

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

July 2024



A clutter of Corvair folks socializing and enjoying themselves is what the Tuna's are all about. This jovial group was captured at Juna Tuna, June 15th. For more on Juna Tuna see pgs 4 & 5. Tiffany Smith photo.

Corvair Summer '24

A couple of the major MCCA summer events happened in June, Lake Afton Show/Meeting and Juna Tuna. But there is more to come. The 2024 Great Plains Corvair Roundup is just three months away. MCCA is hosting the regional event this year and there is much to do to make it a successful event.

The committee has done a great job of planning and pulling the event together. There are still a lot of opportunities to help. Anyone wanting to help should contact Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108, Bill Smith 316-469-9882, Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419 or Jason Pool 316-621-1627. They will be happy for any offer of assistance.

July Meeting
Saturday,
July 13th 2 pm

Delano's Diner
1220 W. Douglas
Wichita, KS



The host hotel is Red Roof Inn Wichita Airport. Call the local phone # 316-942-5600. The reservation booking code is 544-556542. (Listed under Corvair Club.) We have received 20 registrations so far. Remember to get your registration in before August 16th if you want a t-shirt. This will also guarantee a spot at the banquet. (The cost to register at the event goes up \$10.00)

Please call Tiffany Smith with any questions! 316-631-2108

We are planning for everyone to have a fun time!

Here is the schedule:

Cruisin' 54!

Great Plains Corvair Roundup
Wichita KS

Hosted by: Mid Continent
Corvair Association

Friday September 27th through
Sunday September 29th

Schedule:

Friday September 27th:
Welcome dinner at hotel -

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Valve cover race at hotel -

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Hospitality / check in room at
hotel open - 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

Saturday September 28th:

Car show at hotel - 9:00 am to

12:00 pm Vendors welcome.

Optional - Trip A - 12:00 pm
to 4:00 pm Lunch out then 'Keep-
ers on Parade' search

Optional - Trip B - 12:00 pm
to 4:00 pm Lunch out then shop-
ping in Delano District

Banquet at hotel - 6:0 pm to
8:00 pm

Hospitality / check in room at
hotel open - 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday September 29th:

Hospitality / check in room at
hotel open - 8:00 am to 10:00 am

Upcoming meeting dates:

Sunday July 21st at 2:00 -
Kalp Shop

Sunday August 11th at 2:00
- Kalp Shop

Sunday September 15th -
Kalp Shop

Valve Cover Track Getting a Tune-up

After setting up the Roundup
Valve Cover Racing track at the
Kalp shop for Juna Tuna some
problems with the electronics were
discovered.

Terry Kalp and Dennis Fuller
with some help from Greg Ren-
fro have been working with Chris
Lembke (who built the system) to
resolve the issues. Chris built a
new control box a year ago after
the old box crashed.

Club Officers Elected At Lake Afton Show

Annual MCCA officer elec-
tions were held June 8th at the June
meeting held at the Lake Afton Car
Show.

The entire slate of 2023 Of-
ficers were returned for 2024.
Marcus Trotter was reelected Presi-
dent, Bill Smith as Vice-President,
Jason Pool as Treasurer and Tiffany
Smith as Secretary.

These officers will serve until
the next election which will be in
June of 2025. Congratulations.

MCCA Officers

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316-214-6419

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Vice-President

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Jason Pool

Treasurer

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Three Corvairs headed out from the Kalp shop to make the drive to Carl and Sharon Weaver's estate near Hesston. When they arrived, Carl had several of his classic Chevys parked along one side of his red barn.



June Trip to Weaver's

On Saturday, June 22 MCCA members traveled to Carl Weaver's Farm near Hesston. Driving Corvairs were Mark Welte in his '65 Corsa convertible, Randy Weir in his '65 Monza 4-door, Joe Nold in his '63 Monza convertible and Terry Kalp with his '65 Monza 4-door. Terry had picked up David Jacobson on the way.

Arriving in non-Corvairs were Lyle Ackerman with a friend, Marcus and Tracy Trotter, Jay Allen, Eric Kline with his mother, Dottie.

It was a pretty windy day, but very comfortable inside the barn. About 1 pm. Carl served his excellent hamburgers and brauts. Members provided the side dishes and desserts.



Inside the barn was a great collection of '50s and '60s antiques. This vintage Coke machine decorated one of the serving tables.



One of Carl's friends had his '40 Willys gasser at the barn. It had been the subject of a photo shoot for a magazine the previous day.



Joe Nold drove his beautiful EM Corvair convertible and parked with Carl's classic Chevy collection.

Juna Tuna

By Terry Kalp

Conversation, laughter and even a bit of Corvair work were the hallmarks of the 2024 Juna Tuna. Due to the gusty Kansas winds everyone spent most of their time inside the Kalp Kompound buildings.

Driving in from the Oklahoma City area were Pat Silver, Bob Welch and James Ergenbright. Coming from the North (Kansas City Area) were Mike Dawson, Scott Allison and Paul Sargent. Long distance had to go to Keith Hammett from the Springfield, MO area.

Projects included: Mike Buchaneau helping Mark Welte adjust the side windows on Mark's '65 Corsa convertible; Scott Allison honed a set of cylinders for Mike Buchaneau while Mike was helping Mark; Bill Smith spent most of the day under the yellow '64 Monza coupe on the lift. Bill replaced seals, added boots to linkage and cleaned up some wiring. Bill was slowed down a bit because he was wearing a medical boot from his recent foot surgery.

Lunch was a feast. Folks could chose from pizza, pulled pork and fried chicken (or all three) for the main course. In addition there were many side dishes and desserts to choose from.

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Scott Allison uses a ball hone on one of Mike B's cylinders. Paul Sargent looks over his shoulder.



Mike Buchaneau and Terry Kalp discuss the best approach to adjusting the side window and Mark Welte's '65 Corsa convertible. Tiffany Smith photo.



CORSA President, Paul Sargent fills his plate from the generous lunch spread provided by MCCA members. No one went away hungry.

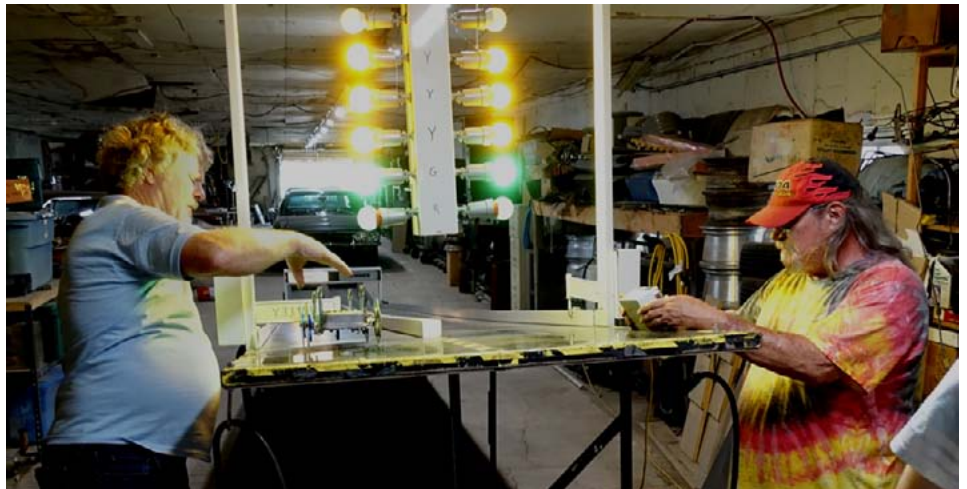


ABOVE: James Ergenbright explores the Corvair parts stash at the Kalp Shop. He ended up finding several 12 plate Corvair oil coolers plus some other small parts. Several folks were able to locate parts for projects in Terry's collection. Tiffany Smith photo.

BELOW: Dennis Fuller, Jay Allen and Randy Weir supervise Bill Smith working on a '64 Monza coupe in the lift garage. Most folks hung out in the buildings because of the powerful winds.



Bill Smith took advantage of the lift to work on the bottom side of the yellow '64. He replaced seals, added boots and cleaned up wiring.



James runs his valve cover racer while Dennis works the controls. The Roundup race track was set up in the Kalp shop for testing.



Juna Tuna

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Earlier in the week, Lee Olsen, Dennis Fuller and Terry Kalp had set up the Roundup Valve Cover race track in the back of the main shop. Several people took some time to test their valve cover racers (and their reaction time) on the track.

As the day wound down the trailer containing the Shark (formula car) was hooked up to Scott's truck to head to Kansas City for some love.

Next Tuna is Luna Tuna which will be held at the Kalp Shop October 19, 2024

T I R E D



By Lee Olsen

As most of you know I got my Yenka Stinger back a year ago after having been gone for 18 years. In the past year I have been to several car shows some over 60 miles away. When I got the car back it still had the BF Goodrich TA's on it that I installed 22 years ago. They only have 7000 miles on them and had been inside all 18 years. I thought several times, "I should probably replace those tires, but they look nearly new".

I decided to go to the Lake Afton car show on the 9th, as I got within 10 miles of the show I noticed a vibration, bet a tire is going bad I thought to myself. I made it to the show and figured I could drive home slowly, and it would be OK. As I was leaving the show at 2:00 a fellow stopped me and said "your rear tire is pretty bad". Again, I thought I could drive home slowly, I went about 2 miles and decided nope I won't make it. Hey, there will be someone still at the show I can borrow a spare from. I made it back and all Corvairs were gone.

I knew Terry wouldn't be too far out, I called asked if he had a spare in his car, the answer was no. I told him the situation, you can always count on Terry to help. He went to his shop and returned an hour later with a spare, jack, wrenches and lug nuts. I headed home not driving too fast, as I got within about 3 miles of Hutchinson I noticed a familiar vibration. I made it home and sure enough the other rear tire was separating.

I have new tires coming and would recommend that if your tires are 10 years old or more, you may want to replace them. I was very fortunate to make it to the show and home without either tire blowing out on me. Thanks Terry.



Tree Attacks Smith Corvair



ABOVE: During a fierce wind storm a neighbor's tree split and fell on the Smith's Corvair convertible.

LEFT: The tree didn't reach clear to the back of the car, but did damage the top in several spots.

BELOW: A closer view of the front. The large branch left a dent.



First Friday Report

Jay Allen was the only Corvair to show for the June First Friday show and shine at Central and West on June 7th. Jay also cruised by the show on Friday July 5th in a non-Corvair and reported no Corvairs to be seen.

The August First Friday event will be August 2nd. Cars start arriving around 5 pm, but cars can come in anytime. This show put on by the Cars & Donuts folks has turned in a nice, laid back way to spend a Friday night. First Friday is a Mel Horstman Award Event.

July Breakfast

The July MCCA event will be Breakfast at Jimmie's Diner 3111 N. Rock Road in Wichita. The breakfast will start at 9 am on Saturday, July 27th. Jimmie's Diner is a decades old staple of Wichita comfort food. Atmosphere is modeled after a '50s diner, but on a lot larger scale.

Moonlight Show Moved

Due to negotiations with the City of Wichita the date for the 30th Annual Automobilia Moonlight Car Show has been moved from Saturday, July 13th to Saturday, August 3rd. The show runs from 4 pm to 10 pm. Douglas Street in downtown Wichita will be blocked off from Washington to Grove for the show.

2024 Dues
\$20 to Jason Pool,
301 W. Willow Ct.,
Goddard, KS 67052



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E V E N T S

July 5, 2024: Friday July MCCA First Friday at Central & West streets in Wichita. Starts around 5 pm, but can come and go as you please. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

July 13, 2024: Saturday July MCCA meeting/meal at Delano Diner 1220 W Douglas Ave. Wichita, KS 2 pm. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

July 21, 2024: Sunday 2024 Great Plains Roundup Committee meeting at the Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS., Wichita 2:00 pm to ??

July 27, 2024: Saturday July MCCA Breakfast at Jimmie's Diner 3111 N. Rock Road, Wichita, KS. 9 am.

August 2, 2024: Friday August MCCA First Friday at Central & West streets in Wichita. Starts around 5 pm, but can come and go as you please. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

August 10, 2024: Saturday August MCCA meeting/meal at Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North. Cookout 5:30-6 pm. Meeting at 7. Ice Cream run after the meeting. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

August 11, 2024: Sunday 2024 Great Plains Roundup Committee meeting at the Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS., Wichita 2:00 pm to ??

September 27-29, 2024: Friday thru Sunday. 2024 Great Plains Corvair Roundup. Host Hotel Red Roof Inn Wichita Airport 6815 W. Kellogg Dr. Wichita, KS.



There was a great turnout of Corvairs at the June 9th Lake Afton Car Show (especially light colored LM Corvairs). At the June meeting members voted to help sponsor the 2025 Lake Afton Show with Corvairs appearing on the shirts and posters.



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2 pm

July 13th

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1220 W. Douglas
Wichita, KS

Ran When Parked



This Ran When Parked was Posted by Douglas Henry on the Corvair Trader Facebook page. . Send your Ran When Parked photos to tkalp@cox.net.



Calendar

July Meeting July 13

Roundup Meeting July 21

MCCA Breakfast July 27

Aug. First Friday Aug. 2

Aug. Meeting Aug. 10

Roundup Meeting Aug. 11

2024 Great Plains Corvair
Roundup Wichita, KS
Sept. 27-29



**Wichita KS
September 27 to 29, 2024**

**Red Roof Inn
6815 W Kellogg (US 54) Wichita KS 67209
316-942-5600**

	Quantity:	Cost Each:	Total:
Registration		\$ 25.00	
Banquet		\$ 25.00	
Valve Cover Race		\$ 5.00	
Model Car contest		\$ 5.00	
T-shirt small		\$ 20.00	
T-shirt medium		\$ 20.00	
T-shirt large		\$ 20.00	
T-shirt XL		\$ 20.00	
T-shirt XXL		\$ 23.00	
T-shirt XXXL		\$ 23.00	
TOTAL:			

For more information contact:
Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108



Pre-registration and t-shirt order cutoff is August 16th.
Registration cost at event will be \$35.00

Attendee(s):

Name 1 _____

Phone: _____

Name 2 _____

Phone: _____

Additional _____

Names: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Email: _____

Corvair Club: _____

Vehicle Info:

Car 1

Participant name: _____

Model: _____

Year: _____

Color: _____

Car 2

Participant name: _____

Model: _____

Year: _____

Color: _____

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