

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

February 2013

February Means Food and Cold Tuna

Remember that the MCCA Pre-Spring Social and February meeting will be at 6:00 pm Saturday, at the HomeTown Buffet on West Central in Wichita. When you get to the cashier mention the Corvair club or Jean Horstman's name and you should get the group discount. Jean arranged for the Club to have a private room for our dinner, so look around until you find us. Thanks Jean for your work on this project. Hometown has been the site for our February social for the past two years.

The February Business meeting got bumped from February 3 to the 10th because of Super-Bowl Sunday. Doug and Jean will be hosting the meeting at their home in Mulvane. Meeting starts at 2:00 pm, bring snacks. This is an important meeting because we really need to get the ball rolling on plans for the Great Plains Corvair Roundup MCCA is hosting this September.

February 16th is Cold Tuna at the Kalp Shop. Check out the story on page 3 for details. Remember if you have a major project contact Terry, if you need some help on what food to bring check with Doug or Jean Horstman.



The HomeTown Buffet 6820 W. Central is the site for Saturday night's MCCA Pre-Spring Social. There will be a special seating area for Club members.

The January MCCA meeting was back in the Oaklawn Activity Center which is be the MCCA's new home. Ned arranged for the club to have a building away from the Square Dancers. It is behind the main building, but Terry put up some signs and everyone found the meeting and thought the room was great. Thanks Ned.

The meeting was very productive. The club decided not to pursue the

Valve cover track that had been offered because of too many complications. The menu for the Roundup Banquet was selected. Jean Horstman had contacted a screen printer about shirts. She provided information on prices. A nice blue was selected for the shirt color.



Jan. Meeting
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February Meeting

Saturday, Feb. 9th 6 pm

HomeTown Buffet
6820 West Central Avenue, Wichita, KS 67212

Classifieds

FOR SALE: 1963 Corvair convertible owned by Lee Hufford, his back has gotten so bad he cannot maintain the '63 Convertible any more. It is white with Red interior 4 speed 102 hp. Asking \$5000. Contact Lee at 316-267-0008



FOR SALE: 1965 Corvair. Jim Dallas is selling his Green '65 Monza coupe, 4 speed 140, nice white interior. Asking \$5000 contact him at 316-249-3507



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FOR SALE: 1964 Corvair - nice - \$3800 It has 68,852 miles on the original engine, with a recent valve job. Also, converted from a generator to an alternator, new battery, new fuel pump, new choke pull-offs. 2 new carburetor kits included. Just haven't had the time to rebuild both carbs. New tires. New interior, carpet, headliner, upholstery, seat belts, etc., new stereo with MP3 jack, new front and rear speakers and amp. 3 speed trans. Have too many cars and not enough garage space. Great little car. Needs a good home. Call with questions. 316-617-5885 or 316-617-5886

WANTED: MCCA dues were due in January. If you haven't paid for 2013 Send \$15 to Ned Madsen, 1212 Patrick Henry, Derby, Kansas 67037



FOR SALE 1966 Cord 8/10s Sportsman: Very enjoyable cruising car. Attention getter. One of only 97 built. Asking price is only \$27,500 CONTACT TIM at flat-6vair2@comcast.net car is located in Springfield Illinois I am willing to assist getting the car from my place to yours. Very good condition.

Cold Tuna & Hot Chili

It is Tuna time again. Come out to Terry Kalp's shop at 2140 W. 101st Street North on Saturday February 16th for a day of Corvair "tune-up" and repair. 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. Doors open at 8:00 am and close when the last project is finished. This is a come and go event so come when you can and leave when you need to.

There will be a Pot Luck lunch, the main dish will be Soups and several varieties of Chili. Greg is bringing some his "Paint remover" Chili and there will be some Mexican Chili also. The Club will be providing Coffee, Soda and water along with plastic-ware, plates, bowls and napkins. Not sure what to bring, contact Doug or Jean Horstman at 316-777-0351 and they can help you decide.

If you need to discuss your Tuna project you can contact Ned Madsen at 316-788-1724



Lloyd Folger takes advantage of the "Show and Tell" portion of the January MCCA meeting to share some Corvair related magazine articles. Lloyd had received a stent earlier in the week, but was pretty much up to speed for the meeting. Looking on are Jean Horstman (left) and Marc Welte (right).

or Terry Kalp at 316-882-3056. We already have one major project planned. Mike Miller, MCCA member from Kingman is bringing his EM convertible for a torque converter swap, the starter gear is chewed up on his old one. Ned may be bringing a stack of steering columns and shafts to create a hybrid '65-'66 unit.

Several people are planning to come from Kansas City and some from Oklahoma City.

Might even get a representative from the Tulsa area. 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 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.

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Lyons, Tulsa and Oklahoma City

Road Trip-a-thon

By Terry Kalp

Early Saturday morning, January 26th I met up with Ned and Kathy Madsen and we all headed down to Sand Springs, OK (near Tulsa) for J.C.'s Garage. J.C.'s is a monthly tech session put on by the Green County Corvair Group out of Tulsa. Ned and Kathy had never been before and were excited to see J.C.'s shop, they were not disappointed.

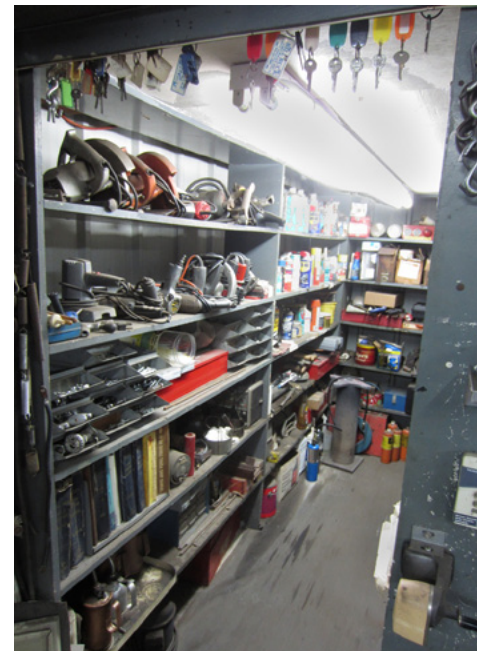
When we first arrived there was not much going on, only milling around and doughnut consumption. They were waiting around for Marvin Luke to arrive in his UltraVan which was scheduled for some work. After a phone call informed the group that Marvin had been in a fender-bender and was taking the UV back to Tulsa, things picked up. Curt Bonser got his '69 coupe up on the lift and lowered the engine to add an AC pulley and 90 degree oil filter adapter to prepare for a full AC system. Tim Palmer began a starter clinic



Tim Palmer of the Tulsa club put on a mini-clinic on Corvair starter trouble shooting and repair. Looking on at the demonstration is Forrest Andrews (close) and Green Country Corvair Group president, Jeff Peterson (far).



Gary Baxter (left) helps Curt Bonser lower the engine on Curt's '69. The '69 coupe is getting Air Conditioning and they needed to drop the back of the engine to add a pulley to the harmonic balancer to drive the compressor.



J.C. Ash opens his shop in Sand Springs, OK on the last Saturday of the month for a morning of Corvair repair. This is his tool room that houses power tools, supplies and reference materials. The bright, organized shop is an great spot for club members to tinker on their Corvairs.

Road Trip-a-thon



The main workbench at J.C.'s Shop. Working as a welder for years allowed J.C. to gather a fine selection of tools.

and J.C. was roped into a welding project. All too soon it was time to hit the road for Pat Silver's shop in Blanchard (South of OKC). After a great Mexican lunch in Blanchard we found Pat Silver's Shop just as

all the work of erecting a four-post lift had been finished. Anyway we had time to visit with some of our friends from the Indian Nation Corvair Association (OKC) and check out Pat's shop and projects.



Ned (center) joins the inspection crew of Cliff Neiman and Bill Ashlock, checking out Pat Silver's freshly assembled four post lift. Pat lives just south of Oklahoma City and has recently built a nice shop. OKC members helped assemble and test the lift before they broke for lunch at a local cafeteria.



Just outside J.C.'s main shop is a garage to house five Corvairs. Since Forward Control Corvairs are J.C.'s passion (especially Rampsides) FC's usually fill the parking spots, sharing one with Marilyn Ash's LM convertible.



Lyons visit

Monday, January 21 Terry Kalp, Ned and Kathy Madsen headed out to Lyons. MCCA member Art Chandler past away October 5th and his Estate wanted an appraisal of his two Corvairs. Ned and Terry checked out the '63 Convertible and '61 wagon. MCCA member Paul Jones, of Lyons was able to join the group for awhile.

On the way back from Lyons, Ned, Kathy and Terry stopped for Lunch at the Stockyards Cafe in Hutchinson.

Wichita Model A Swap-meet Brings out Corvair people & parts

Even tho the winters have been mild, by February car people are always ready break free of the Cabin Fever. The annual Wichita Model A swap-meet provides the opportunity to shake off the winter blah's, take an extended walk, and reunite with old friends. This year's event was located at the Kansas Pavilions, located at I-135 and 85th North. Fair weather graced the Friday and Saturday event, held February 1 & 2.

Most of the time Corvair specific parts are scarce, mostly hubcaps and trim. This year in addition to

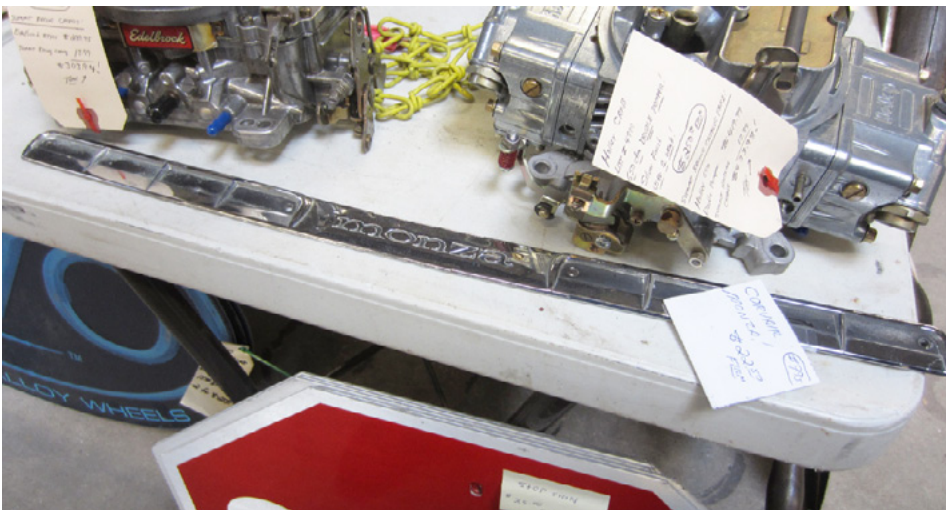
the usual fare there was a EM gas heater, a Spyder dash and a vintage model kit. There were more non-Corvair specific parts that fit other GM cars in addition to the Corvair, plus there were many parts that could be adapted to a Corvair.

Manning booths this year were Bob and Lee Bright, Tom and Kathy Stout, Fred and Sharon Bybee, Terry Kalp and LP Penner.

Seen wondering the aisles this year were president Doug Horstman, Keith Leslie (Topeka), Jeff Schramm, and the Madsens, Ned and Kathy.



Mostly shiny Corvair parts like hubcaps (lots of hubcaps) and trim are what show up at Wichita Swap meet. There are two large buildings of parts with a third building reserved for Cars for Sale.





Mark Paolucci, Wichita, brought out his very clean '62 Monza wagon to show. The wagon was purchased out of Florida on E-bay last year.

Corvairs on Display At Starbird-Devin

It has been many years since a Corvair car has been seen at the January Starbird show. The last one I remember was Phil Nelson's "Fast Orange" in 2004. This year there were two Corvairs nestled between the hot rods and muscle cars.

One EM, one LM, both were rare, low production models. Mark Paolucci had his fully equipped '62 Monza station wagon which GM only made 2,362. Don Bolin's '66 Corsa Convertible was one of 3,142 open topped Corsa's made that year. However, being a turbo made it even rarer, estimates are that only 585 Corsa Turbo convertibles were built in 1966.



Don Bolin of Wichita had his bright yellow '66 Turbo convertible on display. The resto-mod Corvair was first shown at the 2009 Corvair Roundup in Wichita.

2013 Events

February 9: MCCA February pre-Spring fling dinner meeting. 6:00 pm at HomeTown Buffet, 6820 W. Central, Wichita, KS. Special Group rate mention Corvair Club or Jean Horstman. Contact Doug Horstman 316-777-0351 for more Information.

February 10: MCCA Business Meeting 2-3:30 pm at Doug and Jean Horstman's home, 1523 Jansen Dr. Mulvane, KS. For more information contact Doug Horstman 316-777-0351.

February 16: MCCA Cold Tuna at Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North. We will start at 8 and end whenever the work is done. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056 (Cell)

March 9: MCCA March meeting at Oaklawn Activity Center 4904 S. Clifton Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Doug Horstman 316-777-0351 for more Information

March 15 & 16: 2013 Corvair Performance Workshop Indianapolis, IN. For more information contact Ned or Terry.

April 13: MCCA April meeting at Oaklawn Activity Center 4904 S. Clifton Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Doug Horstman 316-777-0351 for more Information

April 12-14: Heart of Texas Reunion in Montgomery TX At beautiful La Torretta Lake Resort and Spa. All suite rooms priced at \$109. Reservations call 877/286-9590. corvairhouston.com. Contact Phone: 281/794-5080

September 27-29: Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Wichita, KS At Airport Best Western, 6815 W. Kellogg Dr. Wichita, KS 67209. Rooms priced at \$74.99. Reservations call (316) 942-5600

