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DETROIT AREA CORVAIR CLUB

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From The Dashboard of Your DACC President, Gary Komora Gkomora@sbcglobal.net

I know I have only been in the Corvair hobby for a little over 10 years now which to me sounds like a lot (as that is over a third of my life), but to others that is nothing. These cars continue to amaze me thru all of it, between the small issues that can stop a car to the big issues the cars can still run with. On our way back from Lansing to meet with the West Michigan club we ran into rain so I turned on my headlights and the car jumped. Cruising on the highway and having the feeling of the engine dying is not a good feeling. Naturally being a 27-year-old who knows enough about the cars to question the issue but not enough brains to not figure out the issue at home I try the lights a few more times on the way home. Naturally the last time I try it on the way home, I'm less than 3 miles from home and it stops the car. The issue as it turns out was the connection between the underbody harness and the dash harness came apart just enough. 1 panic and 10 minutes later of trying things I figure that out, something so small to stop the car in its tracks. Yet the car has gone a couple tanks of fuel so far this season with no issue. ■

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MY CORVAIR RAMPSIDE by Bob Jennings

No story of my Corvairs would be complete without telling the story of my Rampside. It was a 1964 painted a solid dark green. As I have mentioned before, my neighbor owned a junk yard & kept me posted whenever he obtained a Corvair, Studebaker or another interesting vehicle. As I never took a photo of this vehicle, I have included a photo of one taken at a Corvair Meet in Detroit. He obtained the Rampside



from someone who was drunk when he drove it home- apparently it was on fire in the engine compartment & the driver either did not know this or did not care – it was left to

burn itself out. I got it for \$50, the fire had destroyed the rubber fuel hose on the left side and burnt the wiring harness – I wasn't sure how serious the rest of the damage was. Before I left the junkyard, I removed the wiring harness from a Greenbrier that was lying on its back. I put a new fuel line hose on and got power to the engine – I was surprised that it started and ran without any problems because the left carb had gotten cooked in the fire. That was the good news, it took me a week to fix the wiring – I had decided to splice it up near the front and could not get it to work when I spliced like colors together. After messing around for a few days, I finally discovered someone had already spliced a harness in up closer to the dash and had used different colored wires. After this was sorted out everything went fine for a year or so. One day I could no longer shift the transmission, the linkage all moved properly but the transmission would not shift out of neutral. I ended up selling the Rampside for \$50 to get it out of my yard. When the new owner came to pick it up, he brought his tool box. He removed the transmission cover & plate, got out a magnet, fished around in the transmission & found the bolts which had fallen out of the shifting fork (at least I think that is what happened). He put everything back together and drove it away. He must have had this happen to him before. That was my favorite Corvair & I was unhappy to see it go – if I had only known how easy it would have been to fix. ■

May Meeting Minutes

It was great seeing all 12 Corvairs in the parking lot! Overall we had a great turnout at the meeting. Gary had asked if we could go out and reorganize the cars in the pattern of red, white and blue. This created a chuckle with the group.

We next took a pause during the meeting to vote on the license plate entries, we had 8 entries. The winner was Kassie A. Thank you all who entered.

Rich updated us we currently have 124 paid members and 8 are past due.

Raven reminded us if we need something e-blasted to e-mail her the info.

Just an update about Homecoming and the hospitality room. Ken has had to have surgery and he will still be the top man keeping us fed. But due the surgery he will be requiring more help than usual. He will be on a weight restriction with lifting and moving things. We will need someone to go shopping with him to lift and move things. And additional help unloading his vehicle. We also will need help unloading the trailer on Wednesday evening and the time will be determined after the next meeting. The winner of 50/50 of \$65 went to Clark H. and attendance Kim A.

We have the opportunity to participate in two parades on Memorial day and Raven will put the info on Facebook. Sloane event is June 25/26 and if we want to keep our usual location we need to get a good turn out like we did in the past.

Swap and sell. Pete C has hubcap clocks for \$15. Bill V has an alternator \$80, box of used rods \$75 set, used Harbor Freight multimeter \$7. Chris H has '65' 500 2 door no engine \$200. Pete K has oil filters and spark plugs.

Lori Komora -- Secretary ■

2022 CORSA CONVENTION

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Treasury Report by Carol Hairsine

4/17/22 Balance \$6477.13

Income: 50/50 \$130.00

Membership \$\$385.00

Homecoming \$2160.00

Expenses: 50/50 Payout \$65.00 Attendance

\$10.00 Blank 50/50 tickets \$15.36 Stamps

\$23.20 Corsa Annual Fee \$35.00 Newsletter

\$217.43

Balance 5/17/22 \$8786.14

DACC Membership Report for June 2022

AIRCOOLER

Submitted May 16, 2022 by Rich Blanchard

Welcome New Members: Rob Foti, Dwight Fish (Welcome Back!), Harold Friedman(missed you for two years), Dan Lok

Thanks for keeping your membership up to date: Gerald Ambrozny, Jim Carbary, John Davis, Brian Granger, John O'Leary, Jerry North, Cecil Rollins, Dale Ropp, Casey Schesky, Steve Tackett, Linda Tennant, Rod Tusek, Jean Marc Urbain, Suzanne Vadovich,

Members dropped for non-payment: Ray Dubia, Grayden Sallows, Dominic Mascia, H. Neil Riechard, Dan Ristau

Past Due in May: Tim Duve, Walter Euesden, Tom Hall, Greg Jacobs, Mark Kidd, John Monk, Jeff Perkins, Rick White,

Due in June: Craig Balow, Dave Beck, Michael Henk, Bryan Johnson, Gary Komora, Doreen Reisig,

Due in July: John Bussard, Gigi Debbrecht, Stu Ehrhardt, Jay Nugent, Ken Pepke, Bill Vellner, Mark Williams

Due in August: Craig Campbell, Don Eichstaedt, Carol Hairsine, Lori Komora, Adam Morenski, Ross Newton, Robert Norwalk, William Owens,

Due in September: Kerrin Borgne, Ken Boulan, Matt Cummins, Keith Cutter, Mike Davis, Dan Dood, Chad Guthrie, Rocko Heath, Greg Kellogg, Dave Kubiske, Stephanie Miller, Roger Nelson, Len Newill, Les Schlaud, Jerry Schmidt, Ian Smith, Jerry Smith, Jim Spaulding, Bob Storck, Mark Szlachzky, Jerome Yoscovits, We have 123 paid members, 8 who owe dues and 6 due this month!

We are mailing 9 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: Rich Blanchard–DACC. Address: 4776 Granger Rd Oxford, MI 48371-3304 Questions about membership, change of address and/or email can be sent to membership@detroitcorvairs.com or call Rich Blanchard at (248) 770-8948 and leave a message. 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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Activities by Raven Hand

As I write this Chris and I are heading towards home from Lansing, and I am thinking about this day. Today was our combined dust-off with The West Michigan Corvair Club. We had a wonderful turnout between both clubs, and I know so many more of you wanted to attend but had other engagements such as graduation (congrats to you Grant Tennant). We had 16 Covairs in attendance and around 30 people. We even had some newbies to the Corvair world show up to review the cars and to just meet other Corvair enthusiasts. Heck, we even had Pete K selling parts out of his truck. West Michigan members suggested that we should plan something similar again in the future, all of us agreed. Let's get a good showing for the Sloan Auto Fair in June. If today is any indication, people are ready to do events again. Also, on radar is an event currently in the works for late September for an air-cooled meet up combined with the VW club at Waterford Hill Road Racing and as soon as details are available, I will let you all know. Last thing**** I welcome suggestions on area to plan fall color tour route (early I know but it gives me time to plan route) *Raven. ■



Wanted: Early Scale Model Corvair Sedan (Prefer Metal) 1/18, 1/24, decent condition.

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All times are in Eastern Time.

Rampside Road Trip

It is well known in the hobby that it just ain't right for a Corvair enthusiast to own just one Corvair. Our Vice President Mike Anstine follows that advice. There were already three Corvairs at the Anstine residence when I pulled up in front with the trusty Silverado and a borrowed flatbed car hauling trailer. Our mission? Make it four Corvairs!

Mike had arranged to purchase a scruffy looking Rampside truck. He had always wanted one, but the recent jump in asking prices had him wondering if it would ever happen. Well, this was his day! The truck in question had sat in a driveway down in Detroit for at least ten years. The tires were flat. The brakes were stuck. Heck, we couldn't hardly get the left front wheel to give up its grip on the brake drum even once the lug nuts were removed and Mike's massive swings with a rather large hammer couldn't convince the wheel to surrender. I guess we should have brought a bigger hammer?

Finally, the wheel gave in and the truck had four tires that even held air. What a bonus! No, the brakes were non-existent. The interior was rather dingy, so no one volunteered to sit in the cab and work the shift lever. Our best plan was to roll it down the drive and out into the street. Let me tell you about that street.

The first problem was a late 90's Cadillac Deville that was blocking our exit. The seller did get it started and then he proceeded to drive it out of the way and into the street. Only problem was that the car was parked for many years with the parking brake on. NEVER park your car for an extended period of time with the parking brake on! And never say that a Caddy doesn't have ample power. It did look kind of funny when the car was lurching out into the street with the front wheels spinning and the rear ones locked up solid. Could that be a reverse burnout? It did leave two dark marks on the pavement from the stationary rear wheels. Yes, this Deville was front wheel drive...

The rest of the retrieval was pretty normal. We winched the truck up on the trailer and strapped it down. Maneuvering down the narrow streets with cars and trucks on both curbs acting as stationary obstacles made for an interesting time until we made it to the expressway with our treasure. Once on the e-way it was smooth sailing until we got just 2 1/2 miles from our exit. At first, I felt a little shake. That isn't abnormal considering the condition of our Michigan roads. Then I noticed out the side mirror that more debris than normal coming from the truck/trailer combo. Yes, we had a tire failure on the trailer.

Fortunately, the trailer was equipped with a good spare tire. Since our pit crew had just completed a four-tire swap with the Rampside, changing the trailer tire was no big deal. Ten minutes later we were back on the road and soon arrived at Mike's place. Now there are four Corvairs sharing the limelight. Mission accomplished.

Article by Pete Kohler ■

DACC History 1989 by Clark Hartzel

January Aircooler: 40 people attended the Christmas party. Treasury down to \$466.00. 104 members.

Look for new findings on the overhead cam Corvair engine in the February Aircooler. Beware of the riveted hub clutch disc as it is not marked "flywheel side" and if you put it on the wrong way the rivets interfere with the flywheel bolts. Put it on so the rivets don't interfere and now the hub bumps into the end of the crankshaft. If that happens you need to grind about 1/8th of an inch off the end of the hub. Much better to use the proper welded disc. Bob Kirkman wrote nice personality reports on 8 new members. There are two different distributor rotors. The 1969 rotor is 1/16th shorter than the 1960-68. Use the longer one.

February Aircooler: A picture of the overhead cam engine is on the cover. It has two 3-barrel carbs, and the cams are driven by timing belts. We now have the oldest and newest Corvairs in our club. Jerry Flinn has the 1960 and Hal Smith has the 1969 #5999. The February event is a tour of the Henry Ford Museum. The treasury is down to \$369.73. No more free lunches at Kirkman's tech sessions. More pictures and an article on the OHC engine on pages 6-9. A list of oil filters shows that there are 20 different brands and part numbers that fit in place of the PF4 we all know.

March Aircooler: A ballot was enclosed so members could vote for new officers by mail. The club has limited officers to serve only two years so the same people aren't running the club forever. 55 people attended the meeting to find our room already filled with someone else. Pete Koehler saved the day by taking us to the room he worked in. Unfortunately, our guest speaker didn't show up. Bryce Flinn got injured in a snowmobile accident and broke a leg, requiring surgery. We have 107 paid up members. Tech session at Kirkman's house on front suspension and after lunch on 4-speed transmissions. The missing guest speaker thought the meeting was Wednesday night. He will reschedule on April meeting.

Kirkman's Personality Profile was written on two new members. The Corvair count ended up 287 vehicles and a graph was drawn showing all the various cars and trucks. Burnie Weddle, a CORSA director made a study of muffler use on his Greenbrier. He got 16 MPG with the stock round muffler, 19MPG with a 1964-69 oval muffler and 21MPG with dual Turbo mufflers.

April Aircooler: Election results: President: Ken Hand; Vice president: Ken Pepke; Secretary: Linda Hand; Treasurer: Marvin Granger; Editor: Bob Kirkman; Membership: Gordon Fee; Activities: Pete Koehler; Parts and service: Clark Hartzel. A picture on the cover of Sylvester Roper driving his steam carriage built in 1862. Was this the first automobile? Pete K showed red, blue and black magnetic signs. Thanks to Jerry Roberts for getting the material for the signs. To help raise our treasury it was decided to charge \$3.00 for a business card ad, \$5.00 for a quarter page and \$20.00 for a full-page ad.

The April guest speaker is Paul Rishel who was involved in the experimental 8- and 10-cylinder engines and the triple carb setup. A full-size Chevy was lengthened in the front for a 10 cylinder Corvair engine. 111 current members. Personality Profile again on two new members. Bob Kirkman does a great job welcoming new members and writing stories about them. The sale of magnetic signs boosted our treasury up to \$814.11. We will have a convoy from Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor to Bryan, Ohio for the Tri-State show and swap. There was a rare 1965 Greenbrier for sale in Lowell, MI in excellent condition with AM-FM radio for only \$1200.00. I wish I could find one of those today for that price.

DACC History 1989 to be continued next month. ■

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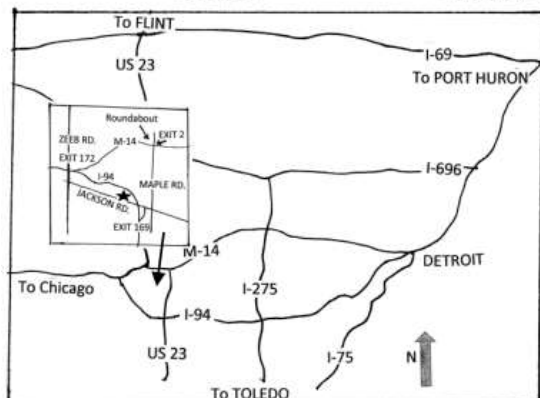
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42nd DACC Homecoming

Featuring
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 July 7-10th 2022

- THURSDAY**
- Registration 2 -- 6
 - Ken Pepke's World Class Hospitality Room 2-6
 - with lunch
 - Corvair & Firehouse Museum, lunch and Cruise
 - Swap Meet set up
- FRIDAY**
- Registration 8 am -- 6 pm
 - Ken Pepke's World Class Hospitality Room
 - Women's Activities as posted
 - Mystery Tour to be announce soon (Cost TBD)
 - Valve Cover Races
 - Swap Meet // Tech Session
 - Cook Out / Picnic
 - Movie
- SATURDAY**
- Registration 9 am -- 2 pm
 - Ken Pepke's World Class Hospitality Room
 - Road Rally
 - People's Choice Car Show, Model & Toy Show
 - Swap Meet // Tech Session
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