

# The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

February 2019

## Spears is Site of Feb. Meeting/Dinner

Hope everyone is looking forward to the Pre-Spring Fling and February meeting at Spears West on Saturday, February 9th. Remember we are starting at 6 pm. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Fourth Annual Mel Horstman Memorial Award. Spears is just off the NE corner of the Towne West parking lot.

The next MCCA event in February will be Cold Tuna on Saturday the 16th at the Kalp Shop. (See story on pg. 3) It is a good time to bust the cabin fever, wrench on some Corvairs, socialize and eat.

There was a good turnout of members for the January MCCA meeting despite the cold weather. There were three people that drove their Corvairs. President, Lyle Ackerman had a full agenda and started the meeting rolling. Bob Bright was first with the Treasurer's report. The Roundup put a nice balance into the MCCA account. Procedures to get Darlene Welte added as a signee for checks.

Lyle then asked if the club was interested in changing the time, day, or location of the monthly meeting. After a vote was decided to make no changes

at this time.

In new business it was announced that Cars & Coffee starts March 16th. Mark Welte noted that Cars & Coffee will be featuring a different car club at each monthly



The Fourth Annual Mel Horstman Award will be presented to a MCCA member at the February dinner/meeting. The honor goes to the member that drove a Corvair to the most designated MCCA activities during the calendar year. Mark Welte photo.

events. Mark offered to see what it would take to make MCCA one the featured clubs.

Lyle explored creating a nominating committee for the MCCA officer election in June. The process was made easier when Bob Bright offered to serve another year as Treasurer and Bill Smith did the same for his Secretary position. Bill and his wife, Tiffany, also

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**Feb. Meeting**

**Saturday,**

**Feb. 9th 6 pm**

Spears West  
4343 West Maple  
Wichita KS

# Corvair for Sale

## FOR SALE 1962 Corvair Monza 2 dr. PG

My father-in-law passed away. I'm selling this Corvair for my mother-in-law. There is some rust on the body but the floor and the trunk look good. The odometer reads 48,000 miles. The digits appear quite even so I don't think it is 148,000. I have not tried to fire up the motor but the motor turns by

hand so I don't believe it is froze up. The windows roll up and down good and the doors, trunk lid and hood open and close nicely. The rear bumper is bent but there is a spare. There is also a spare engine that also turns by hand. We have a key but no title.

It was stored in a building for decades on a dry dirt floor. I removed it from the building about six months ago as the building is quickly deteriorating. It can be seen on the south side of Red Rock road in Yoder, Ks. For more information call my cell at **620-960-2239**. We are asking **\$800 OBO**. Steve Hindle



## MCCA Officers

### Lyle Ackerman

*President*

316-207-3321

### Jay Allen

*Vice-President*

### Bob Bright

*Treasurer*

316-619-5800

### Bill Smith

*Secretary*

### Terry Kalp

*Newsletter Editor*

316-882-3056

### Web Site

<http://www.Corvair.org/chapters/chapter672/index.html>

[mccawichita@gmail.com](mailto:mccawichita@gmail.com)

4920 N. Hillcrest Street

Bel Aire, KS 67220



**FOR SALE** 1964 Corvair Monza convertible Solid, clean driver. 110 hp engine with automatic PowerGlide transmission. Rebuilt engine and front end. Originally a Spyder. Has exhaust cutout and proper VIN. . For current price and more information call **316-461-7890**

Thank you for your help.

**Lloyd Folger**



## *Cold Tuna Feb. 16th In VC at Kalp Shop*

It is Tuna time. Come out to the Kalp shop at 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, on Saturday February 16th for a day of Corvair "tune-up" and repair. Time to start planning your Corvair upgrades for Spring and Summer Corvair driving enjoyment.

L.P. Penner will be giving a demonstration on how to straighten and polish Corvair trim. L.P. always gives an interesting presentation. Terry Kalp will show how to inspect and lubricate EM/FC rear wheel bearings both on the axle and off.

Doors open at 8:00 am and close when the last project is finished. There will be a Pot Luck lunch, the main dish will be Soups and Greg will be fixin' Chili. The Club will be providing plasticware, plates, bowls and napkins. There will be discussion on food and projects for the Tuna at the February MCCA Meeting. If you don't make the meeting and not sure what to bring, contact Lyle Ackerman at 316-207-3321 and Lyle or Lonnene can help you decide.

Note that 85th Street North from Broadway to Valley Center is still under construction and closed to thru traffic. Most people use 101st to get to the Kalp Shop and it is still open. So use 77th or 101st Street if you had been coming in on 85th.

Still plenty of time and space for Corvair repair/upgrade projects. Let Terry know if you are bringing in a large or complex project so that



Attendees of the 2018 Cold Tuna gather around Orange Crush on the lift. Scott Allison assisted by Gary Jones showed how to use shrink wrap to repair a leaking Corvair PowerGlide shift cable.

proper space and resources can be allocated. If you need to discuss your Tuna project you can contact Terry Kalp at 316-882-3056.

**2019  
MCCA Dues**  
are due in January  
The \$15 annual dues may be paid to Bill Smith in person or sent to: MCCA  
4920 N. Hillcrest St.  
Bel Aire, KS 67220

## *Check out MCCA On Facebook*



Mid-Continent Corvair  
Association

[https://www.facebook.com/  
groups/105523176146520/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/105523176146520/)

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**Ned Madsen**  
2015 Mel Award Winner



**Larry Lee**  
2016 Mel Award Winner



**Lyle Ackerman**  
2017 Mel Award Winner

## 2019 Mel Horstman Award Rules

### Objective of the Mel Horstman Award:

For MCCA members to drive their Corvairs to club events.

### Events that qualify for the award:

Members who drive their Corvairs to:

- Regular MCCA meetings
- Club-sponsored events
- Club-sponsored road trips
- Lake Afton
- Cars & Coffee on non-Tuna dates.
- Club-sponsored participation in Parades
- Club-sponsored monthly Central & West Friday

### Night Cruise-Ins

- Other events specifically designated in-advance by majority vote of MCCA officers

### Specific events that do not qualify for the award

- Tunas
- National or Regional Conventions
- Other events specifically excluded in-advance by majority vote of MCCA officers

One point per event, per family who drive their Corvairs. An MCCA officer will document an official Corvair count

at each qualifying event. If an MCCA officer cannot be present at an event, an MCCA member will be designated to document the official Corvair count.

In the event of tie names will be drawn from a hat, overseen by an MCCA officer.

Start date to begin accumulating points for the Fifth Mel Horstman Award is January 1, 2019. The period covered for the award is January 1 through December 31 annually.

The first award was presented at the MCCA 2016 February Dinner Meeting, thereafter recurring annually at the MCCA February Dinner Meeting.



With the appearance of a few warm days, Mark Stever headed back out to his shop with a little helper.

## January MCCA Meeting

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offered to take on planning MCCA Road Trips.

Updating the MCCA web site was another topic of conversation. No one in the club seemed interested in revising the web pages, Terry Kalp suggested the club approach Travis Bolton of HACO to see if the club could hire him to set up the basic pages. Thanks to Mark Welte the club has a new permanent e-mail address: [mccawichita@gmail.com](mailto:mccawichita@gmail.com).

Members voted to set Spears restaurant as the location for the February dinner/meeting. The meal will start at 6 pm on Saturday, February 9th. The first MCCA Road Trip is April 27th and location is yet to be determined. The club decided that the second MCCA Road Trip will be to the McPherson College Car Show on Saturday, May 4th. Plans for Cold Tuna on February 16th were also discussed.

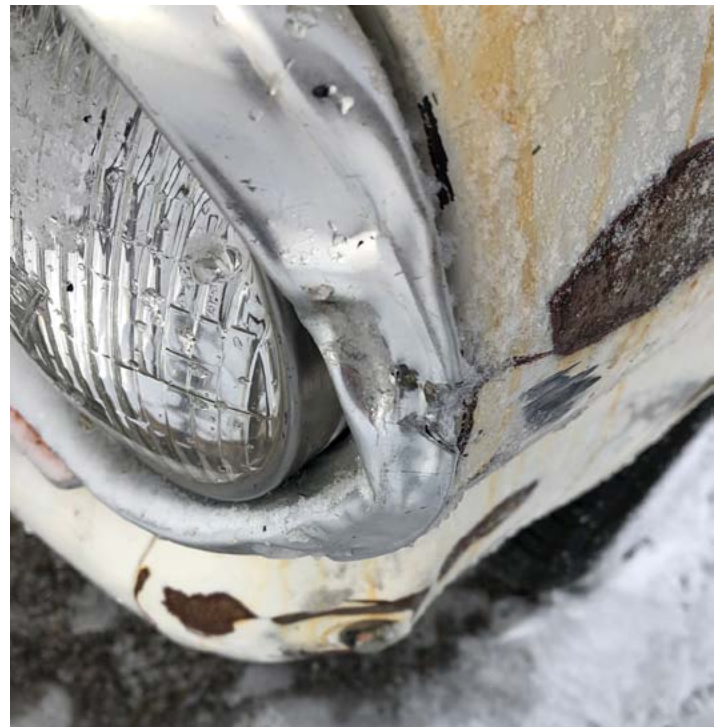
Five MCCA members attended the Tech session on welding and soldering at Mike Dawson's near Kansas City. (See story on pg. 6).

Get your Corvair(s) ready for an outstanding 2019 season. Tunas, Road Trips, Cars & Coffee, Central & West are all starting soon. Lots of opportunities share our favorite cars with the public and fellowship with our friends. Many events to attend.

## Project Police

**Mark Stever** was one of the first to shake the Winter Blues and get restarted on his Corvair project. **Mark** is working on a '64 coupe and has just finished media blasting and coating the entire underside. Going from the bottom side to work on the trunk his first step was to lower the body 9" on the jack-stands. To refurbish the trunk, **Mark** is media-blasting any rusty areas, removing any loose paint then scuffing the remainder before fresh splatter paint.

**Terry Kalp** created a stand to hold a '66 and later manual transmissions. **Terry** used his stand to haul a transmission to K.C.



The recent icy roads were not kind to Gary Israel's "Odd Ball". A Toyota lost control and tried to run over the little Corvair. "Odd Ball" suffered a chewed headlight door and a couple of shallow dings. The newer Toyota did not fare as well..

# Blues, Bar-B-Que & Beads

by Terry Kalp

Not a trip to New Orleans, but a fun day in Kansas City January 26th. Mark Welte and I drove up to Kansas City and met up with Scott Allison, Keith Hammett, and Travis Bolton. After some shop time at Scott's, the group headed out for Bar B Que and blues at B.B.'s Lawnside BarB-Q.

Then it was on to Mike Dawson's for the HACOIA Tech Session at 4 pm. David Jacobson joined the group at Dawson's. Mike Dawson presented welding information on gas welding, quite a bit on wire feed welding and some on TIG welding. The wire feed



Fred Bybee shows his soldering technique attaching leads to a rebuilt Corvair speaker. Keith Hammett and Scott Allison take a close look.



When Mike Dawson dons the white coat it is time to listen. Mike was sharing the best uses for a gas torch to an attentive audience.

welding included flux wire and MIG (with gas shielding).

Fred Bybee covered soldering techniques. Not only did he supply information he gave away a soldering kit to the winner of a quiz he held after his presentation.

Soon it was time for the soup supper supervised by Sandy Dawson. It was a great pot-luck with an excellent variety of soups and desserts.

The Mid-Winter Tech Session was originally set for Saturday, January 19, but bad weather (including inches of snow) caused a postponement until the 26th.

A big thanks to Mike and Sandy for opening their home and shop for the Tech Session/Supper.

## H.O.T. April 12-14

The 23rd Heart Of Texas Corvair Reunion (H.O.T.) is set for April 12-14 in Spring Branch, Texas. The Host Club for the event is the LoneStar Corvair Club based out of Austin, Texas.

The Host Hotel is Hampton Inn, Bulverde/Spring Branch 499 Singing Oaks, Spring Branch, TX 78070 Group Code for Room Reservations: "COR-Corvair Reunion" \$129. Hotel Phone: 830-438-5007, #0. Event Chairman David Brown noted that half of the block of 35 rooms have already been reserved. Once the block is gone the room rate makes a substantial jump.

Planned events include a Friday night Welcome Party, Saturday Car Show and a Hill Country Cruise to historic Gruene (shopping, lunch, etc.). That evening there will be an Awards Dinner

Event Pricing: Registration: \$25/Family; Dinner: \$25/Adult; and Tshirts: \$20 each.

For more information contact: Dave Brown, 1201 Spoke Hollow Rd, Wimberley, TX, 78676 or e-mail him at: [corvair69@gmail.com](mailto:corvair69@gmail.com). Dave's phone number is 713-410-9595

The event lasts from, April 12th, 2019 12:00 AM through April 14th, 2019 12:00 AM

## Tri-State May 17-19

From Ed Halpin: Hello MCCA & COCA Members, and all Friends of the Pikes Peak Corvair Club! I wanted to hop on here and officially announce the launch of our "2019 Tri-State Corvair Meet" Event page, which you'll find at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2045448495501301/members/> This western regional Corvair event will take place In Alamosa, Colorado on the weekend of May 17-19, 2019. All of the event info, including the host hotel and registration forms can be found both there as well as the PPCC Website @ <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter809/index.htm>

Make your reservations as soon as possible before the rooms fill up, and register early so you don't have to worry about the deadlines! Hope to see a bunch of you in Alamosa!!

## 2019 Events

**February 9, 2019: Saturday** February MCCA Pre-Spring Fling dinner meeting. Spears West, 4343 West Maple at 6 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

**February 16, 2019: Saturday** Cold Tuna. Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS 8 am till ????. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

**March 8-9, 2019: Friday & Saturday** Kansas Sunflower Swap Meet for Charity. Century II 225 W. Douglas Ave. Wichita, KS Starts at 8 pm each day. Contact 316-943-1191.

**March 9, 2019: Saturday** March MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

**March 16, 2019: Saturday** 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

**April 5, 2019: 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

**April 13, 2019: Saturday** April MCCA Regular meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 7 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

**April 20, 2019: Saturday** 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

**April 27, 2019: Saturday** April MCCA Road Trip. To be announced. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882.

**May 3, 2019: Friday** May 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 4, 2019: Saturday** May MCCA Road Trip. McPherson College C.A.R.S. club Car Show.



"Ran When . . ." was the caption Larry Lee sent along with this photo. The photo was taken in Larry's side yard. His present project is sourcing a good steering bos to replace the worn one in Larry's '66 convertible. Submit your Ran When Parked photos to Terry Kalp.

February Meeting

6 pm

Feb. 9th

Spears West  
4343 West Maple  
Wichita KS

## Bonus Photo



Every once in awhile conversation on one of the Internet's Corvair groups turns to Late Model Corvair station wagons. A recent topic inspired Terry Kalp to use PhotoShop to graft an EM wagon top on a LM.



### Calendar

Pre-Spring Fling	Feb. 9
Cold Tuna	Feb. 16
March Meeting	March 9
Cars & Coffee	March 16
Central & West	April 5
April Meeting	April 13
Cars & Coffee	April 20
Road Trip	April 27