



Corvair



CHRONICLE

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Some outstanding cars and trucks participating at the Ronald McDonald House of Dayton Cruise-In Benefit.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The September meeting of The Dayton Corvair Club will again be held at Marion's Pizza on North Dixie Dr. in Dayton (near Wagner Ford Rd.). The date is Tuesday September 27th. We will start at our regular time of 6:30 PM. The club will not be paying for pizza this meeting so you are on your own. They have a separate room so look for us there.

OCTOBER ACTIVITY

The club's activity for October is a tech session at Denny Kugler's home. The date is Saturday Oct 1 starting at 10:00 AM. Denny lives north of Phillipsburg. Take Rt-49 north from I-70. Go through Phillipsburg on 49 until you cross Rt-722. Denny's road, Red River West Grove Rd., is the next road on the right. Denny lives in the first house on the right at number 859. The session will be held in the big garage behind the house. We are looking for things that we might do. If you have an idea, submit it to Denny for consideration. His e-mail is dkuglers@yahoo.com One thing we have in mind some seat upholstery work. Maybe we could take out a headliner. Don't know if we would have time to put it back in but we could see how they are installed. The session will last several hours. Maybe we could stop at Rob's Restaurant (buffet) in Brookville for lunch on the way home.

AUGUST MEETING MINUTES

Minutes: Dayton Corvair Club, 08/23/2011 Club meeting, 6:30 P.M.

Location: Marion's Pizza, 3443 N. Dixie Dr., Dayton, Ohio

Attendees: Aggie Moyer, Bernice Noll, Kevin Clark, Jim Stukenborg, Joe Dranschak, Greg Hanlin, Ray and Pauline Petty, Rob and Loretta Petty, Daryl Smith, Doug Longenecker and Paul Huelskamp.

After we enjoyed a variety of subs and pizza President Daryl Smith called the meeting to order about 7PM.

Secretary Report: Minutes from the July meeting stood as included in the August Corvair Chronicle newsletter.

Treasurer Report: Aggie reported we had income of \$30 for membership dues and \$172 from the "Vair Affair", including 12 registrations, for a total of \$202 with expenses of \$11.68 for the August newsletter with a balance on August 23, 2011 of \$1,373.85. A motion was made by Greg with a second by Jim and member approval to accept the report.

Newsletter Report: Kevin indicated he had some information from a woman about a car for sale but he needed to follow up with her to get more details to put into the newsletter.

Membership Report: No update so we continued with the activities report.

Activities Report: We discussed the 'Vair Affair' a little then focused our attention on the final plans for the Ronald McDonald House Cruise In scheduled for September 10 at the Sugarcreek McDonalds. McDonalds will rent the band tent, we need to pick up the popcorn machine from Kosins Rentals, Daryl and Kevin will see about bringing a separate pop-up tent to use for the registration booth. Joe will pick up items donated for the cakewalk by Entenmanns Bakery. We have the flyers and are distributing them and we all need to see about soliciting or bringing some door prizes. The band is ready and we just need to see how the weather forecast works out so we have another good day for this annual event. Loretta indicated she would patrol the area to make sure we do not have cars parking in the McDonalds lot that are not registered. Kevin will see if he can find a "Registration Security" shirt for Loretta to wear for her patrol duties.

We will meet at Marion's Pizza again for the September Club meeting and Joe will check on availability of the Ronald McDonald House meeting room for the October 25 Club meeting. We should have a check ready to donate to RMH at that meeting. Joe will also check with the Vandalia Justice Center to see if they have a meeting room available for our future Club meetings.

The winner of the 50/50 was Ray Petty for \$7 bettering the \$4 won by Rob Petty at the last club meeting.

The winner of the Pot-o-Gold drawing for \$40 was Al Ruwe but he was not present so this amount will be carried over to the September meeting.

The meeting adjourned about 8 PM.

CORVAIR SIGHTING

After the meeting at Marion's Pizza, this lonely Corvair was spotted across the parking lot in a secured area. It appears to be a 1963 Monza convertible. We might know who own the lot and could contact the owner to inquire about it. It is yearning to be let out of the cage.



MCDONALD'S CRUISE-IN

In spite of relatively decent weather and no Cruise-the-Burg competition, the turn out was disappointing. We had only 24 cars who registered.

One notable car there was Jim Schardt who drove his Corvair Stinger race car to the cruise-in. Jim said that he had this car out on the track this summer for the first time in a number of years. The main reason was to show the grandkids that grandpa was a pretty good racer and most of them had never seen grandpa on the track. This years outing was at the Mid Ohio Race Course near Mansfield, Ohio.



Your co-editor watched Jim race at Mid Ohio some years ago in a vintage race and observed Jim pursuing a mid year Corvette until the Vette spun out trying to stay ahead of the Corvair. Remember that Jim's car has 250 horsepower and weighs about 700 lbs less than a stock Corvair. He says it is good for about

150 miles per hour. It sounds nasty in its race trim. Hope Jim did not drive by a policeman on his way home. The car is not very street legal in race trim. Club member Gary Funkhouser also was there. Gary is very familiar with the Schardt Stinger as he was the main motor wrench on this car. Gary said that the main thing that broke on the Stinger engine racing was the crankshaft.



Jim Stukenborg finally got his V-8 Corvair running and also had it at the McD's cruise-in. Jim is running straight pipes on his exhaust and could have given the Stinger competition in a noise contest. Other Corvairs included Greg Hanlin's white 66 Corsa convertible, Kevin Clark's light green Corvan, and Gary Funkhouser's black 65 coupe sporting flames.

We should thank Loretta Petty for encouraging some of the cruisers to sign up rather than just park and look at the

other cars. Loretta also went around and sold 50/50 raffle tickets. She also had Kevin make a special T shirt for her job as the "Persuader". I hope Kevin has a picture of Loretta in her "T". Thanks for your help Loretta. Other club members who get a special thanks for helping included: club president Daryl Smith, Kevin Clark, Aggie Moyer, Bernice Noll, Greg Hanlin, Jim Stukenborg, Ray Petty, Rob Petty, and Joe Dranschak. Joe gets a special thanks for doing the lions share of pre cruise organizing and advertising. Joe also manned the popcorn station this year. Ben and Ethan Hanlin and Aggie's grandson Garrett Moyer helped with the popcorn sales. McDonald's helped us a lot this year by renting a tent and having it set up when we got there.



McDONALD'S CRUISE-IN *continued*

As always, the Reject's band was enjoyable to hear play and their microphone comedy is always amusing. The Rejects can also be heard sometimes at Stubb's park in Centerville during the summer at the free out door concerts on Sunday evening.



The Rejects in their best behavior.

We ended up with 24 door prizes so all entries got a door prize. Joe also obtained another large donation of baked goods from Entenmann's. These really encouraged a lot of action at the cake walk. Many thanks to the Entenmann's bakery for their donation. Thanks also go out to the McDonald's staff for all their help and the Bellbrook fire dept for use of their cones, tables and chairs delivered and picked up.



Everybody is the winner in the Cake Walk.



Sweet prizes!



Ben and Ethan Hanlin, Garrett Moyer with "Gem".



Club president Daryl Smith's 1986 Fiero GT 2.8 V6.



Al Ruwe's 1967 Camaro RS convertible.

McDONALD'S CRUISE-IN *continued*

The award winners included the following:

Penny and Ken Stanley from Xenia, car number 6, 1954 glass top Mercury coupe, a nice car
Nancy and Mike Goldman of Kettering, car number 12, a 2012 Nissan GTR, dark blue, twin turbo
Mike West of Dayton, car number 21, 71 blue Chevelle, with larger wheels and low profile tires
Clyde Treser of Spring Valley, car number 19, 1953 green GMC ½ ton pickup, in restored condition
Merle Cummings of Beavercreek, car number 22, brown 1970 Buick GS convertible, 455 engine
Tony Ninnoti of Dayton, car number 2, white 1963 split window Corvette coupe, recently restored



1st Place Dayton Corvair Club Choice - 1970 Buick



2nd Place Dayton Corvair Club Choice - 1954 Mercury



1st Place Ronald McDonald House Choice - 1953 GMC



2nd Place Ronald McDonald House Choice - 1963 Corvette



1st Place McDonald's Choice - 1971 Chevelle



2nd Place McDonald's Choice - 2012 Nissan GTR

ORPHAN CAR SHOW

The Orphan Car Show will be held this Saturday September 24th at Carillon Park in Dayton. Only one Corvair made it to this event last year. It would be nice to have a few more show up this year. Bring your car out and show it off. The new building that showcases Dayton manufacturing history is now open. Kill two birds at one time by bringing your car and touring the exhibit. This building is attached to the main park building. The car show takes place from 10 AM -3:00 PM. The cost is \$10 per car but this includes park admission for the driver and a passenger.

CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

DATE	DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY
09/27/11	Club monthly meeting at Marion’s Pizza at 6:30 PM
10/01/11	Tech Session, Denny Kugler’s, 10 AM
10/25/11	Club monthly meeting at Smedley's(?) at 6:30 PM
11/12/11	Springfield Museum, Heritage Center of Clark County, 11 AM
11/22/11	Club monthly meeting at Vandalia Justice (more info TBA in October newsletter)
12/03/11	Club Christmas Party at Cristy's in Huber Heights (Sat) 4:30 PM

LET’S GO CRUISE-IN’ AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Sept. 23, 2011 Tipp City Mum Festival Cruise-In - 4-10 p.m. - www.tippcruise-in.com
- Sept. 24, 2011 Cruise the ‘Burg - Downtown Miamisburg - 2 p.m. to ?
- Sept. 24, 2011 Orphan Car Show - Carillon Park, Dayton - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - \$10
- Oct. 1, 2011 Applebee’s Cruise In - Springboro, Ohio 73.
- Oct. 9, 2011 Cruise-In for Cancer - Rudy’s Smokehouse on Bechtle Ave. in Springfield - 12-3 p.m.

TECH TIPS

Tech Tips are to be used as a guide only. No guarantee is implied that the tech tips will work correctly, nor does the Dayton Corvair Club, the editor, or the author assume any liability.

MAGNETIC LIGHT HOLDER

While working around the wheels and brakes on a Corvair often it is difficult to position a trouble light since there is nothing to hang it on the under side of the fenders. A solution to this is to tape a hook on a large magnet which can then be stuck anywhere on the inner fender panel. My magnet came from an electric motor. Harbor Freight has a 6” diameter magnetic parts dish which has a strong enough magnetic base to hold a trouble light. Just drill a hole in the edge of the dish for the light hook or the loop from a key ring to hang the light on. *Jim Stukenborg, Dayton Corvair Club*

REATTACHING THE REAR STRUT RODS

The Corvair service manual is correct when it says that the front upper bolt on the strut bracket is the one to install first. The CORSA tech manual has a suggestion to lower the rear of the engine get the holes to line up and this should help line up the holes. If you don’t do this, then it is necessary to use a long drift to pry the bracket in position to install the rest of the bolts. In my situation it was necessary to use a jack under the bracket to align the last bolt hole since I did not want to lower the engine. If you do lower the rear of the engine make sure the front bolts are loose enough to allow this movement. *Jim Stukenborg, Dayton Corvair Club*

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1965 Corsa Convertible with Fitch Sprint option. 1966 Corsa Turbo convertible, remote mirror. 1963 Rampside, 4sp, complete but disassembled. Also two Greenbriers, engines suspension, doors and tons of parts. Call for details. Sid Roth 937-596-5106 home or 937-622-0587 cell. Jackson Center, OH

For Sale: 1962 Corvair Monza 900 coupe. 4 sp. 2 carbs. All trims available, trailer hitch, needs fuel pump. 76k miles. \$300. Vern Williams - 937-681-9142 - New Carlisle, OH

FOR SALE: 1960 Corvair 500 coupe. Excellent black interior. Hugger Orange exterior. The most famous documented Corvair factory race car. During the AMA racing ban, Chevrolet prepared this "skunk works" Corvair to be raced in the USRRC by Bill Thomas of Cheetah fame. Later it was prepared and raced by Chevy engineer Doug Roe as a highly modified turbo hill climb car, as covered in the March 1969 Hot Rod. Restored by LeVair Performance and successfully raced by Warren LeVeque in 2005 and also in 2009 at the Walter Mitty Vintage race and featured in the Sept. 2009 Classic Motorsports. Now resides in the Chevrolet Hall of Fame museum in Decatur IL. More info at LeVair.com \$100,000 negotiable 765-621-6457.



FOR SALE: 1962 Corvair Monza 900 4 door sedan. 6 cylinder 80hp. Powerglide automatic transmission. Like new 13" white wall tires. Good clear Ohio title. Radio and heater. Engine in running condition 10 years ago. 66,000 miles. \$1200.

John L. Weitlauf, Jr. 347 Lonsdale Ave. Dayton, OH 45419 - 937-299-0515

FOR SALE: 1962 Monza 900 Convertible. Automatic, 2 carbs. 50,438 miles. Original yellow exterior, yellow interior in VG condition with very few minor defects. Like new black top and clear back window in VG condition. Glass and w/w tires in excellent condition. Dash instrument and push button radio in concourse condition. Original spare tire, 2 prong wire wheels covers. Bought new in Dayton, 2nd owner, former DCC and Corsa member. Always maintained. Sat in dry garage since 2001 with few miles added since. Needs a battery. All documents, dealer letters and original GM maintenance record book included. \$6500. Winnie Morgan - 937-866-4603 - Miamisburg, OH



PARTS AND SERVICE

Corvaair parts and service, Gary Funkhouser 937-836-1471, Greg Hanlin 937-277-3268

Sid Roth, Jackson Center, Oh, 937-596-5106, Cell 937-622-0587

CORVAIR T-shirts and trophies. K. C. Vairbrush, 937-439-9694, or kevin@kcvairbrush.com and website address is: www.kcvairbrush.com

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