

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

May 2018

Ned Madsen and Larry Lee enjoyed weaving through the fields of wind generators. The Corvairs were returning home from the first MCCA Road Trip for the year. The wind farms are located in Oklahoma on Highway 18 just South of Shidler, OK.



Spring Means MCCA Corvairs on the Road

Highlights of the April meeting included: Ned Madsen announcing he had received five registrations of the Great Plains Corvair Roundup. Larry Lee said

he would be able to get goodie bags from Hagerty Insurance for the Roundup. Greg Renfro informed the group that the drawing for the Free Room during the Roundup will be at the June 15th MCCA meeting.

Several members discussed the possibility of a MCCA Road Trip to "Big Brutus", a humongous electric shovel used in the mining industry during the '60s. There was a lot of interest in the trip.

A motion was made that no Mel Horstman Award points would be made on Tuna days. It was seconded and passed. Another motion to move the MCCA supported

Friday night Central & West Show from the third Friday of the month to the first Friday of the month starting in May. It also passed after some discussion..

MCCA President, Lyle Ackerman reminded members that MCCA Officer elections will be taking place at the Sunday, June 10th, meeting at Lake Afton. All four officer positions will be available, President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you are interested in any of these positions or wish to nominate someone let Lyle know. If you don't contact him, he may be contacting you

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May Meeting

Saturday,
May 12th 7 pm

Oaklawn Activity Center,
4904 S. Clifton, Ave.
Wichita, KS

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Lloyd Folger



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May Meeting

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about running for a position.

A couple of May MCCA events had already taken place by the newsletter deadline. The first, first Friday Central & West show was on May 4th. Club members headed out the next morning, May 5th to the CARS show at McPherson College. Read about the Central & West Show in this issue and the McPherson College Show in the June edition of the Flat Six Journal.

Upcoming May events are working on the Valve Cover Track and Trailer on Saturday, May 12. Several members of the Oklahoma City Corvair club will be there to help some MCCA members create instructions and labels for assembling the track and packing the trailer. This will take place at Terry Kalps Garage in Valley Center. The address is 326 W. Third, Valley Center, KS. Be aware 85th Street is closed between I 135 and Valley Center.

Also May 12th is the monthly MCCA meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center 7pm. Prior to the meeting some members are eating at Hog Wild.

Saturday, May 19, Will be Cars & Coffee at the Alley parking lot. Show starts at 8 am. but get there early because it fills up fast.

The final May event will be the MCCA Road Trip on the 26th. Contact Ned for information.



A sneak peak at the FlatSix Journal coverage of the McPherson College show. Lee Olsen takes a phone photo of Dennis Gage posing in Lee's Corvair. Look for more coverage in the June FlatSix Journal.

Project Police . . .

Ned Madsen, has his 4-speed swap pretty much wrapped up. it is down off the jackstands and has taken a few laps around the block. There is also a new addition to **Ned's** garage. A Bendpak Quick Jack showed up on his porch. Maybe he will give a report at the May meeting.

Larry Lee replaced a burnt out headlight on his "66 Corsa convertible . . . then discovered while all his headlights worked they were quite dim. With further investigation **Larry** discovered a broken ground wire, fixed it and all is well. **Terry Kalp** picked up a rebuilt differential from **Mike Dawson** in KC for **Larry**. A future project.

Lloyd Folger took his blue Corsa coupe to the Kalp shop where **Alex Moats** installed new brake hoses and wheel cylinders. With a little help from **Terry Kalp**, they adjusted the trunk lid so it fit and latched better. **Alex** adjusted

the camber on one of the rear wheels.

Greg Renfro had the Gen/Fan light pop on during the trip back from McPherson. After a quick check to see that the belt was still on, he headed to the Kalp shop where it was determined it was still charging. Pulling the body pan he found the clutch cable sawing into the wiring loom. **Greg** fixed and re-routed the wiring. He replaced the damaged internal regulator.

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 May 12th meeting. So bring your appetite and join your friends at 5:30-6 on Saturday. It is a chance to meet and socialize before the meeting.

MCCA Members Head to Pawhuska

by Terry Kalp

Two Corvairs, a S-10 and a HHR showed up in the old Antique Mall parking lot early Saturday morning, April 28th. Larry and Donna Lee were in Larry's '66 Corsa convertible. Ned and Kathy Madsen were cruising in their '65 four-door. The S-10 was occupied by Bill and Tiffany Smith. Terry Kalp was driving the HHR.

At 9 am. the group headed South out of Derby on K-15. Tourmaster Ned planned out a scenic two lane route around Winfield Lake then picking up Hwy. 18 in Oklahoma.

Several of us gave a big sigh of relief when Ned pulled into a convenience store in Shidler, OK. After a few minutes of stretching



ABOVE: Donna and Larry Lee pose in the coffee shop on the second floor of the Mercantile in Pawhuska, OK.

RIGHT: Shidler, OK was a pit stop for the MCCA group on both the trip to and from Pawhuska. On the way home Ned and Larry parked in front of an abandoned train station.



Ned Madsen led the group on a scenic trip down two-lane highways through Southeast Kansas and Northern Oklahoma. .

and hitting the half-price snack bin, it was on the road again.

The next leg of the trip was the most interesting. The road became a lot more twisty with giant wind generators popping up all around. The fun couldn't last forever, a left turn and we were back on a straight road headed to Pawhuska.

Passed the entrance gate to

the Drummond Ranch (Pioneer Woman) before the group reached town. The edge of town looked much like the hundreds of small towns in Middle America. Further in things changed, instead of a abandoned, decaying downtown, most of the buildings were either freshly restored or in the process. Also there were over a thousand

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Bill and Tiffany Smith examine kitchen items on the main floor of the Mercantile. The trip to Pawhuska was part of their wedding anniversary celebration.

through the windmills, only this time one of the drivers was trying to balance his camera on the steering wheel to get photos for the newsletter.

There was another stop at Shidler, OK. Ned and Larry parked in front of a dilapidated train station. It made for an excellent Kodak moment. There was a nice contrast between the shiny Corvairs and weathered wood. After everyone had stretched their legs, they piled into the cars for the trip home.

Next MCCA Road Trip is set for May 26, 2018. No definite destination has been set. There was a lot of discussion about a trip to "Big Brutus" in the SE corner of Kansas. More details of the May trip at the meeting and FaceBook.

Members Head to Pawhuska

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people spilling over the sidewalks. After winding through the traffic for a few minutes, Ned located several parking spots together and only a block or two from the Mercantile.

The Mercantile is the center of activity for the small town. Owned by Ree Drummond, known as "The Pioneer Woman". Drummond hosts a popular cooking/lifestyle TV show on the Food Network

Plan A was to eat at the Deli at the Mercantile, but a line of people a couple of blocks long with the same idea got us looking for

Plan B. A short conference later a new plan was hatched: check out a couple of nearby shops, then meet at the Mercantile to select a nearby eatery for lunch.

The group browsed the offerings in the first floor, general store area of the Mercantile then headed up the stairs to the Coffee Shop and Bakery. After a few minutes consulting smart phones, Grill 125 was selected. There was only a short wait and it was on the way to where the cars were parked.

After lunch there was a bit more shopping before heading back to Wichita. More fun driving



ABOVE Ned Madsen does his best Thor imitation with a meat tenderizer at the Mercantile in Pawhuska, OK.



LEFT: MCCA members get ready to order lunch at Grill 125. Lots of comfort food filled the menu.

Central & West Going Strong

Due to changes in the Mel Award rules passed at the April MCCA meeting there are two Central & West shows to report on this month. The club decided to move the Central & West show that received Mel Points to the first Friday of the month starting in May.

Two MCCA members drove their Corvairs to the April 20th Friday night car show in the strip mall parking lot at Central and West Streets in Wichita. Jay Allen and Terry Kalp brought out their EM Corvairs for display. Jay drove his '64 Monza coupe while Terry arrived in his '61 700 station wagon.

Jay and Terry showed up again for the May 4th show. Jay again driving his '64, Terry brought his '65 500 coupe, Kermit. They were joined by Lyle and Lonene Ackerman in their yellow '65 Monza. Jared Strecker and family cruised in with their '66 Monza convertible. The parking lot was crowded when the Corvairs parked. Luckily when a truck that was parked between Jared and Terry



The two blue Early Model Corvairs got a lot of attention from the spectators at the April 20th Central & West show and shine.

left they were able to save the spot long enough for Lyle to move his car to the empty spot. Jay was not as fortunate, but was able to find a parking spot on the end of the next section of cars. Bernie and Julie Strecker showed up as spectators and ended up chatting with the MCCA members present at the show.

The next MCCA night at Central and West will be Friday, June

1st, 2018.

The show starts at 5 pm so come early as the parking lot fills up quickly. If you are planning to attend the show, but cannot make it until later, contact another member that is going and have them reserve a spot for you. Sometimes reserving a spot works better than others. This show counts for the Mel Horstman Award. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321



The beautiful weather on May 4th brought out an overflow crowd to the Central & West show. That also included four Corvairs. Jay Allen's coupe is not pictured. Also driving Corvairs were Jarred Strecker, Lyle Ackerman and Terry Kalp.

Cars & Coffee

The April Cars & Coffee was canceled because of cold weather combined with a forecast of 100 per cent chance of rain.

The next Cars & Coffee Wichita will be Saturday, May 19th. Although the show starts at 8 it fills up fast so getting to the show early is advised. Let's have a great turnout for the first official MCCA appearance at this event.

2018 Events

Dates in Red are Mel Horstman points events

May 4, 2018: Friday April MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

May 5, 2018: Saturday MCCA Trip to CARS show at McPherson College. Meet at Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st N. Valley Center, KS leave at 8 am Contact Ned Madsen 316-680-3483

May 12, 2018: Saturday May MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

May 19, 2018: Saturday April MCCA Cars and Coffee Show at The Alley Indoor Entertainment parking lot, 11413 E. 13th St. North, Wichita, KS 8-11 am. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

May 26, 2018: Saturday April MCCA Road Trip. To be announced. Contact Ned Madsen 316-680-3483

June 1, 2018: Friday April MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

June 8-10, 2018: Friday-Sunday TriState Corvair Meet, Crested Butte, CO. Host Hotel, The Grand Lodge at Crested Butte 888-443-6715. For more information contact: <http://www.rockymountain-corsa.org/contact/>

June 10, 2018: Sunday June MCCA meeting and Lake Afton Car show. MacArthur Road at 247th Street West, Wichita, KS 11 am. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

June 16, 2017: Saturday Juna Tuna. Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS 8 am till ????. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

June 23, 2018: Saturday April MCCA Road Trip. To be announced. Contact Ned Madsen 316-680-3483

July 6, 2018: Friday April MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

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July 14, 2018: Saturday July MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

July 21, 2018: Saturday April MCCA Cars and Coffee Show at The Alley Indoor Entertainment parking lot, 11413 E. 13th St. North, Wichita, KS 8-11 am. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

July 23-July 28, 2018: Monday-Saturday COR-SA International Convention, Pittsburgh, PA. Host Hotel The Double Tree by Hilton-Green Tree.

August 3, 2018: Friday April MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

August 11, 2018: Saturday August MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

August 18, 2018: Saturday April MCCA Cars and Coffee Show at The Alley Indoor Entertainment parking lot, 11413 E. 13th St. North, Wichita, KS 8-11 am. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

September 7, 2018: Friday April MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm.

September 8, 2018: Saturday September MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

September 22, 2018: Saturday April MCCA Cars and Coffee Show at The Alley Indoor Entertainment parking lot, 11413 E. 13th St. North, Wichita, KS 8-11 am. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

September 28-30, 2018: Friday-Sunday Great Plains Corvair Roundup Wichita, KS. Host Hotel Best Western Wichita North 915 E. 53rd N. Wichita, KS 316-832-9387

October 5, 2018: Friday April MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm.

October 13, 2018: Saturday October MCCA

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Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

October 20, 2018: Saturday
Juna Tuna. Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS 8 am till ????. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

October 27, 2018: Saturday
April MCCA Road Trip. To be announced. Contact Ned Madsen 316-680-3483

November 10, 2018 Saturday
November MCCA Pot Luck dinner and meeting at Bob and Lee Bright's 210 E. Walnut, Derby, KS, 6 pm. Bring a chair and a side dish. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321



May Meeting

7 pm

May 12th

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Bonus Photo



Spot the Corvair engine part on the '65 aluminum Oldsmobile engine in Nate McLanghin' LM Corvair. It serves the same function in the Corvair and Olds. Fanbelt idler .



Calendar

May Meeting	May 12
Cars & Coffee	May 19
Road Trip	May 26
Central & West	May 4
June Meeting	
Lake Afton Show	June 10
Juna Tuna	June 16
Road Trip	June 23