, and Surgeons. All with an opinion, none doing anything to help.

2014-2016: More time spent getting worse, barely can walk. My car sits dormant, waiting to come back to life.

2017: End up back to the same 2nd surgeon, and tells me now it has become a lot worse, and will operate. There goes another year not being able to work on the car.

2018: Finally, back surgery! I was starting to try and work on my car, however, my surgery ended up killing off the rest of the year in recovery. Have all my safety equipment up to date, and I have kept my license current.

2019: Waiting for nicer weather so I can attempt to put my car back together, as well as work on my walking. My surgery addressed one problem, but not the other. I think my car is in better shape than I am. Sometimes it hits me, I have owned that car for 36 years. My wife Karen has been a real trooper, putting up with me. She has been itchy to get to the track, and I told her, you drive. She won't, as she is scared of the wheel stands. She has seen me nearly crash, a few times, and tells me that seeing those types of things do frighten her.

Members Discounts list.

Iron Garage -10% off

MNK Photography -10% off

Pro Stock -10% off

Village muffler- 10% off Labour

Impact Coatings- 10% off

Wheels Plus- ½ off Labour

Clearly Superior Glass- \$15 off windsheilds. 10% off flat glass for cars with out curved windows

Crosstown Chrysler -25% off parts/15% off restoration parts

Preferred customer rates CT# 979393

Head Dynamics 10% off labour

Ok Tire (Leduc) 10% off

Wheels auto appraisals 10% off

Liberty AutoWrortex 10% off, except ceramic coating

Murry's Truck Parts Locators discount on heavy duty truck parts and repairs

Sherwood dodge 20% off parts

New vehicles 2% over invoice some restrictions apply

Parts

St. Albert Dodge- Jim Depner

Sherwood Dodge- Brandon Gray

St, Albert Dodge parts orders- Karl

Kibler

Vehicle sales

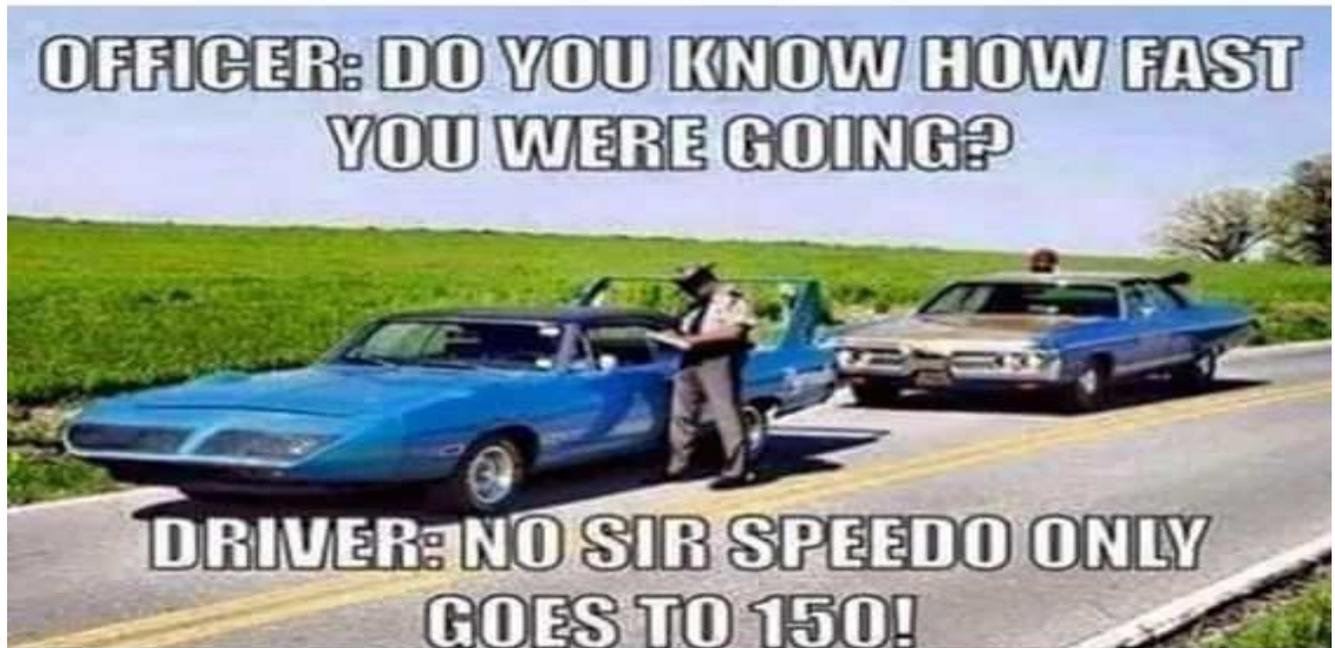
St. Albert Dodge- Brad McCorry

Sherwood Dodge- Paul O'Mara



Funny

One day a blonde comes up to a man's door and asks him if he has any odd jobs. The man says "I'll give you \$50 to paint the porch out back." The blonde goes to work and after 30 minutes, she comes back, and tells the man she is done. "Wow, that was fast," the man says. The blonde replies, "yes, I know, but that wasn't a porch. It was a Ferrari."



Thank you all for taking the time to read our newsletter, if there is something you would like added to this in the future please don't hesitate and send off an email to us at:

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Have a great month and see you all at the next meet and greet.