

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

May 2010



A flock of fins were on display at Dick's Classic Car, location for the HOT Banquet. See pg 6 & 7

MCCA May Meeting Agenda

- **BOD meeting minutes – 15 min**
- **Introduce and open floor to new members-15 min**
- **Project updates. Go around the room and let each person tell the group what they are working on-40 min**
- **Show and tell-20 min**
- **Juna Tuna Meal plans**
- **Plan for Lake Afton displays**
- **Open Discussion- remainder of time**

MCCA April Meeting

MCCA had a very good April meeting. We talked about the fact that we have a couple of members that have been with MCCA since the first. Mel Horstman and Lloyd Folgers have been members of MCCA from the beginning. A vote was brought to the floor and passed unanimously to have them as "LIFE TIME MEMBERS". Congratulations.

Members spoke about their projects and shared what they are working on. Plans for the Juna Tuna were talked about and will be finalized at the May meeting. Members want to have an opportunity to work on any last minute projects before Lake Afton. Remember, we are holding our Juna Tuna on June 5th.

The club discussed Terry's new Shop Building and we are waiting for his OK to purchase the Lift. If you wish to donate to the Lift project, feel free to give your donations to Ned.

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April Meeting
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May Meeting
Sat. May 8th 7 pm
Derby Recreation Center

801 E. Market, Derby, KS

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Dues Due
in January



No Dues
You Lose

WANTED: MCCA dues are due in January. If you haven't paid for 2010 Send \$12 to Ned Madsen, 1212 Patrick Henry, Derby, Kansas 67037

Wichita Area Council of Car Clubs

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LAKE AFTON ALL WHEELS CAR SHOW

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June 13, 2010

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Meeting . . .

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Greg brought up the fact that he wants to have a BOD meeting before the May meeting to discuss the All Wheels Car Show at Lake Afton. Remember the "Corvair" is the feature car. We would like to invite any and all of our friends from other Clubs to join us June 14th at Lake Afton.

Juna Tuna June 5th

Remember that Juna Tuna has been moved up to Saturday, June 5th this year. The move is because it will give an opportunity for last minute repairs and tune-ups before the June 13th Lake Afton meeting and show featuring Corvairs.

The day starts around 8 am and continues till the last car is out. Drop in and out as your schedule arrives. As usual the Tuna will be held at the Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st street North Valley Center, KS. If coming from either direction on 135 get off at exit 19 (101st. North) and turn west for two miles.

Lunch will be a Pot luck affair we will be sorting out the food situation at the May meeting. If your Corvair is running great come out and help someone else or just socialize. If you have a specific project to work on contact Terry 755-9821 or Ned 788-1724 that will help us schedule space.

Hopefully the new lift will be installed and operational for the Tuna. Terry has some extra parts and the specialty tools for many projects. If your repair requires parts you might contact Terry to see if he has the parts in stock or if you need to order them.

Stroud, OK 66 trip

On Saturday, May 15th the MCCA, OKC club and Tulsa clubs will be gathering for lunch at the historic Rock Cafe in Stroud, OK on Rt. 66. Those attending from Oklahoma City and Wichita will be meeting at Pop's on Route 66 in Edmond, OK at about 10 a.m.. and leave about 10:20 to head west on 66 and meet up with the Tulsa group in Stroud for lunch.

The group leaving from Pop's will make a short stop at another Rt. 66 landmark, the Round Barn in Arcadia. This is a fun trip with good eats and a chance to catch up with our Corvair friends from Oklahoma.

"Ran when Parked"



Ran when Parked is sinking to new depths. A member of the Corvair Center Forum that goes by jhawk found a portion of a Model A grill shell sticking out of the ground on his recently purchased property. He dug deeper and found this buried car. If you find an interesting photo send it in. Remember to submit your candidates for "Ran when Parked" to Terry Kalp

Tri-State Trip planned

Bernie and Julie Strecker and Terry Kalp are planning to leave Friday morning, May 21st to attend the Tri-State meet held this year in Canon City, CO. Lee Olson will meet them there. The three day event is hosted by the Pikes Peak Corvair Club this year. This meet rotates hosting between several clubs like the Great Plains Corvair Roundup. Scenery and weather should be great, plus many great Corvairs and Corvair people to meet and greet.

The schedule calls for a Friday afternoon welcome and registration. Saturday's plans include a morning caravan to Main Street in Florence for people's choice show, and a Saturday night banquet at historic Holy Cross Abbey in Cañon City.

In past years MCCA members Jim Dallas, Phil Nelson, Lee and Jordan Olson have attended this meet and returned with stories of the excellent hospitality. The host hotel is Quality Inn, 3075 E. US 50 (north side), Cañon City CO, 719/275-8676, mention "Corvairs" for \$65+tax rate.

Kansas Cosmosphere road trip a delight

It looked like it might be a small turnout for the MCCA road trip as Ned, Kathy and Shannon Madsen took out as the only car leaving the DRC early Saturday morning, April 17th. But when food is involved MCCAers show up. Waiting at 96 and 119th street were Bob and Lee Bright, Bernie and Julie Strecker, Jerry Nelson and his daughters Danie and Taylor. All were in the Strecker's three Corvairs. Other members waiting at 119th were Greg and Ben Renfro and Terry Kalp.

Next stop was at the Carriage Crossing in Yoder for Breakfast. Joining the group there were Gary Moore from Newton plus Jim and Sally Dallas. After an ample breakfast that filled everyone up (including Ben) Gary headed back to Newton, but the rest of the group traveled on the Cosmosphere.

Julie had contacted the Cosmosphere about group rates before they arrived. There were enough in the group to qualify for the rates. However the clerk didn't know how to properly enter the group rate so he let everyone in free. What a nice bonus.

Soon there were MCCA members and families scattered through-out the maze of historic displays. There was a lot of history and artifacts to examine from the first German rockets to the latest Shuttles and Space Station.

Once everyone had chance at the final display, the gift shop. The Corvairs were gathered together in the parking lot for the traditional group shot.



Examining the boosters on the mock launch pad are Jerry Nelson and his daughters Danie and Taylor. Jerry drove the girls to Hutch in Bernie Strecker's '65 Corsa convertible.

BELOW: Six Corvairs made the trip to Hutchinson, and lined up for the traditional photo. Arranging the photo was difficult because the parking lots were packed with visitors.



Larry Lee, just a dash

After a couple of stays in the hospital, Larry Lee spent the last couple of weeks with a transplant of his own . . . transplanting some rust free parts to his Corsa convert.



By the time all the rust was cut out, there wasn't much left of the dash and lower windshield



Larry applies a bead of seam-sealer after the brace has been welded. Ready for the cover.



After countless trials, cutting and fitting, the Corsa's new dash and lower panel are welded and ready for filler.



Bryan Easterwood decided to get his '64 convertible media blasted down to bare metal. Since the media gets everywhere Bryan spent the morning, double and triple masking his car for the blaster

Easterwood has a blast



Blasting almost finished. Bryan replaced the rusted front panel and now is ready for minor bodywork and a nice paint job.

Jerry Nelson takes on Corvair trailer project

Jerry has been an MCCA member for less than a month, but he is diving in and is taking charge of the Corvair trailer project, started over 20 years ago. There is a lot of bodywork to do and some fabrication needed. The trailer was created by shortening a '64 Corvair to include only the hood and trunk areas. Terry Kalp drug the unfinished trailer to the Wichita swap-meet where it got many comments.

Greg gets a surprise

Greg and Ben Renfro have made a lot of progress on Ben's car since it was trailered home from Nebraska. The floors and engine compartment have been wire brushed and painted red.

While changing out fuel tanks, Greg caught some movement under the car. Progress stopped while Greg wrangled a snake while Terry Kalp photographed.



One of the most visible changes to Ben's car is the Safety Red engine compartment filled with a freshened Corvair engine.



It took some tools and time to charm the snake out of the Monza's gas tank area.



Greg holds his new found friend, a 4 ft. bull snake. It was given a new home across the street.

Heart of Texas Reunion

An outstanding event

by Terry Kalp

One of my retirement resolutions was to go to some new Corvair events. Heart of Texas Corvair Reunion was one that had always eluded me. Chris Teer and Loren Capron of Oklahoma City had gone the past few years and spoke highly of HOT. Gary Moore came to Valley Thursday evening and stayed the night so we could meet up with Chris and Loren in OKC by 9 am on Friday morning.

Things went well until we were 100 miles out of San Marcos. The electronic ignition in Chris's Corvair died and some time was spent trying to fix it. We ended up putting points back in and were on our way.

By the time we arrived Friday night most of our energy was gone. Registered and took a quick tour of the parking lot at the host hotel, then hit the sack.

A local Chevy/Buick dealer provided a large lot for the Car Show. Many of the Corvairs I had never seen before, some only in photos. Lots of eye overload. Mid-morning the show broke up and a Cruise thru local landmarks started. Gary and I hopped into Travis Young's Greenbrier for the trip, only to find Marvin Luke planted in the front seat. Lots of great conversation, rolling Texas hills, a great lunch, a fan belt replacement, and a winery tour.

Saturday night was the banquet held at Dick's Classic Cars. There were over 100 American cars on display, many from the '50's. Dolly Cole spoke and Forrest Andrews 85 was awarded the long distance award, driving his LM sedan from Tulsa.



Left to Right Chris Teer, Loren Capron, Terry Kalp and Gary Moore met up in OKC for the trip to HOT



This beautiful Deluxe Greenbrier from Houston won the FC Class in the Show and Shine judging.



Dolly Cole, wife of GM President Ed Cole, spoke at the banquet.



Chuck Nash Chevrolet/Buick cleared one of its lots for the Saturday morning car show.

The Cruise took a break for lunch at Milagro's restaurant. Great Mexican food on an open air porch with 70 degree weather and a view of the hills.

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Heart of Texas
Corvair Reunion



April 9th - 11th 2010
San Marcos, Texas

Celebrating 50 Years 1960-2010

Hosted by Alamo City Corvair Association

BELOW: One of the highlights of the Texas event was the mid-day cruise through the historic areas of San Marcos then out to the scenic Texas Hill Country.



ABOVE: On the way back from lunch the Corvairs stopped at a Winery/Restaurant near Driftwood, TX. Wine sampling and tours of the facility were available. Just walking the wonderfully landscaped and maintained grounds was very enjoyable.

LEFT: Another view of the Saturday car show. There were two general classes Show and Shine, Dent and Scratch, both judged by Texas club members. A People's Choice was awarded.

