

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

October 2024

2024 Roundup, Wound up



Eric Kline's '62 Monza Turbo Coupe and Tiffany Smith's '64 Monza convertible are all shined up for the 2024 Roundup car show.

It took a little over a year of planning, gathering goodies and visits to the Host hotel, but the efforts of MCCA members paid off well. The 2024 Great Plains Corvair Roundup brought together Corvairs and Corvair folks in Wichita for an outstanding event.

Not only were the five Roundup clubs well represented, there

was a substantial group from the North Texas Corvair Association.

No time for MCCA members to let up October is full of Corvair activities. On the 12th is the monthly Club meeting, the 19th is Luna Tuna, and the 26th is the MCCA Road Trip to the initial Great Plains Corvair only Swap Meet held in Oklahoma City.

Oct. Meeting
Saturday,
Oct. 12th 7 pm

Oaklawn
Activity Center
4904 S. Clifton, Ave.
Wichita, KS

Thanks!

A successful Roundup takes the effort of dozens of people and I would like to take this opportunity to thank a few of them.

First I want to thank Mother Nature for providing several days of perfect weather. Next I want to recognize the Roundup Committee, the Smiths and the Pools. Especially Tiffany Smith who put in a lot of hours pulling all the pieces together that make up a roundup into an outstanding event. Marcus Trotter, who in addition to his Presidential duties also helped keep the Roundup on track and schedule. Tracy was a huge help also.

More thank yous go out to all the club members (and a few non club members) that helped with the events, and the hospitality room, providing the food and keeping everything stocked. The folks who sought out items for the raffles, goodie bags and door prizes as well as the companies and people that provided those items deserve thanks.

Thanks to all the folks that picked up, stored and moved all the physical items involved. As well as Sam and Nancy Kuns for the fine dinner.

.The major problem with writ-



ing Thank You's is that someone will get left out. If I have forgotten anyone, they should let me know, it would be because I am old and forgetful and not because I didn't appreciate their contribution.

Terry Kalp



For Sale

There is a car that can make you feel the magic, the magic of a 1963 Corvair Monza 900 Spyder Coupe! That magic is for sale, not at your local dealer but right here. New features include a sealed engine; new brake shoes on all four corners; rebuilt transmission; sealed differential; cleaned and inspected wheel bearings on

both the front and rear; new heater hoses; new muffler; rebuilt carburetor and turbo (by Mike Dawson); upgraded electrical from generator to alternator; and many other items. All with low miles! This car is a pretty solid Kansas car that is ready for some dents to be repaired and your choice of color to be applied. The magic of a Monza 900 Spyder Coupe can be yours for a reasonable price of \$6000. Contact Keith Hammett at (417) 844-8627.

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Lee Olsen's Corvair Adventures



One of the highlights of the Ottawa Show is cruising Main Street. Jordan leads his father Lee's Stinger.

By Lee Olsen

My son Jordan lives north of Ottawa Kansas. Jordan has a very nice 67 Monza he bought and restored when in high school 20 some years ago. He called me back in July and wanted me to bring the Stinger to the Ole Marias River Run in Ottawa in September. I had been there several years ago with my Monza convertible and had a great time.

I hauled the Stinger to his place on Friday the 20th of September. Jordan had done a tune up on his car several weeks before and ended up stripping number 6 spark plug. A friend had helped him put in the thread insert a few days before I arrived. We spent Friday putting his engine back together, turkey roaster, the overhauled carbs, linkage, alternator, and all the

other items to button it up.

Saturday dawned cloudy and damp but no rain. We travelled to Forest Park in Ottawa where the show was held. The day turned out beautiful, other than one round of light mist it was a perfect day.

There were 1338 cars at the show, the numbers were down due to the rain forecast. There have been as many as 2400 cars at this show. There is no judging, you pay your entry fee and show up. About 5:00 they have a cruise down main street until 10:00. They clear main of all cars for 5-6 blocks. You can cruise, park, cruise again, park, cruise as much as you want. I would guess there are around 3000 people lining the street to watch the cars.

If you have never been I highly recommend attending this show. There is literally one of everything at this show. We met several of the HACO A members at the show. There was a Rampside, an early station wagon shorty, a 65 sedan and our two cars representing the Corvair community.



Lee showed his Yenko Stinger at the Sunday, September 15th Car Show at the Kansas State Fair. The show was held on the Administration Center parking lot and ran by the Kansas Corvette Association.



The shorty station wagon at the Ottawa show.



By Terry Kalp

Perfect weather, great food, outstanding Corvairs and dozens of Corvair friends. All these elements came together to Make the 2024 Great Plains Corvair Roundup a success.

57 Corvairs showed up for the Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Wichita, KS. The event ran from September 27th thru 29th and was hosted by the Mid-Continent Corvair Association (MCCA). Friday featured a early evening welcome cookout, followed by hotly con-

tested valve cover racing. Saturday started with an all-you-can eat pancake and sausage breakfast prepared by MCCA President Marcus Trotter and his wife, Tracy. Filling out the morning was a people's choice car show. Included in the show were classes for model cars and works-in-progress. The Corvairs were on display in the front parking lot of the host motel. There were also several games set-up adjacent to the show area to test the skills of those attending. Afternoon activities were two tours, one

shopping and lunch sweep through the historic Delano district. The other tour was to the "Keeper of the Plains" sculpture, then a photo tour of some of the scale "Keeper" sculptures decorated in different styles. Lunch at Nu-Way and a tour of Allen Millworks were included.

Open during the entire Roundup was the Hospitality room which featured event registration, never ending snacks and drinks, door prizes, and a couple dozen raffle items. There always seemed to be a group of folks socializing and



ABOVE: Dennis Fuller shows off the form that helped him win first place in the valve cover races. **RIGHT:** LP Penner and Greg Renfro enjoy the excellent weather during the Saturday Car Show.



Keith Hammett and Lee Olsen check out the build photos of Lee's #44 Yenka Stinger.



Greg Renfro's Third Place Model Car entry sported 3-D printed details. A lot of work in this model.

Roundup '24

enjoying the hospitality.

Saturday evening was the catered awards banquet back at the host hotel. MCCA President, Marcus Trotter did a great job as Master of Ceremonies for the Awards portion of the evening. All the awards were hand crafted by MCCA members.

Next year's event will be hosted by the Green Country Corvair Group and will be held in Claremore, OK (near Tulsa). The dates are October 3rd thru 5th. Theme of the 2025 Roundup is "Swimming with the Blue Whale on Rt 66."



Jay Allen conducts a tour of Allen Millworks as part of the Saturday afternoon "Keeper" tour.



LEFT: Tracy and Marcus Trotter cooked sausage and pancakes for everyone for the Saturday morning breakfast.

ABOVE: The Saturday night banquet was a time to relax and celebrate the Roundup Weekend. Seated are MCCA members, Randy Weir, Jay and Lisa Allen, Roy Junemann, Joe and Bonnie Nold.

Luna Tuna On Oct. 19

Luna Tuna is Saturday, October 19th at the Kalp Shop. It is a chance to get some work done on your Corvair, eat, socialize and just have a fun day.

The Kalp Shop is located at 2140 W. 101st Street North, Valley Center, KS. If you are coming down I 35 get off at exit 19 and go two miles west.

We will be starting at 8 am but you can come and go as you please. Lunch will be at noon and we will be hanging around until all the cars are finished.

A couple of projects are planned, but there is room for more. Terry has a lot of speciality tools to help with Corvair repairs. There is space for more projects. If you plan on a major project it would be good to



At the 2023 Luna Tuna Mike Dawson chases down a no charge issue with Lyle Ackerman's Corsa electrical system.

contact Terry at 316-882-3056 or Marcus Trotter at 316-241-6419

Lunch will be pot luck as usual. Soup and Chili will be the main course. Participants should just bring donuts, side-dish, salad or desert. If you don't have a Corvair project come out and supervise.

MCCA Members Win Awards At the 2024 Corvair Roundup

Early Open

- 1st place Joe Nold
63 Monza convert.
- 2nd place Tiffany Smith
64 Monza convert.

Early Closed

- 2nd place Jay Allen
64 Monza Coupe

Late Open

- 2nd place Keith Hammett
65 Monza convert.
- 3rd place Mark Welte
65 Corsa convert.

Specialty

- 1st place Lee Olsen
66 Yenko Stinger

Work in progress

- 2nd place Greg Renfro
62 Rampside

Valve cover Race

- 1st place Dennis Fuller
- 2nd place Terry Kalp
- 3rd place Tracy Trotter

Model Car

- 3rd Place Greg Renfro

Photos Needed for Calendar

It is time for MCCA members to provide photos of their Corvairs for the 2025 MCCA calendar. There are many club Corvairs that should be in the calendar. Deadline for photos is Thanksgiving. If you have an interest in the calendar project contact Terry at 316-882-3056.

The cost of the calendars should be between \$10-15. Existing photos may be used or new photos can be taken. Terry will take photos of your Corvair if needed. All Photos and orders will need to be to Terry by the end of November. .

This is not a fund-raiser the calendars will be sold at cost (\$15-20). If you have questions contact Terry.

Tiffany and Bill Smith displayed their '64 Corvair convertible at the September 13th Valley Center Lyons Club Car Show. There was a lot of spectator interest in the shiny, red convertible.



COCA Swap Meet Is Oct. Road Trip

For the October MCCA Road Trip members will be headed to Oklahoma City area.. The Central Oklahoma Corvair Association and The Great Plains Roundup Group are hosting a Corvair parts only swap meet. The date for the trip is Saturday, October 26. The Swap meet will be held at the Wiley Post Airport, CE Page Building, 5810 Tulakes Ave., Bethany OK 73008. Starts at 8 am. More details on the trip will be presented at the October meeting, or contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419. Those interested in Vending should contact James (405)823-7585.

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 October 12th meeting. So bring your appetite and join your friends starting at 5:30-6.

Oct. First Friday

Bill Smith was the only one who drove a Corvair to the October First Friday show and shine at Central and West on October 4th. This was the final First Friday event for the year. The show and shine will resume next Spring.. First Friday is a Mel Horstman Award Event.



E V E N T S

October 12, 2024: Saturday October MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

October 19, 2024: Saturday Luna Tuna Tech Day at Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st St. North, Valley Center, KS 8 am to ?? Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056 or Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

October 26, 2024: Saturday October MCCA Breakfast/Road Trip. The Great Plains Roundup Group Corvair parts only swap meet. Will be held at the Wiley Post Airport, CE Page Building, 5810 Tulakes Ave., Bethany OK 73008. Starts at 8 am. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

November 9, 2024: Saturday November MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

November 23, 2024: Saturday November MCCA Breakfast/Road Trip. TBA. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

December ??, 2024: Saturday MCCA dinner and Christmas light tour. TBA. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

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January 11, 2025: Saturday January MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7.. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

January 25, 2025: Saturday January MCCA Breakfast/Road Trip. TBA. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.



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Ran When Parked



This Ran When Parked. An abandoned EM Corvair was Posted on the Corvair Owners Face-book page by Daniel Hood. Send your Ran When Parked photos to tkalp@cox.net.

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Oct. 12th**

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Ten Years Ago



Ten Years Ago Darlene Welty puts the finishing touches on their '65 Corsa just seconds before judging begins for the Branson Great Plains Corvair Roundup Concours. The Roundup was hosted by HACO that year and was held in Branson Missouri. The CORSA Mini-convention was part of the Kansas City club celebrating 50 years of supporting Corvair owners.



Calendar

Oct. Meeting	Oct. 12
Luna Tuna	Oct. 19
Oct Road Trip/ Swap Meet	Oct. 26
Nov. Meeting	Nov. 9
Breakfast	Nov. 26
Christmas Lights	Dec. ??
No December Meeting	