

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

June 2019



The parking lot for the May meeting had 3 Corvairs, 2 EM and 1 LM. This was an historic occasion. The last time that EMs outnumbered LMs at a meeting was the July, 2013 meeting, almost 6 years ago. There have been three ties since 2013 but no wins.

June Packed with MCCA Activities

The May meeting was historic in that for the first time since July of 2013 there were more Early Model (1960-64) Corvairs in the parking lot than Late Model (1965-69) Corvairs. Vice-president Jay Allen called the meeting to order. After the monthly Secretary and Treasurer reports old business was opened. Terry Kalp passed around several options for a MCCA membership cards. One design was selected unanimously.

Discussion turned to the MCCA officer elections that will be held at the June Lake Afton meeting. At least one nominee had been found for each position, except

President. Bob Ferenc offered to take any position except President. Bill Smith responded that if Bob would take the Secretary's position, he would be a nominee for President.

Bob Bright provided the dates for the upcoming Hutchinson Swap Meet. Lloyd Folger announced that his church, Midway Baptist at 4552 S. Broadway would be having a car show on July 21st and invited members to bring their Corvairs.

The question of the July meeting and the Moonlight car show in downtown Wichita was brought up. Members decided to move the start of the July meeting up to 6 pm and

try to keep the meeting short for those that wanted to also attend the Moonlight show.

June is busy with Central & West, Juna Tuna and a Road Trip.

**June Meeting
Sunday,
June 9th 11 am**

Lake Afton Car Show
MacArthur Road at 247th
Street West, Wichita

Corvair for Sale

FOR SALE Orange Crush 1966 Corvair 500 Sport Sedan 4 door. 110 hp engine with automatic. Factory Air Conditioning, clock and folding rear seat.

Beautiful Orange Crush (Ford Color) exterior with a fresh tan interior. A real attention getting combination.

Supplemental electric fuel pump.

New Chrome Cragar Five spoke wheels and new 14 inch tires. Stock appearing modern AM/FM radio. \$9000, contact **Ken Meyer at 316-214-8020**. Selling because we just do not have the time to drive it.



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



FOR SALE 1963 Corvair Monza coupe 102 hp 4-speed. Leaks oil and could use a tune up. Solid body and interior. Family crisis forces sale. \$3000, for more information call **316-209-0008**



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Juna Tuna: Fun, Food & Friends

It is Tuna time again. . . Come out to Terry Kalp's shop at 2140 W. 101st Street North on Saturday, June 15th for a day of Corvair "tune-up" and repair. It is time to get you Corvair in shape.

If you need to discuss your Tuna project you can contact Terry Kalp at 316-882-3056. Several projects have been planned. Mark Welte will be working on tightening up

the pivot on his driver's side outside mirror. Bill Smith has a long list of work on Tiffany's '61 sedan. Included in the list are wiring, engine seals and grommets, install the proper balance tube and stands for the air cleaners. Bill will start Friday and continue on Sunday if necessary.

There are probably a couple other projects, but there will be room and help for other

projects.

Final plans for the noon meal will be made at the June meeting. No one goes away hungry from a Tuna. Bring a side dish and a chair.

Even if your Corvair is running fine come out for the noon meal and Corvair fellowship, maybe even help out a fellow member on their Corvair.



One of last year's Juna Tuna projects was getting the powertrain together and in Larry Lee's convertible. Helping were Mike Dawson, Alex Moats Larry Lee, Gary Wolfe and David Jacobson. Tiffany Smith photo..

**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.
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Check out MCCA On Facebook



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Don Cory's project was to add extended vent tubes to all four carbs on his triple black LM convertible. Scott Allison lent a helping hand.

HACOIA Tech

By Terry Kalp

I headed out early, Saturday June 1st to Mike Dawson's home in Belton, MO. Picked up Gary Moore in Newton, then headed on Hwy. 50 to Emporia and on to Kansas City on I-35. Not much traffic and good conversation made it a pleasant trip. The original



The dual exhaust on Kat King's '63 convertible wasn't hung even on both sides. Mike Dawson broke out the cut-off wheel and MIG welder and fixed it.

Noon start time had been moved up to 10 am. because of weather concerns. It was a little after 11 when we arrived and much Corvair work was underway.

The host, Mike Dawson, had his hands on many projects. He had just finished adjusting the carbs and fixing the linkage on Kat King's '63 red convertible. Mike re-hung the exhaust and replace the pitman arm bushing on Kat's Corvair before the day was over.

At the workbench, Scott Allison was mentoring Don Cory who was adding extended vent tubes to all four carbs. This modification helps eliminate cut-out under hard cornering conditions.

In the auxiliary garage John Martin performed an oil change on another red EM convertible next to Fred Bybee who was installing a water pump on his LM coupe. It

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John Martin finishes up an oil change. Mike Dawson advised that most dip sticks are not marked correctly. He suggests filling the filter then add four quarts.

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was an electric pump for his windshield wiper squirter.

Gary Jones' Rampside arrived on the bed of a rollback wrecker. I had broken down on the way to Dawson's. Soon it was found that the distributor was his problem. It was filled with metal shavings. Further inspection revealed that the cam had been pulled up high enough that the advance weights were allowed to swing free and grind against the inside of the case. It was also missing the retaining bracket and screws that were supposed to prevent the cam from rising. Mike supplied the missing parts and Gary Jones installed them along with an electronic ignition module. The truck was ready to hit the road again.

The final project of the day



Terry Kalp's project was mating this PowerGlide transmission to a recently rebuilt differential. Mike demonstrated setting the end play.

was mating the PowerGlide transmission I had brought along to the differential that Mike had just rebuilt for me. The tricky part is that there is a specified clearance between the governor drive gear and transmission output. The procedure to measure and determining end play was demonstrated to the group.

As projects were being finished up, others were preparing the pot-luck meal. It was nearing 4 pm. and neither Gary nor I had anything to eat since before 8 am. The smell of grilled hamburger had been teasing us for about the last half hour. Soon tables were filled with food and lines formed. After eating our fill Gary and I packed up and headed South.



Ray Sego observes as Mike Dawson swaps out a worn pitman arm bushing on Kat King's red '63. Using a C-clamp style bushing press, Mike was able to put the bushing in with the center link still in the car.

Project Police

Curtis Shelton is continuing to work on his EM coupe. The final fix for his tail light problem was to buy new units from OPG. He now has the windshield wipers working and picked up the final part from **Terry**. **Curtis** also picked up a trunk lock and latch mechanism from the Kalp shop.

Gary Moore and Terry tore down **Gary's** engine and found scored cylinders, damaged bearing surfaces on the crank, EM heads and rods. They are in the process of gathering parts for the rebuild.



The Souders Historical Farm Museum tour is part of the trip. Cheney depot is one of several buildings. .

Lunch for the Road Trip will be Benny's Burgers and Shakes in Cheney. This is their welcoming window.

June MCCA Road Trip

Bill and Tiffany Smith have arranged another great MCCA Road Trip for Saturday, June 22. First stop will be at Ken and Nora Myer's home 134 N. Acadia, Wichita, Ks. Their tour will start at 10 am.

Ken has a fabulous collection of models in a stand-alone two car garage behind their home. Ken has on display hundreds of model cars and aircraft. He has built many of the models on display.

Another stand-alone building in the back yard houses Nora's sewing hobby. She has created many quilts and banners in her space. She will have her area open for display also.

An easy way to get to the Meyers home is to take North Tyler Road to West Douglas Avenue. Turn West onto Douglas and Arcadia is the third street West. Turn North on Acadia and in about a block will be the Meyers home.

Come down the drive to Ken's collection behind the main house.

The next stop after the Meyers will be Benny's Burgers and Shakes 610 North Main, Cheney, KS. This traditional hamburger joint has a variety of hamburgers on the menu, but also sandwiches, dogs and strips, wraps, salads and chicken dinners. Ratings hover around 4.5 for Benney's.

The final leg of the Road Trip will be to Souders Farm Museum 39925 West 39th Street South, Cheney. The museum depicts what life was like in Cheney and rural Kansas in the late 1880's and early 1900's.

Floyd and Norma Souders ran the town newspaper, The Cheney Sentinel, from 1941 to 1971. When they sold the newspaper, they began building their farm museum. They replanted the farm land with native plants and over many years turned 12 acres into a reconstruction of a small rural town. A few of the buildings were moved here, but many of them were new constructions.

Buildings they constructed include a "Main Street" with a furnished cobbler shop, telephone office, bank, post office, diner, general store and a recreated Cheney Sentinel.

Great Plains Corvair Roundup / Maple Leaf Car Show October 18-19, 2019



Green Country Corvair Group
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Slim pickings for Corvair parts at the May Hutchinson swap meet. A steering wheel and these wheelcovers were about all that could be found.

July Cars & Coffee

The June Cars & Coffee is on the 15th, same Saturday as Juna Tuna so no Mel Award points are given.

Plan to attend the July 20th Cars & Coffee. Cars & Coffee is a Mel Award event. Remember to mark your Calendars for August 17th. That is when the Wichita Cars & Coffee will give special recognition to the Corvair Club and Corvette Club. There will be special parking for the Corvairs. This will be a great opportunity to bring attention to our favorite cars. The crowd and cars number in the hundreds for this event.

Central & West Shows

There has been no Central & West MCCA night show since the last newsletter, but there will be two before the July publication date.

The next MCCA night at Central and West will be Friday, June 7th The show starts at 5 pm. The parking lot fills up quickly. This show counts for the Mel Award. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

The July MCCA night for Central & West will be Friday July 5th. These shows are a great time to get together, and share our Corvairs with the public. Your Corvair doesn't need to be a show car to be displayed at these shows.

2019 Events

June 7, 2019: Friday June 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 9, 2019: 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 15, 2019: Saturday Juna Tuna. Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS 8 am till ????. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

June 22, 2019: Saturday April MCCA Road Trip. Start at Ken and Nora Meyer's 134 N. Acadia, Wichita. Then lunch at Benny's 610 N. Main Cheney. After lunch tour Souders Historical Farm Museum 39925 West 39th Street South, Cheney. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882.

July 5, 2019: Friday July MCCA Central and West Show & Shine. Corner of Central and West streets in Wichita, KS 5-9 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321.

July 13, 2019: Saturday July MCCA meeting. Starts an hour earlier so those wanting to go on to the Moonlight Car Show can. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 6 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321

July 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

July 22-July 27, 2018: Tuesday-Saturday CORSA International Convention, Chicago, IL. Host Hotel Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles IL.

August 2, 2019: Friday August 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 10, 2019: Saturday August MCCA meeting. Oaklawn Activity Center, 4904 S. Clifton, Ave. Wichita, KS 6 pm. Contact Lyle Ackerman 316-207-3321



This "Ran When Parked" photo was posted by Gleen Stephens on the Corvair Owners Facebook page. Send your RWP photos to Terry.

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June 9th

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 Street West, Wichita

Ten Years Ago Photo



One of the highlights of the June 2009 Flat Six Journal was the story Greg Renfro penned about his first ride in Jim Dallas' Yellow '64 racer. Greg commented, "Wow, what a rush. I was giggling like a schoolgirl all the way." He wrote, "It was like riding a roller coaster without the hills."



Calendar

Central & West	June 7
June Meeting & Lake Afton	June 9
Juna Tuna	June 15
Road Trip Ken Meyer's & Cheney	June 22
Central & West	July 5
July Meeting	July 13