

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

June 2015

June Busy; By-Laws Passed

Many items were discussed at the May 9th MCCA meeting. The revised Bylaws that were included with last month's newsletter had some minor updates made during the meeting. The Editor was made a non-elected officer so not subject to term limits. Pro-rated dues were added back into the document.

A committee to draft the Standing Rules was established. The Board of Directors will include two elected Members-at-Large determined by vote of majority of members present. Motion to accept the modified By-Laws was made by Terry, seconded by Lee Bright. The club vote unanimously approved the By-Laws.

David Jacobson proposed more active club including a club project car annually. David was asked if he could provide more details about his suggestions.

Upcoming MCCA Road trips & Events mentioned. Next club meeting is Sunday, June 14 at Lake

Afton. President Lee will be in Ohio. VP Strecker will be in South Dakota. Secretary Welte will run the meeting and annual elections. All present officers plan to run for another year.

Juna Tuna Saturday June 20, the weekend after Lake Afton

Sunday meeting. Julie to pick up burgers and dogs and buns. Attendees bring a side dish.

Larry went around the room for member project updates. Highlights were, Ned attended HOT; got a new (clean) hat Mark bent his turbo turkey roaster under his lift.



This white Rampside with a brilliant Copper stripe took best FC and Peoples' Choice at Tri-State in Durango. See story on pgs. 4 & 5.

June Meeting

Sunday, June 14th 11 am

Lake Afton Car Show

MacArthur Road at 247th Street West, Wichita

June Lake Afton Meeting

For first-timers to Afton there are a few things to know. Someone from MCCA will be out early and have a couple of shade tents to put up. Usually the Corvairs are located in the center of the Car Show field. You will need to bring chairs. There will be food vendors there or you can bring a picnic.

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FOR SALE: 1965 Corvair. Mitch Wood is selling his Green '65 Monza coupe, 4 speed 140, nice white interior. Has won awards at several shows. Selling to buy a house. Asking \$5500 contact Mitch at Mitchell.Wood@HollyFrontier.com



FOR SALE: 1964 Corvair Monza Convertible The Monza has a rebuilt transmission and torque converter with a 1 year warranty. The top is about 4 years old and the 2 rear tires are about a year old. The engine was over hauled in 2001 and it is being used as an every day driver in Kingman, KS.



Price reduced, **Will be at Lake Afton.** Contact: Mike Miller 620-491-1075

FOR SALE: 1961 Rampside Pickup. 1961 Rampside freshly picked from an Oklahoma salvage yard. Fairly solid body with just a bit of rust. Mechanicals unknown. Manual transmission.. For more information or to view the truck.



Contact Lonnie Puckett 785-376-1272 or 785-536-4652. Asking \$650

MCCA Stickers

\$2 ea. 2"x5"
See Ned Madsen





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President's First Year in Review

Larry Lee MCCA President

I started the year hoping MCCA would, "continue monthly visits to Central and West, continue occasional road trips, put some variety in pre meeting eating locations, select some car shows to attend, continue growing the Tunas, and attract new members." We have had good representation at many of the Central and West gatherings, Ned has led us on enjoyable road trips [:(we did not help him much on the yellow brick road], we added McPherson to the Car Shows we have attended, Tunas have continued to grow and attract Corvair people from other states, and we have new members. While we have had nice reminders to suggest alternate pre meet eats, and have done some, we have often chosen comfort and convenience and gone to the same place if no one put out a n alternate idea. In addition to the above objectives we have established the Mel Horstman Award, and have completed a revision of the By-Laws. We have a start on the Standing Rules. We continue to have an outstanding newsletter. We have been represented at Corvair events in at least 5 states.

It has been gratifying to find

Sedan Festival Trip Cancelled

A combination of weather, holiday plans and broken Corvairs resulted in Ned Madsen being the only one in the DRC parking lot for the Sedan trip. So he called it off and took a short drive on his own.

people who back up their ideas with the work and planning to implement those ideas. I feel it has been a good year.

This year, we will work on developing the Standing rules, and continue work (and play) on all of the above goals. I suggest we

repeat attendance at the McPherson Car Show (despite the fact I dropped a valve seat and have not been able to drive mine since), Moonlight Madness, Lake Afton, Central & West, and solicit ideas for other shows we might want to attend.

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A panoramic photo of the Saturday morning car show in the parking lot for Rotary Park downtown.

Delightful Durango Tri-State

By Terry Kalp

Thursday May 28th I was headed West to Durango Colorado for the Tri-State Corvair meet. Travel across Western Kansas and Eastern Colorado was pretty uneventful. When I hit La Junta my GPS took me 30 miles out of the way thru Pueblo Then down to Walsenburg. It did take me around a pretty nasty thunderstorm so it wasn't all bad.

I had planned to stop in Walsenburg but it was only 5 O'clock and only three hours out of Durango, so I pressed on. With my ability to procrastinate of course the Host Hotel had already filled up and I had made no reservations for Thursday night not knowing

for sure where I would end up. Found a Best Western in Durango that had one room so spent Thursday night there. First thing Friday morning was to seek out the motel I had reserved for Friday and Saturday night the Caboose. In daylight I found it was just next door and altho it was the middle of the morning I could check in and get my key, a real key not a credit card style device.

Once settled in I headed the three blocks to the Host Hotel and spent the rest of the morning talking to Duane Wentlandt from Oregon. Duane has done several high end Corvair restorations, so I asked a lot

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ABOVE: This fairly rare EM oil bath pre-cleaner was decorated with a pinstripe spider web.

LEFT: One of the many nice, blue, EM convertibles on display at the Saturday morning Car Show. This was well equipped with Hands Wheels, wood steering wheel and bumper guards.

Durango . . .

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of questions. Later in the day more Corvair people arrived including Lee Olsen. Spent time chatting with Steve Goodman and other Colorado Corvair folk.

Saturday was the Car Show. After a few wrong turns I found the lot tucked behind the VFW and next to a wonderful park. The hosts had brought the Hospitality room to the show, so there was drinks and snacks galore. Spent the morning walking around the 35 Corvairs on display. There were four or five EM convertibles . . . all of them some shade of blue. The cars varied from survivors and drivers to Concours restorations.

Got invited to go to lunch with Tim Shortle and his family. By family I mean his mother and brothers who were in town for Tim's oldest son's Hight School

Graduation. In addition to hosting Tri-State Tim was also entertaining family and getting his son graduated. Very busy man.

Saturday evening was the awards banquet held at the local Elks Lodge, a historic three story building done in the Deco style.

Bar- B- Que and MC Christy Barden filled the evening.

Up early Sunday morning to head back to Kansas. Traveled with Lee Olsen as far as Garden City, then we headed our separate ways. Tri-State in the Colorado mountains is hard to beat.



TOP: A nice survivor '62 700 series station wagon at the show. The original (but very baked) black paint contrasted nicely with the red interior.
 BOTTOM: Larry Yoffee from Corvairs of New Mexico showed this excellent 1965 Corsa powered by the optional 180 hp Turbocharged engine.
 LEFT: This cactus antenna topper on a white LM coupe was a reminder that we were getting close to the great SouthWest.



Five Corvairs showed up for the May 15th Central and West Show and Shine. The Streckers in their Corsa convertible, Ned in his '66, Weltes in their Black Corsa, Terry in Kermit and David Jacobson in his Aztec LM.

Salina 140 Engine

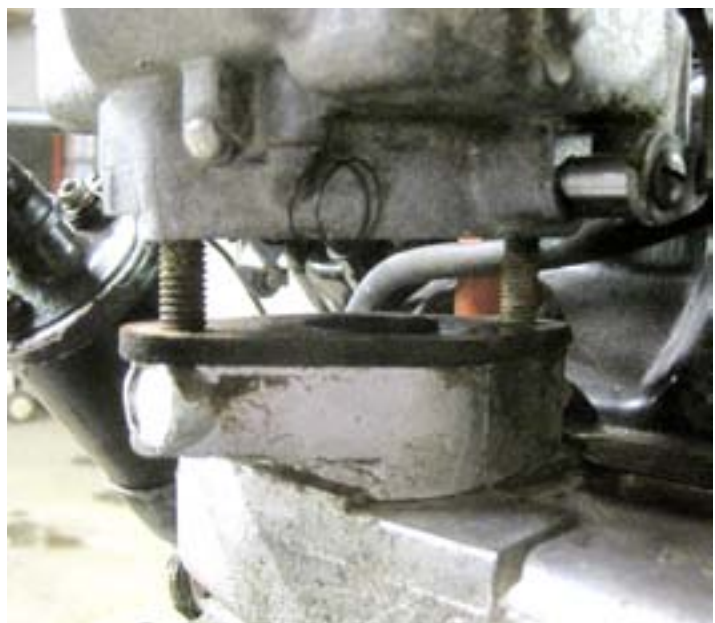
At the Hutchinson swap meet someone approached Bob Bright saying he had a 140hp Corvair engine for sale, it had been overhauled then set for several years. Bob passed the information to Terry then Terry passed it on to Mike B. who works in Salina. Mike checked it out and ended up buying it.

The engine was brought to the Kalp shop and put on the MCCA engine run stand. After several sessions cleaning the points it fired up and ran with a miss. The engine had been stored on end on the bellhousing so a couple of cylinders had gotten filled with oil. Mike had pulled the sparkplugs and hand cranked it over to clear mos the oil before he brought it to the shop. When first started it smoked pretty strongly on one bank, but cleared out after awhile.

Once back in Salina Mike started to reseal the engine, he found one pushrod tube so mangled it was keeping the push rod from moving. Once he found a cylinder stud replaced with a chunk of all-thread He decided to tear it all the way down. The spring from the front seal had gotten into the timing gears and damaged them both.

ABOVE RIGHT: The Salina engine looked pretty clean (except for dust) and complete.

LOWER RIGHT: When swapping out to '65 style linkage at the Kalp Shop, Mike noticed something sticking out from under one of the carbs. Turned out to be a fuel filter spring smashed under the carb.



Lyle's 140 Engine

Since last month's report Lyle's engine has had all four carbs rebuilt. Wanting a little more noise Lyle traded his stock exhaust for a couple a Cherry Bomb glasspacks. Once everything was together the engine was mounted on the MCCA run stand and ran for 20 minutes to break-in the cam. The next day the timing was set and carbs balanced. On Tuesday, June 9th Lyle and Terry got the engine installed into Lyle's coupe. Look for a yellow Corsa on the road soon.



While rebuilding Lyle Ackerman's carbs we found these unusual seats for the needle valves that have a little strainer sock built into them.



Not much Corvair stuff to be found at the May 15-16 Hutchinson swap meet. These lead weights caught Terry's eye. Looks like they were cast in a pair of Corvair valve covers..

2015 Events

June 13: Saturday HACO A working Tech Session at Mike and Sandy Dawson's House 16001 Oakland Ave. Belton, MO. Maintenance and repair will be covered. Runs from noon to 6 pm There will be a potluck dinner so bring a side dish and chairs. Contact Mike Dawson 816-322-4057 RSVP

June 14, 2015: Sunday June MCCA meeting. Lake Afton Car Show, MacArthur Road at 247th Street West, Wichita 11 am. Contact Larry Lee 316-734-5670.

June 19: Friday evening from 5:30 to ?? . Informal all makes Car show at the Strip mall on the South-west corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

June 20, 2015: Saturday Juna Tuna at Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st North, Valley Center, KS. Doors open at 8 am. close when the last car is done. Come and go as you please. Contact Ned Madsen 316-680-3483 or Terry Kalp 316-882-3056.

July 11: Saturday July MCCA meeting in Combination with the Automobilia Moonlight Car Show in Downtown, Wichita, KS. 6pm till Midnight. Club Meeting at 7pm Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

September 25-27, 2015: Great Plains Corvair Round Up. Wyndham Riverfront Hotel, 2 Riverfront Place North Little Rock, AR Toll-free 866-657-4458 Local 501-371-9000. Ask for Arkansas Corvair Club rate. Registration form is available at www.arcorvairclub.org. For more information, contact Keith LaCrosse 501-882-9389 or kl617@yahoo.com. Ned made his reservations and said the Round Up block is filling up and there is another event at the hotel that weekend. So don't delay signing up.

