

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

February 2012

Pre-Spring Social/February Meeting

HomeTown Buffet Feb. 11th



The HomeTown Buffet 6820 E. Central is the site for Saturday night's MCCA Pre-Spring Social. There will be a special seating area for Club members. HomeTown hosted the social last year and everyone had a great time.

Mark your calendar for Saturday night, February 11. That is the date for the annual MCCA Pre-Spring Social. Meet at HomeTown Buffet, 6820 West Central in Wichita. We will start around 6:00 pm they will try to seat MCCA members together. 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. Last year's social was at the HomeTown Buffet and everyone seemed to enjoy the meal.

There was a good turnout for the January meeting held at the Derby Recreation Center. The mild weather even brought out quite a few Corvairs. Alan Ballard drove his recently acquired blue Corsa coupe with white Z-28 stripes. Mark Welte was there with his Black Corsa with silver Z-28 stripes. Ned drove his recently overhauled white Monza coupe. Terry Kalp wound up the LM skunk of the EMs by arriving in his Maroon LM sedan.

See everyone at HomeTown Buffet Saturday.

President's Corner

Suddenly February

Wow, it's February already. Remember, the meeting this month is our annual social get together at the Home Town Buffet on west central. For our club members that will start going through a withdrawal if we don't talk Corvairs and show off parts on a monthly basis, plan on the "Cold Tuna" at Terry Kalp's garage on February 18th.

Our get together at Home Town Buffet is scheduled for 6:00 PM, it looks like we probably won't get the room in the back to ourselves like we had last

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February Meeting
Saturday, Feb. 11th 6 pm

Home Town Buffet 6820 W. Central, Wichita

Classifieds

MISC. CORVAIR PARTS:

Lewis Hoobler of '63/'64 Chevy Impalas stopped by the Kalp booth at the swap meet said he had some Corvair parts for sale. Everything for \$50. Contact Lewis at: 316-524-4410 he lives at 1421 E. 55th Street South, Wichita, KS 67216

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FOR SALE: Dale Hancock talked to Lloyd Folger at the swap meet said he had a blue and white Corvair Greenbrier for sale. It is out in a field. Contact Dale at his cell phone: 316-267-8111

FOR SALE: Jesse James stopped by the Kalp booth at the swap meet and left his business card listing several Corvairs for sale. A '62, a '64 hardtop and a '64 Fitch Sprint. Contact Jesse at his cell phone: 620-218-3273 or his business Outlaw Garage 620-229-8816. His address is 1814 Fuller in Winfield, KS 67156



FOR SALE: I have a '62 Corvair, a bunch of parts and a '63 engine. All are for sale. The '62 is a convertible 4 speed medium blue interior and exterior. It needs a clutch.
Arthur Alvis 316-636-1131 or 204-1448 leave msg.

WANTED: MCCA dues were due in January. If you haven't paid for 2012 Send \$15 to Ned Madsen, 1212 Patrick Henry, Derby, Kansas 67037

NEW PRICE FOR SALE:

BERT needs a new home. 1964 2 door coupe, Dk Red with Black interior. Runs very well and looks good too. Has a new windshield. \$3250 or your very best offer. Julie or Bernie 316-722-0556

FOR SALE: Excellent used Corvair FC windshield. Located at F and Main in Hutchinson, Ks. Price \$100 Contact Claud McGinn 620-615-2278.



FOR SALE: 1964 Corvair Monza with 457XX miles. Excellent body, good glass, lots of chrome. Recent tune-up including new distributor and valve adjustment \$400. Complete new front end \$1000+. Good tires, Runs and drives excellent. \$3000 Firm. Contact David_Bastion@oxy.com This is Alan's Corvair that he sold.

FREE PARTS: Mel cleaned out his garage all the Corvair Parts ended up at the Kalp Shop. Mostly EM parts. Lots of mechanical and electrical items. Set an appointment with Terry to check out and pick-up parts. 316-755-9821 or 316-755-2458

MCCA History

March 1982

This month we take a peek back at the March 1982 edition of the MCCA Flat Six Journal. Glenn Ziesenis, club president, announced that the club was "100% CORSA affiliated." Then he explained that one advantage of the CORSA connection was that they provided insurance on MCCA events and meetings.

The MCCA activity for March of '82 was a Hare and Hound chase. The newsletter explained the event this way: Everyone meets at a parking lot, the hare leaves the parking lot with his Corvair full of little bags of lime. Every time he gets to an intersection he makes his turn and proceeds 50 yards or so and then drops one of the bags of lime to mark the pavement. The hounds leave the parking lot at intervals and try to follow the trail given by the hare. At every intersection the hounds have to pick which way to go and then proceed 50 yards or so down the road to find out if that was the right choice. The person to end up at the end point with the least number of miles traveled wins. For those that got lost there was a sealed envelope provided with the directions to the end point. That might be something we want to try in 2012.

Information on a couple of regional Corvair events was included in the March newsletter. First was Cactus Corvairs out of Phoenix, AZ announcing their regional meet and 20th birthday celebration. It was the first regional event sanctioned by CORSA.

HACOA, the Kansas City Corvair club was promoting another regional event, this time a little closer to Wichita. Events at 'Vair Treck '82 started on Thurs-

day with Concours. Friday was filled with a Tech Session, Autocross/Gymkhana and wound up with a catered cookout and games. Saturday was for a swap meet, style show, Caravan and Tour, concluded with an awards banquet. Looks like it was the father of our present Great Plains Corvair Roundup.

The Flat Six Journal also contained one classified ad. Melvin Schwabauer was wanting to sell his 1961 700 four-door with PG. Body was good with little rust, interior decent with later model bucket seats. He said the engine needed work. Wanted \$500, not sure that he would get any more for that same car today. Some prices haven't changed much in 30 years.

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year, but they said that we would have an isolated area to ourselves.

On the 18th our "Cold Tuna" starts at 8:00 am until ?? (the projects are done or Terry kicks us out). So far there are only two projects, replacing rear bearing and control arm bushings, and tearing down a Corsa. It will be interesting to see what the weather will be like, warm and spring like or cold and nasty. With the ups and downs that we recently have had, it will probably be a toss up, so we'll have to wait and see. In either case, bring your appetite; we will be having Chili and soup, along with potato salad. Oh yes, we'll have donuts also.


Our next meeting will be March 10th. There seems to be interest in going to the Eisenhower Library in Abilene, I'll be bringing some trip information, and we'll firm up the date that we will be going. See you at that meeting.

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Spyder shows up At Feb. Swap Meet

Most years at the February Model A Swap Meet there are only a few scattered Corvair parts for sale. This year was different, there was an entire Corvair for sale in the Car Corral building. It was a "barn find" 1963 Spyder that looked like it could use a good cleaning, a little rust repair, some paint plus much TLC. My guess is that it sold, because it was there on Friday and gone on Saturday.

Lots of Corvair people showed up and stopped by Terry Kalp's booth. Doug and Bob Horstman stopped by as did Keith Leslie from Topeka. Ned Madsen and Lloyd Folger took a few minutes to rest on the chairs then took out again. LP Penner was around both days and even sold a few items from the Kalp booth. Bob Bright snuck away from his booth for some Corvair chat a couple of times during the two day event. Fred Bybee from Kansas city and Tom Stout also had booths.

Terry Kalp picked up a 1962 Passenger, Chevy II, Corvair and Truck Accessories Installation Reference Manual. It had step by step instructions for all the dealer installed accessories, including air conditioning.



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TOP: This barn find 1963 Spyder turned up in the Car Corral at the Model A Swap meet. The interior was pretty complete and even had the special Spyder horn button.

MIDDLE: Although pretty grungy the engine compartment was pretty original down to the special fuel filter with a return line and the bump on the spare tire carrier.

BOTTOM: Outside the paint was worn pretty thin in a lot of spots. The grill was swapped out for a '64. The body was pretty straight and only had a couple spots of rust.

RIGHT: This wooden wonder was rear engined and air cooled, but VW based. This was one of many projects for sale at the Wichita A's Swap Meet. The custom body was created mostly from wood and many hours of labor.

MIDDLE: Not many Corvair parts show up at the Swap Meet, but this EM Monza fake rear vent trim was found hiding out in a stack of old car trim.

BOTTOM: This 1965 back up light unit snuggles in a clutter of stainless and aluminum trim. Also spotted but not photographed was a LM Monza dash with clock.



ABOVE: The best Corvair bargain of the meet was this box of factory service manuals. The booth owner was going out of business so the thick manuals were going for \$2 each and the supplements \$1.





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 little over a week away, it is not too early to start planning your Corvair upgrades for Spring and Summer Corvair Driving enjoyment.

The main dish will be soup by Julie Strecker. If you need to discuss your Tuna project you can contact Ned Madsen at 316-788-1724 or Terry Kalp at 316-755-2458. There a couple of demonstrations planned. LP Penner will show off some painting techniques and Doug Horstman will demonstrate a Black Oxide coating system for bolts. We already have plans to Work on a dead Corvair engine and wake up Ned's Silver Corsa racer from a long winter nap.

There is a bunch of people coming down from Kansas City and several Corvair people making the trip up from Oklahoma City.

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 you 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.

OKC Visit to Kalp Shop

Sunday, February 5 Chris Teer, Bob Welch and Richard Law of the Oklahoma City Corvair club came up to the Kalp shop to have some EM rear axle bearing re-greased. The axles were from Chris' Purple coupe (seen at Luna Tuna). Inspection showed the bearings were worn out, so another pair of axles were found in the back of the shop and were cleaned and re-greased. Bob also was able to pick up a better trunk lid for his LM convertible project.

2012 Roundup Update

More plans for the 2012 Great Plains Corvair Roundup have been finalized by the OKC Corvair club. October 5-7 has been set for the dates. The host hotel will be the Fairfield Inn at I-35 and Second street in Edmond (North edge of OKC). Rooms will also be available at the adjacent Comfort Suites.

A nearby Stake 'N Shake is providing a parking lot for the Saturday morning People's Choice car show. Terry Kalp will be running the Model Car Show. Plans for the afternoon are still pending, options are a cruise of Rt. 66, a trip to Guthrie or maybe a tour of a garage full of antique cars.

The Saturday evening banquet will be at the Round Barn in Arcadia on Rt. 66 just a few miles from the host hotel. After the banquet the will be a stop-off at POPS, a diner, filling station, shake shop and soda ranch (over 500 flavors).

Clear your calendar and plan to be there.

Tri-State Meet 2012

The TRI-STATE Corvair Meet will be in the high desert of the Colorado Rocky Mountains on May 18-20, 2012. The location is Salida, Colorado, the Gateway Inn and Suites.

Rocky Mountain CORSA is the host club and other attending clubs are CNM and PPCC plus from other states. Phone for reservations: 1.719.539.2895 and mention 'Corvair' for room rates in the low \$60 range.

Show 'n shine and banquet plus unbeatable scenic beauty in the surrounding area. For questions ask:

Steve Goodman @ 303.278.4889 or email
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KC Tech talk



ABOVE: Mike Dawson of HACO A notes the fine points of the Corvair Distributor.

RIGHT: Wes Mellies and Scott Allison are working together to create a LM station wagon.

BELOW: Check out the rust on this LM engine cover on a parts car at Wes' shop. Maybe the rust in Wichita is not so bad.



Early Saturday morning, January 28 Terry Kalp took out on a Corvair road trip north to Kansas City. First stop was Wes Mellies home and shop near the Kansas Speedway. Wes and Scott Allison were working on their LM station wagon project. Terry wanted to check out the project and ended up putting a bolt or two in during the powerpack install. Wes has a great shop and several Corvair projects underway.

After a break for lunch, it was off to Mike Dawson's home and shop in Belton, MO. Mike was hosting a Heart of America Corvair Association tech session on distributors. There was a informative handout and Mike even had distributors to disassemble and check out. After the distributor demonstration Mike got to try out his new FC rear axle bearing splitter. KC Gary Moore brought in a couple of FC axles for bearing removal and the tool worked well.

Once the tech session was over it was time to eat again. HACO A members put together a great "pot-luck" soup supper. It was a great time to socialize and catch up with friends. Terry even had a chance to check out Travis Bolton's new 1962 baby blue Corvair station wagon.



Upcoming Events

Feb. 11: At 6 pm. MCCA Pre Spring Social. Home Town Buffet 6820 W. Central, Wichita. For Information contact Doug 316-777-0351

Feb. 18: Cold Tuna Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS. For Information contact Terry 316-755-2458 or 316-755-9821

March 2012: MCCA Road Trip TBA. For Information contact Doug 316-777-0351

March 23-24: Corvair Performance Workshop, Indianapolis, Indiana. For Information contact Ned Madsen 316-788-1724 or Terry Kalp 316-755-2458

April 20-22: Heart of Texas Reunion Salado, TX Host Hotel Holiday Inn Express Salado 254-947-4004 mention Heart of Texas Corvair. For Information contact Geary Grimes 817-703-4588 or email him at: jgglaw@aol.com Registration is available at: northtexascorvair.org

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Bonus Photo



Cold Tuna 2007. Lloyd Folger (left) Alan Ballard and Mel Horstman team up to pull the rear axle bearing off an EM axle. The special tool was purchased by the Club and is available for use at the Kalp Shop. Terry reports the puller is working great as he recently removed the bad bearings from two axles the Chris Teer recently brought up to the shop.



Calendar

Pre-Spring Social Feb. 11

Cold Tuna Feb. 18

March Meeting March 10

Performance Workshop March 23-24

April Meeting April 14

2012 Great Plains Roundup
Oklahoma City Oct 5-7
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