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**From The Dashboard of Your DACC President,
Mike Anstine mikeanstine@yahoo.com**

Hello all,

I just got back from the annual Orphan show in Ypsilanti. Another good turnout of beautiful orphans. There were 7 Corvairs in total, including Ravens class winning Corvan. Mother nature decided to cooperate and not turn on the sprinkler system. Our next meeting is the meeting that will decide our board for the upcoming year. **Show up and cast your vote.** All positions are open for anyone to run for. I could not be more proud and happy to have spent the last 2 years on the board. Last year as VP and this year as president of such a great club. Who knows...I may be back as VP in a year or two. This is why it's so important to show up and vote, to keep jokers like me from running the show again, and again. With just a few more events, the season will wind down and all of our winter projects will begin to get all of our cars ready again for next season. If your anything like me, you will all say the same, "it's too cold today, maybe next weekend". ■

Why is the 10th month called October?

The meaning of October comes from the Latin word Octo meaning eight. The old Roman calendar started in March, so October was the eighth month. When the Roman senate changed the calendar in 153 BCE, the new year started in January, and October became the tenth month.

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Important information about Membership

We have been publishing since January about the change of membership due date for All. **Everybody's listed below membership is due NOW.** If we do not receive your payment this will be YOUR LAST AIRCOOLER.

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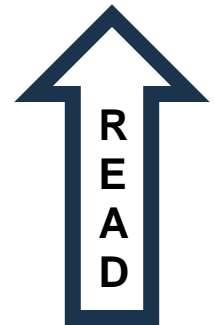
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Tom Cavataio Orville Hensley Steve Schwartz

Jerome Yoscovits

If for some reason your name has been included on this list and you have paid please disregard and accept my apology.

Lori Komora ■



September Meeting Minutes

Well we had less people show up tonight, but we still had a good showing of 42 people and 10 cars.

At next month's meeting we will be collecting mileage to find out who the winner is of who drove the most with their Corvair this summer. Also, at next month's meeting we will be doing the voting of next year board. All positions are open, except president.

It was interesting to hear that Hagerty showed up at one of the garage squad events and might be doing an article about how wonderful our garage squad is.

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From the Rear Deck of the DACC VP, Pete Cimbala

This is my last report as the Vice President, in a couple weeks I will lose the vice and just be the President until [October 2024](#). The VP job is pretty easy, if the President can't make the meeting you get to fill in for him/her. Each month you give everyone at the meeting an attendance ticket for the drawings we do just before the 50/50 draw. I should have been twisting arms the past few months picking a few people to run for office, so I have a winning team come election time, but I have been busy the last few months and am still getting used to this October election date. There are several positions/offices open so if you would like to help run this fine club please step up and nominate yourself or have a friend do it for you. I plan to continue the fine job that Mike and Pete Koehler have done with meeting programs and will look back at what I think some of the newer members may have missed years ago and do it again. I have a lot of old Aircoolers to look at and review for ideas. There are a few events left in October that we can enjoy and before you know it [Christmas](#) will be here and our annual Holiday party where we support Haven House so start looking around for things they can use or plan to make a cash donation. This past driving season I only took my 63 Monza conv't around the block a couple times maybe a half a mile, so this has to be the least I have driven a Corvair since I have had a license and that is almost 50 years. Next year will be different. Maybe I will quit buying projects and fix what I bought years ago or maybe even sell one or two. See you at the October meeting. ■



Activities by Raven Hand

Hi everyone, by the time you see this we will be past Woodward Dream Cruise and Back to the Bricks (perhaps in time for Hines Drive cruise, if so take note that there is a new entrance to Hines this year so be sure to check it out online before heading down)

• Remember Sunday [September 24th](#) is Aircooled on the Hill with the Volkswagen folks , detail are on the flyer. We hope to see you there

Next Aircooler I will include details for Fall Color tour. ■



September Meeting Minutes continued from pg 1.

Raven updated us of events happening in September and October. In October we will do our fall color tour and go from Fenton to the Stahl Museum for a trunk and treat. More details to come via E blast and or next meeting.

Our current membership we have 148 paid. And way too many that owe and if we do not receive payment they will not be receiving any more newsletters. See other article in Aircooler to see if your name is on the list.

Treasury report we have \$8497.33 we still owe for the calendars from Homecoming we will get that bill probably in December.

The dates for next year homecoming will be [July 11](#) through the 14th, at the Wyndham gardens in Ann Arbor.

Swap and sell we still have license plates \$5 each.

Tom has puzzles \$25 each

Jim had a free bumper, NOS curb kit, radio, manuals, and ashtrays.

The barns will be open at Harold's on [October 7](#) about 9:30/10 in the morning if you would like to get a tour and see all the goodies that are still available.

Brian G. Name was drawn to get his car put up on the marquee at the bowling alley.

Jan B. Won the \$10 attendance drawing

Len won \$62 from 50/50

Lori Komora ~~ Secretary ■

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DACC Membership Report for OCTOBER 2023 AIRCOOLER

Submitted September 16, 2023 by Mike Hurt

Welcome to our New Members: Jim Westrick

Thanks for keeping your membership up to date: Mike Davis, Gigi Debbrecht, Don Eichstaedt, Jim Fleischhauer, Tom Hall, Mike Henk, Orville Hensley, Greg Kellogg, Dave Kubiske, Jacob Mann, Ron Mann, Phillip O'Quinn, Ken Pepke, John Ronayne, Gerald Schmidt

Dropped for non-payment: Gerald Ambrozy, Sam Christ

Due in May: Chris Braden

Due in August: Janice/Gus Shay, Jean Marc Urbain

Due in September: Dan Dood, Chad Guthrie, Dale Ropp, Jerry Schmidt, Bob Storc

Due in October: Ray Dubia, Sue Hamil

Due in November: Dave Munaco, Bill Richards, Patrick Skiver

Due in December: Tom Cavataio, Steve Schwartz, Jerome Yoscovits

We have 147 paid members, 8 who owe dues and 2 due this month!

*******ATTENTION TO THOSE OWING DUES*******

Be aware that the by-laws say that you have till the end of the month you're due to make that payment and then you're dropped. I've been holding off as some are sending in their checks but those in the May – September time frame should get their money in now. For those due in Oct – Dec, please consider sending it in now. Thank you.

We are mailing 2 complementary newsletters to Clark's 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: Mike Hurt – DACC. Address: 1795 Ring O Kerry, Milford, MI 48381

Questions about membership, change of address/email can be sent to Mike Hurt at (248) 972-7188 or mdhurt821@gmail.com 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. ■



DACC History 1995

January Aircooler:

President: Dan Weir; Vice Pres: Rob Duerden; Secretary: Kim Carless; Treasurer: Pete Cimbala
Membership: Tim Bramble; Editor: Sharon Pepke; Parts: Bob Kirkman; Activities: Jeff Shreve;
Parades: Sharon Pepke.

The Christmas party was a success with a paper road rally. Clark Hartzel and Ellie Shuster finished first place and won a DACC watch. Marvin Granger and Elaine Duerdon won second place and a DACC shirt. Jim Westervelt and Joanne Hartzel were third and received a DACC license plate.

10 members went to Crossroads Village and had dinner and a train ride. The points race winners were Bob Greer in the Historical class (Corvair) and Jeff Shreve in the regular class (non Corvair).

Automotive writers liked the Corvair but didn't like the fact they didn't have cup holders!

Treasurer reports balance of \$1,386.47.

February Aircooler:

This meeting will be Corvair toy night. Bring your Corvair toys instead of driving the Corvair in the winter. Our oldest member Gene Haubert has passed away. Elections are coming up and we need some new blood to run the club. A list of the duties of officers was published. We now have 6 videos of Corvair related content which you can borrow from Bob Kirkman.

John Zelenak wrote an article about getting new carpet and seat covers for his Corvair. Many new parts are in stock for your Corvair. See Bob Kirkman for tune up parts, battery, gaskets, and fuel pumps.

A nice article in the Windsor Star about Corvair trucks.

3M makes a flexible rubber compound that you can repair windshield or backlight rubber moldings. It is a two part mix and is available as part 5900.

March Aircooler:

Guest speaker will be Don Gates who was on the GM legal staff. He was involved in the Corvair lawsuits. He met Stu Shuster thru model railroad activities. Election of officers is this meeting and you can still be on the ballot. An article in The Classic Auto Restorer was about exhaust emissions. When the Ranken Technical College hooked up a 1919 Buick to their exhaust analyzer to compare it to the latest government standards they got a big surprise. It had a very good air/fuel ratio of 14.3 to 1. Hydrocarbon emissions were 130 parts per million well under Missouri's limit of 220. Carbon monoxide was 0.86% again under 1.2% allowed. Maybe they don't build them like they used to!

Stu Shuster found some old GM slides featuring the Corvair and will bring them to the April meeting.

Mark Luther reports that it will cost \$3,000 to convert his Corvair to right hand drive in Australia.

How many of you have checked the oil level in your differential? Running low or out can cause catastrophic failure of the gears and bearings. If it locks up while driving, you might cause a serious accident.

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Treasury is \$1,517.09. Bob Kirkman has ordered magnetic drain plugs to collect and metal particles. Tim Bramble bought 8 California Corvairs to get 2 he wanted. The other 6 will be for sale.

April Aircooler:

Membership is up to 161. Rob Duerden is the new president. Norm King is vice pres. Kim Carless remains secretary. Jean King is treasurer. Clark Hartzel is membership. Sharon Pepke remains editor.

Bob Kirkman remains parts. Jeff Shreve remains activities and Sharon pepke remains parades chair.

An article on Ron Turner's El Cormino was printed. This was a Corvair station wagon that was made into a pickup rear compartment.

Since few members drive their Corvairs in the winter the newsletter was pretty short.

May Aircooler:

The room rate for the Homecoming is \$49.00. May 13 is the Michiana Corvair swap meet at Al Grunert's house in Three Rivers, MI. The annual 4th of July Cass City parade is Saturday July 1st.

Several lengthy articles were written about our Sloan Fair exhibit and the cost/condition of paint jobs were too long to repeat here.

June Aircooler:

The July meeting will be Sunday the 25th at the Sloan Fair. There will be the traditional hot dog roast.

On May 4th the channel 7 weather picture was showing two Corvairs in the back yard of Jim and Marilyn Westervelt with blossoming cherry trees. A perfect photo for spring.

Speaking of Marilyn, she is active in the Rainbow Connection which tries to fulfill the wishes of children with life threatening diseases. She almost died after heart valve surgery and vowed to help others.

June 11th is the Carnival of Cars event at the Waterford Hills race track. There will be a separate class for Corvairs if 3 or more are pre-registered. July 15th is the Leonard Strawberry festival parade.

July Aircooler:

No regular meeting in July. Instead we will meet at the Sloan Summer Fair Sunday June 25th at noon.

The Cass City parade is July 1st. Meet at McDonalds on M24 in Lapeer and leave there at 9:15 AM.

The Leonard Strawberry Festival parade is Sunday July 15. Meet 11:30.

To celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Corvair, The U.S. Postal Service will have a special cancellation to honor the Corvair. They will be at the Quality Inn in Plymouth during the Homecoming to cancel letters and post cards. Requests to use this cancellation will be honored for 30 days and then the stamp will be destroyed.

A full-page registration form for the August Homecoming was in the newsletter. Room rate \$49.00. A tour to a Nash Museum will be Friday from 2:30-5:00PM. A wedding reception is listed for Kenneth Hand and Amy McCord at Ken and Linda Hands home on June 24th.

August Aircooler:

August 13 is a Chevy Show and Swap at Hank Graff Chevrolet in Davison. 20 Corvairs came to the Sloan Summer Fair car show and the Westervelt's took 1st place with their Station Wagon "Ginger"

The Homecoming awards banquet will be held at the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth on Sunday at 11:30PM. We have 139 members making us on of the largest clubs in CORSA. A tech tip about your generator light staying on

after shutting down your engine. Your voltage regulator has stuck, and the generator could burn up. Disconnect the battery cable and replace the regulator.

September Aircooler:

The October meeting will have guest speaker Emmet Moynihan from the Tonawanda Engine plant.

The club now has over \$1,000.00 worth of parts in stock. See Bob Kirkman before mail ordering parts.

Treasury balance \$3,110.38. The club is looking for someone to video tape guest speakers.

Sam Christ reported that the CORSA convention in Dallas was terrible hot. 103 degrees.

Bob Kirkman has lined up 4 guest speakers for future meetings. The fall color tour will be Oct 13.

DACC Christmas party will at Flippas Restaurant on Dec.9th.

October Aircooler:

The Westervelts commented on their Woodward Dream Cruise experience. John Zelenak thanked Vlassic for the large variety of pickles, relishes and peppers they provided for the Homecoming. He retired from them after 37 years. The Armada Applefest parade is Oct.15. Membership up to 147. The fall color tour Oct.14 will feature a full menu meal and a couple of mystery stops along the way.

November Aircooler:

Special guest Jim Landis talks about engines. Only 7 Corvairs and 1 water pumper showed up for the fall color tour as it was raining. A report on WJR radio about a Corvair that was completely covered in duct tape except the windows. It might have been less expensive to get a Earl Schieb paint job! Treasury is up to \$5275.00. Al Kolbe obtained a U.S. Patent on the horizontal air cooled Corvair engine. A complete list of Corvair production numbers was printed in the newsletter.

December Aircooler:

Mark and Suzie Luther have moved to Austrailia. He will be converting his Corvair to right hand drive as they drive on the left hand side of the road there. Jerome Duncan Ford will host a tour of their museum on December 14. Bob Kirkman is trying to inventory all of DACC's property. If you have any , please contact Bob. Elaine Duerden will switch up the gift exchange at the Christmas party. We are asked to bring a gag gift and there will be drawings of numbers and switching of gifts. A page of radio and speaker selections was listed under custom feature accessories. Sharon Pepke offered her 4-leg walker free as she now has a motorized scooter. ■

9/17/23 Treasury Report by Carol Hairsine

8/17/23 Balance \$8719.44

Income: Membership \$250

50/50 \$125

License plates \$10

Dream Cruise \$30

Expenses: Newsletter \$222.11

50/50 Payout \$62 Attendance \$10

9/17/23 Balance \$8840.33



Auto Swap Meet

October 08, 2023 8am

Auto Swap & Sell Sunday, October 8th at the Lenawee County Fair and Event Grounds. 602 N. Dean St., Adrian, MI 49221 gates, open at 8 AM with an \$5 entry fee. If you are an early bird shopper and want to start early for \$10 entry fee, you can start shopping at 6:30 AM. Wheels & Deals if it has wheels, you may find it here. New and used auto parts and accessories, tools, and much more. Rain or shine. Info: 517-263-3007. Interested in being a vendor \$15 outdoor space advanced registration, or \$30 day of show.

When: October 08, 2023 8am

Location:

602 N Dean st
Adrian, MI, 49221

Cost: \$5. 12 and under free

To Register: [Click here for more information](#) or call Lenawee, County, Fair at 517-263-3007 or call Melinda at 517-215-1366 or [e-mail us](#)

Metro Cruisers Fall Final Show & Swap Meet

October 1 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
313-506-0105

[ADD TO CALENDAR](#)

DETAILS

Date:

October 1

Time:

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Website:

<https://www.metrocruisers.com/>

VENUE

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Join the DACC on their Fall Color Tour, Raven will have details soon.



The DACC needs you to exercise your vote for Board Officers, attend the October meeting.

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