

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

November 2015

Oct. Meeting

Remember the November meeting is a pot-luck, Italian dinner at Bob and Lee Brights. Bring a chair and a covered dish. Dinner will start at 6:00 pm.

Items discussed at the October meeting were: 2016 MCCA Calendar. Terry Kalp needs to have all the photos by Thanksgiving.

Ned Madsen made a deposit and gave a Treasurer report.

Larry Lee to represent MCCA at the Wichita Area Car Council. He will explore the possibility of making the Corvair the the 2016 feature car.

A reminder was made that October 16 was the last official Central & West this year for MCCA Mel Horstman Award points.

Plans were made for Luna Tuna October 17 at the Kalp Shop. Streckers will provide beef & noodles, Greg Renfro is bringing hot chili, Weltes' are supplying



Ned Madsen picked some nice curvy, two lane roads for the MCCA road trip to Wollarock. Several Corvairs from MCCA met up with those from the Oklahoma City and Tulsa clubs. See story on page 6.

Mexican chili.

Cruizin' for Food is Saturday, November 8. Cars will Caravan from the KS Food Bank to the VA.

Darlene Welte presented options for Mel Horstman Award individual award and Kalp Shop plaque. MCCA members selected a round crystal individual award, item # CRY0145 - price \$58.00 which includes engraving and the twelve entry plaque. Lee Bright made the motion. Julie Strecker seconded it.

Next was MCCA Road trip Woolaroc Museum and Wildlife Preserve. Plans are to depart Saturday, October 24, at 8 pm from the

old Dillon's at Madison & Rock in Derby. There will be a stop at Dexter at Henry's candy store. Arrive at the museum at 11:00. Pack a lunch or buy food there. There will be a pavilion available for dining. One way for the trip is 129 miles.

2016 Road Trip Options

- Rte 66 History Museum
- Daryl Starbird's Museum
- Big Brutus
- Will Rogers
- Kansas motorcycle museum, Marquette, KS

2016 CORSA Convention 12-17 July in Springfield, MO

Around the room for member project updates, and adjourned.

Nov. Meeting

**Saturday,
Nov. 14th 6 pm**

Bob and Lee Bright's
210 E. Walnut, Derby, KS

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FOR SALE: 1966 Corvair Monza \$3400 (Park City) 1966 Corvair Monza new windshield, new tires call with questions. Ray Mann 316-841-1913

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

FOR SALE: 1964 Corvair Monza Convertible New Top and Interior. Body in good condition. 4-Speed Manual Transmission. Motor has some blowby~~Runs good. \$3500. Contact Todd 990-3759



MCCA Stickers

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





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Alex Swap

Last weekend Alex Moats and Patrick Tinin showed up at Mark Stevers' house to swap a couple of Corvair engines. Alex had dropped a valve seat in his 1966 140 hp Monza, so it arrived on a trailer. Mark had purchased a LM coupe from Alex for body panels for Mark's project, but Alex wanted to keep the engine. The task was to pull the running engine from the parts car and get the '66 on the road again. Mark noted, "when a Corvair is broke down, the only thing good is when it ain't yours."

Additions/Corrections For October Newsletter

Roundup

It was brought to the editor's attention that we left out one MCCA member's name in the coverage of the 2015 Great Plains Roundup in North Little Rock, AR. **Tim Shortle**, MCCA member from Durango, CO, drove his low mileage 1969 Corvair coupe. He was just a few miles short of the long distance award which ended up going to one of his Colorado neighbors.

Tech Tip

Steve Goodman was able to add some information to the air cleaner hold down tip in the October FlatSix Journal. Steve noted that in the past he had used short sections of rubber hose to keep the J-bolts in the air cleaner. Over time heat would effect the rubber and it would lose it's grip on the J-bolt then allow it to fall off. His cure was to drill a small hole in the J-bolt and use a small cotter pin or roll pin to hold the bolts in place.

MCCA Corvair Calendar

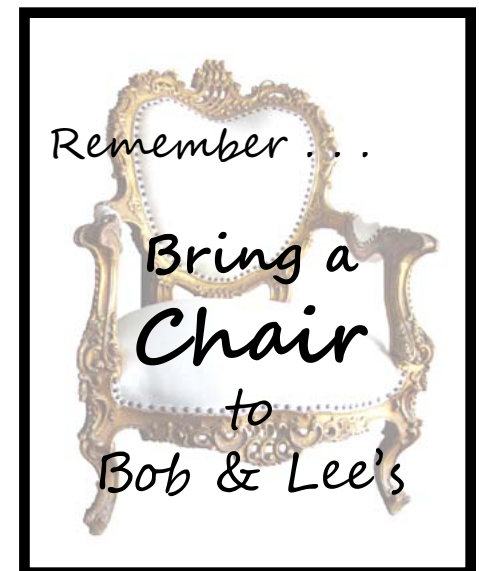


Several MCCA members have already provided photos of their Corvairs for the 2016 MCCA calendar. There are many more club Corvairs that should be in the calendar. Deadline for photos is Thanksgiving. Photo options are listed below. If you have an interest in the calendar project contact Terry at 316-882-3056 or just let him know at the November meeting.

The cost of the calendars should be between \$10-20 depending on the quantity. Existing photos may be used or new photos can be

taken. All Photos and orders will need to be to Terry by the end of November. There will be samples of past Corvair calendars at the November meeting where Terry will be able to provide additional information.

This is not a fund-raiser the calendars will be sold at cost. If you have an interest in the project or just some questions contact Terry.



2015 Luna Tuna

By Terry Kalp

Weather for the late October Luna Tuna is always an “iffy” situation. Although it started off a bit cool, by mid-morning it was a beautiful Fall day. Bernie Strecker was the first one there and brewed



Dan Hagenbuch schools the crowd on setting the differential bearing pre-load. Loren Capron brought up a refreshed differential from Oklahoma for a final check out and adjustment.



Gary Miller, Greg Renfro and Loren Capron talk shop among the Corvairs parked on the East lawn of the Kalp compound.

up a steaming pot of coffee to help take off the chill. Most of the other early arrivals were two groups from Oklahoma City. By 10 am there were more Okies milling around the shop than Kansans. As it got closer to lunch time the Kansans kept coming in and were soon the majority.

One of the hands-on projects came with the Central Oklahoma Corvair Club (COKCC) crowd. Loren Capron brought up a 1964 PowerGlide differential the he had rebuilt and needed it checked out and bearing preload set. Armed with a dial type inch-pound torque wrench, Dan Hagenbuch set out to help. There was a good crowd gathered to watch the process.

Another project from the south (COKCC) was swapping around some idler bearings and aluminum pulleys. This was mostly done with heat, which was welcome on the chilly morning.

Ned Madsen also arrived early and took over the lift to replace the emergency brake cable on his white 1966 Monza coupe. Numerous interruptions, talking, helping others, talking, eating, talking, made this a “most-of -the day” project for Ned.

Soon it was time for the noon meal. The fall season brings out main dishes that can be eaten with a spoon. Julie Strecker sent along a generous pot of beef and noodles with husband, Bernie. Greg Renfro

brought a large crock pot of his famous sizzling hot chili. The magical mix of home grown peppers was enjoyed by many and avoided by others. Mark and Darlene Welte supplied Mexican Chili, a milder, yet very tasty version of the spicy soup.

Several members got together and decorated the main table at lunch. Lonine Ackerman supplied a pair of hand-painted craft pumpkins for the centerpiece.

After the meal there was a short meeting, led by MCCA Tre-

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Luna Tuna . . .

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surer, Ned Madsen. The centerpiece Pumpkins were given away as door prizes. One was given to Chris Teer for driving the most miles in his Corvair to the event while the other went to LP Penner for having his birthday closest to the date of the Tuna.

While Chris rode to the Tuna from Oklahoma City with Bob Welch, while at the Tuna he purchased Mitch Wood's New Beetle Green 1965 Monza coupe. The coupe had been for sale. Chris talked to Mitch before the Tuna and then Mitch brought the coupe to the Tuna so Chris could check it out. Chris purchased the 4-speed 140 hp Corvair at the Tuna, but part of the deal was that Chris drive Mitch back to his home in El Dorado. That amounted to an about 45 mile trip for Chris in his new Corvair.

One of the afternoon projects was working on a wildly flamed 1967 Monza coupe. Bernie, Julie and Larry met the owner at the Central and West shows and invited him to the Tuna. His Corvair, a Power-Glide car, wouldn't idle in gear. At first it was thought to be a simple idle adjustment problem. Mark dove in to help him out and set the idle properly. That helped but did not cure the problem completely. It would idle in gear, but not happily. Seemed like the torque converter wasn't slipping enough. That was too much of a project for that late in the day of a Tuna.



One hot and one stock. Parked side-by-side were this flamed 1967 Monza coupe and Lyle Ackerman's 1962 Monza coupe.



Inverse twins. The black 1965 Corsa coupe of Mark Welte was parked next to the silver 1967 Monza converted. The Corvairs sported flipped color schemes.



Terry Kalp and Ned Madsen enjoy the pot-luck lunch setting across from Jean and Doug Horstman. Photo by Dan Hagenbuch.



James Ergenbright and Greg Renfro check out the fully restored under carriage of Greg's recently purchased 1965 Corsa coupe.

Woolaroc October MCCA Road Trip

By Darlene Welte

On a cool, crisp Saturday on October 24, 2015 eleven of our MCCA family embarked on another Corvair adventure to Oklahoma where we visited the Woolaroc Museum and Wildlife Preserve. Cruising the back roads through Kansas, we stopped at Henry's candy store in Dexter yet another time this year! We made a fuel/refreshment stop in Pawhuska, OK the town nearest the ranch where Ree Drummond (aka Pioneer Woman) and her family live. Drummond is a blogger, food writer, photographer, and Food Network cooking host.

Once at Woolaroc, we meet up with the Tulsa and Oklahoma City clubs. We made quite a show with 16 Corvairs! There would have been 17 but one from the OK clubs had a mishap with a deceased deer lying on the road. We enjoyed a beautiful two mile drive through the 3,700 acre wildlife preserve which is home to 30 varieties of native and exotic animals and birds. Bison (buffalo) and longhorn cattle are the most prominent species on the preserve. Frank Phillips, the founder of Phillips Petroleum Company, created the preserve in 1925 to showcase the West, as he had known it.

Since the Drummonds did not invite us for lunch, we enjoyed a picnic or concession lunch on the preserve. After lunch, the children could enjoy a western theme playground and petting zoo. We visited the museum filled with an amazing collection of Western art and artifacts including artifacts from Oklahoma's prehistoric civilization, articles from 40 different Indian tribes, and bronze sculptures. The basement showcases one of the world's finest collections of Colt firearms. The gun collection may have consumed most of our family's time!

We also toured the lodge, which was the country home of Frank and Jane Phillips. Here they entertained a wide variety of people: socialites, cowboys, Indians, thieves, bankers, bank robbers,



Larry Lee was able to grab this photo of his 1966 Corvair convertible in front of the restored Phillips 66 filling station on the grounds at Woolaroc.

and lawmen. The lodge is also museum with beautiful rustic furnishings. The walls are filled with artwork and 97 heads of animals that died naturally on the preserve.

If you were not tired after seeing all this, you could take a hike on the walking trails, but our family choose to hit the two-lane roads in our Corvair back to The Land of Oz.



Corvairs converged from Wichita, Tulsa and Oklahoma City so their owners could enjoy the attractions at Woolaroc, located just outside Bartlesville, OK. Welte Photo.

More Woolaroc

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By Larry Lee

Thank you Ned, for planning and leading the Woolaroc trip. Nice job of finding roads with curves, finding a gas supply, and getting us to an interesting destination. Topped by getting three clubs to arrive at the same place and time. I counted 17 Corvairs, but the Corvair people did not stand still long enough to count all of them. Several Corvairs posed in front of the restored gas station for a photo shoot. And, of course, Ned let us have the icing on our cake by stopping at the candy store. Well done, Ned. Sorry you had to leave early, and pleased to know Kathy is back home.



Members of the three Corvair clubs lined up for a group photograph before entering the museums at Woolaroc. A bystander took the photo for the Weltes.



2015-16 Events

November 14: Saturday November MCCA Meeting. Potluck Italian dinner at the Bob and Lee Bright's 210 E Walnut, Derby, KS 6 pm. Bring a chair and a side dish. Contact Larry Lee 316-734-5670.

January 9, 2016: Saturday January MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Larry Lee 316-734-5670.

February 6, 2016: Saturday February MCCA Pre-Spring Fling dinner meeting. Location to be announced 6 pm. Contact Larry Lee 316-734-5670.

February 20, 2016: Saturday Cold Tuna. Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS 8 am till ????. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

March 12, 2016: Saturday January MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Larry Lee 316-734-5670.

September 23-25, 2016: Great Plains Corvair Roundup. Renaissance Tulsa Hotel and Convention Center, 6808 South 107th East Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74133.

Win A Free Deluxe Suite: Paid registrations received by June 1, 2016 will be entered in a drawing for your stay to be FREE in a deluxe suite at the beautiful John Q. Hammons Renaissance Hotel.

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These two Corvairs were auctioned off last Saturday in Cottonwood Falls, KS. Of course they both ran when parked.

Nov. Meeting 6:00 pm Nov. 14th

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Bonus Photo














This Corvair decorated for Halloween was grabbed from one of the Corvair forums. It was all decked out for a holiday "Trunk or Treat" event, sort of a combination car show and Halloween candy give-away.



Calendar

Nov. Meeting	Nov. 14
No December Meeting	
Jan. Meeting	Jan. 9, 2016
Feb. Dinner	Feb. 6, 2016
Cold Tuna	Feb. 20, 2016
March Meeting	March 12, 2016

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