

# The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

February 2011

## Pre-Spring Social/February Meeting

# HomeTown Buffet Feb. 12th

Mark your calendar for Saturday night, February 12. That is the date for the annual MCCA Pre-Spring Social. Doug and Ned have been scouting out local restaurants and selected HomeTown Buffet, 6820 West Central in Wichita. At the January meeting we decided to start around 5:30 there is a room reserved for MCCA members. Bring your spouse and family. This is a fun time to just socialize and eat a good meal. It takes the place of our regular meeting for February.

There was a good turnout for the January meeting held at the Derby Recreation Center. The first order of business was to select the spot for the February Pre-Spring Social. After a presentation by Doug Horstman HomeTown Buffet was selected.

Next was getting volunteers to bring the main dish for Cold Tuna, February 19th at the Kalp shop. Ned and Julie spoke up offering Beef Stew and Noodles. Members were encouraged to bring themselves and a side dish for a great time.



**This is what you will be looking for on Saturday night, February 12th for the annual MCCA Pre-Spring Dinner. HomeTown Buffet has reserved a room for the club. Show up a 5:30 and enjoy a good meal and great fellowship.**

Discussion on Club shirts followed. Members decided to put all the shirts we have in inventory on sale to clear them out. (See list and prices on pg. 3) The shirts will be available at Cold Tuna and the March Meeting, or you can contact Julie Strecker directly (contact information on pg. 2). Also it was decided to have a contest to design a new shirt for the club (see story on pg. 3) so sharpen your pencils and get to work.

Spring road trips were next on the agenda. Suggestions were made for Beumont, and Lloyd's farm in Manchester Oklahoma. Doug Horstman said he would put a list of trips together to be discussed and decided upon at Cold Tuna. If you have ideas, contact Doug directly.



**Jan. Meeting**  
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**February Meeting**  
**Saturday, Feb. 12th 5:30 pm**  
Home Town Buffet  
6820 West Central Avenue Wichita, KS

# Classifieds

## Tech Guide 3 Print & CD

Tech Tips published in the CORSA Communique from 1996 through 2007. This is combo version has the printed manual drilled for a 3-ring binder and companion CD. \$25 contact Ned Madsen 316-788-1724 or Aeroned@aol.com MCCA Fund raiser.



14 inch wheels. Comes with many extra parts.

Let me know if you have any questions. This is a really good car. I wouldn't be afraid to drive it any where.

Contact Ronnie Schneider, phone at 785-244-6538 Marysville, KS

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**FOR TRADE:** 64 Corvair monza parts. Front and rear windshields Gas cap area chrome trim piece (half moon looking piece for lower lip of gas filler area) Rear racing flags emblem Side monza emblems both carbs 2 monza 900 hub caps with black emblem centers. If you need some 64 pieces let me know. Looking for parts for my parents 1961 Corvair Monza Sedan Thanks,  
Marc Nuessen 540-9861.

**FOR SALE:** 1965 Monza 4-door. 110 hp engine and PowerGlide transmission. Blue with Black interior, hardtop, 58,000 miles runs and drives good. \$2900.00 price

**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

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**No Dues  
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# MCCA T-shirts & hats on Sale

MCCA has decided to have a sale on our existing T-shirts & Hats. I have put together a list of what is available and a price sheet.

HATS - Non Adjustable = \$7.00 - 7 each

HATS - Adjustable = \$10.00 - 9 each

T-SHIRT = \$5.00 Each

DENIM SHIRT = \$10.00 Each

POLO SHIRT = \$10.00 Each

## 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ROUNDUP SHIRTS

Brown - 2 each = XL

White - 4 each = XLG

## TAN EARLY DESIGN

3 each = MED

2 each = LG

## GRAY T-SHIRT

5 each = SM

1 each = XLG

12 each = XXLG

## GRAY POLO SHIRT

1 each = MED

1 each = LG

3 each = XLG

2 each = XXLG

1 each = XXXLG

## DENIM SHIRT

1 each = LG

1 each = XLG

If you are interested in purchasing any of these shirts they will be available at the Spring Fling dinner February 12 or at Cold Tuna on February 19th.

## Shirt Design Contest

Members expressed their thoughts for a new t-shirt design for 2011. A DESIGN CONTEST was voted on and passed. Put together your best ideas and bring them to the March meeting. You could receive a free shirt with your very own design on it.

There are a few things to remember when doing a design. MCCA has decided to keep our current MCCA Logo for the left front. Our new design will go on the back and should be no more than 6 colors with white being 1 of the colors. The more colors you have the more expensive the cost. So keep your lines clean and sharp so it can be digitized.

## Unusual Corvair



Paul Jones, MCCA member from Lyons sent in this photo with the following note. "I remember a Corvair, on tall sign posts in Pawnee Rock, which had been there for a number of years. Yesterday I had a chance to go through Pawnee Rock, and found the Corvair on a lower stand, but still along highway US-56. Thanks Paul. If you find a photo send it in. Remember to submit your candidates for "Unusual Corvair" to Terry Kalp



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# 2011 Swap Meet



MCCA member LP Penner drops off a vintage Coca-Cola radio for repair by Fred Bybee. Fred and his wife Sharon are long time members of the Kansas City Corvair club. Radio and clock repair was a hobby turned into a retirement business for Fred.



Getting up at 5 am to go and wait in line for 30 minutes just to get into the parking lot. All this to be able to sit in a drafty metal building in the midst of rusty auto parts for eight hours . . . two days in a row. There is no better way for a “Car Guy” to beat Cabin Fever than the Wichita A’s annual Swap Meet held the first weekend in February.

Although there are few Corvair parts to be found there is always a great turnout of Corvair people. Manning booths this year were Fred and Sharon Bybee of Kansas City, Bob and Lee Bright, Tom and Kathy Stout, and Terry Kalp.

Some of those stopping by the Kalp booth or just spotted around and about were: Luke Allen (from Emporia), Lloyd Folger, LP Penner, Ned and Kathy Madsen, Clint Orr, Bob Horstman, Larry Lee, Sam Kuhns, Doug and Jean Horstman, Brian Easterwood, Bob Ferris, Jerry Berger, Marc Nuessen and Keith Leslie (Topeka)

The Studebaker club had a booth featuring information on their club and favorite car. Maybe the MCCA should think about doing something similar for the 2012 event. Terry Kalp will supply booth space anyone want to help?

**MCCA members Tom and Kathy Stout manned a booth in Pavilion 2 along with some friends. The only air-cooled car parts for sell came from an early VW.**



**ABOVE:** As usual there were Corvair wheel covers to be found at the Wichita A's swap meet. These were unusual being full sized caps for EM 500s & 700s.



**BELOW:** The Studebaker Drivers Club had a booth to promote their club and the Studebaker. The booth was packed with banners, posters, literature and a video presentation. There was good traffic by the booth on Friday and Saturday. Maybe the MCCA should think about creating a Corvair and club them booth for the 2012 Swap meet. The Wichita Eagle estimated 20,000 people attended the event.



**TOP RIGHT:** There was also a very complete 1962-3 Corvair Forward Control. It was too bad that the oil filler neck was packed with dirt, meaning it would need a complete over haul or be used for parts.

**ABOVE:** One Vendor from Albert, Kansas had this 1961 Rampside posted for sale on a board with other vehicles. The seller said it had some rust, the worst on the passenger side rear quarter. Contact information is Steve Wissman, [ksperf@gbta.net](mailto:ksperf@gbta.net). It was priced at \$1,500



# Upcoming Events

**March 18-19**

## Performance Workshop

Next March 18-19, the Performance Corvair Group, a Special Interest Chapter of the Corvair Society of America, will present the 2011 Performance Workshop in Indianapolis. Circle City Corvair Club will be the hosts for the events. PCG will present a Saturday program full of High performance Corvair information. We have divided the program into sections. Besides working with the racing-oriented businesses and their displays, we hope to have proven experts in each area present a short informal talk. Corvair vendors will be present and each will get a chance to display and describe their wares. quickly, others in more depth. What has always made the Workshops a success is this sharing of performance technology and experience with the other racers and hopeful racers. You will hear much more about it in the coming months, including a complete agenda and schedule. Come hungry - both for food and for knowledge! See you there!

## April 15-17 Heart of Texas

The 2011 Heart of Texas Corvair Reunion is shaping up to be a blast! Come relax and enjoy beautiful Lakeway, TX, the gateway to Texas' hill country.

The Host Hotel is the Hampton Inn, Lakeway, TX 2013 FM 620 South, Lakeway, Texas, 78734.

Hospitality Room is located on 1st Floor. The Show will be at Hill Country Galleria. Dinner will be hosted by Hill Country Pasta House (Pavillion). For more information contact the Lone Star Corvair Club of Austin, TX (CORSA #787)

## May 14 Rock Cafe, Stroud, OK

The Green County Corvairs of Tulsa and Indian Nation Corvair Association of Oklahoma City have planned a lunch get-together at the historic Rock Cafe in Stroud, Oklahoma on Saturday, May 14th. MCCA members that want to make the trip will head out from the DRC about 8 am on the 14th. They will then meet up with the OKC group at Pop's on Rt 66 about 10:30-11 and head on over to Stroud.



It is Tuna time again. Come out to Terry Kalp's shop at 2140 W. 101st Street North on Saturday February 19th for a day of Corvair "tune-up" and repair. Even though the Tuna is a couple of weeks away, it is not too early to start planning your Corvair upgrades for Spring and Summer Corvair Driving enjoyment.

The main dish will be noodles by Julie Strecker and Ned will bring in some beef stew. There is also a rumor that there might be some Bierocks by Sam Kuns. If you need to discuss your Tuna project you can contact Ned Madsen at 316-788-1724 or Terry Kalp at 316-755-2458. We already have plans to work on a differential for Keith Hammett, who is coming in from Springfield, Missouri. Alex Moats is planning an engine swap on his '68 500.

Even if your Corvair is running fine come out for the noon meal and Corvair fellowship, maybe even help out a fellow club member on their Corvair project.

Make sure your Corvair is ready for the road trips that are being planed for this Spring and Summer. Fun, food and fellowship . . . what more could one ask for to break up the dreary month of February. Don't miss out.

# Spyder Tail

Here are the photos that tell the mouse story. Yes, with the hood down, I thought the tail was an old piece of rubber seal, except when I attempted to break it off, it was stubborn, and remained in place. I quickly realized the seal material was slippery, round and hairy....and had a little foot attached to it! Yep, when I popped the trunk-hood I had the butt end of a mouse in my face. Apparently, the little guy attempted to squeeze through the drain hole in the corner of the hood. When I look closely, I can see the little scratches from his little toe nails. Yep.

This mouse and probably a squad of his friends, ate through most of the wires in the engine compartment, and under the dashboard. I have rewired it, and now am trying to get the thing to fire up. I am close. The carburetor is my next challenge. **Bob Ferris**

**TOP:** Bob bought Harold Morgan's 1963 Spyder convertible from Chuck Jackson. He has been working on getting it running after it set for years.

**RIGHT MIDDLE:** One day Bob noticed this "string" hanging down from under his engine cover. Thinking it was part of the decayed weather strip, he pulled.

**RIGHT BOTTOM:** Once the lid was opened, Bob discovered why this string was slippery and hairy. It was a mouse tail . . . still attached to the mouse.



