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Events Coming Up

- CCM General Meeting, July 3rd, 7 PM.
- RiverCats Game Night, July 9th
- CCM Board Meeting, July 18th, 7 PM.
- CCM 25th Anniversary picnic, July 16th, Carmichael Park
- Mopar Muscle Car Magic, Sac Raceway, Sept. 10th



In case you missed it, our annual Mopar Day in the Park car show happened just over a week ago. We lucked out on the weather and were able to enjoy a day in the 90's instead of over 100. There was even a breeze in the afternoon as an added bonus!

The club sends a special thank you out to all the show volunteers, the Boy Scouts for manning the barbeques, the DJ for spinning those (CD's? Vinyl? MP3) tunes and the trophy girls for their smiling faces. We couldn't do it without you and hope that you have us penciled in as your late June stop on the Mopar car show circuit for 2018!!!

We had a good turnout for the show this year with some new clubs attending. There was a yuuuge variety of cars, everything from a convertible AMC Rebel to an early 50's Plymouth Suburban! Sadly,



there was no left over ice cream this year, perhaps we can address that during planning for the next show.



You will notice something new included in the newsletter - an events calendar for the rest of 2017. Jack covers these events during the monthly meeting activities report so we thought that it would be useful for those of you who are unable to attend to have a copy.

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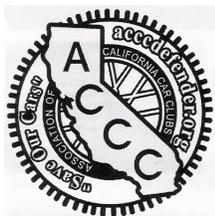
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What we're all about

Capital City Mopars (CCM) provides a place to share your enthusiasm and knowledge about Mopars and enjoy the company of other Mopar enthusiasts. CCM membership is open to anyone interested in Chrysler Corporation or American Motors vehicles who are eighteen years or older and have a valid drivers license. Annual membership dues are \$36 for regular members and an additional \$6 per co-member. One co-member is allowed for each regular member. The co-member must reside in the same household and be eighteen years or older. All members and co-members are required to participate as worker/chairperson in at least one function per year, and it is desired that, in addition, work at the annual car show.

The Capital City Mopars is a proud member of the Association of California Car Clubs and the California Automobile Museum.



Guest Speaker Ideas Wanted

We are looking for ideas and suggestions for guest speakers to appear at our monthly General Meeting. In the past we have had insurance agents, oil industry experts, DMV officials, an expert from the WPC museum and various others. These speakers provide information and entertainment for the meetings and are always appreciat-

Club Membership Renewal Time!

For those Mopar enthusiasts that have yet to renew their membership to the Capital City Mopars for 2017, our CCM Membership director is waiting for you... PLEASE contact Travis and get your renewal in so we can get an accurate count of our members. Though it may seem redundant, a new membership application needs to be filled out each year. Street addresses, email addresses, phone numbers can change, sometimes we sell or buy different cars too. We strive to run a tight ship here so accuracy is important.



Rivercats Game Night and Club Parade!

Join us for a night out at Raley Field July 9th. The club needs to buy a minimum of 20 tickets to secure a reservation as well provide 10 cars. Please send a check for 28 dollars to the club PO Box to commit to the event. The club may subsidize part of the amount depending on participation. The cars will be part of a parade on the field before the first pitch is thrown out.

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FCA: RAM RISES, BUT OVERALL SALES FALL 7.4%

July 3, 2017 @ 11:12 am



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The Ram brand reported its 71st consecutive month of volume increases.

DETROIT -- Fiat Chrysler [sales fell 7.4 percent](#) in June, although the Ram pickup brand was a bright spot.

The company said it had U.S. sales of 187,348 last month, its tenth consecutive month of year-over-year declines. FCA said fleet sales accounted for 25 percent of its total for the month, and that retail sales were down 5 percent from the same month a year ago,

Ram -- which reported its 71st consecutive month of volume increases -- saw its sales climb 6.5 percent in June, including a 4.8 percent gain in sales of the Ram lineup, and double-digit increases from its ProMaster and ProMaster City commercial vans, each of which posted their best June sales ever, the company said.

Jeep sales fell for the 10th consecutive month, declining 11 percent. Grand Cherokee sales rose 21 percent in the month, and Renegade sales climbed slightly, but both failed to offset declines from the rest of the brand's lineup.

Dodge sales fell 14 percent in June. Grand Caravan, Challenger and Viper posted sales gains, while Charger, Durango, Journey and Dart sales fell.

Chrysler sales declined by 15 percent as sales declines from the discontinued 200 sedan overwhelmed strong gains from both the Pacifica minivan and 300 sedan.

Fiat sales fell 3.7 percent in June, while Alfa Romeo sales topped more than 1,000 units in a month for the first time since the brand returned to the U.S.

FCA said it ended the month with 507,556 vehicles in inventory, a 70-day supply.

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Your Story Here

At the last few monthly meetings, the editor mentioned that the newsletter is always looking for a new story and ideas or suggestions. Too much late model stuff? Too many oddball pictures? Want more articles that you saw on Allpar 10 years ago? Hey—this is your newsletter! If you have suggestions for what you want to read please do not hesitate to contact the newsletter office. We are very open to suggestions. Otherwise our crack(ed?) staff will continue to dig in the archives for weird, old stories and pictures of Chrysler products that you will enjoy!

CHRYSLER VICTORY SIREN (AIR RAID SIREN)

Built during the Cold War era from 1952 to 1957 (second generation) by Chrysler, its power plant contained a newly designed FirePower Hemi V8 engine with a displacement of 331 cubic inches (5.42 l) and producing 180 horsepower (130 kW).^[1]

They were 12 feet (3.7 m) long, built atop a quarter section of a Dodge truck chassis rail, and weighed an estimated 3 short tons (2.7 t). Its six horns were each 3 feet (91 cm) long. The siren had an output of 138 dBC (30,000 watts), and could be heard as far as 25 miles (40 km) away.

In 1952, the cost of a Chrysler Air-raid Siren was \$5,500^[1] (equivalent to \$49,603 in 2016).

The United States government helped buy sirens for selected state and county law enforcement agencies. In Los Angeles County, six were placed around key locations of populated areas, and another ten were sold to other government agencies in the state of California. These "Big Red Whistles" (as they were nicknamed) only saw testing use. Some were located so remotely that they deteriorated due to lack of maintenance.



The main purpose of the siren was to warn the public in the event of a nuclear attack by the Soviets during the Cold War. The operator's job was to start the engine and bring it up to operating speed, then to pull and release the transmission handle to start the wailing signal generation. The Chrysler air raid siren produced the loudest sound ever achieved by an air raid siren.



Date	Event	Location	Contact Info	Club Event
07/09/17	River Cats Car Show / Game	Raley Field	Jack	Yes
07/16/17	Cap City Mopar 25th Anniversary Picnic	Carmichael Park	Bob	Yes
08/04/17	Hot August Nights 4th-5th	Virginia City NV		No
08/08/17	Hot August Nights 8th-13th	Reno NV		No
09/08/17	Roamin' Angels Car Show	Grass Valley, 3-day event		No
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09/09/17	31st Street Rod Extravaganza	Chester CA, 530-258-2562 for info		No
09/10/17	Mopar Muscle Night	Car show, drag races, swap meet at Sacramento Raceway	Mike Moore	No
09/16/17	Hot Chili & Cool Cars	Pacific Street, Rocklin from 10-3..\$35 show fee		No
09/17/17	Capitol City Mopar annual Picnic	Carmichael Park	Bob	Yes
10/07/17	San Joaquin Valley Mopars	Fall Finale Car Show at Lions Town & Country Park, Madera CA.		No
11/26/17	CAM Potluck	Calif Auto Museum	Bob	Yes
12/03/17	Rally 4 kids	Shriners Hospital	Bob	Yes
12/09/17	CCM Holiday Party	Elks Lodge, Carmichael	Bob	Yes
Reoccurring Events				
Every Sat	Cars and Coffee	Palladio Parkway, Folsom		No
2nd Sunday from Mar 12	Cars and Coffee	Carmichael Elks from 8 - 12		No
Every Saturday	Cars & Coffee in Folsom	430 Pallido Pkway, Folsom		
Every Sun	Shopping Center Car Show	Cypress/Fair Oaks Shopping Mall		No
Tentative				
	National Auto Museum	Reno NV	Jack	Yes

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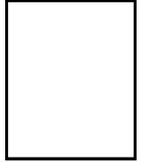
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The Lunch Bunch

Several CCM members have been meeting for lunch at various locations in town on the last Wednesday of the month. They call themselves the "The Lunch Bunch". This an open invitation for anyone interested in attending. Time is usually 11AM. Larry Pierce is the organizer and you can call him at 353-0965 or mail at kpierce569@aol.com to get on the call list.

Larry will call you a few days before to let you know what restaurant the group will be going too.

Note: Free car club member complimentary passes to the California Automobile Museum can be obtained from President Bob Berry or Treasurer Norm Benedict. Passes can also be mailed with your newsletter when requested.

CCM Members!

Got a business?

Provide a business card and it will be printed in the pages of **CCM News** free!

Donate Raffle Prizes

Got any items you won at a previous raffle or bought that you do not need? Consider donating them to the club as raffle prizes for the general meeting or the annual car show.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 1st
at 7:00 p.m.

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