

The Flat Six Journal

Mid Continent Corvair Association Newsletter

July 2026



July Meeting
Saturday,
July 11th 6:00pm

Randy Wier's
5130 S. 151st W.
Clearwater, KS

Julie Folger O'Leary announced that Lloyd Folgers '64 Monza convertible, "Slickee," sold to Lloyd's preacher and his wife, Ray and Diana. The convertible sold on Bring a Trailer for \$6450 on June 16th.

July Meeting a Pot-Luck

Randy Wier will be hosting the July meeting at his home (Clearwater address, but closer to Goddard). He will be cooking burgers and relying on the rest of those attending to bring pot

luck dishes. Randy has a beautiful home and some acreage for folks to spread out.. The eating will start around 6 pm and the meeting at 7 pm. Remember to bring a side dish or dessert and a chair.

For Sale



FOR SALE 1964 Corvair Monza coupe 110 PG Done: New Carpet Kit, New Door Pulls, New Package Tray, New Brakes and Hoses, New Fuel Tank & Sending Unit, Carbs Rebuilt, Pushrod Tube Seals, Transmission Pan Gasket, Shift cable Seal, Tires and Salt Disc Caps,, Headlight and Turn Signal gaskets.

Things that come with the car: New Interior Kit Seat Upholstery Door Panels & Headliner, Replacement Hood, New Speedometer Cable, New Sway Bar Bushings, New Axle Seals, New Transmission Seal Kit. **\$3800**



FOR SALE 1962 Corvair Spyder clone coupe four speed 150+hp engine FAST. Complete AC system, great paint. Interior needs some attention, have door panels **\$6500** Contact **Eric Kline** 316 303 1717



Kim and Doug French attended the CORSA National Convention in Gettysburg, PA, June 22-27. They posted photos on the MCCA facebook page including this sharp custom El Corvino.



2026 Dues Due \$20

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Tri-State

By Lee Olsen

Earlier in the year I made the decision to attend the 50th Tri-State Corvair meet in Montrose Colorado the first weekend in June. The first one was held there and every 10th Tri-State is held there. The Tri-State alternates between Rocky Mountain CORSA, Denver, Pike's Peak Corvair, Colorado Springs and Corvairs of New Mexico, Albuquerque and is held in a different location in Colorado or New Mexico every year.

The plan was to take my Stinger to my Cabin in Colorado and then drive to Montrose on Friday. It is about 75 miles from my place to Montrose on US Highway 50. But I had decided to take the long way which was about 100 miles. I knew the drive had spectacular scenery and a super fun winding road, perfect for any Corvair. There was about 45 miles of winding road and the scenery was amazing. The car ran and handled fantastic. We stopped and took photos a couple of times along the route. The main town after the 45 miles was Hotchkiss. We stopped and had a drink and a taco before continuing on our way, planning to be in Montrose around 3, we didn't get there 'till 8.

After eating we got into the car and took off for about two blocks when the car bucked a couple of times and died. I coasted into a gravel parking lot, turned the key off then on. I couldn't hear the electric fuel pump. Hotchkiss is a small town, but I thought I had



seen a parts store somewhere, so I took off walking, no dice. I didn't have a spare pump or the tools I would need to change it. I walked into the Gambels store (hadn't seen one of those for 40 years) I asked the lady working there if she knew any mechanics, she said her boyfriend works on stuff, that did not sound encouraging. An older gentleman named Bill was standing nearby, he said, "I know a good mechanic, I will call him."

The mechanic answered and I told him my issue. He doubted there would be a pump in Hotchkiss, but would call around. No pumps in town, but he had one coming to Delta at 3 o'clock. Delta is about 30 miles away. He and his friend came down, brought a floor jack, jacked the Stinger up and removed the old pump. In a situation like that, you don't know the mechanic or his skill set. Nick was super nice, he went to Delta, got the new pump, installed it and was heating the butt connectors when I heard him blowing hard, fire!! I grabbed the extinguisher, but Nick had already blown the fire out.

When I got the stinger back 3 years ago, I replaced all the flex-fuel lines . . . I thought. I forgot the short one in the tunnel where

the fuel pump hooked into the hard line to the engine. Wrestling around with the new pump had broke the 24 year old hose, so Nick took off to get a new one. We were there for 5 hours. Come to find out Nick was a BMW and Toyota mechanic.

Nick finished, I asked him how much I owed him, he said, "Well the pump was \$80 and I am only going to charge you for an hour, how about \$180?" I had \$240 in my pocket and gave it all to him and sent another \$40 when I got home. He could have charged me whatever he wanted to. He said he liked working on classic cars.

What was a bad situation turned into a really good situation, someone was smiling down on us that day. If I hadn't run into Bill, I would have never known about Nick. Nick even texted me to make sure we got to Montrose OK.

There were 37 Corvairs at Tri-State. We had beautiful weather and I got the Hard Luck award and Best Specialty award. Best part was seeing all my friends. I attended my first Tri-State in 1991 in Gunnison, I haven't been every year, but I look forward to attending many more. Next year is in Mohab, since Utah is back in the group making it a true Tri-State event..

Lake Afton Show & June Meeting



As usual, the day for the Lake Afton show and June meeting dawned with menacing clouds and sprinkles of rain. That didn't discourage Jason and Nick Pool. They were on site early and claimed a spot for MCCA Corvairs on the front row. After erecting a couple of shelters, they made a trip

back home to bring their collector cars. Thank goodness they don't live very far away.

As the sun came out so did the Corvairs and other cars. The show began filling up. Around 11 am a short meeting was held. Club President, Tiffany Smith, called the meeting to order. There was some

discussion of upcoming events. The major task for the meeting was election of officers, or in this case reelection of officers. All of the officers were returned to their positions by a member vote.

As the show wound down, Jason and Nick reversed the process of earlier in the day. Thanks guys.



Because the weather at Lake Afton is so variable the club has a couple of canopies to be used at car shows. If it is misty or rainy they protect from the elements. When the sun pops out they provide shade.



Roy Juenemann and Lyle Ackerman chat up Corvairs to a Lake Afton spectator.



Ben English is checking out the next step for replacing the clutch cable and front parking brake cable.



The pot-luck lunch is a popular part of the Tunas. Daryl, Lindy Joe, and Lyle enjoy their meal.

Juna Tuna Times 25

It doesn't seem like it, but the Juna Tuna held on June 20th was the 25th time MCCA members have come together in June to work on Corvairs, eat and socialize. (Not necessarily in that order).

Early arrivals were Lindy Smith, Steve Brack, and Carl

Weaver. First they helped with the final cleanup of the shop. Both Carl and Steve then dove into their projects.

Carl's Spyder wasn't charging. A quick diagnosis narrowed it down to the voltage regulator. Carl cleaned the points and all was good. Steve's project was a bit more complex. He had an early transaxle with a broken snout. That project took most of the day. With a few replacement parts and help from Terry Kalp, Mike Dawson and others, Steve had a refreshed transaxle.

Ben English's project came in

on the end of a rope, a EM convertible with a broken clutch cable.

The convertible was winched onto the four post lift. when the belly pan was dropped Ben discovered he was in need of a front parking brake cable also. Despite being a novice Corvair mechanic, Ben had the car ready to drive home in a matter of a few hours.

Lunch was hot dogs with anything you might want to put on them, ketchup, mustard, relish, chili, sauerkraut, and more. Plus there were side dishes and desserts provided by other members. Next Tuna is Luna Tuna, October 17.



LEFT: Steve Brack uses the parts washing tank to clean the last bit of gunk out of his differential case.

RIGHT: Scott Allison ended up adjusting much of the aftermarket linkage on Lindy Smith's 140 to get the carbs in proper tune.





C's the day, three of Chevrolet's finest cruised on the June MCCA Road Trip to the train museum in Wellington. Smith Photo.

By Tiffany Smith

Saturday June 27th was the June MCCA Road Trip! The day started out at McDonald's on Broadway and 47th St S in Wichita. Bill and I were in my convertible with the newly patched back window. Mark and Dianna Stever were in Mark's '64, and Cary and Paula Ziesenis were in Cary's Camaro. We departed from McDonald's at 10:00am, heading south on Old 81 / Broadway. Once we were right south of the Kansas Star Casino, the road was closed due to flooding. We pulled over and searched for other ways around, but due to not knowing about more flooding and wanting to avoid dirt roads, we had to take the turnpike the rest of the way. It was a seamless drive all the way to Wellington. Once we arrived at the Panhandle Railroad Museum, the doors were locked and no one was in sight, so we proceeded to take some pictures of the cars. An officer pulled in to get a better look at the cars and visit with us for a few minutes. Then shortly after the that

the man runs the museum Perry arrived with his little dog Izzy. The museum had a ton of train stuff, from freight train items to passenger train items. Everything from dishes, locks, menus, timetables, hats, etc. I would recommend going there but make it soon because Perry is retiring and there is no one else to keep the museum going so everything is being donated to another museum that is out of state. After visiting the museum, we all drove over to the Big Cheese Pizza for lunch. It was not very busy for a Saturday, so we had free reign over the pizza and salad buffet. Their pizza is the same great taste that it has been for a long time! They also had crushed ice which you don't see at a lot of restaurants. We all had a nice long visit in the air conditioning! Once we were ready to depart, we decided that we didn't need to visit the other museum. We were all ready to get home and out of the heat for the day. We took the turnpike back to Mulvane and back over to Old 81 to go our separate ways.

Olpe Chicken Run

The July MCCA Road Trip will be on Saturday, July 18. We are heading to the Olpe Chicken House in Olpe, KS for lunch. It will be about a two hour drive. This is a joint event with HACO out of Kansas City.

The plan is for MCCA members to gather at the Quick Trip in Park City and be ready to leave by 10 am. The Quick Trip address



is 928 E. 61st Street North, Park City, KS. The route will include going down Hwy. 54 to 99 then to the Chicken House 8 KS-99, Olpe, KS 66865. Plans are to eat around noon-12:30.

The restaurant needs a head count, so folks need to reach out to Steve Maloney at stevemmaloney@gmail.com or by text/phone to 515-419-0251 if you haven't RSVP'd yet or have any questions.

People are encouraged to drive their Corvairs, but it certainly not a requirement. It is more important that one is there than how they got there.



Terry Kalp dug out the '65 Vanilla, Monza convertible for the July 3rd. Due to the impending holiday the turn-out was sparse.

First Fridays

MCCA sort of made the Red, White and Blue theme work at the July 3rd First Friday Show and Shine at Central and West streets in Wichita. Terry Kalp showed up early in his Vanilla (White) convertible with red interior. After hanging around for awhile he headed home . . . just before Jaly Allen showed up with his beautiful, blue '64 Monza with blue interior.

Attending the June First Friday event were Jason Pool in his Olive Drab military tribute LM coupe and Marcus Trotter also in a LM coupe.

The Show starts around 5 pm, but getting there much earlier is a good idea. The August First Friday will be on August 7th. First Friday is a Mel Horstman Award Event. See you there.



Marcus Trotter brought his LM coupe out to join Jason Pool to represent MCCA at the June First Friday Central & West show..



E V E N T S

July 11, 2026: Saturday July MCCA meeting at Randy Wier's 5130 S. 151st W. Clearwater 67026. Eating at 6 meeting at 7. Contact Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108.

July 18, 2026: Saturday July Trip TBA. Contact Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108.

August 7, 2026: Friday August First Friday show & Shine at Central and West Streets in Wichita. 5 pm. Contact Tiffany Smith

August 8, 2026: Saturday August MCCA meeting at Kalp Shop 2140 W 101st St North, Valley Center. Eating at 6 meeting at 7. Contact Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108.

September 4, 2026: Friday September First Friday show & Shine at Central and West Streets in Wichita. 5 pm. Contact Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108

September 10-13, 2026: Thursday-Sunday Great Plains Corvair Roundup Springdale, Arkansas. The host hotel is the Holiday Inn and NWA Convention Center 1500 South 48th Street, 2026 Great Plains Roundup, Springdale, Arkansas. The host hotel is full but lodging is available nearby. For more information contact Dan Hill at (501) 231-0201 or email dan@hill-co.net

September 19, 2026: Saturday September MCCA meeting at TBA . Eating at 6 meeting at 7. Contact Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108.

October 17 2026: Saturday Luna Tuna, Kalp Shop 2140 W. 101st North Valley Center, KS. Doors open 8 am to ???. Bring a side dish for the pot luck lunch. Contact Terry Kalp 316-882-3056 or Tiffany Smith 316-631-2108.



Scott Allison ran the Shark at the SCCA autocross at Heartland Park in Topeka. The Saturday, June 27th even took place on a section of the Road Race Track. To slow folks down most corners had a slalom.



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Ten Years Ago



Ten Years ago at the Automobilia Moonlight Madness Show, it was the first show for Mark Stever's 1965 Corvair and he won a sponsor's choice trophy. Bob Enterprises selected Mark's Corvair for their award.



Calendar

July Meeting	July 11
Road Trip	July 18
First Friday	August 7
Aug Meeting	August 8
Breakfast/ Road Trip	August 22
First Friday	Sept. 4
Roundup	Sept. 10-13
Sept. Meeting	Sept. 19