

“2010 TMC/Hall Dodge 4th Annual Summer Mopar Show”

Article by “Butch” Hora and Photos by Chris Yates

The 2010 Tidewater Mopar Club, (TMC)/Hall Dodge 4th Annual Summer Mopar Show was held on Saturday July 31st at a new location. The show was held in the Hall Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram, (HCJDR) used car dealership parking lot. It has been one of the hottest summers on record this year with temperatures in the 100 degree range all week, but Saturday the Mopar gods again smiled down on us and gave us a beautiful 88 degree day to display our Mopars. Hall’s used car lot and building was empty for the weekend, because they were having a big used car sale at the front gate to NAS Oceana, so Chris Colbert, General Manager of HCJDR gave us the run of the place.

We setup a cool static display up in front of the building with Tom Learch’s red 1970 Dodge Challenger R/T 440 6-pack, 4-speed, shaker parked across from a new yellow 2010 Dodge Challenger SRT8 to remind everyone of the 40 year anniversary of the Dodge Challenger. Chris Colbert had the dealership park all of the Challengers in his inventory around the front and side of the building. We also



put TMC member Mike Payette’s 1970 Dodge Challenger S/E parked up on the rotisserie where cars passing by could see it as it went round and round.

There were 46 registered Mopar show cars in the field to checkout while we raffled off some cool stuff, like antique car signs, large die cast car and some really cool new George Washington 2010 Dodge Challenger Posters! TMC’s own A.J. Schneider was happy to win half of the \$340 bucks raised from the 50/50 raffle. (Thanks to Charles



Dickens) Overall the show was a success generating over a \$1,000 dollars that will be donated Foodbank of South-eastern Virginia! I want to thank Chris Colbert and HCJDR for giving us a great place to hold a show and the great food! I also want to thank everyone who show up early and stayed late to help make the show happen.

For a list of show winners go to: http://67.62.88.68/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=4260

To see some pictures of the show taken by Chris Yates go to: <http://rides.webshots.com/slideshow/578291025dDcTxz>

Dates To Remember

- Aug 28 TMC Board of Directors Bi-annual Mtg.**
1 pm at Prez Butch’s house. All club members are invited, call Butch for directions.
- Aug 28 Tidewater Region AACA 37th Annual Car Show**
Virginia Beach Airport in Pungo
- Sept 18 TMC/Hall Dodge “Feed the Hungry” Mopar Show**
9am-3pm at Hall Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram, 3152 Virginia Beach Blvd.
Last TMC show of the year!

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OWNER: *Charlie Daniels Jr.*
RIDE: *1970 Plymouth Road Runner Superbird*
ENGINE: *440 cubic inch 4bbl*
TRANSMISSION: *A-833 Pistol Grip 4-Speed*
REAREND: *Dana 60 3:54 gears*

Article by: Charlie Daniels Jr. and Photos by: Chris Yates

From the first time I saw one I thought the 1970 Plymouth Road Runner Superbird was the most awe inspiring car ever built (along with it's sister the 1969 Dodge Charger Daytona). As everyone knows, the engineers at Chrysler Corporation created the styling as they sought to improve the aerodynamic efficiency of their cars at NASCAR tracks where Chrysler was heavily involved with their racing program.

Like many race fans of the late 1960's and early 1970's I was a huge Richard Petty fan and was dismayed when he left Chrysler to drive for Ford in 1969.

He reportedly left Chrysler because, as a driver with backing from their Plymouth division, he was not given access to the aero improvements developed by the Dodge division with their new Charger Daytona. I became infatuated with the Superbird when Plymouth lured Petty back to the Chrysler fold in 1970 with the Superbird. They engineered it by making modifications to the 1970 Road Runner, these changes were similar to the ones done to the Dodge Charger Daytona. I knew then at the age of thirteen that I would have a Superbird one day.

In 1979 just after graduating from college, I heard of a Superbird in Hampton, Virginia not too far from where I lived that might be available. I remember driving around the neighborhood where the car was located when I finally spotted the big winged car sitting in a driveway. It was painted Petty Blue with a super stock style scoop mounted on the hood. There were very large aftermarket tires and wheels mounted on the rear with much smaller ones on the front.

That was typical of the modifications people made to their cars at the time, but it looked a bit silly by today's standards. I remember looking inside at the cool



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pistol-grip shifter and I noticed the odometer only read 68,000 miles.

I knocked on the door of the house where the car was located and met the widow who owned the car. The Superbird had been the pride and joy of this lady's husband who had tragically passed away recently of an unexpected heart attack. She was friendly and indicated that she would need to sell the car at some point, but wasn't quite ready yet and asked me to check back from time to time. She only lived about 8 miles from my house so I drove by and checked on it often. It was only a few weeks later that she decided it was time to let it go, so we quickly made the deal and I drove it home!

The first thing to go were the wheels, next was going to be the hood scoop that's when I found out the 'Bird was originally painted TOR RED. I knew little about doing body work but decided to get a friend to help me patch up a few small rust holes and painted the 'Bird back to its original color. That was in the summer of 1980 and although it is showing its age, my 'Bird still wears this coat of paint today – 30 years later!

As a long-time member of the "Winged Warriors" national car club I have driven the 'Bird to car shows in Indianapolis, IN, Atlanta, GA, Talladega, AL, Charlotte, NC, Darlington, SC, Rockingham, NC, and others. I have maintained the car in "driver" condition and enjoy bringing it out when the mood strikes. As a recent member of the Tidewater Mopar Club, I look forward to making new friends and enjoy finding new places to continue driving my 'Bird.



TMC SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH

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TMC P.O.C.: *Chris Anderson 757-368-3726*

Article and Photos by Cris Anderson and "Butch" Hora

Kalbones Speed and Off Road Shop started from the passion to modify cars and trucks of all types. Whether it is drag racing, monster trucks, muscle or classic cars, Kalbones has built them all. It began with the first adrenaline rush we got at the drag strip, there was no feeling like it and that's all it took to get us started. One day while at the drag strip, we decided it would cool to help people get that feeling too. So we set out to create a one-stop race shop that would provide race/off road parts and build from the ground up whatever people wanted.



In 1999 we started running our first Alcohol Funny car, this was really the stepping-stone that lead us to where we are today. While at the drag strip everyone worked together as a team with the goal being, to have fun and win! In 2008, the Kalbones Alcohol Funny car team won the IHRA Championship; we also received an IHRA award for Professional Driver of the Year. Our race team provides a great racecar that always keeps the spectators on the edge of their seats while setting new track records. We not only do this for our own enjoyment, but for the enjoyment of all the spectators as well.

While we were running the Alcohol Funny Car we went one step further and began participating in the Monster Truck Circuit. We started out in 2005 with the monster truck "Stone Crusher" and later added on the "Mopar Magic". Stone Crusher has been invited to the World Finals in Vegas for several years and was awarded Monster Truck Team of the Year in 2008 and 2009. This solidified that they were one of the top teams in the sport. Again we enjoy doing this, but most of all it's for the thrill that it brings to the spectators.

In 2009 our dream came true and we finally opened our shop doors to Kalbones Speed and Off Road Shop. Our number one goal has been to provide quality race parts and excellent customer service at reasonable prices. Unlike other shops that are limited to what they can order out of a catalog, Kalbone's sets itself apart with the ability to take a sketch or idea and turn it into

reality.

Whether a customer just needs some information

or wants fabrication all the way to a complete project. Although we have a small crew, they work hard and take pride in satisfying all of our customers. There is no limit to what our guys can do, from simple bolt on accessories to complete fabrication projects. They are great mechanics and they also run the new CNC FLOW Water Jet machine in house, if you have an idea or some type of drawing, we can get it done.

We also have knowledge with motorcycles, all types of fabrication is endless, electrical and welding as well. The guys have great knowledge and imagination with endless ideas. They can install suspension lift kits or lowering kits, custom roll cages, street/strip performance set-ups or mount race tires and wheels. They have a wealth of knowledge in drive train and gears knowing what works best for the drag strip, rock crawling or just an every day driver. We can also build custom roll cages, monster truck chassis including set-up the axles for the monster trucks. We can weld anything including aluminum and stainless steel, which is what sets us apart from the rest. Our guys enjoy the challenges of new things and aren't afraid of any project too big or small.

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“The History of the Tidewater Mopar Club”

(Part 3)

Article written by Bill Laurent, John Vukovich, John Fenter and “Butch” Hora

1992-1997: Larry Richway - President

The Tidewater Mopar Club continued to mature under Larry Richway’s leadership and he definitely helped to move it up to the next level. Oyster Point Dodge continued as the primary club sponsor; but Larry’s involvement in the auto repair business opened the doors to many other local business joining in to sponsor TMC’s give away cars. Larry and his close friends also negotiated major sponsorship for the giveaway cars from Legendary Auto Interiors, Year One and Totally Auto, most of which still have strong ties to the Tidewater Mopar Club.

When Suffolk Raceway closed in late 1991, the club had to move its Annual Mopar Madness Car Shows to Langley Speedway for the 1992 Mopar Madness show where the club continued to grow and increase participation. The Langley Speedway shows featured hot laps, the Mopar Magic Monster truck, Bunny Burkett and her funny car, a burnout contest, and guest appearances by Mopar expert Galen Govier. They took a Ford, a Chevy, the engines were drained of oil, chained them together and they would compete in a tug of war with tires smoking until one car’s engine blew up! Participants were also allowed to beat an import car with sledgehammers (a great stress reliever). Some of the shows had live bands as well.

At the last Suffolk Raceway show, the club raffled off a 1968 Dodge Coronet that had been purchased and cleaned up; it was just a 318 2bbl, but it was a 2 door. After



Larry became President, we decided we could do better than that. So the club obtained and restored a number of give-away cars during this period, including

a 1967 Plymouth GTX clone (the G-TMC-X), a 1973 Dodge Dart Sport 340, a 1971 440 Plymouth ‘Cuda, a 1968 Dodge Super Bee 383 clone, and a 1968 Plymouth Barracuda with a 440 shoehorned in it. The club campaigned these cars at car shows both locally and at national events like Carlisle, the Mopar Nationals, Rockingham and Englishtown. This

campaign was very club-centric; club members wore TMC t-shirts in the color of that year’s car, and 10



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members would accompany the car to the big shows to sell raffle tickets.



Miss Mopar Madness also accompanied

them on many of these trips. Although the location of these cars are no longer known, the 1968 Barracuda was once owned by club treasurer John Goodman before he joined TMC, and subsequently sold to a person in Ohio.



Larry Richway was owner of a NAPA Auto Service Center in Newport News and after stepping down as TMC President, he stayed active with the club until 2006. Unfortunately, after he closed his business, we lost contact with him and his current location is not known. Does anyone know where Larry is today? If so, let us know.

1997-1999: John Fenter - President

During all the years that Larry Richway was President John Fenter was Vice President and when Larry left he took over the helm as the 4th President of the Tidewater Mopar Club in 1997. At the time, Chrysler had begun funneling their marketing funds to prepare for Dodge’s return to NASCAR with the new Dodge Intrepid. So, one of TMC’s biggest sponsors, Oyster Point Dodge, was no longer able to solicit corporate funds to sponsor the club’s shows at Langley Speedway. John Fenter wisely coordinated with longtime club member (and 1967 NHRA World Champion) Ed Miller to move the club’s annual Mopar Madness show to Ed’s shop in Courtland, VA. The highlight of the event was the burnout contest that the club held in the Department of Motor Vehicles, (DMV) parking lot adjacent to the show. For two years these shows had good participation, but were a bit smaller than the Langley shows.

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President's Corner

The August 2010 Tidewater Mopar Club, (TMC) meeting was held in the upstairs conference room at the Hall Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram Used Car building on August 10th. We had 28 active club members present along with a new face, Cliff Atkinson owner of a 1971 Dodge Demon who came out to join the club. We gave out free new Auto Metal Direct (AMD) catalogs to members so they could checkout all the new parts that have been reproduced since their last one. The club is putting together its 3rd big order this year from AMD, which will be placed by the 15th of September. Club members will get a discount of 15-20% off of the correct 18-gauge steel panels, bumpers, glass, plus NO shipping costs! If you want to place an order, contact Rick Hart at (757) 377-5771 or if you need more information give me a call.

Our guest speaker this month was Jeff Locke, the Executive Director and Senior Certified Appraiser of International Vehicle Appraisers Network. Jeff and his wife Pat showed a great power-point presentation of many different vehicles that his company has appraised, everything from an 1899 Loco Mobile Steam Car to a 1932 DeSoto Convertible Coupe street rod. If you are interested in getting your car appraised in order to insure it, you can contact Jeff at their office (757) 421-9028 or by calling him on his cell (757) 421-6226.

Remember the donated items that Kevin Beard was selling at Mopar Madness? Well we already made a \$200 donation, but there were a few more items sold and we raised another \$150, which the club voted to match. So we are making an additional \$300 donation to the Youth Challenge of Hampton Roads, (YCHR) for a total of \$500 bucks! YCHR receives no government assistance, because they are Christ-centered program, so they really appreciate the donation. If you are interested in helping them out, contact Travis Hall, Program Director at (757) 244-1234 (ext 205).

The club's bi-annual TMC Board of Directors meeting is coming up on the 28th of August. It will be held at my house and it is open to all club members that want to get more involved with the club. Past President Bill Laurent has invited club members to meet him between 8:30-9:30 for breakfast at Golden Coral, 2177 Upton Drive, (next to the Wal-Mart off Nimmo Pkwy), Virginia Beach, VA. At 09:30 he'll cruise out to the Virginia Beach Airport in Pungo, to meet up with other members to check out the Tidewater Region AACA 37th Annual Car Show. Also when you pay for parking, you can get in free to one of the finest museums of restored military aircraft in the country. Those going to the meeting will leave there and meet at my house, about 8 miles away at 2100 Buckboard Ct. in Southgate, at 1:00 pm to have some food and start the meeting. It should be a great day, if it's hot, bring your swim trunks in case you feel

like jumping in the pool!

We also discussed our last TMC car show of the year. The TMC/Hall Dodge "Feed the Hungry" Mopar Show that will be held at Hall Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram Used Car building where our last show was. There is a \$20 registration fee with all the proceeds going to the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia. There will be 24 really cool participant judged trophy plaques given out along with one Dealer's Choice "Best in Show" trophy. This time we are having some Pollard's chicken with the sides that is being provided by our biggest sponsor, Hall Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram.

The last thing we did was vote to donate \$500 to sponsor two trophies and post our club ad in the brochure for the Virginia Peninsula Car Club Council's big car show at the Newport News Park, the Virginia Fall Classic, October 22-24. The club has been doing this for many years and all the proceeds go to the Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters, (CHKD). By the way, don't forget we will be electing the new club officers and board members soon. We are looking for nominations of members for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Web Master and the Board of Directors. The BOD will be sending out ballots along with the TMC newsletter to allow all members a chance to vote. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you're interested or have questions. Congratulations to Bob Kinker who won \$33 bucks in the club meeting 50/50 raffle! Hope to see everyone come out for our last car show of the year!

Mopar to ya!
"Butch" Hora
TMC President

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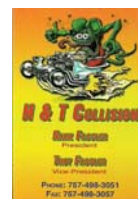
The club rebuilt and raffled a 340 engine for charity; this engine was a Frankenstein, using a 318 poly forged truck crank, 360 rods, shaved early 360 heads with 2.02 intake valves added, Mopar Purple Shaft cam, aluminum dual plane intake and Holley 4bbl carb. We also built our own engine test stand (see Kevin Beard for details), and fired up the 340 for the first run on the stand. We had to use stock exhaust manifolds since the stand interfered with headers. We also obtained and began work on rebuilding a 1971 Roadrunner clone; that car was finished after Bill Laurent was elected President.

During this time, the club held its monthly meetings at Sammy & Nick's Steak House in Newport News. John Fenter is one of few active club members of TMC who has been an active member since almost the beginning of the club, having joined when arriving in Tidewater in 1989.

(Part 4 of "The History of TMC" to be continued next month)

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