

# The Flat Six Journal

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Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter July 2008

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## Notes from the President

### June Meeting

For all of those that made it to Lake Afton in the high winds, thanks for coming out and supporting the MCCA club. There were a lot of nice cars to look at including Corvairs.

A few of the club members have been meeting at the corner of West and Central on Friday nights from around 6:00 p.m. until you want to leave. There are some nice cars that are showing up here also. For those that are coming out once again thanks for supporting the MCCA club.

The Juna Tuna was another great event for mostly visiting. There were a few projects to do but none of them that were too large to handle. We had another great Steak Meal and thanks to Bob Bright for the great Chef work. We also have talked a few times at past meetings about a Drive In Movie and also about a covered dish picnic. Would like to have some input about some of these idea's and see if we can work something out.

The coming meeting will be held at Eric Kline's shop on East Douglas. His shop is just a few doors down from the Big Dog Motorcycle. After the meeting we can all go to Old Town and enjoy Automobilia after. It is never to early to start planning for the Convention in 2009. I would like to start getting things in the planning stages so that this is not a last minute

job. The first thing that we all need to decide on is a location, from there we can start to work on the rest of the details. Anyone that would like to be a part of a committee please step forward and help, this is a great way to get more involved with things that are going on in the club and with all of the other clubs. Your support and help

would be greatly appreciated and would go far in making the 2009 convention a great success.

Thanks **Bernie Strecker**

P.S. Julie and I are going to be absent from the meeting on the 12th. We have family plans that are taking us out of town and hopefully Ned can handle this meeting for us.



**Three MCCA Corvairs made it to the Friday Cruise night at Central and West street in Wichita. Bernie and Julie Strecker brought "Bert" their '64 Monza Coupe, Ned Madsen drove his freshly painted '66 Corsa and Terry Kalp was there in his '65 Corsa.**

## July Meeting

Saturday,  
July 12th 7pm

1508 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS



June Meeting  
3 Lates 6 Earlies

# MCCA Classifieds

**For Sale** White 1963 convertible with 1960 engine. The engine runs but the carburetors need adjustment and probably a tune up. The body is very straight and has just a couple of small rust spots. The front seats are of the Terry Kalp collection and are in good shape. The top frame is intact but needs the top cloth. There are miscellaneous extra parts, some unknown.

It does have new brakes, single master cylinder, 0 mile tires, dimmer switch, push rod rings, muffler and new black carpet. I would like to get it sold before we go on vacation, but that is only two weeks away. I could make arrangements for my sons to show it while we're gone.

I have it priced at \$2500 and feel it's worth that much. Call {316} 304-1266 or {316} 789-8302. Harlan Wright located in Derby.



**For Sale 1966 Monza Convertible.** 1966 110 Convertible, powerglide, black electric top. Camaro rally wheels, new tires. Recent yellow paint. Needs some work but can be driven everyday.

Asking \$4,500 Located in Wichita.

Hope to get this sold so I can put the money into the green car.

Contact Kirk Eck, Phone number is 640-9037

**Wanted 1965 -69 Corvair Coupe.** Good body, Bad engine, must have title. Excellent body wanted. Contact Clair Baldwin at 316-775-2500



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## Fast Eddie...

Now that I have my car back from the painter, it's time to get back to autocrossing it. I have been driving it to work and a couple of cruise in nights. I've been using this time before the next autocross to work out some minor items. There was plenty of cleaning after the body work that had to be done. I also did some straightening up of the engine compartment. Now the car is nearly ready, I think.

The next autocross is the day after the July meeting up in Yoder at the Sunflower Airpark. This is an old new location for autocrossing. It has even hosted the SCCA national championship in the past. I'm looking forward to the drive up and back almost as much as the autocross.

This autocross is really just a tune up for the big event. The end of July is the big event, the Corvair Olympics in Indianapolis. Three days and three events with Corvairs from all over North America will make up this event. It will start off with a Time Trial, basically one car on the track at a time racing just the stop watch. Friday night will be a drag race. The cars will be running brackets, you state your time and that determines



**Tulsa Tuna. Terry Kalp traveled to Tulsa for the Green County Corvair Owners Tech Session and fish fry on Saturday, June 28. Forrest Andrews helps Roger Scott work on the window winder on Roger's car.**

the head start you or your opponent gets. Then you both end up racing for the finish line together. The Olympics end with an autocross and car show.

Based on what I know of the folks entered, my main competition will be the mayor of Oshawa Canada, John Gray. I met him in Detroit last year and quickly learned that he's a great guy. We split the time trial and the autocross, he won at the track and I won in the parking lot.

Jim Dallas has been so busy working on his kitchen remodel and hasn't had any Corvair seat time yet this year. Yoder is going to be his "rust

removal" event too. The really big news is the Terry Kalp is going to run in the Olympics (wow that sounds pretty funny). I don't know which car Terry's going to run and I'm not sure Terry does yet. Terry and I ran his V-8 car in an autocross a month or two ago and it ran well despite the old tires. Terry is fortunate that he has several Corvair to choose from that could be very competitive. Once he gets his formula Corvair finished, we'll be expecting him to bring home FTD (Fastest Time of Day).


Well, till next month, keep the shiny side up!!!

## WANTED

Your Corvair stories, tech tips and any ideas for the MCCA newsletter.

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# Lake Afton Show Shines After “Iffy” Beginning



**TOP** Ned Madsen's shows off the new silver striped shell on his '66 Corsa Coupe. The white '65 Corsa convertible belonged to Doug Nay at the Afton meet, but now is in the garage of Bernie Strecker.

The question on everyone's mind on Sunday morning, June 8th was is the Lake Afton All Wheels Car show on or off? The weather had been rainy all week with a storm predicted for the Sunday of the show.

After a few phone calls and a trip to the Show Area by Bernie and Julie Strecker, it was determined the show was on. Nine MCCA members made it out in their Corvairs. Bernie drove his '62 Convertible, Julie her '64 Monza Coupe, Mel Horstman herded his '63 copper Convertible, while Mike Miller made the trip from Kingman in his '64 Convertible. Terry Kalp brought his '65 500 Sedan, Ned showed his '66 Corsa Dennis Fuller showed up in his '64 Sedan. Lloyd Folger arrived in his '64

**RIGHT** A panoramic view of the Corvairs in attendance at the Lake Afton Show. There were six Early Model Corvairs and only three Lates. Five Convertibles, two Coupes and two Sedans.



Convertible, Doug Nay cruised in his '65 Corsa convertible.

Although they didn't drive a Corvair, the group enjoyed visiting with Lee Olsen of Burdette and Paul Jones of Lyons. Despite the dire predictions the weather was fantastic, one of the best June days of the year. There were many cars to see and crowd showed up to chat about Corvairs.

The Lake Afton show maintained its reputation as one of the largest free outdoor car shows in the nation despite the uncertainties about the weather.

As dark clouds started to fill the northern sky most of the MCCA members hit the road for home about 3 pm, some even made it home without getting wet.



**TOP PHOTO** Julie and Bernie brought out two Corvairs, their Red 1962 air conditioned Convertible and "Bert" their darker red 1964 Monza Coupe.



**LEFT** Lloyd Folger and Mel Horstman converse between Mel's Copper '63 Monza Convertible and Bernie's Red '62 with the top down. Also visible is the rear of Lloyd's Yellow '64 Monza Convertible. Beyond the Corvairs is just part of hundreds of other cool cars on display at the World's Largest Free outdoor car show. Weather concerns kept the total number of cars below last year.



# Juna Tuna 2008

I knew it was going to be a great Tuna when I pulled up at the shop early Saturday morning and Jim Dallas was there waiting in his Rampside. The closest Jim has been able to get to recent Tunas was to fly by in his job as a pilot. Shortly several other members began to arrive. When Mel Horstman showed up as the first job of the day we had time to sweep the floor and clear the workbenches.

Mel had been having brake problems constantly since he picked up the Convertible from his son. Several fixes had been made, but problems persisted. This time it was an easy fix. We sent Ned under the dash to adjust the freeplay in the brake pushrod while the rest of us supervised.

Lloyd Folger brought an engine and transaxle he



**ABOVE:** Larry Lee hold the remains of his Spider gears. Dan Hagenbuch photo

**RIGHT:** In the foreground Larry Lee watches as Jim Dallas grinds on a patch for Ned tunnel cover. In the background, Chris Teer from Oklahoma City works on repacking a set of LM rear bearings. Strecker photo



**Ned is having a blast glassbeading some parts for his '66 Corsa race car. Strecker photo**



wanted to mate together . . . seemed like simple enough job except we had to install the bellhousing, which involved dropping the oil pan. Several stripped bolt holes were found in the pan rail, so they had to be fixed.

Paul Jones was able to the rear view mirrors installed on his one-owner Corvair convertible. Ned made and patch and LP and I welded it on to his inside tunnel cover to cover where he had removed the heater.

Last Tuna Larry Lee had replaced the pinion bearing that had disintegrated. The differential still made noise so it was torn down further to discover the spider gears had shattered. Chris Teer from OKC finished his LM rear axle rebuilds.



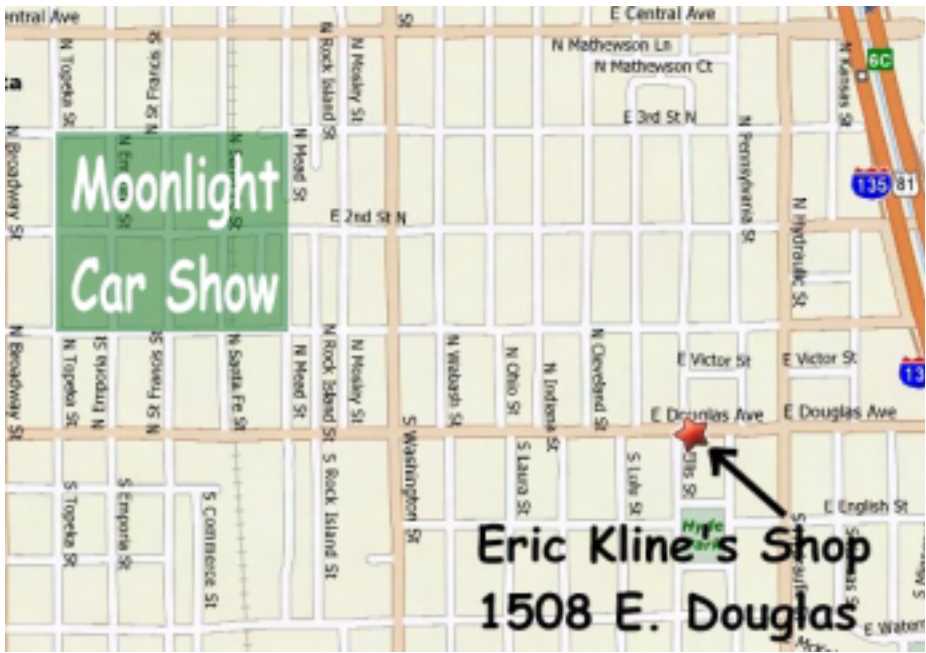
**ABOVE: Lloyd Folger works are adding thread inserts into stripped pan bolt holes. He found several bunged up threads when he resealed the oil pan. Strecker photo**



**ABOVE: Mel Horstman helps Lloyd Folger flatten the sealing flange of his oil pan. Lloyd was replacing the pan, bellhousing, flywheel and clutch on an engine he was mating with a transaxle. Strecker**

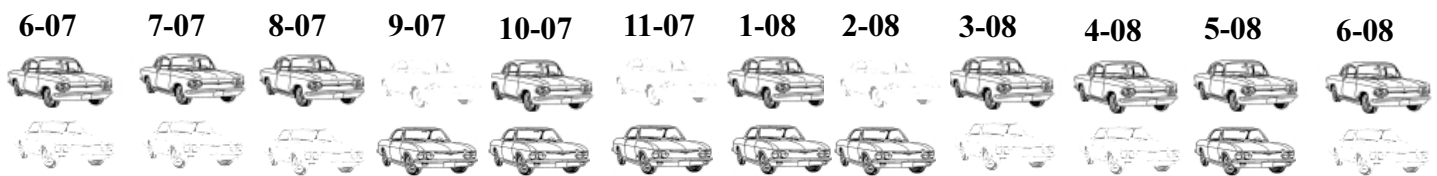
**BELOW: Julie Strecker and Lee Bright take charge of the food bar for the pot luck dinner. These ladies put out a lot of effort to see that everyone was well fed. Strecker photo**





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## Calendar

- July Meeting      July 12
- Moonlight Show   July 12
- AutoX Yoder      July 13
- August Meeting    Aug. 9
- Indy                July 30-August 1
- Great Plains Roundup  
                          Sept. 12-14