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MOPAR Car Show to Draw Crowds to Bluegrass on Ballard

Wylie, TX, June 23, 2014 – At last year’s Bluegrass on Ballard festival, thousands traveled to historic downtown Wylie, not only for the music, but also to see all the wheels as the Dallas MOPAR Club rolled into town, bringing over 100 vehicles.

This year’s event is scheduled for Saturday, July 5, and the car show will again be a highlight of the festival. Cars, trucks and motorcycles will be competing in a wide variety of classes; according to MOPAR officials, “just about anything that rolls is welcome.” Registration starts at 4 p.m., with an entry fee of \$20. All vehicles will be participant judged, and each entry gets a free T-shirt and a goody bag.

First Place, Class Winner, Mayor’s Choice, Best of Show (Car), Best of Show (Truck) and Best of Show (Motorcycle) will all be awarded.

Car classes include Pre-1950s, 1950s, Tri-Five, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s-1990s, 2000 and Newer; Street Rod; Classic Muscle Car, Modern Muscle Car, Convertible, Sports Car, Import Car, Camaro: 1979 and Older; Camaro: 1980 and Newer; Corvette: 1953-1982; Corvette: 1984 and Newer; Mustang: 1979 and Older; Mustang: 1980 and Newer; MOPAR: 1989 and Older; MOPAR 1990 and Newer; Special Interest; and Open Car.

Truck classes are Pre-1950s; 1950s; 1960s and 1970s; 1980s and 1990s; 2000 and Newer; and Open Truck. Motorcycles will be judged in American Motorcycle or Foreign Motorcycle categories.

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MOPAR History

The Dallas MOPAR Club was unofficially founded in 1982, but became official in 1983, publishing its first newsletter that February. The goal of founding members Jerry and Scott Calder, and Chris and Mark Cigainero was to create a community of MOPAR enthusiasts, focused on high-performance muscle cars. The first DMC show was held in the parking lot of an Irving hotel in 1985. Having had only word-of-mouth advertising, the club members hoped to attract around 50 cars; however, when 90 cars showed up, a tradition was born.

The MOPAR car show runs from 4 to 9 p.m. Saturday, July 5, on Ballard Avenue, historic downtown Wylie, west of Hwy. 78. For more information, contact Bill Bonney at 214-769-5314 or challengers4me@gmail.com.

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About Wylie -- Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 44,158) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the State of Texas with a 192% increase since 2000.