



AUGUST 'CORVAIRING' ACTIVITIES

Tuesday August 2, 2011
Pontiac/Waterford Elks Club

The program will cover all the August activities that can be enjoyed with a Corvaire; Red Barn Spectacular @ The Gilmore Museum, Back to the Bricks week, Woodward Dream Cruise, and Homecoming 2011

DACC The First Year
From the August, 1974 newsletter

Neither the president nor the treasurer showed up so Clark Hartzel ran the meeting. The search is on for a club logo. All members are encouraged to submit a design and the club will give a free membership to the winning design.

We will try a another club picnic at member Bob Aldred's house August 25th.

The editor printed a humorous article from Irma Bombeck about the most hazardous vehicle: the shopping cart!

The POR rally was mentioned and our President, Rudy Kreiter was preparing a Corvaire to enter it.

The editor is begging for articles to put in the newsletter. It was only one page this month.

At the time of the meeting we still hadn't found a permanent meeting place so members were told to call the president next month to find out where we would meet. (It sounds like the president is spending too much time working on his Corvaire instead of club business!)

From **Clark Hartzel**



1954 Oldsmobile [remember them?] F-88 Concept / Show car.

Corvaire Good Times

Just wanted to share with you that Friday night after the sun got down a little, (Its been really hot and humid here in Michigan), I got to take my wife on a Corvaire cruise to the nearby drive in restaurant, then the long way home. The sky was a clear dark blue and the temp was about 78 and it was just a great night to put the top down and go for a cruise. Why is this special?

Well, this is the first time in two years that she has been able to get into a car and go for a ride. She has been terribly ill for several years, and has mended enough to get into a car. The problem was, our mini-van was too high for her to get onto the seat. (She has severe limitations on climbing even a small step. But the Corvaire was just the right height, kinda low slung and she could just sit down on the front seat and swing her legs in ... the 'vaire has remarkable front seat legroom. Looks like our little Monza convertible will be the "go to the doctor" vehicle for some time to come.

So it was Vairforce One to the rescue. Another reason to love this little odd ball vehicle.

Just wanted to share the happy. Mike In Michigan, not far from the site of the 2007 convention

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 HOMECOMING REGISTRATIOON

Frankenmuth AutoFest September 9-11-2011

Make history in celebrating 100 years of Chevrolet. They are looking for Chevrolet automobiles to be in a special parade to the Friday Night Block Party. You must register and submit 3 photos in advance. Information is available by calling 989-652-6964 or visit www.Frankenmuthautofest.com.

I have entered my car a 1964 Corvair convertible but I don't know if it has been picked for the parade. I suspect, but don't know, if all the Chevrolets will be placed in the same area of the show. Normally the locations are first come first served ... but in this case I think they might try to have a special area for the entrees.

From Dan Leighton Sr.
810/869-5069

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Meeting Minutes July 5h, 2011

Guest: **Kim Carless**, a former member and DACC officer now living in Port Charlotte, FL.

Video of the picnic is now posted on UTube and 25 logos are on "drop box". **Bob Jennings** may email out newsletters from other clubs for members to look at.

HOME COMING: There are currently 22 registrations with most registering on-line and some vendors have already registered. There was a discussion of confirmed and anticipated events. Rather than documenting the discussion, it would be better for everyone to

check the final schedule so as not to have confusion over times, etc. [At this time there are 6 "women's" activities to be posted. ED] Additional volunteers are always needed in Hospitality and Registration.

John O'Leary mentioned that we have 3 street tickets for Woodward Dream Cruise available. The status of the 300 Old Woodward lot has not yet been determined.

Bob Jennings related his experience in an accident with his Corvair in Ohio where he was assessed 20% blame for not sounding his horn when passing another car.

Clark noted that we currently have 131 active memberships.

Swap & Sell: Pete Koehler has Powerglide trans for early bodies and Tom Gillingham is looking for a 140hp engine.

ACTIVITY suggestions; The Silverdome Drive In is open on weekends and the US 23 Drive In in Flint is open all nights and charges \$7 per person. Tuesday night at Back to the Bricks is free if you come in an old car.

A number of people discussed having "Tech Sessions" in addition to Mike McKeel at homecoming. **Pete Koehler** asked if Corsa might have any tech manuals for this use.

Pete Cimbala announced that he is now on the Back to the Bricks committee.

John Loba, a former member and Corvair drag racer, recently died. His vigil is tonight on Sashabaw and a number of members are going to drive by in their Corvairs as a tribute.

50/50 winner of \$73 was **Harold Long**.

Jerry Huff won the \$10 attendance drawing.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10

From **Gigi Debbrecht**
Secretary

Vice President



Stu Shuster

As I reported last month, the CARS II movie was on track. Well, that is not the case as of this writing. The Disney / Pixar organization cannot release any copies of the movie because of piracy issues. It is not that our club would reproduce the movie, but essentially that is their current policy. DVD issues will not be available until the end of the year; in the meantime you will need to view CARS II at the movies. So, for our convention, we will have 9 short selections of a newly released version of CARS I. The short version includes the characters in new experiences not seen in previous movies. Also we will include a car movie such as Michael Caine in the Italian Job. (Or similar venue)

Jay is sending me 8 - 10 CARS II Toys that he designed. They will also be signed by him, making them collector's items. These toys will be available as auction items or as awards in the Drive Thru event at the Homecoming.

From **Stu**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ahhh, its August in Michigan, the time is right for a rant and rave article about what pops into the head, so let's take a look. Get your favorite cooler and temporarily join the madness in my mind.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

So far as of this writing, the weather has been decent. Now, we all know we should be out driving our Corvairs, (mine as soon as I get off my dead, well, you know). More importantly, are you taking care of yourself, getting exercise like walking, doing slow, light weight lifting exercises to build muscle and bone mass, visiting your doctor and family, in your Corvair of course.

Ok, now that we know this, what's life been like? Hopefully, treating you and yours well. June was a busy month for me personally. I did my annual bicycle ride across the State of Michigan from Ludington to Harbor Beach this year. Four days I averaged 61 miles, one day was my century, 102.3 miles, and the easy day of 28 miles. As a side note, the youngest person to ride a bike on this ride was a seven-year-old boy; the oldest was a 91-year-old man. To me, that is impressive. Many 60, 70 and 80 year olds also.

Are you going to the Dream Cruise? More importantly, are you and your better half going to your Homecoming? You read it right, "your" Homecoming. Pete, Clark, Ken, Paul, Tim and other dedicated DACC members put on this DACC premier event of events for you, the Corvair Enthusiast. Take advantage of this mini vacation in Plymouth. Enjoy the many events that are planned. Heck, go take your better half into downtown Plymouth if it's a nice evening and get an ice cream. Downtown Plymouth has that small town feel about it. Check out their web site for more info.

Help is always welcomed and needed, serving food, restocking,

clean up, just let the committee know and do your part to make The Homecoming a success as it always is. Ladies activities, let's hear it ladies, a couple ideas were brought up at the last meeting to entertain you at The Homecoming. Give the board some ideas, thoughts, opinions, e-mail us, we want and need to hear from you. If you do not give your opinion on ladies activities, then just sit there in the passenger seat of the Corvair and tell your "other half", "Honey, you're the man!"

Research for the extinction of mosquitoes. That would benefit humans more, wouldn't it? Just thinking of the great picnic we had until the skeeters came out. Check out the video I took on You Tube, not professional, but it shows an assortment of people and cars. Go to You Tube and search DACC Picnic. Thanks to Bob Jennings for getting it uploaded onto You Tube. I had no luck.

Now, how about you taking pictures and video of The Homecoming and getting it online. Make use of your digital camera or recorder. Send your pics to your family, show them what you enjoy doing. Do they send you pics of what they do? Paybacks, sometimes it is fun. Maybe we can post pictures and video at The Homecoming in real time, while the Homecoming is taking place? Food for thought, John, Bob? Ok, let's close this article and plan a dinner date at the next meeting, bye.

ADAM MORENSKI

DIGITAL DACC

Our club is slowly moving into the digital age. Over the past few years, we have been producing the newsletter on computers and recently made the decision to make the digital version available to our members. Ken P has even agreed to

Make two different versions of the newsletter, one in black and white for the printer and the other with color photos (when available) for us computer junkies. We have started sending this digital version to the members that we have email addresses for. If you would like to receive the email copy of the newsletter, please email to membership@detroitcorvairs.com saying that you would like the newsletter sent to you. Clark will then add your email address to the membership database and we'll place your name on the mailing list. Don't worry, if you signup for the email version, you will still receive your paper copy in the mail. In the future, we will offer the choice of only sending the digital version.

We started sending newsletters out about 4 months ago to the email addresses that we had on file. Some of these addresses are incorrect, some had no problems at all, some had delivery issues. If you have been receiving the email newsletter, great. If you believe that we have your email address, and you haven't been receiving the newsletter, please send an email to membership@detroitcorvairs.com to verify that we have the correct address.

If we do have your correct address, then you fall into the "delivery issue" category. The biggest problem with delivery is the fact that a lot of Internet providers are providing "spam control" as part of their email services. What this means is that any message that appears to be spam is either deleted or placed in a "spam folder." Because we must use a mailing list program to send the newsletters, some spam filters see us as spam. If you have a folder named

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If you have a folder named "Spam", then look inside this folder and see if you received any messages from detroitcorvairs.com. If you have, there should be a button on your screen that lets you declare the message as "not spam."

Most web based email sites have this setup. Gmail and Yahoo use "Spam", Hotmail and Windows Live use "Junk." If you use another web based email, just look around, it should be there somewhere. If you can't find it, look for a "help" section and search for "spam" and "whitelist" (this is the term used for declaring an email sender as "safe"). If you use an email client such as Outlook, Outlook Express, or Thunderbird, you may need to check with your provider to find out how to "whitelist" our emails.

If all else fails, send email to webmaster@detroitcorvairs.com and I'll see if I can help you. Please tell me what program you use if you don't use your web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari, or Chrome).

While your at it, check out the website. We have a new photo gallery and you can also register for the Homecoming.

Your Webmaster, John

DRIVEWAY MECHANIC

When ever you meet and talk cars at car shows the guys always refer to there cars as she. "She runs good, she was a bugger to restore, she always turn heads when I drive her" You get the picture. Well let me tell you a short story that happened at the driveway garage this past week.

I took the 66 Corvaire to work this past week so I could stop at some shows in the old neighborhood. I put on about 600 miles on her and had a great time. Many comments met good people and saw some awesome cars.

I thought I would give the old girl a rest and drive the 1996 S-10 for a while. So Friday night about 10 pm I was heading to work and the truck would not start!!!! After a few choice words I went into the house to get the keys for the Corvaire. My wife was ready for bed and wonder what all the ruckus was about outside. I told her the truck won't start.

The wife said it was no wonder the truck wont start you talk to her bad and don't treat her good! So the next morning I called Tim B. to help me trouble shoot why the truck won't start.

I was not getting fuel to the engine so I changed the fuel filter. No luck. I checked the fuses to the fuel pump and computer to make sure everything was talking. Still no luck. We checked the fuel psi. 50# and oil psi 48# to make sure the sensors were not the problem.

So after more choice words and kicking of tires (didn't think that would start the truck but it felt good). I had the truck towed to a real repair shop ... will better than the driveway shop.

The wife got home and was asked where the truck was ... I said at the repair garage. The wife laughed and said I told you to talk nice to the truck ... the're like women ... treat them nice and they will treat you nice. I said it's just a truck!!!! The wife said treat the truck like your Corvaire and you might be surprised.

The truck is back home and starts like new, BUT she will owe

me 50,000 more miles to pay me back the cost of repairs!!!! The problems found ... The gas tank caved in and the rust destroyed the fuel pump ... big bucks to repair.

From **Ray D.**

PS ... our cars and trucks are like women ... you can't live with and can't live without them...

Nice truck!

IN MEMORY

We lost one of our long time members last month and did something special to show our respect. **John Loba** passed away and his showing was Tuesday evening at Coats Funeral Home on Sashabaw Rd. just north of Dixie Hwy, approximately 3 miles away from the Elks Club. So after the meeting 14 Corvairs passed by the room where John and his family were gathered for the last time. I am sure he was looking down and happy to see his friends and favorite cars on that warm summer evening. From **PETE CIMBALA**

**July Meeting
Special Program**

Mike Jacobi talked about the Drive In movie screens at the old Pontiac Silverdome. There is not alot of info online other than the price of \$8.00 / adult and \$6.00 / kids and the phone number (248)630-7013 Guess you better call first and get the times and what movies are showing. If you don't mind the drive home after the movie the US-23 Drive In south of Flint is a three-screen theater with a great web site us23driveintheater.com

From **PETE CIMBALA**

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AUGUST EVENTS

Red Barn Spectacular

Saturday August 6th

The Gilmore Museum grounds in Hickory Corners, MI. This is a great place to visit, with old and new buildings full of cool cars, a big swap meet, old boats, trailers and Corvair display by our friends in the West MI Club. This is a Saturday event; don't go Sunday if you want to see the big show.

Back to the Bricks

Tuesday August 16th

The start of the week is the FREE movie night at the US-23 Drive In on Fenton Rd. just north of Hill Rd. in Flint. The movie this year is Back to the Future. Big Daddy Don Garlits and the Swamp Rat Dragster will be there at 5:00 PM. The rolling cruise starts from Grand Blanc to Downtown Flint with many stops along the way.

Check the Backtothebricks.org web page for details and events for the week. Friday night is the concert with Sonny Turner and the Flint Symphony Orchestra. Saturday 20th is the big day downtown with 1000's of cars parked on every street for blocks and blocks, lot's of food, vendors, live bands, DJ, dragster blast and much more.

Woodward Dream Cruise

Saturday August 20th

The big event for every car nut in world. The Corvair corner this year is our usual spot on the Southwest corner of Brown and Old Woodward in Downtown Birmingham. Check with Gigi for details about the parking lot at the old Max Broock office (one of the items we will go over at the meeting) Brown is open so you can get there off Woodward and go West just past the corner of Old Woodward, enter behind the building.

From **PETE CIMBALA**



The Granger-mobile of Paula and Marvin



1969 Corvair on display at the GM Heritage Museum



In different life, Ken Pepke escapes river the fog

Michigan Peach Festival of Romeo

Labor Day

Monday, September 5, 2011

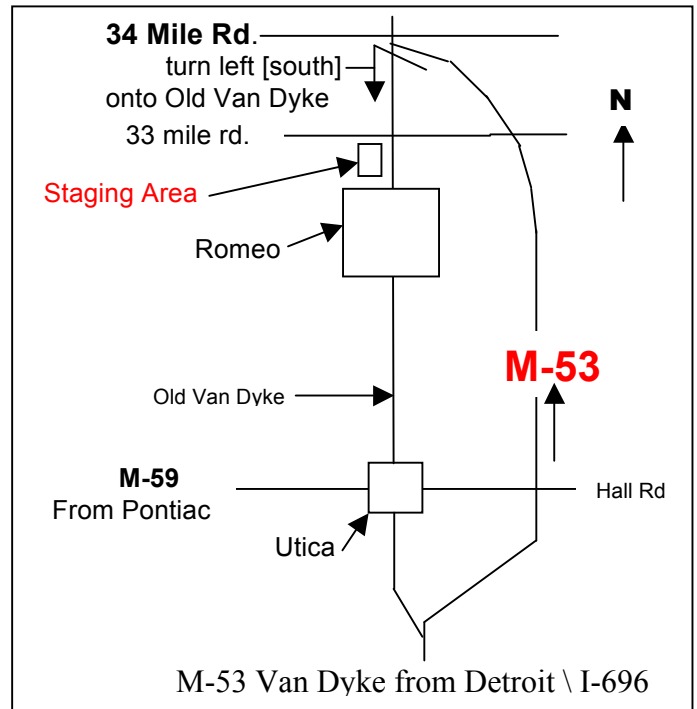
LABOR DAY

Please attend the Michigan Peach Festival of Romeo

From the Detroit area go to Utica, MI on the north side. Then proceed north on **M-53** [aka Van Dyke, Earl Memorial, Christopher Columbus X-way, the Van Dyke by-pass] to approximately **34 Mile Road** where it blends back into Old Van Dyke, turn left and proceed to the staging area. I will not know our staging number but it will be available from the parade volunteers when you arrive.

It takes quite a while to get this parade underway but that will give us lots of visiting time and maybe a chance to meet the governor! This is a good place to remember refreshments!

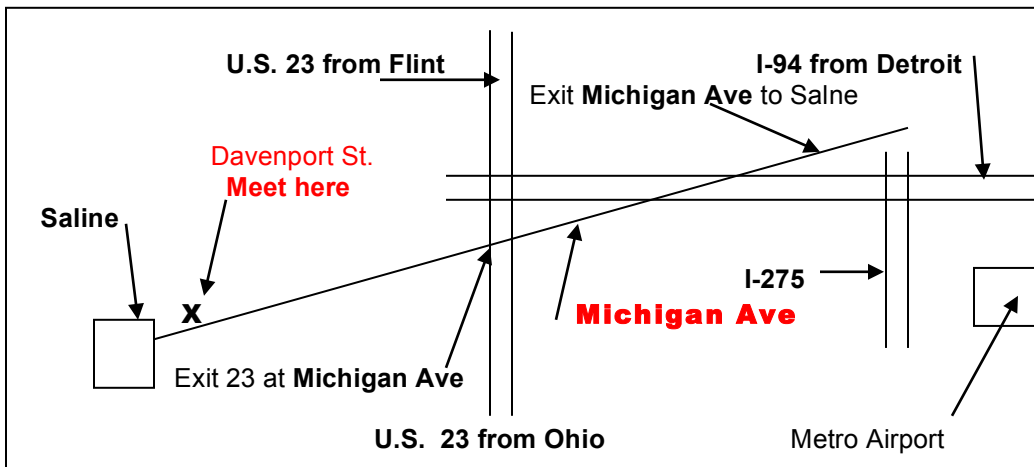
PLEASE ARRIVE BETWEEN 11:AM & 12



Saline parade

Line up time is noon

Saturday, September 10, 2011



The DACC has long had a good attendance record at this parade!

From the Detroit Area go west on I-94, past Metro Airport to the Saline exit to Michigan Avenue. It is the 2nd ramp. Continue west on Michigan Ave to the edge of town. You will probably have to talk

the cop on the corner into letting you continue an Michigan Ave once you are near town. We meet on the right side of the street between the service station and the funeral home. After the parade participants are invited to a corn and hot dog roast. It is easy to find, just follow the parade!

The town of Saline has always put on a very fine parade. We get to see some of our southern Michigan members and later, if we so choose, visit the many antique shops in the area. See you there!

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TREASURY REPORT July 13, 2011

Beginning Balance: \$5,364.83

Income : 50-50 \$146.00
 Dues \$100.00
 Homecoming \$160.00
Total \$406.00

Expenses: 50-50 \$73.00
 Air cooler \$105.15
 Attendance \$10.00
 Sloan Picnic \$60.12
Total \$248.27

From **Paul Piche**

Ending balance \$5522.56



SWAP & SELL

ADS ARE FREE TO ALL – SEND TO KENPEPKE@JUNO.COM
Word doc. Or docx .only please

SWAP: Set of 5 new P185/80R13 Firestone FR-380 whitewall tires for a set if five (5) new P185/80R13 Maxxis blackwall tires form Canadian Tire. Prefer delivery at Homecoming. Dale Dewald 906-482-2872 or dkdewald@pasty.net

WANTED: Rampside heater parts / heater motor & collector assembly that it mounts into. Pete Inman <monza1965@yahoo.com>

FOR SALE: 63 Monza cpe – 84hp PG / new paint, orig interior – Rns & drives / needs TLC \$2500 Call Fester 734-368-6198

WANTED: EARLY MODEL (1964) CORVAIR BLACK CONV. TOP BOOT COVER - CONTACT: 586-431-4494

WANTED: Used 95 or 110 hp eng from 65 to 69 – need not run but must turn over - call Rhett Ashton 248-670-7266

PARTS FOR SALE: Corvair Starters \$12 ea., Distributor - 140Hp, Manual \$25, other Corvair parts Bob Storc, bstorc@comcast.net, ph 248-701-4322

FOR SALE: 63 Spyder red conv. power top, new springs, shock, brakes & tires. Body restored 2006. Rear axle shafts rebuilt. Short throw shifter. Electronic ignition / Sony am/fm/cd with remote. Dual master brake cylinder. Hi output heater blower. EC Spare 1964 Turbo eng. First \$6500.00 Ron 248-887-3623

DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

July 20, 2011 by Clark Hartzel

Thanks to the following for keeping your membership up to date: Chapman, Euesden, L.Hand, Long, Piche, Tackett.

Dropped: Kirkland

Will be dropped: Schwartz.

Expired in June: J.Bramble, your last newsletter.

Expired in July: Currier, Debbrecht, Jacobson, Kinsman, Newell, Pepke.

Due in Aug: Balow, Burt, Cheng, DeRocco, Fultz, Gillson, Guy, Hamil, Hatala, R.Jennings, Kaster, Kendall, D.King, Lagasse, Lindh, Morenski, Nash, Newton, Parsons, Ridens, Riggs, Sheridan, Spiess, Staudacher, Vadovich, Wolford

We have 129 paid members and 7 who owe dues.

Let's get those checks in folks!!!

If you can't make it to the next meeting, send a check for \$20.00 dues, payable to: Detroit Area Corvair Club, 16911 Anita Ave., Fraser, MI 48026-2275

Any questions about your membership or if you have an address or e-mail change:

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The Detroit Area Corvair Club is a charter chapter of CORSA, Inc. Monthly meetings are held on the First Tuesday of each month, 7PM, at the **WATERFORD ELKS Club**, on Scott Lake Rd, Waterford, MI. 4/10 mi south of Dixie Hwy. Meetings are open to DACC Members, friends, and all interested in the Corvair. Come early; join us for dinner in the ELKS dining room. Pasta dinners with a choice of sauces are **\$6.99** each for everyone. Add chicken for \$3 or shrimp for \$5. **(No carryout boxes permitted)** Other entries are available.

AUGUST MEETING

Tuesday August 2, 2011

DACC
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EVENTS

The AIRCOOLER
Ken Pepke, Editor
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FIRST CLASS

DACC Activities

FROM **Pete C** Corvairkid1963@power-net.net

The Activities listed here are both Corvair related and events that may be of interest to members with other collectable cars and trucks. There will be more added each month with some special club events as well.

Aug. 2 Meeting
Aug. 6 Red Barn Spectacular. Hickory Corners, Mi
Aug. 16-20 Back to the Bricks. Flint
Aug. 20 Woodward Dream Cruise

PARADE SEASON IS HERE

@ ROMEO MI, PEACH FESTIVAL	MONDAY, SEPT 5
SALINE MI, CORN ROAST FESTIVAL	SATURDAY, SEPT 10
NEW BOSTON MI, HURON APPLEFEST	SATURDAY, OCT 1

DACC Membership Services

MECHANICAL REPAIRS / BODY WORK:

Mike McKeel 6600 W. Co. Rd. 850 N., Gaston IN (765) 358-3930

PARTS & SERVICES:

Clark's Corvair parts 400 Mohawk Trail, Shelburne Falls, MA., 01370 (413) 625-9776

BOTH PARTS & REPAIRS:

Closed / further info to come --- Norm King 10175 N. Clio Rd, Clio, MI (810) 238-4121 normking111@yahoo.com

Ken Hand 1896 S. Gregory Rd., Fowlerville, Mi 48836 (248) 613-8586

One line ads will provide our members with a quick reference guide to satisfy their Corvair needs

DACC members wishing to be included on this list should submit their information to Editor Ken Pepke

These free ads will run monthly to businesses that hold DACC memberships