

JUNE 20



THE **AIRCOOLER**

DETROIT AREA CORVAIR CLUB ESTABLISHED 1974

NO JUNE Monthly Meeting Scheduled

MEETING DELAY

Due to Covid-19 we are canceling our meetings until such time as Governor Whitmer gives us her permission to resume.

I have been in contact with the bowling alley and they will not be open.

If things change we will notify via e-mail and on Facebook. Feel free to contact me if need be.

734-223-8943 Lori Komora

Homecoming Update

As we enter another month of unknowns at press time the Homecoming is still on as scheduled for August. We have been watching events cancel their "official " 2020 dates with some die hard participants trying to create an "unofficial" event. What we are going to be doing in the coming weeks is to monitor the status of the CDC mandates for groups and public gatherings and see where we are at with the stay at home orders. This is the approach that a lot of event organizers are looking at day by day. I read somewhere that all public gatherings and events in Michigan will be cancelled until at least October. I have seen so much from so many people that I really don't know how true this statement could be but it was one of the deciding factors in the cancellation of the 2020 Woodward Dream Cruise if I remember correctly. If something should happen to change our minds about the status of this

years Homecoming it will be posted on the Website, Facebook pages, and by email blast to everyone that we have an address on file. I know two people who have survived the Covid 19 Corona (China) virus, whatever you want to call it and they are OK as of today and looking forward to resuming "normal" activities soon. Until that day comes stay safe and keep a positive attitude moving forward.

Peter Cimbala

June Meeting

Well with all that is still going on it doesn't look like the bowling alley is going to be open for our June meeting.

I asked the board what they thought about doing the meeting on a Sunday and having a picnic. Well it's going to be, Sunday June 14, at 1:00 pm at Tim Bramble's house. (ed) Bring your own lunch, drinks and chair. We will keep our distance if you want to wear a mask your choice. But most of all bring your Corvaire and cheerful smile! It would be nice to see everyone If things change you will be notified via e-mail and Facebook.

Homecoming!!

As of now it is still a go! We had scheduled a 2nd Saturday event to build valve cover racers and it was canceled stay tuned for a future build date. We need to have the biggest race of the year in honor of the builder of our track Paul Piche. I still have a few slots to fill: One more to help serve Pizza, a few more in the hospitality room, adult crafts, kids activities, and 1 more tech session.

Lori Komora

BRING YOUR OWN FOOD - NO PASSING PICNIC

In attempt to have a June meeting we're going to do something a little different. On

Sunday June 14 at 1 PM
meet at Tim Brambles house

and have a meeting / picnic. In attempt to keep everybody safe and healthy, bring what you would like to eat and drink. This is **NOT a potluck what you bring is what you eat**. If you'd prefer to eat prior that works too. This is just a get together to see everybody, cars, fresh air, sunshine all the good stuff. In keeping things simple all food must be cooked prior to arriving, bring your own chair, please bring a Corvaire, great sense of humor is always welcomed, and whatever you'd like to drink. Thank you Tim for letting us converge at your home. Tim's address **220 Coyote Run, Holly, MI**. If we need to cancel due to weather watch for an e-blast or on Facebook.

There is plenty of parking for whatever you drive. Also we will be observing the social distancing of staying 6 feet apart and if you choose feel free to wear a mask or not. We will not hold Tim liable for anything other than providing us a great place for a picnic.

ROBERT WITTMANN

PASSING OF PAUL PICHE FORMER TREASURER

As most of you know now, Paul has left us for a better journey. His body was donated to Wayne State University. Donations in Paul's honor may be sent to, Father Solanus Casey Center, Attn. Fr. David Preuss, 1783 Mount Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207. He will be missed. I regret not spending more time with him and Margo. I have learned a lot about this wonderful man since he left us. I wish I had heard it first hand from him. Here is an article that Paul had written for the newsletter Whales on Wheels. I thought this was fitting to share with all. He always had a smile on his face, kind words for all and a great sense of humor.

Sticks and stones will break my bones, But names will never hurt me.

By Paul Piche

This statement is really true for anyone owning a Ultra Van. A group of us were sitting around a campfire and we discussed all the names we have been called over the years. Some are funny but when people are caught off guard they say what they think, here are some of those thinking's. The first one listed is the one we hear the most often:

Wiener Mobile	Fred Flintstone Camper
Whale on Wheels	Volkswagen on Steroids
Up side down bathtub	Nest Egg
Tear Drop	Mobil Marshmallow
Pregnant Snow Ball	Bubblegum Machine
Junior Space shuttle	Jelly Bean
Loaf of Bread	Squatty Patty
Jet Puff	

If your Beautiful Ultra was called something else, please let me know and I will add it to the list.

Next the questions your most likely to be asked.
Home made? How old is the unit?
Air Steam conversion? How long have you owned it?
Did you buy it new? Who made it?
What kind of frame is under it? What is it?

I have been asked if I made it myself and how long did it take to do it. Considering the amount of time I have spent on it, I sometimes think I COULD have made it myself....#8-)

The best one though was when the guy filling up my propane bottle commented, "I knew it was Volkswagen powered as soon as you drove it, I could tell by the sound." I tried to gently let him down.

Another time a truck driver came up to me as I refilled and said, "I have been following you for a long time and until you turned it I thought it was a trailer.

..... **Good bye,
Paul**

MEMBERS REMEMBER

Paul Piche, here is a man that will be missed. Just getting to know Paul made for an immediate connection. His approach always included a smile and a twinkle in his eyes. Next you knew he was going to make you laugh. Paul also was the hardest working. We watched as he designed, built and set up the Valve Cover Race Track. Then, he disassembled it and transported it and somehow wrestled it up to his garage loft again and again. Paul not only kept the books, he analyzed them and produced maps showing where members lived for meeting location choices and activities. While his thoughts were thorough his execution was fun. When we saw Paul and Margo at Camp Dearborn with the Tin Can Tourists we weren't certain that he was serious, it was, and as serious as it was, it was fun. Paul and Margo came to visit with us in Florida and ended up staying three days. We laughed the whole time.

Just remember, when the WHALE pulls in, brace yourself. God bless Paul, God bless Margo.

JOHN OLEARY

As a DACC Member for a number of years, I remember Paul's cheerful outlook and great sense of humor.

He also did an excellent job as Treasurer. When we hosted the 2007 CORSA Convention, things were pretty hectic. We could always count on Paul's smile and with to see us through.

Bob Storck

66 Corsa Yenke Stinger - YS #309

At the first DACC meeting I attended I sat next to Paul. We discovered we were neighbors when we were toddlers. We both lived on Houstonia in Royal Oak

Robert W Jennings

Y'all didn't have to know Paul too long to know he was a special kind of guy. In fact we stuck him with the Treasurer position on his first meeting. He was energetic ... I remember a Christmas party when he was dancing so hard I had to stop the music before he drilled himself into the floor.

We all participated in parades. When one of the band members collapsed in the heat it was Paul to the rescue, carrying the person to the end in his Ultra Van.

We visited at each others homes both here and in Florida where we took them to St. Augustine, 'The Ancient City,' he felt right at home.

We laughed, we joked, now we miss him.

Ken & Ruth

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DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MAY 3017, 2020

by Ken Heberling

Thanks for keeping membership up to date: Euesden, Grahovac, Reyes, Rollins, Stagg

Members to be dropped for non-payment:

Due in February: Balow, Irons, Schlack,

Due in March: Murray, Spry, Tom Tennant,

Due in April: Bill Anstine, Bluhm, Friedman, Graham, Hines, Roerink

Due in May: Ambrozy, Mike Anstine, Duve, Hartzel, Lehman, Monk, Poskie,

Due in June: Beck, Chapman, Duerden, Gary Komora, O'Leary, Parsons, Reisig, Linda Tennant,

We have 107 paid members and 16 who owe dues.

We are mailing 8 complementary newsletters to other clubs and the Ypsilanti museum.

If you can't make it to the meeting, send a **check for \$20.00** payable to **Detroit Area Corvair Club** to:

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We have an **email blast list** to notify members of quickie tours or last minute changes. Please send me your email address so we can keep this list up to date.

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The AIRCOOLER

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FIRST CLASS

Look out world, 1965–69 Chevy Corvairs are rising fast ...

by Jeff Peek

CONTINUED FROM APRIL

Ironically, the second-gen Corvair had already received a fully independent rear suspension for 1965—prior to the release of *Unsafe at Any Speed* in late '65. Similar to the one in the Chevy Corvette, the Corvair's suspension had been redesigned to reduce the rear roll center to half its previous height, and the suspension was equipped with fully articulated half-axles that provided constant camber on the rear tires.

Bye, bye, handling problems. Bye, bye, “one-car accident.”

Although the Corvair had a solid 10-year run (1,839,439 were sold), many automotive enthusiasts today consider it tainted by the Nader situation and a bit of a cult car. Although both panned and praised, the Corvair certainly has a stout and loyal following. Proving the point, second-gen models are heating up in the marketplace, and Hagerty associate editor Kyle Smith offers a few reasons why.

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