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July Meeting

Our July meeting was a little light in attendance (only 13 members present) due to scheduling conflicts for some, including several members being at the CORSA convention. President Scott Allison called the meeting to order shortly after 7:00 and we got started.

We had no new members present but Roscoe Yoder, from the Kansas City Auto Museum, was present to touch base with us regarding our visit on August 6. Mike Dawson provided an update on Kevin Koch as he continues to undergo treatment for his cancer; all of our good thoughts and prayers are with him and Ada.

Our focus then shifted to upcoming events, of which there are several. The first is the Great Car Show on July 17, with Scott Allison and Adam Fisher planning on attending. Looking ahead, with the Corvair being the featured marque at the Kansas City Auto Museum, we are planning a joint visit with Mid-Continent Corvairs club members from the Wichita area on August 6. Keep in mind that we're planning on lunch afterwards

and a possible tour of the museum's underground and who knows what else!

Beyond that, our August 9 meeting will serve as a checkpoint for Roundup planning. Speaking of, the Great Plains Roundup is scheduled for September 29-October 2; register if you haven't already done so! Additional help is also needed with treats/baked goods, assisting with the dice run, and parking assistance at the car show. Contact Kat King if you can help. For other events and updates, check our website.

Following this, members gave project updates, including Adam Fisher's car being roadworthy again (he's got more planned!), Gary Moore's shop getting some A/C and heat, Travis working on his blow-through setup, and Dominique finishing up his carbs. We finished the meeting with Dick Berger giving an account of his first rally outing in his '66 coupe. It sounds like he had fun! After that we adjourned for socializing. Next meeting: August 9.

HACOA Calendar at a glance

Date	Event
Saturday, August 6	KC Auto Museum tour, Olathe, KS
Tuesday, August 9	Monthly meeting, Paul and Jack's Tavern, North Kansas City, MO
Tuesday, September 13	Monthly meeting, Paul and Jack's Tavern, North Kansas City, MO
September 29-October 2	Great Plains Corvair Roundup, St. Joseph, MO

President's Tapping

August 2022

Round Up planning is priority right, therefore there isn't much for me to say that isn't about the Round Up at this time. I hope everyone is enjoying the summer heat and staying safe. You might have noticed that our ad for the Round Up did not appear in the July/August Communique. There was a clerical error within CORSA and we expect it to appear in the September issue.

If you have tried to make Hotel reservations for the Round Up prior to the 25th of July and were told the block was sold out please try again. We reached our initial limit but our limit has since been expanded to the size of the remaining hotel rooms. This was resolved on July 25th, everything should work as expected now. If you are planning to attend please don't forget that as of September 1 the fees increase and after September 1 you will not be able to register for the Concours nor will you be able to get a t-shirt. The hotel rate is good for reservations made prior to September 3rd only and we can only accept banquet reservations up to the 15th of September. Please don't wait until the last minute and miss out. Travis has put links to the event registration and hotel right on the front page of our home page www.hacoa.org.

The Great Car Show, sponsored by Kansas City Automotive Museum, was well attended as a whole this year and included two Corvairs. Adam Fisher and I spent the day fielding questions on Adam's car which drew the attention of nearly everyone that passed by. His car is a great example of classic styles of the early models and illustrates how more modern modifications can be incorporated into the car. His car truly represents the best of the old and new stylings.

Speaking of the Kansas City Automotive Museum, don't forget to get out to the museum and the Underground during the month of August. Admission to the Museum includes touring the Underground. Admission is free for the month of August for those that have cars on display. Come out and see many of your club members' cars on display along with the other great cars the museum and Underground have to offer.

Check the calendar at www.hacoa.org or your latest VairCor for up to date events added by Paula Roberts, Chris & Meaghan Green, or myself.

Vairy Best Wishes, Scott

The Preventive Maintenance Series

Mike Dawson

Corvair Parts and Service Referrals (July 2022)

The following list was submitted by members who have actually used the vendor/service that is listed and would recommend it to other members based on personal experience. Please let me know if you have additions or comments and we will update it regularly.

Engine work:

1. Clay County Engine Rebuilders: crank grind, cylinder bore, rods resized, flywheel turning, fly-cut. 46 East 69 Hwy, Claycomo, MO, (816) 454-6533
2. John's Automotive Machine Shop: Crankshaft service, press pistons, etc. 129 S. Mahaffie St., Olathe, KS, (913) 764-1780
3. Scott Allison: engine refreshing or general tuning. Email: beaminscott@yahoo.com and phone number is (816) 506-6892. Would be more interested in educating others but will take on projects as time permits.
4. Precision Crankshaft, Independence, MO, (816) 525-9596
5. Schultz Tractor & Machine Services, Clinton, MO, complete machine shop and engine rebuilding.
<https://schultztractor.com>

Machine Shop Work:

1. Noland's Cylinder Head Service, 1519 Charlotte St, Kansas City, MO, (816) 471-5167
2. Stinger Motorsports, Roanoke, VA, (540) 204-0917 (David Clemens)
3. Jim Mcconville, Peculiar, MO, (816) 379-1528 Fabrication, Individual Machine Shop projects.

General Auto Repair (non Corvair)

Steve's Auto, 55th & Raytown Road, Raytown, MO, (816) 353-8000 Highly recommended by a club member.

Blasting, Plating & Powder Coating.

1. Performance plating: 435 Kansas Ave, Olathe, KS, (913) 764-5135
2. DeTray Plating Works: 10405 E. 11th st., Independence, MO 64052, (816) 252-8411 www.detrayplating.com
email DeTrayPlating@aol.com
3. R & J Plating: 775 Cherokee, Leavenworth, KS, (913) 682-4404
4. K.C. Powdercoat: 600 N Dodgion St., Independence, MO (816) 252-7009, www.kcpowdercoat.com
5. Eagle auto stripping (plastic and glass bead media) 7300 Kaw Drive, Kansas City, KS, (913) 334-6831
6. Sandblasting and Powder coating: Extreme Blasting, 211 James Rollo Dr, Grain Valley, MO 64029, (816) 847-7771
7. Blasting/Powder Coating--Bare Metal, 20203 S. State Route D, Belton, MO, (816) 322-2424
8. Plastic Chrome Plating: GCAR, 6812 E. Elk Chattaroy Rd., Chattaroy Washington, 99003, Email GCAR426@AOL.Com, Website www.gcartrim.com, Phone (509) 238-4967

Electrical:

Bill's Auto Electric: Rebuilds on Starters - Alternators – Generators, One day service
508 S. Hwy 71 (just as you come in to town they are on west side road)
Savannah, MO 64485 (816) 324-6157

Gauge Restoration: Bob Bonds Artistry, 25612 N.E. Colbern Rd.,
Lee's Summit, Missouri 64086, (816) 554-1800 1-800-BOB-BOND
www.bobbondart.com Email bob@bobbondart.com

Gas tank repair:

Expressway Radiator, 1905 E Truman Rd, Independence, MO, (816) 471-1899 (\$125 for clean and seal)

Radio and Clocks:

Fred's Classic Auto Radios & Clocks, 7908 Gillette St, Lenexa, KS, (913) 599-2303

Corvair Radios: <http://vintage-vibes.com/product-category/Chevy/Corvair/>

Restoration:

1. JTVairs: John Miller (319) 850-6699 <http://jtvairs.com/home.html>
2. T T 's Specialites: Restoration and fabrication Peculiar, MO, (816) 986-9123
3. Spray Booth Rental: Eudora, KS, (785) 542-3058 www.sprayboothrental.com
4. Mike's Auto Body: 605 N Scott, Belton, MO, (816) 331-0909
5. Custom and Rod Garage: Dan McGrath, 33643 Metcalf Rd. Louisburg, KS, (913) 787-4418
6. Z's Paintless Dent Repair 230C East North Ave, Belton, MO, (816) 331-1965
7. MAACO: Good paint job over your prep work for \$1K+, you get what you pay for. Check locations but a good one is 8916 Troost, Kansas City, MO, (816) 333-7127, Andy or CJ.
8. Body and Painting as part time work: Rick Ethington (816) 510-0146
9. Empire Automotive, 633 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City, KS, www.empire-automotive-kc.com

Apparel:

Corvair Girl: Teresa Miller (515) 520-7209 <http://jtvairs.com/corvairstyle.html>

Appraisal:

1. Classic Auto Appraisals, 12311 E 47th Terrace S, Independence, MO, (816) 456-6102 (Gary C. Sparks)
2. Antique Auto Appraisal, 1208 Main St, Blue Springs, MO, (816) 229-5240 (C. David Evans)

State required Inspection or ID/OD:

Peak Performance Auto Repair, 8826 Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO, (816) 523-0140 (Ray)

Insurance:

Hagerty: (877) 922-9701 <https://www.hagerty.com/>

J.C. Taylor: (800) 345-8290 www.JCTaylor.com

Parts:

1. Ken Ragan (used) Parts, Amsoil Dealer, Bonner Springs, KS, (913) 422-5778
2. Clarks Corvair Parts <http://www.corvair.com/user-cgi/main> (new and used)
3. John's Corvair Parts, 1264 Walnut St, Stoneboro, PA, (814) 336-9033 (John Sweet)
<http://johnscorvairstyle.com>
4. Original style Corvair shroud bolts: www.fastenal.com At least 3 of the main bolts are available, maybe more.
5. Roger Parent rlparent@cox.net Wide variety of quality reproduced parts.
6. California Corvairs <https://californiacorvairstyle.com/>
7. Mike's Corvair Parts www.mikescorvairstyle.com
8. Great plug wires (and other items) from Seth Emerson sethracer@aol.com
9. Thicker pink gaskets: John Sweet, js189@zoominternet.net

Welding: Chris Watkins, owner of CNA Performance, 1421 Minnesota Ave in Kansas City, KS 66102 Phone (913) 371-0055 (shop) and (913) 907-0880 (cell). He does excellent welding.

Welding gasses, exchange bottles. Gary Jones (HACOA Member) (816) 916-6749

Seat Belts: Good quality, low price. www.AndoverRestraints.com Click on “Corvair Seat Belts” for choice of style.

Tools: www.bluechiptools.com Custom Corvair tools, Russ Davis (757) 642-0665

R. J. Tools Custom Corvair tools, Rex Johnson (503) 871-8099

Ken Ragan has HACOA’s loaner tool collection (913) 909-2006

Gasket Type Windshield Replacement: Discount Auto Glass 6020 Merriam Dr, Shawnee, KS. (913) 599-4527. Ask for Sam.

Race Tires and Supplies: KC Raceware, Charlie Clark, (816) 257-7305

Scrap metal hauled off: Don (816) 509-0716

Water Jet Metal Cutting: Gieske Metal Fabricators, 1724 Washington, Kansas City, MO, www.gieske.com

Metal by the Foot: Anything metal cut to your lengths, scrap pieces, hardware. 3600 Truman Rd., Independence, MO, www.metalbythefoot.com

Upholstery:

1. R&R Upholstery, east of I-635 on Merriam Dr., Merriam, KS, (913) 236-8847

2. Grandview Upholstery, 12827 7th Street, Grandview, MO, (816) 965-905 (Natalie)

3. North Kansas City Auto Trim, 1411 Swift Ave. (816) 471-3350

4. Gladstone Auto Trim www.gladstoneautotrim.com/

5. Taylor West (HACOA Member) taylor.west@hotmail.com (816) 896-2240

License Plate Restoration: Loretta Dungan, email is loretta.dungan@gmail.com and mailing address is 142 Santa Fe, Lawson, MO 64062.

State Inspection: For those that tag their Corvair with regular tags instead of Historical tags, Cable Dahmer Chevrolet will do the state inspection for free.

GPCRU/CORSA event planning adviser: there is lots of info to share. Scott Allison beaminscott@yahoo.com

Car Transport

R.A.M. Transport LLC 193 E Main St, Unit 202, Chillicothe, OH 45601, (614) 318-9016

Classifieds

The Tool Crib

Club tools for rent

Contact: Ken Ragan

212 Warner Rd, Bonner Springs, KS 66012
913-422-5778 E-mail: kenrragan@gmail.net

Tool	Deposit	Monthly rental fee
Harmonic balancer puller	\$3.00	\$1.00
Ramps, auto	\$4.00	\$1.00
Torque wrenches		
½ inch drive 20-150 ft/lb	\$15.00	\$2.00
¾ inch drive 100-1000 in/lb	\$15.00	\$2.00
Floor jacks and stands	\$25.00	\$3.50
Ring grove cleaner	\$3.00	\$1.00
Dwell/tach meter	\$5.00	\$1.00
Greaser: Fan and idler bearing	\$5.00	\$1.00
Ken's advice	\$.02	Grain of salt
Hubs: Rear (towing LM PowerGlide)	\$5.00	\$1.00
Pushrod tube extractor	\$10.00	\$2.00

Internally regulated 63
amp Corvair alternators
\$85 exchange



Rebuilt harmonic
balancer
\$110 exchange
for a rebuildable
core

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starters with
solenoid \$105
exchange




Mike Dawson
mdawson1961@sbcglobal.net
816-322-4057

Professionally rebuilt Corvair clutch disc on a
welded center Borg & Beck core with a thickness
of .325" \$55 exchange with same core.

Reproduced end plates for the 12 and 8
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bottom instead of back in to the engine
compartment. \$10 each





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816-678-8860
hrmoore14@gmail.com

- Dick Berger still has several sets of wheels and tires for sale. Most are 14" diameter. Let him know if you're interested. 678-650-4246

For Sale: 1965 Corvair Monza Convertible 110 HP/PG

Bill Bicknell, of Rolla, Missouri, has a '65 convertible for sale. New items include: gas tank and sending unit, shift cable (Powerglide), parking brake cable, alternator, and a rebuilt fuel pump. It is rust free but the top is weathered and the rear window needs to be replaced. He also has many extra parts and a car cover. He says to make an offer. 970-218-1352 (call or text).

Classifieds, continued



Parts for Sale

Bob Shellhorn has some parts he would like to sell, including:

3 - 14" 2 bar spinner Corvair wire spoked hubcaps - \$25 each

1 - 13" 2 bar spinner Corvair wire spoked hubcap - \$25

8 - 13" stainless steel LM Corvair hubcaps, most with plastic center caps but of poor condition, \$15 each

3 - LM dash instrument panel with most gauges

chrome trim handles, lots of misc. engine components, carb. bodies, etc.

No blocks, intakes, drive train, or body sheetmetal.

Contact Bob Shellhorn, at Bshell46@sbcglobal.net

Parts in Arkansas

Clyde Jones passed away about 3 years ago and his wife Dee Jones is needing to find homes for his many Corvair parts. She is in Harrison, Arkansas. Talk to Gary Jones, Jerry Pentzer, or John Miller for a rundown on what's available; I've heard these folks have visited and have an idea of what she has. Please talk to one of the individuals mentioned before you call her as she has no idea what's there but you may call her to schedule a time to visit at 417-693-2323. Please do not share Dee's number with anyone outside of the Corvair club.

For Sale : 1964 Corvair Spyder Coupe \$22,500

Purchased Fall 2015, the engine and body work were completed Summer 2018.

Suspension, brake, and interior work were done through 2020.

It has a '63 transmission with short throw shifter, '64 differential and the 180 HP engine from '66.

The odometer showed 51,200 at purchase and I have put 10,000 miles on it in the 3 1/2 years since the rebuild, both in town and on the highway. Maintained summer / winter oil changes and drained and refilled the transmission and differential Nov 2021.

Aside from the attached work summary, additional work includes rebuilt starter and battery / new back up switch / new bi-metal thermostats replacing bellows system / new headlamps.

I kept a ledger and receipts for work done along with photos available to any interested. This is a car that can go anywhere at any time. Please feel free to call or email with any questions.

Dan Hardin
dustdevil.dan@gmail.com
816-547-0410



Seats for sale from a '67 coupe; need to be recovered but good solid frames

Contact Dean Sego at: see_dean_go@hotmail.com



Wilson Liter has several items for sale, including:

- 1966 transaxle, code AA (3.27 non-posi) and V8 bellhousing: \$400
- 140HP engine (code T0223RN). Engine turns over but has not been apart: \$600

Wilson Liter 417-667-6927. wilsonliter@hotmail.com

Other Events and Tidbits**Just like Grandpa!**

After seeing an image of a Rampside that was made with Legos, Larry Sherwood commissioned his grandson, Miles, to build one. The resulting product looks a lot like Larry's Rumpy!



Corvair Exhibit

Since Corvairs were needed for the Kansas City Auto Museum's exhibit, many members volunteered their vehicles to be on display. On Saturday, July 31, several HACO members showed up to bring their cars for viewing during the month of August. Thanks to Cindy Anders for the arrival photos.



KC Auto Museum tour

With the Corvair being a featured display, HACO is planning on taking a tour of the KC Auto Museum in Olathe, Kansas, on Saturday, August 6th. The museum opens at 10 AM and after touring, we will have lunch at Joe's KC Barbeque, which is just down the road from the museum. Members from the Midcontinent Corvair Club in Wichita (MCCA) are planning on joining in as well so it should be a good time!

2022 Great Plains Corvair Roundup



Registration: <http://www.hacoa.org/index.php/miscellaneous>

Poppies for Patriots Calendars

Bri Schaefer has Poppies for Patriots calendars available for \$15 each. You might catch her at the next meeting or visit their website: <https://midwestpoppiesforpatriots.com/>

Remember → CORSA Membership Perks:

- 1) CORSA now has a formal relationship with Mecum auctions! Your membership in CORSA now permits you to purchase the \$200 bidders registration for just \$100!!
- 2) We have many fresh new items of CORSA-wear now available on our website. www.corvair.org
<<http://www.corvair.org>>. We have a new vendor, new artwork and new items. I think you'll be excited about the selection.
- 3) Please remember, if you have members who are new to CORSA, they will receive a free copy of the "Corvair Basics" book with their paid membership in CORSA.

HACOA birthdays

August	
Name	Date
Kathy Eilenberger	2
Susan Liter	9
Aaron Holstrom	10
Chris Green	12
Paul Sergeant	16
Trueman Ervin	18
Meaghan Green	21
Wes Mellies	22
Travis Bolton	31