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# The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

March 2025



Jay Allen (L) was awarded the Tenth Annual Mel Horstman Award at the February MCCA Breakfast. Jay's blue '64 Corvair Monza cope was seen at many MCCA events during 2024. Congratulations Jay, thanks for getting your beautiful Corvair out.

**March Meeting**  
**Saturday,**  
**Mar 8th, 7 pm**

Oaklawn Activity Center

4904 S. Clifton, Ave.  
Wichita, KS

## *Jay Allen Wins 2024 MCCA Mel Award*

The winner of the 2024 MCCA Mel Horstman Award is Jay Allen. Jay has been involved in MCCA activities starting when he was in High School. He knew Mel Horstman for many years and that added to his appreciation of the honor. The Mel Award started in 2015 to honor club patriarch, Mel Horstman who drove his Corvairs everywhere and encouraged club members to do likewise.

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

**2025 DUES**



At the September 2024 First Friday MCCA was represented by Bill Smith in a '64 convertible and Terry Kalp in his '65 coupe. Marcus Trotter photo.

## First, First Friday

The First, First Friday for 2025 will be April 4th. The show is located at the shopping center parking lot on the corner of Central and West Streets in Wichita. 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.



## 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

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.



both the front and rear; new heater hoses; new muffler; rebuilt carburetor and turbo (by Mike Dawson);

## 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 March 8th meeting. So bring your appetite and join your friends starting at 5:30-6 on Saturday.

## More Stories Needed for Where I Found My Corvair

The Where I Found My Corvair series started in the February 2024 issue of the FlatSix Journal with the story about how Terry Kalp found and purchased his 1961 Greenbrier. Throughout 2024 several MCCA members shared the tale of how their Corvairs were found and purchased. It seems every Corvair has a story. The author does not need to be a great writer, if they submit the details and some photos, the Editor can make an interesting story.

There are many Corvair "hunting" stories out there that should be shared in the FlatSix Journal. Help the Editor out by gathering up some photos and notes about a Corvair purchase, then submit them.

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## Pre-Spring Fling At Golden Corral

MCCA Pre-Spring Fling, dinner and MCCA meeting was held at Golden Corral Buffet and Grill on Saturday, February 8. A couple dozen members showed up to enjoy the variety of food the buffet provided.

A special area in a side room was reserved for the club and worked out very well. After the meal, President Marcus Trotter conducted a short meeting.

Traditionally, the Mel Award is presented at the dinner/meeting. The winner wasn't present so the presentation was post postponed.



**Two Corvairs showed up in the Golden Corral parking lot for the MCCA Pre-Spring Fling. Both were EM Corvairs.**

**ABOVE:** David Swartzendruber drove his '60, 700 series Corvair to the Fling. He was able to get front row parking. David purchased the '60 a couple months ago and is turning it into a daily driver.

**LEFT:** Bob Ferenc piloted his '63 Spyder convertible to the banquet/meeting. Bob has had the Spyder for years and turned it into a Corvair that could be driven anywhere.



**ABOVE:** Carl Weaver and Kim French chat during the meal at Golden Corral.

**LEFTT:** Randy Wier, Roy and Connie Juenemann, and Tracy Trotter enjoyed the variety of food at the buffet.





**The GTA group. The LM Corvairs of Alex Moats and Patrick Tinnin both are sporting third generation Firebird 16" Firebird rims and they look great Alex's white '66 runs 205/50-16 on the front and 225/50-16 on the gold centered rims. Patrick has similar sizes on his black rims.**

## *Cold Tuna, Chilly Outside Warm Inside*

MCCA Cold Tuna 2025 lived up to its name, at least outside. Brisk winds and sub-freezing temperatures made being outside miserable. Thanks to the wood fire and electric heater it was warm inside the main shop at the Kalp Compound.

The first project of the day was fixing the slop in David Swartzendruber's '60 Corvair. A few turns of the adjusting screw on the steering box and the '60 was out the door for a test drive. Chris O'Dell took advantage of the break and with good help, unloaded

his '68 500 into the main shop. It was scheduled to have the missing engine and transaxle replaced.

David's '60 returned to the shop, this time to have a relay for the electric fuel pump installed. Meanwhile Chris and Terry Kalp were inventorying parts for the engine install.

Soon David's Green EM was replaced in the shop by Sammie Fuller's Green '64 AC Monza. Sammie and dad, Dennis replaced the harmonic balancer, made more difficult because of the factory AC.

**Defying the rumors of the "Graying" of the Corvair hobby were these "youngsters" attending the Cold Tuna. Chris O'Dell (L), Edwin Butier (C) and Sammie Fuller (L) all own and work on Corvairs. Other "youngsters" in attendance were Alex Moats and Patrick Tinnin.**







**Mark Stever (L) and Newton Gary Moore socialized and supervised during Cold Tuna.**

The club provided pizza for lunch and members brought side dishes. Edwin Butier brought a



**Sammie Fuller and dad, Dennis swapped out the harmonic balancer on Sammie's AC '64 4-door.**

station wagon load of spare Corvair parts that he sold and gave away.

Juna Tuna is June 21st.



**Edwin Butier will be moving to Pennsylvania after graduation. He brought his excess Corvair parts inventory to the Tuna.**



**David Swartzendruber (R) wires up a fuel pump relay in his '60 2-door. Observing and providing support are Randy Wier (C) and Mark Welte (L).**



**Chris O'Dell's Cold Tuna project was to get an engine ready to install in his '68 Corvair 500. Most of the session was sorting thru what he had and making a list of missing parts that would need to be located.**



*The 4th Annual*  
**LARRY LEE MEMORIAL  
CAR SHOW**  
**GODDARD, KANSAS**



**Saturday, April 5, 2025**

RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 6

**11 AM - 4 PM**

Main Street | Downtown Goddard

**ALL CARS, TRUCKS, JEEPS, & MOTORCYCLES ARE WELCOME!**

**PRE-REGISTER ONLINE**

**\$20 Pre-registration fee / \$25 Registration day of show**

First 50 Pre-Registrations - Goody bags | First 100 - Dash Plaques

All registrations entered to WIN door prizes

**Registration 10am | Awards 3pm**

~ Free Spectator Admission ~

**DJ MUSIC • FOOD • VENDORS • RAFFLES • 50/50 • SILENT AUCTION**

**KIDZONE 12pm-3pm**



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The Pools and the Weavers enjoy the fellowship and breakfast at the January MCCA breakfast meeting.

## March Peabody Road Trip/Brunch

The first MCCA Road Trip of the year will be to Peabody, KS for brunch at Pop's Diner 115 N. Walnut. On Saturday, March 22 MCCA members will meet at the Kalp Shop, 2140 W. 101st N., Valley Center, KS and be ready to leave at 10 am. The trip should take 35-45 minutes with the group arriving in Peabody about 10:35-10:45. Pop's offers traditional small town diner comfort food that is quite tasty.

The April MCCA Road Trip will be to Goddard, Ks for the Larry Lee Memorial Car Show in Downtown Goddard. The show is on April 5 from 11 am to 4 pm.



## E V E N T S

**March 8, 2025: Saturday** March MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7.. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

**March 22, 2025: Saturday** March MCCA Brunch/Road Trip. Pop's Diner 115 N. Walnut, Peabody, KS. Meet at Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st N. Valley Center and be ready to leave at 10 am Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

**April 4, 2025: Friday** April First Friday show and Shine at Central and West Streets in Wichita. 5 pm. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

**April 5, 2025: Saturday** April Road Trip to Larry Lee Memorial Car Show. 11 am to 4 pm Main Street Goddard, KS Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

**April 12, 2025: Saturday** April MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7.. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

**May 2, 2025: Friday** May First Friday show and Shine at Central and West Streets in Wichita. 5 pm. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419

**May 3, 2025: Saturday** May Road Trip to McPherson College C.A.R.S. Car Show, 1600 E. Euclid, McPherson, KS Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.

**May 10, 2025: Saturday** May MCCA Regular meeting at the Oaklawn Activity Center. Pre-Meeting eating at 5:30-6 meeting at 7.. Contact Marcus Trotter 316-214-6419.



## Ran When Parked



This Ran When Parked Corvair was posted on Facebook by Tom Zink on the Corvair Racers group. Send your Ran When Parked photos to [tkalp@cox.net](mailto:tkalp@cox.net).

## Ten Years Ago



**Cold Tuna Ten Years Ago.** Ned Madsen and Tim Shortle warm up with some coffee and sunshine. Tim drove a '69 Corvair all the way to the Tuna from Durango, Colorado.

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## Calendar

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| March Meeting           | Mar. 8   |
| March Breakfast         | Mar. 22  |
| April First Friday Show | April 4  |
| April Road Trip         | April 5  |
| April Meeting           | April 12 |
| May First Friday Show   | May 2    |
| May Road Trip           | May 3    |