

MID AMERICA HOT WHEEL CLUB

NEWS LETTER

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JULY & AUGUST 1995

Well fellow Club Members we did it again on 3 June. We had our SWAP MEET at the SHRINE TEMPLE.

I had hoped that we might have more of a turnout this time than we did at our last one. BUT the weather did not cooperate with us as well as it could have.

This time we had an announcement in both the Tulsa World and the Thrifty Nickel as well a live interview on Radio Station KVOO with Billy Parker, Billy is also a SHRINER.

I had obtained a plastic container shaped like a bear, my wife made a little FEZ that we put on it and placed it by the door. It brought in \$17.00 in donations from the drop ins that came to look and buy.

There were 12 tables set up this time, this and the \$17.00 let us give the SHRINE TRANSPORTATION FUND a total of 137.00 .

One of the highlights of our meeting is that we gained 5 new Club Members. We welcome them. Counting the new members we had 29 members in attendance.

There were lots of the new cars in evidence. Some that I had not seen at all in the stores. There were lots of loose Red Line cars and I managed to get my hands on about 11 that I did not have. I am still trying to get all the colors and its becoming harder and harder to find decent older cars.

Glen & Sheila brought little BRITT down and he is some boy, I think they said that he is now 7 weeks old. Sounds like he will be another HW Collector.

We now have another SWAP MEET and SHOW set at the SHRINE TEMPLE on the 12th of AUGUST with the same hours as befor. 9 AM til 4 PM.

As befor the money charged for the tables will all be given to the SHRINE which they will place in their TRANSPORTATION FUND.

I had flyers made this time and put out a mailing of close to 100, this has generated interest as far away as ST LOUIS, MO. Also we are having an ad in the TULSA WORLD that will run for several days. Also flyers were put out at two differant flea markets.

NOW whats happening with the HOT WHEELS

The last 1995 series car that has been found is the POWER ROCKET. Its metalic bronz with 5sp.

The RACE TEAM cars have all been changed to a teal blue.

We already have a variation of the LUMINA (uh & 7sp, the Dragster (bw & 7sp) The STEEL STAMP change is the FLASHSIDER '57 CHEVY & the ZENDERFACT have been found with both uh & 5sp.

The PEARL DRIVER JAGUAR also comes with uh & 5sp.

The DARK RIDER SERIES the SILHOUETTE 11, TWIN MILL 11, SPLITTING IMAGE 11 have all been found with black pro circuit wheels and 7sp.

The SILHOUETTE 11 & the RIGOR-MORTAR have two different bases.

The ROARING RODS SERIES has come out with 4 base variations. The COBRA has 4 variations, the MINI TRUCK has been found with uh, 5sp & 7sp, not to mention the orange base with 5sp. The ROLL PATROL in white with yellow ct and black zebra stripes.

The HOT HUB SERIES is out but not in our area as far as I know at this time The SPEED GLEAMER SERIES has showed up with the 3-WINDOW '34 in a turquoise chrome color and 7sp, the T-BUCKET in dark purple chrome with 5sp.

In blister #264, LEXUS SC400, #227, LAMBORGHINI DIABLO, #200, CUSTOM CORVETTE, #68, T-BUCKET, all have been found with 5sp, #257, Silver 3 WINDOW '34 with 7sp, #110, CHEVY STOCKER in orange metalflake, with red INTERior in met gold & uhg

#192, VIPER in red with 5sp and in yellow with uhg, # 192, CORVETTE STINGRAY in gleam team silver has uh, #188, HUMMER has a plastic body with a metal base and no tampo on the hood.

There have been 6 treasure hunt cars come out but it seem that MATTEL is holding back on the rest for some reason.

In the following 5 packs be sure you look at them close as they are changing all the time. WHEEL CHANGES. RACING TEAM, FERRARI, FORD, CHEVY. also the TRACK SYSTEM

KRAFT M&C is going to be available thru a mail in offer, so save your P.O.P

Target is coming out soon with two new HW GIFT PACKS, 8 car sets which will be priced around \$15.00.

LUCKY'S SUPERMARKET will have a two pack as will the H.E.B. down in TEXAS. LUCKY'S is something that I have never heard of but the other is a large supermarket chain.

JC PENNEY'S Christmas book will list the TREASURE HUNT CARS, reported at \$300 per set. Bet they don't sell very many.

In SEPTEMBER SERVICE MDSE. is supposed to be coming out with a 16 car set, new colors and with MALAYSIAN REDLINE TIRES, selling around \$30.00, I hope that they are better quality than the special car in their last set.

NOW SOME BAD NEWS.

It has been a year since we started the CLUB. NOW ITS TIME FOR THOSE WHO JOINED AT THAT TIME TO PAY \$10.00 DUES FOR THIS NEXT YEAR.

ALSO This may be the last news letter that I will be able to list the NEW & the PROMOS in due to not having permission from the EDITOR of the HOTWHEEL NEWS LETTER to use anything contained therein. I have called him and have his ok for this time. He will give me either thumbs up or down prior to my doing it again.

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DO NOT RECEIVE THE NEWS LETTER FROM CALIF. I STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT YOU SUBSCRIBE TO IT. I HAVE THE BLANKS IF YOU WANT ONE.

I am sorry that I was unable to get our NEWS LETTER out prior to now, things just seemed to snowball and I just simply ran out of time. BUT I will try to keep it from happening again. I just may have to hire a SECRETARY.

We have had a good response from out of town of late about the CLUB. That lets us know that the word is spreading. I look for a CLUB to be starting over in Oklahoma City one of these days.

I just received a notice from DAVID BRISCO that he is having another big show in BENTONVILLE in NOVEMBER. I talked with him and he is fast running out of tables. I know that it will be a good show.

I sure hope that all of you are having better luck at locating the new cars than I am. I have not been able to get to the stores as quick as some, therefore a serious lack of spoke wheel cars in my collection. I keep hoping that they will turn a bigger amount loose.

I personally feel that MATTEL is cutting their own throat by putting out these 4 car sets or more and then us not being able to locate in our area but a part of what makes a set. I firmly believe that if sets are to be put out that they be in 4 and 8 car gift packs, then all who want them could buy a set and not have to run all over the country looking for the one car that someone has bought up as they did the Mustangs and Nomads.

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14 AUGUST 1995

Now to give you who did not make it to the SWAP MEET the lowdown on what we had.

This time prior to the meeting we had 28 tables reserved but at the time we started on Saturday that was down to 23. We had some who did not make it due to business, and others who just changed their minds and some that FISHING is of more importance. NOW DAVID THAT IS NOT A DIG. I hope that you won some money in the tournament.

We had the following States represented, OK, TX, MO, AR. And had people from as far away as FT Worth and ST Louis.

There were lots of the new cars in evidence as well as lots of the older RED LINE that I drooled over. I am trying to get the RL's that I don't have in my collection.

There were some good trades made and lots of cars managed to change hands and went home with new owners.

The good news is that we gained 12 NEW MEMBERS. I think that is great.

Also we are able to give the SHRINE a total of \$250.00 for their TRANSPORTATION FUND. The dropins put \$20.00 in the donation container so with the \$230.00 that made the \$250.00.

Just a little run down on what was done with the SHRINE VANS this past month. The vans transported 55 children to the hospitals either to SHREVEPORT or to WICHITA FALLS plus they gave travel assistance to 24 others. So what we are able to give them is helping a very worthy cause.

I have been putting a new CLUB MEMBERSHIP ROSTER together and had it all typed and ready to put in with this. Now I will try to get it ready by just typing the new members on the back and then will try to get it all done right prior to putting out another.

I feel that we had a very good SHOW this time, Hopefully our next one can even be better.

David Brisco and Cal Hallock had some very nice cars here. Its sure amazing what can be done with a polisher and an air brush.

I will be trying to locate a place where we can have just a meeting monthly, not necessarily to eat or to swap cars but where we can just sit about and talk HOT WHEELS. This has been asked for by some of the members, its not just my idea. If any of you attend a church that might have a recreation room that they would let us use at no cost let me know.

It has also been brought up about another SWAP MEET in about 3 months, if this is not to your liking please let me hear from you. Let me say that this is **NOT MY CLUB BUT YOURS**. I will just try to carry out your wishes as far as I can.

Again let me say WELCOME TO THE NEW MEMBERS.

Happy hunting, I hope that you find that special older car that keeps you on the trail.

Yours.