

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

October 2019

Tuna & Meeting Combined in Oct.

Due to the 2019 Great Plains Corvair Roundup landing on the third Saturday of October, the MCCA event calendar has been shuffled a bit. Traditionally on the third Saturday, Luna Tuna has been moved forward a week to October 12. The second Saturday is traditionally the MCCA meeting night, so rather than have the Tuna during the day and a meeting that night it was decided to combine the two into one event.

The September meeting had a new twist, Mark Welte asked members to bring interesting tools they have to the meeting for Show & Tell. Several tables were filled with a variety of tools. Each member that brought some tools had a bit of time at the end of the meeting to explain each tool and their use. Mark provided this web site that provides identification and a bit of history on many old tools: http://alloy-artifacts.org/?fbclid=IwAR0DpUFbNOISYCKAsElgouhEsdAJIfRTQEMFvFVVImsKtHayjo_Y8aTVNE.

Bill & Tiffany Smith continue to do an excellent job of putting together road trips for MCCA. The September trip to Marquette and Lindsborg was a lot of fun with mild but moist weather. See more details

in the story on pages 4 & 5.

The car show and MCCA activity season pretty much winds up with the October Tuna/meeting.

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This patriotic trio of Corvairs endured the damp drive to Marquette on the September MCCA road trip. See story on pgs 4 & 5. Tiffany Smith photo.

September MCCA meeting, Bob and Lee Bright offered to host an Italian dinner at their house for the November MCCA meeting. Bob usually whips out a couple of main dishes and members bring side dishes, desserts and chairs. If you don't want to stand and eat be sure to bring something to sit on. The dinners at the Bright's have always been enjoyable and this one should be also. Their Derby address and more details will be in the November FlatSix Journal.

If you haven't already made plans and reservations for the 2019 Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Carthage, MO, now is the time. Information of the event is located on page 2 and in the Calendar of Events. It should be beautiful with the trees donning their fall colors and entertaining with all the activities associated with the Maple Leaf Festival.

Oct. Meeting

Saturday,

Oct. 12th 1 pm

The Kalp Shop,
2140 W. 101st Street North,
Valley Center, KS

Corvair for Sale

*****LOWER PRICE*** 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.

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Great Plains Corvair Roundup / Maple Leaf Car Show

October 18-19, 2019

Carthage, Missouri



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For Reservations: 417-359-5900

Luna Tuna October 12

Luna Tuna is Saturday, October 12th at the Kalp Shop. It is a chance to get some work done on your Corvair, eat, socialize and just have a fun day. Usually on the third Saturday of the month, the Tuna was moved up a week to avoid conflicting with The Great Plains Corvair Roundup set for Oct. 19th.

The Kalp Shop is located at 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS. If you are coming down I 35 get off at exit 19 and go two miles west.

We will be starting at 8 am but you can come and go as you please. Lunch will be at noon and we will be hanging around until all the cars are finished. There will be a short meeting at 1 pm since the October meeting will be combined with the Tuna. Bill Smith will be putting the cooling tins on Tiffany's '61 sedan. There is space for more projects. If you plan on a major project it would be good to contact Terry at 316-882-3056.

Greg Renfro will show up with a pot or two of Chili. Bring another soup or side-dish.



This Corvair engine removal cradle and roll around stand was one of the many old and interesting tools brought to the September MCCA meeting. Dennis Fuller brought the cradle and explained it was used with a floor jack under the center section to remove the engine from the Corvair. Once lowered, the jack could be removed and the engine could be rolled around. Dennis also noted it could be adjusted for removal of the entire power pack or just the engine. Mark Welte photo.

MCCA 2020 Calendar

It is time for MCCA members to provide photos of their Corvairs for the 2020 MCCA calendar. There are many club Corvairs that should be in the calendar. Deadline for photos is Thanksgiving. If you have an interest in the calendar project contact Terry at 316-882-3056 or let him know at the October meeting.

The cost of the calendars should be between \$10-15. Existing pho-

tos may be used or new photos can be taken. Terry will take photos of your Corvair if needed. All Photos and orders will need to be to Terry by the end of November. There will be samples of past Corvair calendars at the October meeting where Terry will be able to provide additional information.

This is not a fund-raiser the calendars will be sold at cost. If you have questions contact Terry.

Check out MCCA On Facebook



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MOTORCYCLE MUSEUM

MARQUETTE, KANSAS

By Terry Kalp

Five cars and Eight people showed up at the Kalp Shop on Saturday morning, September 28th for the MCCA September Road Trip. Driving Corvairs were Larry Lee, Roy Juenemann, and Terry Kalp. The Smith's and Meyer's

were in water pumpers.

Bill Smith lead the way to Marquette traveling mostly on Old 81 Highway. The misty trip left the Corvair drivers wishing for an intermittent setting for their windshield wipers.

Soon the Corvair caravan arrived at Marquette and were able to park directly in front of the Motorcycle Museum. This is my third or fourth trip to the museum and it seems to get nicer and better organized every visit. Shortly

after everyone gathered inside the front door, the docent gave a quick introduction including a bit of the history of the museum and an explanation of how it was laid out. Then the group was on their own to view the exhibits at their leisure.

There were hundreds of motorcycles covering about 100 years of production. They came in all shapes and sizes, from basically motorized bicycles, to all out racers, to heavy duty cruisers.

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Larry Lee enjoys viewing the variety of vintage motorcycles.



The MCCA tour group gets an introduction to the museum from the docent. There are three large rooms of motorcycles and more.



Bill Smith checks out a rack of motorcycle literature and this very unusual three wheeled scooter with an impressive fairing. Tiffany Smith photo.

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Next was a short trip down Highway 4 to Lindsborg and a tasty buffet lunch and lots of conversation at The Swedish Crown. It was decided the the road up Coronado Heights would be too muddy, so that part of the trip was cancelled. The pack enjoyed another pleasant ride down Old 81 Highway home.



Just outside the entrance is this adult sized rocking cycle. Rumor was that there was a photo of either Bill or Tiffany Smith riding it. Tiffany Smith photo.



Terry Kalp and Bill Smith admire a row of more modern motorcycles. Bill pointed out a Triumph that was like one he recently bought.



Nora Meyer takes a few minutes to check out the vintage Quarter-midget race car. It was powered by a Harley 45 flathead V-twin.

UltraVan National Rally



Settled in at the campground at Kearney, NE are (from Left to Right) Ultra Vans, Chris Brown & Molly Bacon's #328, host Sherry Morrow's #402, Ken Hand's #398 and 500 owned by #Owen Strawn. Owen Strawn photo.

The 2019 UltraVan national rally was held mid September in Kearney Nebraska. The rally was a great success with attendees from PA, MI, OH, IN, MN, NE, KS, OR, & WA. Eight coaches were displayed and there were lots of fun activities for the new and old friends. Attendees toured the Great Platte River Road Archway Museum and the Blueprint Engines factory. There was an open house featuring the coaches downtown on "The Bricks", followed by a special showing of "The Long, Long Trailer." Some of the ladies enjoyed shopping, glass fusion, and ceramics activities, while the rest of us visited with Chris Shade (Shade's Classic Cars), Ken Hand (Handy Car Care), and Jeff Stonesipher (The Corvair Ranch). Host Sherry Morrow provided a Bingo night and a Casino night, and even supplied her own Spyder, Monza, and Rampside for local transportation. The closing banquet was held

after hours at Kearney's fantastic Classic Car Museum.

Jeff Stonesipher and his daughter Amanda arrived (and departed) with UV #209 under tow. They travelled with the 2019 Lincoln Highway Military Convoy Centennial Tour from York PA to Carson NV and back to Kearney, but at some point their engine

started smoking and they felt that towing was the safer course. UV #209 is a very early coach, built in Oakland California before the factory in Hutchinson was opened.

Jerry and Mary Lou Kramer are veteran UltraVanners, they have been snowbirding and attending UltraVan rallies in their UV #424 ever since they acquired it in 1994,.



Another row of Ultra Vans at the campgrounds. Left to right: Carl and Fran Jones #400, #300, Jeff Stonesopher's # 209. Owen Strawn photo.



Bill Smith has been busy getting all the cooling tin cleaned up and painted so he can install it on Tiffany's '61 700 four door during the Tuna. Bill posted this photo of his sand blasted turkey roaster along with photos of the painted tins on facebook.

HACOIA Tech Day

By Terry Kalp

When I arrived at Mike and Sandy Dawson's home for the HACOIA Working Tech Session & Front Yard Car Show there were only a couple of Corvairs in the garages. Work had already started. Scott Allison was working on a major tune up and oil change on Kat King's EM convertible.

Don Cory had help measuring clearances and getting the cam and crankshaft indexed.. Don had the crank, cam and block together at the end of the day.

Fred Bybee solved a steering column squeek and some oil drips with some help from Mike. Gary Jones used a device created by Mike to pressure test some Corvair oil coolers.

About 4:00 the pleasant smell of grilled hamburger descended on the crowd that had grown over the last couple of hours. Soon everyone was enjoying a pot luck supper and good conversation. Then it was time for me to make the trip South to Valley Center.



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Oct. Central & West

The report from Tiffany Smith on Central & West, October 4th was that they arrived around 6:15 and there were no Corvairs in sight. She also mentioned there were only about five cars there total. Sounds like the show season is over for Central & West..

Watch the FlatSix Journal for when the Friday night show and shine starts up again next spring.

Oct. Cars & Coffee

Bob Ferenc was the only Corvair to show up for the September 21st Cars & Coffee. The October Cars & Coffee is scheduled for Saturday, October 19 That is also the date for the Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Carthage, MO.

The October show is the last one scheduled for this year. The show will return next Spring.

2019 Events

October 12, 2019: Saturday October MCCA meeting and Luna Tuna Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS 8 am till ????. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056

October 18-19, 2019: Friday-Saturday Great Plains Corvair Roundup/Maple Leaf Car Show, Carthage, MO. Host Hotel Precious Moments Hotel 2701 Hazel Ave., Carthage MO. Mention the Roundup for a special rate. Reservations 417-359-5900. For more information contact Marilyn Ash 918-245-0888 or Marvin Luke 913-350-5900.

November 9, 2019: 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 Bill Smith 316-469-9882

No December Meeting

Project Police . . .

Bob Ferenc posted on the MCCA Facebook group that he would be missing out on the Sept. road trip because he was putting a new top on his Spyder convertible. He has already put a top on his 1969 Firebird..



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Ten Years Ago Photo



Marvin Luke let MCCA use his restored '60 Corvair Sedan to be displayed in the lobby of the host hotel for the 2009 GPCR. But first it had to thread through three sets of double doors each with only an inch of clearance on each side of the car and to make it more interesting, one doorway was offset from the others, so it wasn't a straight shot. Marvin's Corvair made it in and out in fine shape, whew.



Calendar

- Sept. Meeting Sept. 14
- Cars & Coffee Sept. 21
- Sept. Road Trip Sept. 28
- October Meeting
And Luna Tuna Oct. 12
- Great Plains Corvair
Roundup Oct. 18-19
- November Dinner Meeting
at Bob & Lee's Nov. 9