The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

April 2022

Miles of Smiles 20000 miles 15000 miles 10000 miles **5000** miles

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In the late 1940s, the Motor City's auto designers went far outside the box with their idea cars and prototypes. Here's one intriguing example: the streamlined, rear-engine 1948 Corsair from Harley Earl and General Motors.

March; Lamb to Lion(s)

They say if the March weather comes in like a lamb, it will go out as a lion. That saying sort of works for March MCCA activities. The first MCCA event for March was the meeting at OAC. It was sparsely attended. It was fun and Bill Smith got a couple of Corvair keys cut while everyone could watch. The next Saturday was Cars & Coffee a couple of members showed up, but no Corvairs. The breakfast at the Huddle House the following week was a roaring success with three Corvairs in the parking lot and 17 members inside enjoying a grand breakfast.

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KC Museum to Feature Corvairs

The Kansas City Automotive Museum announced an upcoming exhibit featuring the Corvair. The Corvairs will be displayed August of this year. https://kansascityauto-museum.com/exhibits/.

The museum has elected to feature the Corvair and they are looking for original examples as they were produced by Chevrolet of each of the Corvair models that were offered through the years including an UltraVan.

Scott Allison will be asking for a volunteer to coordinate a visit to the museum for the HACOA and MCCA clubs during the month of August. Sounds like a good road trip adventure for MCCA members



Corvair for Sale





Scott Allison has two Corvairs for sale in Belton, MO (Greater Kansas City area). Descriptions below.

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301 W. Willow Goddard, KS 67052 FOR SALE: 1965 Monza 4-Door **Sedan.** with a 110hp and '65 4-speed. The motor was built 4 years ago with Noland heads and stock cylinders, new rings, and bearings. It has about 10k miles on it and runs great. Freshly painted by Maaco 1 year ago and some rust repair behind the wheels and minor dents removed. Front seats are from a Pontiac but I have a set of '65 seats needing recovered that will go with the car. Rear seat was recovered by me with Clarks upholstery. DIN radio and tach installed in the dash and an electric fuel pump replaces the manual pump. Trunk bottom has been patched but I have a full inner trunk that can go with the car for a "prettier" repair. New tires 3 months ago on 15" Camaro wheels. Asking \$7,500

or

FOR SALE: 1966 Monza 2-Door with a 110hp and '66 4-speed. The motor was built with mostly used serviceable parts in March of 2022 with Noland heads (deep seats) and

Clarks Premium +.020 pistons and cylinders, new rings, stock 8109 cam, +.010 bearings, rebuilt carburetors, and cherry bomb exhaust. The engine has very few miles on it and is in the break-in phase. Painted 4 years ago by Maaco just to make it all one color, there is some rot in the wheel wells, behind the rear wheels, and a small hole in the drivers' floorboard (flat sheet metal presently covering) that was not repaired nor was the car completely stripped of its old paint (didn't want to cover up defects). New hard brake hoses and lines, except for long center but including above the tank. Stock '66 front seats in fair shape. The back seat bottom has a seam that has given way. Tach installed in the dash. All heater parts are present and function. There is a working AM radio in the dash. Tires are older staggered size tires (rear are larger, not shown in picture) on Camaro wheels with no center caps. Asking \$4,500. Contact Scott 816-506-6892 or beaminscott@yahoo.com.

April...

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was technically not in March, but close enough. Sponsored by the Goddard Lions, there was an outstanding selection of cars including a bunch of Corvairs for spectators to enjoy.

The next April MCCA activity is the April meeting this Saturday, the 9th at the DRC. The weather is predicted to be nice, it is a good opportunity to put some miles on you Corvair and enjoy friends.

The following Saturday, April 16th is Cars & Coffee. It would be nice to have some Corvair exposure there. Remember they will be featuring MCCA and Corvairs at their September event.

There is a two week break before the final club event of April, the first MCCA Road Trip for 2022. Members will be meeting at the Goddard WalMart Saturday morning, April 30th. Plans are to hit the road by 8:30 and be in Norwich a little after 9. Norwich is putting on a car show and short drags on Main Street. Several members went last year and pronounced it a fun event.

The club officers have decided that the First Friday event will be the show and shine on the 400 block of South West Street. That will be on May 6th.

Pre-meeting Eating At Hog Wild BBQ

Some MCCA members will be gathering at Hog Wild Bar-B-Q at 630 E. 47th St. South, Wichita, to eat before the April 9th meeting. So bring your appetite and join your friends starting at 5:30-6 on Saturday.

April 17th will be the last day for the FREE Pick-A-Part at Kalp Shop

Several of my parts Corvairs are headed to the scrapper on Monday, April 18. Everyone is welcome to look them over and remove whatever parts they want/need. They will be gone on the 18th, So if you want/need a part get it by then.

Cars are located at the Kalp shop 2140 W. 101st Street N. Valley Center, KS Contact Terry 316-882-3056 or facebook or tkalp@cox.net.



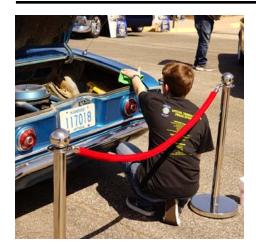
After a successful "Miles of Smiles" first year, the project continues in 2022. As of the April 2022 FlatSix Journal deadline, Seven members have reported their miles driven for March 2022.

Joe Nold	50 miles
Bob Ferenc	0 miles
Jason Pool	533 miles
Edwin Buiter	378 miles
Terry Kalp	103 miles
Bill Smith	600 miles
Tim Polley	172 miles

The total reported miles driven was 1836 miles for March. Last March 940 miles were reported. This March shows an increase of 896 miles over a year ago. Total miles for 2022 stand at 4732.

The goal is 30,000 recorded miles in 2022. In April of 2021 members reported 1576 miles. If you wish to participate, write down the odometer reading April 1st, then again on April 30th Subtract the difference and send the number to tkalp@cox.net or text 316-882-3056 or report the miles on the club Facebook page.





Several young Lions pitched in to clean up Larry Lee's '66 Corsa convertible. Larry's Corvair was parked in a prominent spot at the center of the show.



Goddard Show Honors Larry Lee

Almost 200 cars showed up for the First Annual Larry Lee Memorial Car Show. The show was held in downtown Goddard on Saturday, April 2. The show honored MCCA member, Larry Lee, who passed away in December. The Goddard Lions sponsored the show. Larry helped organize previous Lions car shows that were held in conjunction with the Goddard Fall Festival. At the time of his passing Larry was working



Larry Lee's family were awarded a special plaque. Daughter, Rachel, son, Matt and spouse Donna were able to attend the show and brought Larry's car.

to get the car show separated from the festival and moved to a time when there was more dependable good weather. Plans for the stand alone show were mostly in place when Larry passed. The Lions decided to honor Larry's long service making the show a memorial to him.

Larry was also a respected, active member of the MCCA. To help show appreciation for Larry's support, 15 Corvairs attended the event. Driving Corvairs were: Jason Pool ('64 Monza yellow), Nick Pool ('62 700 red), Lloyd Folger ('64 Monza yellow), Bill Smith ('65 Monza white), Tiffany Smith ('65 Monza burgandy), Terry Kalp ('65 Monza White), Joe Nold ('63 Monza beige), Randy Weir ('63 Monza red), Cary Ziesenis ('65 Monza red), Elijah Edwards ('65 Monza red), Bernie Strecker ('65 Corsa white), Daniel Maddox ('65 V8 white), Jay Allen ('64 Monza blue), Mark Stever ('64 Monza burgandy), and the Lee family brought Larry's blue '66 Corsa.

The weather cooperated, providing a beautiful Spring day for the event. In addition to the Main Street Show there were kids events including face painting, a bounce house and model building. Displayed nearby was the '35 Chevy roadster built by Devlin Rod and Customs in Wichita. The hot rod had recently been named America's Most Beautiful Roadster at the Okland, CA Roadster show. The owners noted that Goddard was the only place it would be shown this year.



ABOVE: The 2022 America's Most Beautiful Roadster was on display in a building near the show area. Bernie Strecker had a hand in perfecting the wheels for the Chevy. RIGHT: Bernie shows off the engine compartment of his Corsa convertible to a spectator.









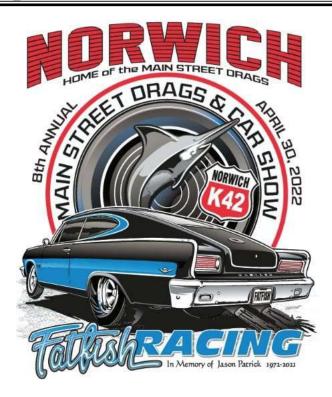
ABOVE: Bill Smith joined the Pool clan to sit, chat and enjoy the beautiful weather.

RIGHT: A row of taillights as the Corvairs took over the center aisle.

ABOVE LEFT: Jay Allen Chats while Joe Nold chomps on his hot dog lunch.

ABOVE RIGHT: The Lees donated Larry's Corvair banner. It was flown between the Smith cars.





April Road Trip Heads To Norwich Show & Drags

The April MCCA Road Trip with be to the TriCities Car Show and Main Street Drags in Norwich, KS. The date is Saturday, April 30th. MCCA members will be meeting at the WalMart in Goddard to leave for Norwich at 8:30. Registration day of the show starts at 8 am. Awards for the car show start at 11:30 am.

There is also a 150 foot drag race that starts at 1pm if some wish to stick around for that. Members have the option to participate in the car show or just drive down there with the group but not enter your car in the show, that is fine as well. There isn't any cost for spectating, and members will still be eligible for Mel points.

The club was represented by five Corvairs at the show last year. Everyone who went enjoyed the show and the short drags. Lunch will be available at the show. Norwich is about a 30 mile, 30 minute drive from Goddard. It will be a good opportunity to rack up some mileage for Miles for Smiles.

There is Facebook page more info on the show and you can print off your registration forms there as well. https://www.facebook.com/mainstreetdrags/

If you need more information on monthly MCCA events, contact Bill Smith at 316-469-9882.



Seventeen MCCA members filled several tables at the Huddle House for the March MCCA Breakfast. Connie Juenemann handed her phone to the waitress, who snapped this photo of the group.

March MCCA Breakfast Stuffs Huddle House

On Saturday, March 26th seventeen MCCA members invaded the Huddle House on West 21st for breakfast. The food was good, the service great and the conversation even better. There were three Corvairs in the parking lot, the Weavers drove their recently acquired '63 Spyder coupe. It is a beautiful Corvair with outstanding interior and paint. Jason Pool drove his '62 700 four-door and Terry Kalp was exercising his '65 Monza four-door. The April event is a Road Trip to Norwich. If you have questions or suggestions contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882.

Cars & Coffee Starts

Cars & Coffee first show of 2022 was Saturday, March 19. While a couple of MCCA members were there, neither showe up in Corvairs. April 16 is the next Cars & Coffee.The event takes place at The Alley Indoor Entertainment parking lot, 11413 E. 13th St. North, Wichita, KS 8-11 am. Get there early as it fills up quickly. This is a Mel Horstman Award event. In September, Cars & Coffee will be featuring MCCA plus a couple of VW clubs. For more information contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882.



Jason Pool drove his '62 700 sedan to Spangles on West St. for the MCCA First Friday of 2022.

First Friday on West St.

The MCCA First Friday show and shine has found a new home for the 2022 car show season. Earlier this year there was a problem. Cars & Donuts are moved their show to Spangles, Arby's and Dunkin Donuts in the 400 block of S. West Street. Town and Country Classic wanted to continue to host a Friday night show and shine. To help the club decide which venue to support, Jason and Nick Pool headed Friday, March 25th to check both spots out. They started out at Town and Country. After an hour only one other car showed up. Then they headed to West Street where there was a nice crowd. It didn't take long for club officers to decide to support Cars & Donuts show on West street.

Last Friday, April 1st was the first MCCA First Friday. Despite a chill in the air, three Corvairs showed up. Randy Weir arrived in his '63 Monza convertible. Jason Pool drove his '62 700 four-door and Bill Smith brought his '65 Monza four-door.

The May MCCA First Friday show will be Friday, May 6th. The show starts at 5 pm. but one can come and go as desired. Park at any of the three venues on the 400 block of South West Street, Arby's, Dunkin Donuts or Spangles. Remember this event qualifies for Mel Horstman Award points.



Mid-Continent Corvair Association

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April 1, 2022: Friday April MCCA First Friday at Spangles, Arby's and Dunkin Donut in the 400 block of South West Street. Starts at 5:00 pm but one can drop in anytime. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

April 9, 2022: Saturday April MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

April 16, 2022: Saturday MCCA Cars and Coffee Show at The Alley Indoor Entertainment parking lot, 11413 E. 13th St. North, Wichita, KS 8-11 am. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882.

April 30, 2022: Saturday April MCCA Road Trip. Main Street Drags and Car Show. Location: 238 S Main Street, Norwich, KS. Meet at Goddard, KS WalMart parking lot. Be there by 8:30 am. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882.

May 6, 2022: Friday May MCCA First Friday at Spangles, Arby's & Dunkin Donut in the 400 block of South West Street. Starts at 5:00 pm but you can drop in anytime. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882

May 7, 2022: Saturday May MCCA Road Trip. McPherson College C.A.R.S. club Car Show. McPherson College 1600 E. Euclid, McPherson, KS. Meet at the Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North at 8am. We will hit the road for McPherson at 8:30 Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882.

May 14, 2022: Saturday May MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7. Contact Bill Smith 316-469-9882



Ran When Parked. This month's photo comes from the Internet. Posted by Pete Koehler in Corvair Owners Group. This Greenbrier is a good example of a broken van. Send photos to tkalp@cox.net



Ten Years Ago



photo on the April 2012 FlatSix Journal was this photo of "Smitty" Smith of Virgina Beach VA setting behind the wheel of Terry Kalp's Shark. The freshly finished Shark was being displayed at the Corvair **Performance** Workshop held in Indianapolis, Indiana that year. Standing behind the **Shark is Scott** Allison, seated is Wes and Kim Mellies all of Kansas City.

The cover



Calendar

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April Meeting	April 9
Cars & Coffee	April 16
April Breakfast	April 23
First Friday	May 6
May Meeting	May 14
Cars & Coffee	May 21
May Breakfast Road Trip	May 28