



CORVAIR MODELS & TOYS

Tuesday May 1, 2012 Pontiac/Waterford Elks Club Miniature Corvaair Night

Bring your Corvaair models to the meeting and show them off. There will be a display table and you can tell the members about your special Corvaair model. What type of Corvaair models are accepted? ANY Corvaair miniature! The centerpiece will be a special display case with 40 original Corvaair "promo" models. These are plastic 1/25th scale model toys that Chevy dealers had available to the buying public back in the day. Back then the dealers might give these toys away to potential purchasers of a "real" Chevy Corvaair. Today some of them are quite valuable and should no longer be considered as toys to play with (sorry, kids!).

Pete Koehler

Sunday April 29st DACC MOTOR TOUR

The first of four DACC Touring events for 2012. These will be simple Drive-your-Corvaair activities with a lunch stop at the end of the Tour. We will leave from the Big Boy restaurant on Baldwin Road Exit 84 off I-75 at 10 AM sharp. If you want to have breakfast with us before we leave then plan to arrive well before the 10 o'clock departure time. If you are still eating at 10 AM you will just have to try to catch up to us on the road. The route is very simple. We will head north up Baldwin Road and then take Brown Road past Joslyn Road over to M24 North. We'll stay on M24/Lapeer Road for about an hour and then take a short "coffee" stop. The Tour will continue North on 24 up to M25 and Saginaw Bay. We will then have a lunch stop and after that a DQ treat in Caseville. At that the Tour is officially over and you may go home. Or, you may continue to drive your Corvaair around the "Thumb" if you prefer.

Water Pumpers welcome if your Corvaair isn't quite ready for the Touring Season yet. Please, all water pumpers take their place at the end of the line of Corvaairs! A line of Corvaairs? It's up to you! See you Sunday at the Big Boy on Baldwin Rd.

Pete Koehler

From Kathryn Rutherford

Long time no have seen you and the rest of the guys, but I try to keep up and still enjoy getting the Aircooler. Miss you all since I moved down here to Tennessee. I currently don't have my 1960 Little Blue Baby running, but as soon as I get some new tires on it so I can get it to my mechanic, he owes me more than a grand worth of mechanic work and is dying to get his hands on the car. He's an old school →

Rutherford continued

mechanic and knows the car, and other antiques, well. He owes my husband's commercial screen-printing company as he wracked up a huge credit for his crew's shirts, eh!

Daddy (Albert Ives) now has macular degeneration. He has peripheral vision and passed his last driver's license, but at age 88 and with Canadian inheritance taxes being so high in Canada, he decided to start distributing his antique car collection among my brother and I while he was still alive. As such, I now have his Corvaair Monza convertible in my name and have to come up to Windsor to get it some time. I am never up there when a DACC meeting is going on!! Might try for that when I come to get the car. Huh.... guess I'd better get another garage built on my property here. That is next on the construction list and will get my husband's '77 Harley Super-glide under a roof instead of sitting in the driveway as it is now.

Pass on my best wishes to the entire gang and have anyone passing through East Tennessee (the Knoxville, Gatlinburg, Pigeon Forge, Sevierville, Smoky Mountain National Park) area drop by and visit or catch me online at artist@heirloomartstudio.com

Till another time,

Kathryn Rutherford-Fine Artist

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PRESIDENT



Our Thanks to Tim Bramble for his help in securing a Podium and remote microphone for our monthly meeting. With the aid of being able to move about during the meeting, and provides a quality event.

Clark Hartzel and I traveled to our Ypsilanti Museum last week, we returned the restored artwork (minus the bugs) and picked up the remaining artwork for restoration. Clark is responsible for the photo of your President hanging the framed artwork. We also need to consider exercising the Mitchell Corvair; the last time was about 7 years ago. For example, the Gilmore will run most of their collection at least once a year.

I talked with Tim Shickles at the Sloan Museum in Flint. I recounted as to how our Club hosted two Corvair based shows in the Museum in the past. He would be interested in talking about the potential of our Club hosting another event. Further conversation will occur with the Board and the Museum as to the scope of that display. In 2015, the Corvair will celebrate its 55th year. This would be an excellent Anniversary.

And finally, paper nametags will be provided for printing your name, until we can find a official source.

Stu Shuster

VISIT THE DACC WEBSITE
www.detroitcorvairs.com

MEETING MINUTES

March 6, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:10 by President Stu Shuster. 34 attendees including a guest, Chris Murray who owns a '60 coupe turbo.

A list was passed around for Drive America tickets; nine members will be going and we will meet in the front parking lot of the Henry Ford at 10 AM on Saturday April 21.

Tim Bramble reminded those interested in Dream Cruise parking at the park on 13 mile and Woodward that they should sign up early for parking passes. The cost is \$35 for Friday and Saturday.

Clark Hartzel reported that there was \$4500 in the Treasury and 133 paid members. Ken Pepke said that missing members are included in newsletter list and the list would need to be corrected by Clark or John Allesee. He again encourages members to contribute articles to be published in the Aircooler.

Pete Cimbala listed the following upcoming activities in addition to the Drive America at the Henry Ford: Registration for the Heart of Michigan Tour June 15 – 22; the All Air Cool Show at the Gilmore Museum on June 16; Sloan Summer Fair June 23 & 24 (Marvin is asking for help selling 50/50 tickets); April 29 is the Corvair Driving event.

Adam was the 50/50 winner of \$61 and Bob Majewski won the attendance drawing.

The program was conducted by Pete Koehler. He tried to stump us with his collection of obscure Corvair parts.

The program for the May meeting will be a display of Corvair models. Members are urged to bring in anything Corvair related.

Gigi Debbrecht, Secretary

Board Minutes

March 13, 2012

Present: Shuster, Jennings, Piche, Hartzel, Pepke, Cimbala, Koehler, Debbrecht, Allesee, Ruth Sweeney and Tom Gillingham.

Stu distributed a few copies of Corsa Communiqué from 2010. Corsa has sent 100 copies.

Clark and Paul report treasury balance approximately \$4200. Paul plans on auditing the membership list since it appears we have more members than paid memberships.

Ken Pepke again asks for articles to publish in Aircooler. Items like Corvair trips, technical help, human-interest stories and relating to how and why someone got a Corvair are always interesting.

Upcoming activities: Pete Koehler has planned a "northern" tour for Sunday April 29. Meet at 10 AM at the Big Boy at I-75 and Baldwin. Trip will end up in Caseville. Gilmore Tour SMCB on June 16. We will try to coordinate meeting up with members of some of the other Corvair clubs. Back to the Bricks may be a club sanctioned event this year for those members who would prefer to go there rather than Dream Cruise. The Friday night concert is The Spinners. Stu will check with John O'Leary about getting parking passes for Downtown Birmingham for Dream Cruise.

May meeting will feature a large display of Corvair models furnished by Pete Koehler. All those attending are encouraged to bring any memorabilia that they have. Tom Gillingham will photograph items to publish in Aircooler and potential article for Communiqué.

Some new members have requested nametags to help them get

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DACC President Stu Shuster hangs re-stored artwork in the Corvair display area, Ypsilanti Heritage Museum.

← Clark Hartzel photo



Not all Air Coolers are Corvairs – Note the 'fan' behind the front tire

DACC visits Henry Ford Museum April 21, 2012



← Clark Hartzel, Pete Cimbala, Tom & Betty Carpenter, & Ray Fallot from Ohio, Ken Pepke, Ruth Sweeney, Kerry Borgne, Margaux, and Paul Piche



60 Corvair
Star of the Show

Ray Fallot & Bob Norwalk came up from Ohio



← Paul & Margaux 'mug' with the '60 on display and Ruth Sweeney looks over the train display with them
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Ken & Ruth pose with the C&O steam Locomotive



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TREASURY REPORT

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* TREASURER PAUL PICHE IS ON VACATION

SELL & SWAP

ADS ARE FREE TO ALL – SEND TO KENPEPKE@YAHOO.COM

FOR SALE: 64 Conv., White, New White top, New Red int & boot cover, tires, 4 Speed, 110 HP, \$7,000 OBO Huge list of new parts, contact Dan Leighton at 810/869-5069 or e-mail to leightonsr@gmail.com for complete list & pics

FOR SALE: 61 Monza 2 dr sed - 17,000 miles, black, red int -All orig from paint to tires except batt trophies from Corvair events incl B of Show \$8,000 OBO Frank Ferrara 201-641-6160 Mahwah N.J.

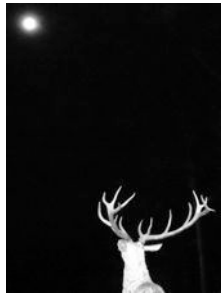
FOR SALE: 66 Corvair, Yellow w/ black int, pg, rebuilt eng, body work w/ new paint & stripes. VGC. Lonnie Brown in Windsor Ont. \$ BO 519-915-1960 lon_tam@cogeco.ca

FOR SALE: Driveway Mechanic, I have an important message regarding my 66 Corvair. **My wife wants the Corvair sold ASAP.** It's a new old car but the **wife wants it gone** ... I'm asking \$6,500.00 but willing to sell for a good offer. Please think about it, nothing needs doing, just gas up and go. Can deliver MAKE an offer. 66 Monza 2-Dr, PG. Butternut yellow, Blk int. Work done from 2008 to 2011: Complete strip-prime and paint. Reseal eng, trans & diff. viton o-rings. All new wiring Harness, All new suspension front & rear. More \$4,000.00 in up-grades & parts. Approx. 5,000 mi after rebuild. Mods are: Dual master cylinder, Dual exhaust w/Harley Davidson 80 dbl mufflers (very quiet), Cal. car with 49,828 mi \$6,500.00 OBO Ray dubiaray@yahoo.com

WANTED: New DACC member wants convertible in very good condition. Also a Corvair pickup if the convertible doesn't happen. Jerry Sheffer, 586-739-3585 home, 586-883-1301 cell

FOR SALE: 69 Cpe, California / no rust Olympic Gold ext black int, buckets, EC always garage Records of repairs, Vin # 3324 - 89,000 miles. \$6000 OBO corvair@charter.net or call Ed Roberts 805/466-7361 PST

WANTED: 66 lwr dr side dr hge (cast type). LM trunk floor. dr side main flr reinf ("G" in Clark's cat) or comp flr pnl w/ reinf. Steve Schwartz 586-264-4169.



DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

April 19, 2012 by Clark Hartzel

Due to a new policy in CORSA, any chapter member not belonging to CORSA must pay an extra \$3.00 to cover insurance at club meetings and events. If you are renewing or joining and not a CORSA member, your dues will be \$23.00.

Welcome back member: Steve Schwartz, Warren

Thanks to the following for keeping your membership up to date: Peralta, Shuster, Zull

Will be dropped: J&F Tokarz

Expired in Mar: Peralta, Roerink.

Expired in April: Knapp/Fish, Mascia, Thomas.

Due in May: Ambrozy, Dehring, Duve, Euesden,

L.Hand, Hines, Poskie, Rollins.

We have 129 paid members and 6 who owe dues. We are mailing 8 complementary newsletters to other clubs and the Ypsilanti museum

Let's get those checks in folks!!!

If you can't make it to the next meeting, send a check for \$20.00 dues [\$23], payable to: Detroit Area Corvair Club, 16911 Anita Ave., Fraser, MI 48026-2275

If you wish to receive only an on-line newsletter let me know by email so I can verify your email address.

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

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to know members by name. Bob Jennings will either print some up or bring blank nametags. Even blank adhesive backed nametags would be helpful. (Gigi and anyone else bring some in) Members are encouraged to check their food bills at the meetings. It has been pointed out that sometimes a gratuity charge has been automatically added to the bill. (Ken, put in Air-cooler) Stu felt that the use of the podium and microphone helped at the last meeting. (Bring AA batteries) Meetings will continue to be held at the Elks Club.

Homecoming: Larry Claypool

has offered to present a program on "Cars and Beers of Europe" as a Homecoming event. Pete will put it on the schedule. Stu and Tom Gillingham will collaborate on a design for a Homecoming T-shirt and get printing prices from several shirt shops. Since largest Homecoming cost has been food and the Hospitality Room, Ken Pepke has been thinking of ways to economize without altering the expectations built over the years of successful Homecoming events. While keeping the Friday evening cookout and Saturday evening pizza party and Saturday deli sandwiches, he is investigating

the possibility of offering self serviceable items like Coney dogs, chili, beans, etc for other times.

We may also provide a list of local restaurants with possible coupons as alternatives.

Next Board meeting will be 6PM at The Somerset Inn where we will investigate it as a possible site for the next Christmas party. Other potential places to check are Rivercrest (?), Polish Cultural Club. Board members are encouraged to think about other possible sites.

Gigi Debbrecht, Secretary

IT'S OFFICIAL!

The 2012 edition of the Detroit Corvair Homecoming

will have the added benefit of parts availability from Clark's. The upstairs room will be filled with goodies so you can shop for the duration of the event. We start at noon on Thursday, August 23rd and wind up with a Saturday night Pizza party and "Drive-In" Movie. Those of you who have been to our event held annually at the Signature Inn in Plymouth, MI know how much Corvair fun you can have for very little cost.

- * People's Choice car show
- * Over 100 Corvairs all lined up and looking pretty
- * Huge Swap Meet in the parking lot
- * Ypsilanti Heritage Museum just down the road a bit
- * Special invitation to the GM Heritage Collection (extra cost)
- * Auction of Corvair and non-Corvair stuff to help DACC cover the costs
- * Live DJ playing music and handing out goodies
- * Special events for the Ladies
- * Pool on-site for the kiddies (PLEASE! Bring the whole family!!)
- * The Best Corvair Hospitality Room in the entire Free World
- * Ken Pepke sez: If you can't eat enough free food and drink to cover your entry fee - then you are not trying hard enough!

Since this looks like it may be the biggest and best Corvair Homecoming ever you might want to book a room early. The DACC will take over the entire Hotel this year so we need your help. The Homecoming is all about the people. The more the merrier. Some day we may get too big for the current location. But until that day comes make your plans to visit us in August 2012 and bring your Corvair home!

Pete Koehler

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.

TOUR WITH THE DACC
10 AM SUNDAY APRIL 29
9 AM EAT AT THE BIGBOY
BALDWIN RD AT I-75
IN PONTIAC, MI
TOUR LEAVES AT 10 AM
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FIRST CLASS

May 1 Meeting @ the Elks Club
 6th Bearing Burners Swap Meet / GM Tech Center
 8th Board meeting.
 June 1-3 Fleetwood Country Cruise In. London, Ont CA
 5th Meeting Elks Club Dust Off parking lot show
 16th All Air-Cooled show @ the Gilmore Museum
 15-22 Heart of MI Back to the Bricks Promo Tour
 17th Eyes on Design show at Edsel Ford Estate
 23-24 Sloan Summer Fair Flint,
 DACC in to sell 50/50 sales
 July 3 Meeting @ the Elks Club- Parking lot show
 14th Jackson Rd. Cruise west of Ann Arbor
 24-27 CORSA National Convention, Sturbridge, MA
 (Boston)

Aug 4 Red Barn Spectacular Show, Gilmore Museum
 7 Meeting @ the Elks Club- Parking lot show
 7-11 Back to the Bricks Tune Up Party Week
 14-18 Back to the Bricks Drive - Movie/cruise & show
 18 Woodward Dream Cruise
 23-26 HOMECOMING @ The Comfort Inn Clock-tower, Clark's Parts
 Sept.4 Meeting @ the Elks Club
 7-9 Frankenmuth Auto Fest
 23 Orphan Car Show in Riverside Park, Depot Town
 Oct. 2 Meeting @ the Elks Club
 14 Color Tour

DACC Membership Services Free ads for businesses that hold DACC memberships

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On line ads 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