



SPRING DUST OFF SHOW

Tuesday June 5, 2012
Pontiac/Waterford Elks Club
Elks Club Parking Lot
Dust-off Car Show

Bring your Corvaire so everyone can see it. Don't worry about what it looks like the idea here is enjoy the nice weather, check out each others cars and see new projects.

Pete Cimbala

Sunday July 1st
Great Race Coming to Michigan

DACC has a prime location for a front row seat to watch at the corner of Huron & Cross in Ypsilanti. Thanks to Mr. Bruce Belcher of "My Car Guy" for allowing our club to have the premium parking spots for this event free of charge. The Racers could be coming into town from 10:30 am on and will be passing in front of our location as they turn on Cross St. heading into Depot Town. **Eva McGuire**, the Corvaire Lady, will guide DACC members in from 10:30am until Noon. If you have questions Contact her at (734) 485-2729. **SEE RACE DIRECTION, PG 5**

DACC Goes to Hell!

The DACC Road Tour gang is going to Hell! That's right. Our next Tour will drive out to Hell, Michigan. We will depart from Depot Town in Ypsilanti at **10 AM on June 31st. Oh, make that Sunday, July 1st.** You can show up earlier than 10 and have some breakfast (Sidetrack Cafe?) but be ready to go at 10.

We will try to connect with "Corvaire Eva" and her plan to watch as the Great Race contestant vehicles come into town. After checking out all those cool old cars we will head out of town and go straight to Hell. Well, maybe we will find a nice scenic route to get there. Once in Hell we will make a short stop at the Hell Creek Party Store to buy silly things like a Coffee Mug for "Coffee from Hell". After we have done the tourist thing we will get the Hell out of there and head for a lunch stop. After that we will find a DQ for the required ice cream social at the end of the Tour.

The first two DACC Road Tours were rousing successes. You can ask anyone who participated. So, why not become a participant? Get that Corvaire ready to Tour and join us on July 1st. If the Corvaire isn't willing then just come out with your water pumper. Everyone is welcome. DACC Road Tours are fun! From **Pete Koehler**

SEE PICTURES OF PAST TOURS ON PAGES 4 & 5, THEN PLAN ON PARTICIPATING IN THIS EVENT

WOODWARD
DREAMCRUISE
August 18, 2012

Make your plans early to enjoy the DreamCruise from the prime location in downtown Birmingham. This area is closed to traffic but very convenient to the action (and fumes and screeching). Enjoy plenty of magnificent cars in an atmosphere where you can appreciate them, plus lots of good restaurants, and all very close to the action. Parking for your friends is conveniently located in the parking structures near Brown and Old Woodward

The DACC has again registered for five (5) parking spaces in Birmingham for the DreamCruise. Reserved parking for clubs will be available on a lottery basis. Results of the lottery will be available in early June. If we are again successful, these spaces will be available to DACC members on a "first come, first served" basis. Spaces are \$25.00 each. The spaces will be located on Old Woodward between Brown St. and the intersection of Old Woodward and Woodward Avenues.

If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity, or if you have any questions please contact John O'Leary.

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PRESIDENT



The 2012 Eyes on Design Show will feature 8 cars owned by the League of Retired Automotive Designers. (Of which I am a member) The Ned Nickles car will be part of that display along with cars owned by 7 other members. Also, the artwork from the Ypsilanti Heritage Museum will be on display. The League will begin a new project for 2013, designing orphan Chrysler cars featured at the Chrysler Heritage Museum.

David McIntosh recently featured an article in the Corsa Communiqué of a Corvair Concept. I have talked with Don Wood, a contemporary of McIntosh about featuring his early sketches of series two Corvairs.

Make sure you have registered for the 2012 Homecoming, which promises to be as successful as ever. The CARS II movie will be shown along Clarks Corvairs Parts. From **Stu Shuster**

MEETING MINUTES

May 1, 2012

Those attending the Drive America event at The Henry Ford enjoyed the event and Clark Hartzel reported that the Corvair in the museum was purchased/donated with the help of DACC. The curator, Randy Mason, reportedly joined the club in order to locate a 1960 for the museum. Gus Minton, the owner of Jackson MI, ended up donating the car. The cars included 7 Corvairs.

Pete Koehler reported that 10 cars joined the Sunday trip to Caseville. The cars included 7 Corvairs, a '74 Saab, 08 HHR, and Tim Bramble's 1958 Chevy and the trip was 275 miles.

Paul Piche reported that we had \$4232 in the Treasury and have 131 paid members.

Swap & Sell: Pete Koehler is looking for a 2 door Powerglide (automatic) under \$1500-1800 to convert to hand controls for a disabled friend in Chicago. He has a 4 speed Sprint as a possible trade.

50/50: \$82 was won by Donna Lachovsky; membership drawing won by Keith Cutter.

A Homecoming reminder: get reservations in since the hotel is filling up.

The program this evening was hosted by Pete Koehler. He and other members brought in their various Corvair models for us to see. The old Timex display case holds 40 models.

Gigi Debbrecht, Secretary

Board Minutes

MAY 8, 2012 Present: Stu Shuster, Clark Hartzel, Pete Cimbala, Pete Koehler, Ken Pepke, John Allesee, Karen Sterzik, Paul Piche, Tom Gillingham, Gigi Debbrecht. Meeting was held at Crumpets restaurant in the Somerset Inn to evaluate it as a site for the Christmas Party. After a tour of the banquet room and question/answer period with the banquet sales manager, we ordered our dinners off the regular menu. Last year our bill at the Elk's Club was something over \$1,300 and \$200 for the magician. Last year the club subsidized each meal \$5 bringing the cost to \$[25] per person. Paul calculated that our bill at the Somerset Inn would be approximately \$2000 when taxes, gratuity and bartender were added to the meal charges.

Everyone agreed that the cost would be too high for most members and a larger subsidy by the club would be too expensive so the Somerset Inn will not work. Other suggestions were The Clawson Steakhouse, Troy Marriott Inn, The River Crossing (?) in Rochester. Tom and Clark are going to check out the Clawson and Marriott and Paul will check the River Crossing before the next meeting.

Last weekend Adam was going to make hotel reservations for Homecoming and discovered that there appeared to be a discrepancy in the \$70/night room rate we were quoted as the best rate and an online rate of \$59. Pete Cimbala is going to check into this. Ken said that he was still working on reducing the Hospitality Room costs and will report on his recommendations next month. We should also do a better job of publicizing the Saturday evening auction to solicit more donations than we had last year.

Pete Koehler is arranging monthly driving tours. The May event originally planned to meet at 12 Mile and Telegraph may be combined with Eva's event in Ypsilanti prior to ending up in Elizabeth Park and Grosse Ile. Final arrangements will be put on the website and online. He will put future tours in the Aircooler and some may be coordinated with other suggested events. Pete Cimbala will also continue to list upcoming events in the Aircooler. The Club will probably have a presence in the Dream Cruise at the park at 13 and Woodward and in Downtown Birmingham. Gigi will check with the new tenants in the old Max Broock office and Stu will check with John O'Leary about Birmingham PSD passes.

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TREASURY REPORT

May 31st 2012

Beginning balance: \$4,232.18

Expenses: 50 – 50 \$82.00

Attendance: \$10.00

Air cooler \$160.50

Total: \$252.50

Income: 50 -- 50 \$164.00

Dues \$60.00

Fines: \$6.00

Total: \$230.00

Ending balance: \$4209.68

Prepared by: Paul Piche



SELL & SWAP

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

WANTED: friend needs a Corvair engine to be used in an airplane Call Roy Cartwright 734 516 4041

FOR SALE: 66 convert disassembled / new flr pans, lots of sheet metal work done, ready for assembly except shifter tunnel missing. Many new parts, shocks, brakes, etc. Eng was running 140 / Have a turbo 180 alleged fresh rebuild, eng & turbo. Int VGC \$1500 for car / \$800 for turbo eng Bill Hickerson 734 716 6312

FOR SALE: 64 Conv., White, New White top, New Red int & boot cover, tires, 4 Speed, 110 HP, PRICE REDUCED TO \$6,000 OBO Huge list of new parts, contact Dan Leighton at 810/869-5069 or e-mail to leightonsr@gmail.com for complete list & pics

WANTED: upgrade parts for a 63: tail & B/U lens w/ good chrome. shiny front grill bar w/o dings correct rear air grill. & 62-63 "Corvair" eng lid emblem. Jeff Shreve. 810 -695-4526 eve or 248-880-0565 days

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

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

DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

May 20, 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.

Thanks to the following for keeping your membership up to date: Duve, Mascia, Thomas.

Will be dropped: Roerink

Expired in April: Knapp/Fish

Due in May: Ambrozy, Dehring, Euesden, L.Hand, Hines, Poskie, Rollins

Expired in June: J.Bramble, Chapman, Luther, O'Leary, Ropp, Tackett

We have 125 paid members and 9 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:

chartzel@comcast.net or phone 586-293-1587

JUNE 2012
DACC April Activity



Starting Lineup: President Stu Schuster [Silver 69 convertible] had personal business and was not able to take the tour but he did lend moral support by meeting the group for breakfast.

**DACC TOURS TO CASEVILLE
 APRIL 29, 2012**



L to R: Clark Hartzel, Tim Bramble, Robert Jennings, Kerry Borgne, and Stu Shuster are waiting to get underway



McDonalds Rest stop



With Saginaw bay in the background the Corvairs line up in the State Park at Caseville. Six Corvairs, a '58 Chevy, a '74 Saab, and an HHR made the 275 Mile trip without incident.
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The compulsory Dairy Queen stop

Right to Left: Ruth Sweeney, Ken Pepke, Robert Jennings, Pete Cimbala, & Tim Bramble check the menu at Lucky's Diner →



JUNE 2012

MAY ACTIVITY

DACC TOURS GROSSE ILE, PICNIC IN ELIZABETH PARK, TRENTON MAY 20, 2012



GETTING TOGETHER AT DENNY'S, BREAKFAST THEN WE ARE ON OUR WAY!



HEADING SOUTH,
EASY CRUISING ON
OUTER DRIVE



ALLEY PARKING BEHIND KEN PEPKE'S
HOUSE. SHORT GARAGE TOUR AND
RESTROOM STOP →



'THE GRAND' HOTEL IN
TRENTON. PURPORTED TO
HAVE THE LARGEST PORCH
IN THE DOWNRIVER AREA.
←



BEAUTIFUL
DRIVE
ALONG THE
DETROIT
RIVER ON
GROSSE ILE
←

KERRY BORG
PHOTOS



← DELIGHTFUL GROSSE ILE



TRENTON DQ ... AT THE DAYS END



ELIZABETH PARK PICNIC, L TO R: JOANNE H, JUDY O [BACK], MARGAUX, MABLE M, BOB M, PAUL P,
PETE C [BACK], RUTH S, CLARK H, ROBERT J [SIDE], JOHN O, [WHITE HAT] – WHAT A DAY ☺

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It is likely that members living to the north may decide to check out Back to the Bricks in Flint.

The program for next month will be a parking lot dust off event in the Elk's parking lot.

The next Board of Director's meeting will be 6: PM June 12 at Gigi & Tom's 564 Frank St., Birmingham.

Gigi Debbrecht, Secretary

GREAT RACE DIRECTIONS

From I-94 (coming from east or west) .. Exit at #183 for downtown Ypsilanti / Huron and continue on Huron (it will be a one way street). Cross over Michigan Avenue and stay in the left lane. Just before the light at Cross St. (across the street from the fire museum) turn left into the parking lot of "My Car Guy". I will be there to guide everyone into the parking lot from 10:30am until 12Noon. There will be a sign out front stating "CORVAIRS". You are free to leave your cars at the parking lot and roam into town and have lunch on your own – OR – Join the DACC Tour!

Eva McGuire (Corvair Lady)

PROPER WAY TO STORE A CAR

We all dream of ways to protect our old cars [and boats] while we temporarily store them out-of-doors. It is surprising how many of these temporary storage plans turn into nearly permanent storage! All of the available covers and dust bags work well ... inside. However, no matter which of the cover materials you choose they will probably not have a service life as long as the 'temporary' outside storage. They will most likely fail due to rain, wind, sun or snow

and will damage the finish, collect moisture, and cause rust and mold. Bottom line here is if you store it outside it is going to be damaged - Period.

The only really 'safe' way is to keep your vehicles inside. Perhaps build a garage or a lean-to on your existing garage, rent a garage from a neighbor, find the local car storage guys in your area and move in with them, or perhaps make a deal for one of those Self Storage units. Or you could consider putting up a 'car port' for you user car. Make it low enough and it will discourage the birds from flying up onto the car. One could install a couple of slow turning ceiling fans to provide a motion the birds can't tolerate. Four blade models work best and some 1/2-inch PVC tubes attached to the blades will broom any stubborn bird.

Sooner or later you will have to ask yourself how much is it worth to you? Would cash from its sale fit in your pocket better than the vehicle fits in your storage area?

If you must keep it and if it must be outside, it would be best to turn it into your pampered and well cared for daily driver.

From **Ken Pepke**

Great Race 2012 Information

Hemming's Motor News will be sponsoring this time, speed, distance road rally that will begin in Traverse City, MI and travel around the Great Lakes and travel through Ontario, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and finally returning back to Michigan on Sunday, July 1st in Ypsilanti, MI, stopping at the Ypsilanti Auto Heritage Museum for lunch and having the Grand Finish at The Henry Ford/Greenfield Vil-

lage at 2:30pm. Some of the 2012 entrants list include: Packard, 27 Hudson, Auburn, 27 pre-1940's Fords including Model A, Speedsters, Mustangs, Pick-up, Boat tail; Chevys including Corvette; Jaguar, Volkswagen, Renault, Jaguar, Jeep, Austin Healey.

The original Great Race began in 1908 with six cars representing four different countries: France, Germany, Italy and the United States. I'm sure a lot of us remember the 1965 Hollywood movie which gave us the comedic version of "The Great Race" starring Tony Curtis, Natalie Wood, and Jack Lemmon with images of racing teams in open vintage automobiles wearing newsboy style caps, aviator glasses, and long coats with the good guys wearing white and bad guys wearing black.

For more information on the Great Race 2012 visit <http://www.greatrace.com/>



**WOODWARD
DREAMCRUISE
2011**



DACC Parades

Caravan with the DACC to Cass City, MI

Saturday, June 30, 2012

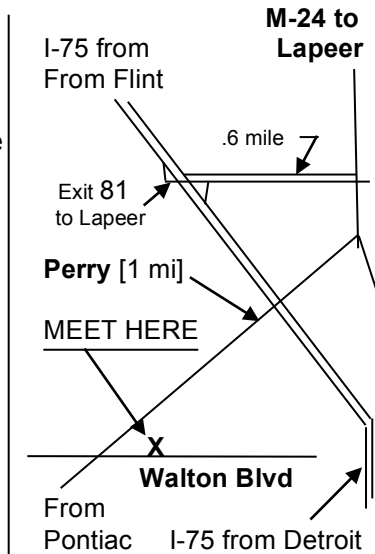
Bring your CB
[remember those?]

The map on the right indicates the regular meeting location. We must **Leave at 8AM**, go North on M-24 to Mc Donald's in the city of Lapeer, for a breakfast stop.

We must leave that stop by **9:00 AM** for the trip to Cass City. We arrive on M-81 from the west and get our line up location from the

officials as we enter town. The parade starts about 10:30. If you choose to meet the DACC there officials ask please arrive by 10:AM

As always there will be a parking corral, ribbons for all participants, food sales, antiques and crafts.



Leonard Strawberry Festival

Saturday July 21, 2012

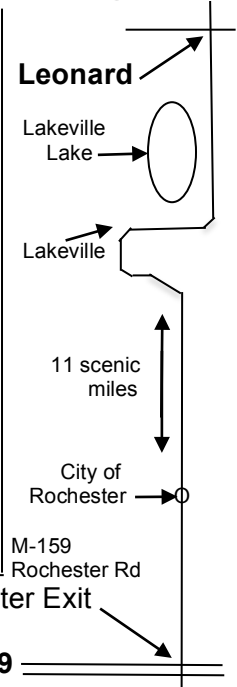
Line up at 11: AM

The town of Leonard is located north of Detroit and is a long but very scenic drive along M-150 Rochester Rd which is east of I-75 and west of Utica, MI. Use the map to the right to get to Leonard; officials will direct you to the staging area.

Featured along with the parade are a **town wide flea market, crafts, & strawberry ice cream.**

The DACC has won First Place gift certificates in past years!

To go north on **M-150** Take Rochester Exit [8 miles East from I-75 on **M-59**]

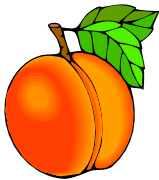


DACC Contact: ken Pepke

For further information on all events

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MICHIGAN PEACH FESTIVAL OF ROMEO

Labor day

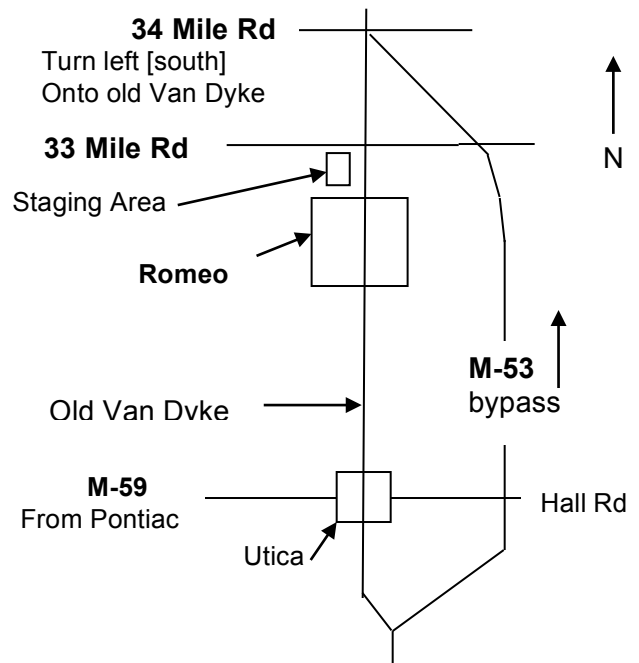
Monday, September 3, 2012

Let's 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** to approximately **34 Mile Road** where it blends back into **Old Van Dyke**. Turn left and proceed to the staging area. The staging number will be available from the parade volunteers when you arrive.

It takes quite a while to get this parade underway but that gives us lots of visiting time and maybe a chance to meet the governor! Don't forget to bring beverages and snacks!

PLEASE ARRIVE BETWEEN 12 & 12:30 P.M.



M-53 Van Dyke from Detroit \ I-696

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.

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The AIRCOOLER
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FIRST CLASS

June 1-3 Fleetwood Country Cruise In. London, Ont CA
5th Meeting Elks Club Dust Off parking lot show
8-9 / Ft. Wayne Mad Anthony Corvair Club
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