

2019 CORVAIR PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP
Friday & Saturday, April 5 & 6, 2019
Event Guide

The Performance Corvair Group is proud to bring you another Performance Workshop!

The Event:

Immediately after the Corvair was introduced in the autumn of 1959, aftermarket vendors began to offer special parts and kits for souping them up. Special camshafts, dual exhaust systems, quad carb kits, finned aluminum oil pans, camber compensators, and a host of other offerings were introduced almost immediately by EMPI, Offenhauser, Isky and others.

This year's Corvair Performance Workshop will include presentations covering the latest developments in the art of modifying Corvairs for extra performance and safety. The Workshop will be spread across two locations in Decatur, Illinois. They are (1) Speed Lube Complete Auto Care Center, and (2) the new Corvair Museum.

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Registration Instructions

Please pre-register!

Why Pre-Register? Because it will help us to make catering arrangements and save time for you at the check-in table when you arrive at the Museum, as we'll already have your info. **The Museum staff will have your name and will let you in without making you pay the regular museum admission fee.** Furthermore, it will enable us to contact you in case we need to postpone or cancel due to extreme weather, etc.

To pre-register for this event, please visit the Performance Corvair Group website at http://www.corvair.org/chapters/pcg/workshop_registration.html

And don't send money. We'll collect it from you when you arrive at the Corvair Museum on Saturday.

Basic Steps

1. Register online at <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/pcg/>
2. Make your hotel reservations. (Refer to the Lodging section below).
3. Make your travel arrangements.
4. Pay the registration fee on Saturday when you enter the Corvair Museum.

5. Refer to the Event Schedule below for full time table.

Price

\$35 per person. Pay Saturday morning when you arrive at the Corvair Museum. We only accept cash or checks. Make your check payable to "Corvair Preservation Foundation". Sorry, credit cards not accepted.

What about admission to the Corvair Museum on Friday? If you pre-registered, don't worry. We repeat - the Museum staff will have your name and will let you in without making you pay the regular museum admission fee. Please pre-register at <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/pcg/>

What Do You Get?

Your registration fee provides:

Admission to the Speed Lube Complete Auto Care Center for open house and tech session,
Admission to the Corvair Museum where presentations & vending will be held,
Catered lunch on Saturday at the Corvair Museum.

Please refer to the Event Schedule below to see when each of the facilities will be open for you.

The Corvair Museum

The Corvair Museum is the place where most of the workshop presentations will occur. It's 9,000 square feet of space are packed with vehicles, mechanical displays, literature and artwork. Off to the side is a dining area where we will be seated for the presentations.

To gain entry to the Corvair Museum, enter through the Chevrolet Hall of Fame Museum door. The two museums are located in the same building. Be sure to pre-register at the Performance Corvair Group website so we can check you into the museum for free.

Address:
Corvair Museum
3635 US Route 36 East
Decatur, Illinois, 62521

For more information about the Corvair Museum, visit:
<https://www.corvair.org/index.php/preservation-foundation/corvair-museum>

Speed Lube Complete Auto Care Center

Mark Allen's garage, more formally known as the Speed Lube Complete Auto Care Center, will host a open house on Friday, April 5 where Mark's Corvair collection will be on display. The open house will also include a tech session. The Speed Lube Complete Auto Care Center is located less than a mile from the museum and hotel.

Here is the address:

Speed Lube Complete Auto Care Center
926 E. Eldorado Street
Decatur, IL 62521

Note: This facility is located directly across the street from Mr. Allen's Speed Lube 10-Minute Oil Change Shop.

Host Hotel

Hawthorne Suites by Windham Decatur will be our host hotel. Amenities include free, hot breakfast buffet, fitness center, free high-speed Internet, free copy and print services, a guest laundry, and dry-cleaning service. Accessible rooms and a free airport shuttle to and from Decatur Municipal Airport are also available.

The Corvair Preservation Foundation (CPF) has reserved a block of hotel rooms for us

When making reservations, mention "Corvair Performance Workshop" to receive the special price of \$69 per night. Our block of rooms covers two nights, but you can reserve a room for just one night if you prefer.

Here is contact information for the host hotel:

Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham Decatur
2370 Mount Zion Rd
Decatur, IL 62521
Website: Google Search or Bing "Hawthorn by Windham Decatur"
Email Address: decaturhawthorn@gmail.com
Phone: (217) 864-9311

Event Schedule

CPF reserves the right to change this schedule. Attendees are responsible for their own transportation between the host hotel, museum and garage.

Friday April 5, 2019

Open House at Mark Allen's Repair Shop. 7 Hot Corvairs. 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Mark Allen will have seven Corvairs on display including his Crown conversions and his tube-frame track car.

The open house will also include a tech session by John Lanning & Bob Depaolo, where they'll be showing and explaining the electric power steering system Bob installed on one of Mark Allen's V8 Vairs..... 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

"Free" Admission to Corvair Museum (Be sure to pre-register)..... 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Dinner with friends at Hickory River Smokehouse..... 6:00 PM to ???

Located next door to the host hotel at 2330 South Mt. Zion Road, the Hickory River Smokehouse features Texas and Southern style barbecue. We shouldn't have to say this, but no, the cost of your dinner is not included in the Workshop registration fee!

Saturday April 6, 2019

Vending in the Corvair Museum.....All Day

Check in and pay at the Corvair Museum..... 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Workshop Presentations at Corvair Museum	10:00 AM to Noon
Ken Hand - Video - Autobahn Country Club Racing.....	10:00 AM to 10:30 AM
Dale Smiley - Electronic Instrument Panel Conversion	10:30 AM to 11:00 AM
Frank Parker's Extreme Performance TurboVair	11:00 AM to 11:30 AM
James Rice - 6 Carbs and Who Was First?.....	11:30 AM to Noon
Lunch Break at Corvair Museum.....	Noon to 1:00 PM
More Workshop Presentations at Corvair Museum	1:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Seth Emerson - Performance Ignition & Racing Steering columns .	1:00 PM to 1:30 PM
Ken Hand - Corvair Lifters for Street and Track.....	1:30 PM to 2:00 PM
Mark Corbin - Powerglide Floor Shift Kit and More	2:00 PM to 2:30 PM
Break.....	2:30 PM to 3:00 PM
Stan East - Hardcore Racing Literature	3:00 PM to 3:30 PM
Allan Lacki - Safety Harnesses for Road & Track.....	3:30 PM to 4:00 PM
Informal discussion, Q&A, etc.	4:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Traveling to Decatur

Traveling by Car. Decatur is well-served by the Interstate highway system. I-72 goes directly to it and I-55, I-57, I-70 and I-74 are nearby. Decatur is a three-hour drive from either Chicago or Indianapolis and an hour-and-a-half from Peoria.

Traveling by Air. Decatur has its own airport, with service from flight times to Chicago O'Hare or Lambert St. Louis International Airport. The local airline is Cape Air.

Rental cars are available at the airport, but only during normal business hours. If your flight comes in too late, the rental counter will be closed and you won't get a car!

But don't despair. The host hotel offers a shuttle service and three taxi companies are available.

Avis Car Rental	(217) 422-4337
Baldwin Shuttle	(217) 422-5906 (Shuttle)
Decatur City Taxi.....	(217) 330-7960
Signature Taxi	(217) 318-3500

Another alternative is to fly into either Springfield or Champaign, Illinois, rent a car, and drive into Decatur. 55 miles, 1 hour (approximate mileage and drive time from either airport).

Contacts

Boots on the Ground:

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Hawthorn Suites by Windham (front desk)		(217) 864-9311
Corvair Museum / Chevrolet Hall of Fame		(217) 791-5793

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