

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

March 2016

Mel Award Goes to Ned

by Mark Welte

At the February 5th MCCA Pre-Spring Fling Dinner Meeting at Stroud's restaurant Ned Madsen was presented the coveted first annual Mel Horstman Memorial Award for 2015. This award is presented to the MCCA member with the most participation driving their Corvair(s) to MCCA club events during the previous calendar year. It honors the memory of Mel Horstman, founding member of MCCA, who did so much over the years to keep our club going and successful.

The numbers were extremely close, with Ned ultimately earning this award by a margin of only one point. The final results were kept secret by MCCA co-secretaries Mark and Darlene Welte until the announcement at the February Dinner Meeting. Ned was completely taken by surprise with the announcement. It was especially meaningful to Ned because of his close working relationship with Mel over the years. Congratulations to Ned Madsen on earning the first annual Mel Horseman Memorial

Award!



Mark Welte (r) presents the first Mel Horstman award to Ned Madsen (l) at the February dinner/meeting.

March Meeting

Friday,

March 12th 7pm

Oaklawn Activity Center,
4904 S. Clifton, Ave.

Wichita, KS

March MCCA Activities

As the weather gets warmer Corvair activities start to pick up. After a busy February March starts out with the regular meeting and pre-meeting eating this Saturday night.

There will be a special speaker at the March meeting. Tyler Henning of Marvelous Metal LLC will be presenting about the history of steel and aluminum, their

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FOR SALE: Corvairs, Projects and Parts Lloyd Folger is shuffling storage space and has decided to sell some of his Corvair collection, cars and parts. He hasn't come up with a list to print, but you can contact him by phone 316-461-7890.

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

2016 MCCA Club Dues

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Charity Swap Meet

The huge February Wichita swap meet changed ownership last year. Then it changed location from the Kansas Pavilions to the Star Casino in Mulvane, then back to the Pavilions.

Despite all the shuffle most vendors ended up at their traditional spots, including Terry Kalp and Fred Bybee.



These '66-'69 tail light lenses were some of the few Corvair only parts for sale at the swapmeet.

Pre-meeting eating Hog Wild on 47th

Some MCCA members will be gathering at Hog Wild Bar-B-Q at 662 E. 47th St. South, Wichita, to eat before the March 12th meeting. So bring your appetite and join your friends at 5:30 on Saturday. It is a chance to meet and socialize before the meeting. If you have suggestions on places to eat in the upcoming months let Terry Kalp or Larry Lee know.

Dennis Fuller and David Jacobson shared Terry's booth. Dennis had created some shiny bird feeders with hubcaps and wire mesh. He even used some Corvair caps that were beyond saving. David had some automotive items he had picked up at local auctions.

As usual there was not many Corvair only parts for sale, but there were quite a few parts that would fit Corvairs. Ned Madsen found interior door handles for the gold sedan.

Lots of present and former MCCA members either dropped by the Kalp booth or were spotted scrounging for parts. The Wichita swap meet is a great start for the car event season.

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refinement, how they are able to be shaped and formed. Their will even be a brief metal demonstration if time allows. Tyler is presenting to us completely free of charge and it will be a fun and educational event for even the most seasoned car enthusiast. He is a graduate of the Restoration program at McPherson College. The April road trip will be to the car show sponsored by the students at McPherson College and the restoration facility will be open for tours.

The friday night show and shine at Central and West will be starting soon. Dust off your Corvair and start racking up points for the 2016 Mel Horstman Award.



Dennis Fuller created and sold these custom hubcap birdfeeders.

Penzer Anniversary April 2, in AR

Join HACO in Pentzerville, AR (in the heart of Ozark, AR) for Jerry and Donna's anniversary celebration. Arrive early for an extensive tour of Pentzerville. Lunch will be served around noon and a surprise around 2pm. Drive your Corvair down for the event and let's see if we can outnumber the Corvettes this year.

If you elect to go down Friday night or stay over Saturday night there is a hotel close Pentzerville. The Oxford Inn is located at 305 N 18th St, Ozark, AR 72949. Call ahead to make reservations at (479) 667-1131.

All food is provided, the Pentzers don't ask you to bring anything. The adult beverage will be Coor's Light so if you do want something different please bring your own.

MCCA Kool Tuna

By Terry Kalp

The weather was so nice that calling it Cold Tuna did not seem appropriate. Lots of sun shine, 73 degree high, and no wind made a fun day even better. I was just recovering from a Cold on Tuna day and wasn't 100%. Thanks to everyone for pitching in and helping out.



Mark Welte and Scott Allison discuss the recent install of a rebuilt Turbocharged engine in Mark's '65 Black and Silver Corsa coupe.



Greg Renfro with help from Bob Welch and Chris Teer used the wire method to cut both the front and rear windows out of the Corsa he is preparing for paint.

There was no shortage of coffee and donuts to get the day started. Soon the sugar rush kicked in and people were buzzing around the shop getting going on Corvair work. Showing up from MCCA sister clubs were Scott Allison, Mike Dawson and the Garys Moore and Jones from Kansas city. From the south, OKC, were Chris Teer and Bob Welch.

Lots of little projects got taken care of: Ned Mad- sen found a rubber isolated nut (like on LM voltage regulators) to mount his electric fuel pump that made

it much quieter. Ned and Mike Dawson of KC spent some time chasing down a mysterious voltage drain. He even turned bodyman, popping out a sizable dent in his passenger door.

Mark Welte had just trans- planted a turbo motor into his Corsa and was able to sort out his tach and ignition wiring at the Tuna, as well as a couple other projects. Scott Allison from KC tuned up MCCA member, David Jacobson's Corsa to solve some driveability issues. Greg Renfro with help from Bob Welch and Chris Teer of OKC



Terry Kalp's Devin C (Corvair powered) saw the light of day rolling on its own wheels for the first time in several decades.

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cut the windshield and back glass out of Greg’s Corsa and cleaned out the window channels, getting them ready to paint.

Prior to the Tuna I had been working on the Devin, installing the Corvair front brakes and hubs on the VW front end, getting the steering box mounted and working, getting the rear A-arms and springs mounted. Just in time, with help from David and Greg I was able to get a powerpack in the car and the Hands wheels installed. When it was pushed out of the shop Saturday morning it was the first time it had rolled on it’s own wheels into the daylight for decades.

Lee Olsen is moving from Burdette to Hutchinson, so he brought a truckload of excess Corvair parts to the Tuna, what he didn’t sell ended up stored at the Kalp Shop.

My recently painted ‘65 Barracuda that somehow slipped into the Tuna and was parked with the Corvairs and daily drivers on the front lawn of the shop.

Greg brought his paint stripper Chili for lunch, but thank goodness for mere mortals like myself there was also some regular strength Chicken Chili for lunch as well as tons of donuts, salads and desserts.

After lunch I presented a MCCA Corvair racing award. The orange reflective “triangle of speed” was presented to Ned Madsen for his racing efforts with his 95 hp PowerGlide LM coupe over the past year.

Next Tuna is Juna Tuna, June 18th. Since we had our June weather this time hope we don’t experience February weather in June.



ABOVE: Because he is moving, Lee Olsen brought a truckload of Corvair parts to the Tuna to distribute.



Scott Allison puts the tune on David Jacobson’s Aztec Bronze LM coupe’s 140hp engine.



The warm weather brought out the convertibles. LP Penner’s ‘67 factory air 4-speed on the left and Gary Miller’s Candy Apple Red ‘64 Spyder on the right. Both owners painted their own Corvairs. They look great.

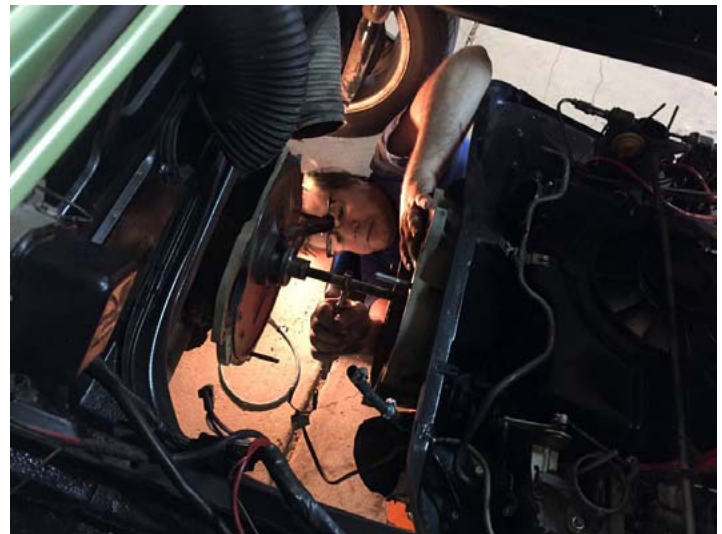
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It was scheduled for Cold Tuna but ended up getting bumped back a week. On Friday afternoon February 26th Chris Teer drove his green Monza to the Kalp Shop so they could get a quick start on a fly-wheel swap on Saturday.

Saturday Chris and Terry got an early start and were soon joined by Ned Madsen and Greg Renfro. It wasn't long before the crew had the engine extracted. There are always some "while we are there" fixes that stretch out the project. In this case Chris had a freshly powder coated green top shroud and factory style air cleaner setup to swap onto the engine. The engine had extended vent tubes on all four carburetors, which needed to be trimmed to clear the stock air cleaner crossover. Ned took on the carburetors and ended up replacing some crispy accelerator pump cups, "while he was there". Chris was busy with the top shroud swap while Terry worked on the fresh flywheel, clutch disc and pressure plate. By late afternoon everything was wrapped up and after chasing down multiple vacuum leaks, Chris hit the road back to OKC.



Terry Kalp gets started on the flywheel replacement right after Chris Teer brightened up the appearance of his 140 with a bright green "turkey roaster".



ABOVE: Ned Madsen struggles with a sticky input shaft when pulling the engine out of Chris' coupe. LEFT: Ned on the bench trimming down the extended vent tubes to fit a stock 140hp air cleaner crossover. He also took a few minutes to replace the accelerator pump cups which had hardened.

March Road Trip

Ned Madsen

Spring is here and it's time for driving your Corvair! Are you ready?

Our first MCCA road trip will be Saturday, March 26. We will gather at Terry's shop in Valley Center around 9 AM. Our destination will be the Kansas Motorcycle Museum in Marquette (<http://ksmotorcyclmuseum.org/>). We will take the "scenic route" on back roads (no Interstates) which will take us about 90 minutes to get up there. This route will be about 75 miles. I can provide pdf maps in pdf or POI files for TomTom or Garmin GPS.

There is a small café in Marquette where we can eat lunch. As a backup plan, we can go on to Lindsborg. I'm open to suggestions so bring your idea to the March meeting.

After lunch, we can head into Lindsborg for some shopping (Kathy loves shopping there) and general wondering around the main street.

The return to Terry's shop will again be via the "back roads" and should get us back around 4PM, depending on the "wondering times."

All of this depends on the weather, keep an eye on our Facebook page or call me if it looks iffy. You are welcome to join or leave the tour at anytime. I will not respond to text messages while driving, but I might hear the phone ring while driving.



There is a great photo opportunity in Marquette. A restored 30's filling station is downtown. This photo of Terry's '62 700 is from the 2007 MCCA trip.

2016 Events

March 12, 2016: Saturday Pre-meeting eating at Hog Wild Bar-B-Q at 662 E. 47th St. South, Wichita at 5:30

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

March 26, 2016: Saturday MCCA Road Trip Kansas Motorcycle Museum, Marquette, Kansas. More details at the March meeting. Contact Ned Madsen 316-680-3483.

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

April 30, 2016: Saturday MCCA Road Trip to McPherson College C.A.R.S. Club Car Show. On the campus of McPherson College. Starts at 8 am. Contact Ned Madsen 316-680-3483.

May 14, 2016: Saturday May 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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