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DAYTON Corvair CHRONICLE



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APRIL MEETING / ACTIVITY

Our April activity will be another tour of D & D Classic Restorations in Covington, Ohio. The date is Saturday April 22 at 10AM. As usual, we will meet at the north end of the Meijer parking lot just south of I-70 on RT-48



in Englewood for those who want to caravan. Be there around 9AM. We will leave for Covington at 9:15AM. For those who want to go directly there, D & D is located at 2300 Mote Dr. on the southeast side of

Covington. Moat Dr. runs in a curve between RT-48 and RT-41. Moat Dr. is about the first side road coming into Covington on either route. From the south a right turn and from the east a left turn. D & D is close to RT-41 on the west side of the road.



After the D & D tour we will meet at Buffalo Jack's in Covington for lunch and the meeting. We will have their separate room for the meeting. We plan to get to Buffalo Jack's about 11:45 AM.

MAY ACTIVITY

Our May activity is our yearly Dragons baseball game on Tuesday May 16. The game starts at 7:00 PM. The club had a total of 20 tickets for our use. We still have 9 available. Email Kevin Clark to see how many are left. They are \$15 each. He hope to have the tickets on hand by the next meeting at Buffalo Jacks. Save the date.

CONVENTION UPDATE

We are connecting the dots between activity leaders and their respective duties and still have many more openings to fill. We have Duane Baker who will be Convention Chairperson Activities Assistant, but we are still looking for a Convention Chairperson. For the time being Kevin Clark is "Acting" Convention Chairperson who is keeping this rolling until we find all team leaders who are eager to take part in each activity. Kevin wants to take charge of other activities that are quite involving and must hand the duty of Chairperson to anyone who is willing step up. He is asking anyone to take over so he can help make this a successful convention.

A convention logo is finally completed, and Corsa President Mike Hall had approved the design. Everyone who had seen it thinks it is cool. We do not want to spoil the 2023 convention which is only two months away. We will hold off on revealing it. You can have a sneak peek when you come to the next meeting at Buffalo Jacks after the D&D Classic Restoration Tour. Kevin didn't want it circulating on the internet too soon if he had printed it here.

The Oldsmobile Club of America had notified us they will be hosting their convention at the very same hotel. They invited us to come and check out their cars and learn

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Corvair Society of America

Founded in 1969 by and for those who still appreciate the Corvair Automobile.

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MARCH MEETING MINUTES

March 28, 2023 Corvair meeting at Marion's Piazza was called to order by President Shawn Funkhouser at 6:30 pm. Shawn thanked Kevin for attending and representing the club for the funeral of Jerry Fritts. A \$50.00 donation will be made in Jerrys name.

Those in attendance for tonight's meeting include Greg Hanlin, Angie Chaffins and her friend Joan Hahn, Kevin and Susan Clark, Jim Schmidt, Wendell and Marcie Pace, Mary Liz and Randy Lamb, Matt Gordon, Patrick Kirgan, Dennis Kugler, Jim Stukenborg, Ron Reitz, Jennie Dranschak and her son David, Shawn, Mike and Michael Gitzinger, Craig Puthoff, Gary Funkhouser, Shawn Funkhouser, Verle McGillivray and Maryann Morris and Duane and Darcy Baker. Mike Bayman did not make the meeting because he had his knee replaced a few hours prior to the meeting. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

Vice President: Verle McGillivray had nothing new to report.

Secretary: Darcy asked the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as written, motion made by Duane and seconded by Gary.

Treasurer: Angie's report included previous balance of \$2386.17. Received membership dues, interest, 50/50 monies, paid donation to Cincinnati Corvair club to help with their 50th year tri-meet, donation for Jerry Fritts and for the several pizzas, ending balance is \$1784.11.

Angie announced there were still many who had not paid membership dues as of yet. She will be sending out a nice reminder letter for the dues and also inform them of our challenge for 2024. Those who had not paid dues as of March 28, 2023 are Wes Bogner, Greg Brush, Russell Carolus, Greg Leingang, Jack Milliff, Rob Petty, Rob Rindler, April Sadowski, Sid Roth, Steve Schuman, Krista Scott, Scott Stemple, Ed Thornburg.

The 50/50 drawing winner of \$28.00 was Joan Hahn! Greg Hanlin gave away two Corvair calendars, those winners were Verle and Patrick.

Newsletter: Jim remind us the D & D tour in Covington Ohio was April 22, 2023 at 10:00am with lunch and our next meeting at Buffalo Jacks to follow. Come join your friends at the Dayton Dragons game on May 16, 2023. June 17, 2023 the annual Tri Meet at Caesars Creek. Cars and Coffee dates are available as well as many upcoming car shows for the season. July 4, 2023 in Urbana is a huge car show and firework. If we want to park together, we need to drive in together.

Activities: Kevin had been working on the logo for the

2024 convention. The Dayton skyline, a Corvair in the Wright Brothers airplane along with Orville and Wilbur in the car. This will include the Columbus, Cincinnati club logos. Brochures will be made up to take to this years convention in Wisconsin. Kevin is working very hard to finalize the many ideas given to him. Thank you Kevin for doing this!! Can't wait to see the finished product! Kevin went over the many positions needed for our convention in hopes to get volunteers. We need a Chairman to work alongside Duane as his or her assistant.

We have Treasurer Angie with Darcy assisting, Autocross Gary and Shawn Funkhouser with Cincinnati club, Matt Gordon will check with University of Dayton, Jim Stukenborg will check with UD arena, Carillon Park, Kevin will check on that for the Concourse. Judges will be from Corsa and Friends of Corvairs from NE Ohio, Crafts/Activities for kids- Angie, Hospitality- keep water, pop, snacks stoked daily- Darcy, Angie and Jim Stukenborg, Ice cream social Mike Bayman and Darcy. Many more areas need volunteers. Need to contact guest speakers and tech sessions, Need to check on having food and beer trucks throughout the week - Gary will check with Marriott Hotel. Registration Angie and Darcy. Need to come up with a list of activities to do during the week, museums, shopping, restaurants. Still lots to do! So stay tuned and be thinking of where you'd like to help out!

This meeting was well attended with excitement growing in preparation of next years convention.

Thank you to Mary Liz and Angie for bring desserts to share and thank you to our club for providing the pizzas tonight.

Respectfully submitted
Darcy Baker
Secretary



DUES ARE DUE

We still have some regular members who have not paid their club dues for 2023.. They are \$12 for CORSA members and \$15 for non CORSA members. The difference is due to a yearly charge to the club from CORSA that pays the insurance cost to cover all the clubs against lawsuits for being involved in a club activity. Autocross and similiar activities need additional coverage. Recently we have had a nice upward bump in membership. We don't want to lose any of our regular members. This year will be a big year getting ready for our hosting the 2024 CORSA National Convention in Dayton. You can mail a check to our treasurer, Angie Chaffins, at 4800 Delba Dr. Dayton, OH 45439.



ADDITIONAL CONVENTION UPDATES ...Continued

how they operate and see the hotel firsthand. Corsa president Mike Hall will be there, and it will be a good event to attend and get a feel of the hotel. The Oldsmobile National Convention is August 9-12. The hotel is Marriott at the University of Dayton, 1414 S. Patterson Blvd. Save the date.

We are waiting to hear back from the Dayton Convention Bureau and Carillon Park for permission to hold an autocross at Welcome Stadium and a Concours. Welcome Stadium had permitted such autocrosses and that is a good sign and WOR-SCCA had been contacted to set up and time our event.



Duane is working on a fun project, a table for showcasing the 2024 Dayton convention. It will be set up at the Wisconsin Dell convention. One might think it was a flight simulator for the Wright Brothers! You will understand after you see the Dayton convention logo.

Mike Hall will be in town and attend the May meeting after he delivers a Corvair wagon to Cincinnati. An email had been sent to Columbus and Cincinnati so we might plan a combined meeting with Mike Hall present.

FROM THE EMAIL INBOX

Dear Directors, Daytonites and Dayton Helpers (?),

I saw in CORSA President Mike Hall's April "President's Message" that CORSA's 2024 Convention will be in Dayton, Ohio. If you would like to get some advance pointers, the Oldsmobile Club of America (OCA) is holding their 2023 National Meet there August 9-12. Maybe you could get with the OCA for ideas, or perhaps even have the Ohio CORSA clubs that are involved with planning the 2024 meet attend the OCA meet. The OCA contact is Marsha Nicholas, Registration & General Meet Questions Chairman, oldsnats@yahoo.com, (517) 663-1811. The OCA President is Sal Barberi, president@oldsmobileclub.org, (914) 523-6851.

I also just gave Mike's contact information to Jane Giliberti, the Membership Chariman of the Toronado Owners Association (TOA). They are a small club and don't have the resources to put on a meet of their

own, so they are looking for a club to partner with for 2024. Since I recall hearing about someone in the Chicagoland Corvair Enthusiasts club who installed a Toronado powertrain in the back of a Corvair back in the '70s, and since the Corvair was the pioneering Made-in-the-USA rear-engine/rear-drive car of the '60s while the Toronado was the pioneering front-engine/front-drive car, it might make for an interesting meet. The Vaironado would be a great "marriage-made-in-Heaven" display for the combined meet. If you would like to contact Jane, her email address is janeg1@charter.net. Being headquartered in Hubertus, WI, they wouldn't be that far away.

Thank you for your time, your attention, and your consideration. Appreciate all the work you all do to further interest in the Corvair!

I've already sent this to Mike Hall.

Respectfully,
Rodney Rom CORSA #07615 Butler, MO
Originally from CCOC, 1975-'84

Hi everyone,

I am Sal Barberi, President of the Oldsmobile Club of America and happy to help any way I can. Our club is hosting the 2023 Oldsmobile Club of America at the University of Dayton Marriott Hotel August 9-12, 2023. It will be my first time involved in a National Meet in Dayton, but I understand the Oldsmobile Club of America has hosted past National Meets in Cincinnati, OH. In addition to the Toronado Owners Association, there is a Toronado /Aurora Chapter that usually attends our National Meets every year. If you are in the area, feel free to come down and check out our show. Having joint meets and sharing joint interests are great ways to learn about other car manufacturers.

Let me know if there are any questions or if there is anything I can assist with.

Sal Barberi - President - Oldsmobile Club of America

Thank you Sal for your invite to come and check out the happenings of your convention this summer. I will be in the area and will come by to meet you, hopefully in fitting with the theme in a Oldsmobile 98.

Mike Hall, President
Corvair Society of America.

APRIL NEWS

Since this month is April, we'll feature several hacks using common garage tools you never thought could be used in the house. It's normal to spend your life in the garage but here is what happens when you move back into the house.



Putty Knife - Who doesn't have a putty knife? You scrape, apply, and shape Bondo all over your project with it. By now you should have the expertise to crosscut pancakes with just a few jabs.

Needle Nose Pliers - Sure there are other uses for those long needle nose pliers. When you have trouble opening your coffee creamer, try drinking your coffee straight up black first. Then when you are boosted with caffeine, get a good grip with the pliers and roll back the seal like a can of sardines.



Magnetic Shop Towel Holder - This hack is clever. You not only get one but two ends that make a holder for your shop towel but, if you have a metal door or cabinet, use it to keep your hats and oily clothes off the floor.



Nut Cracker - Honestly, the tool says Universal Nut Cracker right there on the package. It's guaranteed. If it doesn't work, just use it like a hammer.

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.

CONVERTIBLE TOP BOOT SNAP REPAIR

New snaps are available from Clark's Corvair Parts. A Corvair Center poster who goes by the forum name "Corvairs since70" suggested the following procedure:

Push the broken snap all the way to one side and use needle nose pliers to grab the end of the snap and pull it out. The new snap is a little difficult to push into the snap hole, but it can be done without cutting or damaging the hole using a little patience. See the photo of the part you are dealing with.

MAKE THAT TOP BOOT SNAP EASIER TO USE

Corvair Center poster "Rexjohnson " said that he applied a little wax to the snap and it now works great.





CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

April	
04.22.23	D&D Classic Restoration Tour in Covington - 2300 Mote Dr. - 10AM
04.22.23	Club meeting at Buffalo Jacks - 137 S. High St - Covington - 11:45AM
May	
05.16.23	Dayton Dragons baseball game. 7:00PM. Tickets are \$15 each
05.23.23	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC - 6:30PM
June	
06.17.23	Mid-Ohio Meet - Caesar Creek - Cincinnati hosting celebrating 50th year
06.19-24.23	Corsa Convention at Chula Vista Resort in Dells, WI
06.27.23	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC - 6:30PM
July	
07.04.23	Champaign Cruiser's Car Show - 8 AM-4 PM - \$10/Car - Spectators free Skelley Lumber Co., 1300 N Main St. Urbana
07.25.23	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC - 6:30PM
August	
08.____.23	Road Rally / Poker Run
08.19.23	Cars & Coffee (location TBD)
08.22.23	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC - 6:30PM
September	
TBD	Cars & Coffee - Austin Blvd. Springboro
	Search for Caterer and location for Christmas dinner party
09.26.23	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC - 6:30PM / Appoint nominating committee
October	
10.07.23	Vair Affair at Shawn's Corvair Shop
10.25.23	Club meeting at Marion's in Dayton - 3443 N. Dixie Drive - 6:30PM
November	
11.28.23	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC - 6:30PM
December	
TBD	Christmas dinner / Election
Possible Activities	Air Force Museum Covered Bridge Tour Tech Sessions Parade



LET'S GO *CRUISE-IN*' AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Apr 22 - Oct 7	Kettering Saturday Night Cruise-In. 2250 E Stroop Rd. 4pm to dark.
Aug 27	16th Annual Car Show at Culp Lake. 1830 E Home Rd. Springfield. 9am-3:30pm.



Directions to the club meeting at:

Vandalia Justice Center -

Coming from the east the Justice Center is just down the side road from the Wendy's restaurant that is located on Rt-40 just west of the Vandalia exit from I-70. This side road at Wendy's is James Bohanan Dr. The street address of the justice center is 245 Bohanan Dr. From the west turn left at the BP station turn right on J.E. Bohanan Dr. The Justice Center door is on the east side of the building. Go in the side door and through the door to the dispatch center. The meeting room is to the left past the dispatcher. A public parking lot is available at the corner of James E. Bohanon Dr. and Maple St. behind the bank and some street parking is available. Note: The room is on the west side of the building. If some of the club members are already there you may be able to enter through the side door to the room. They can let you in or may have the door blocked open.

Vandalia Historical Society Meeting House/Shelter -

It is only 2 minutes from the Justice Center. It is located at 336 East Alkaline Springs Road. From the Justice Center (or I-75) drive west on National Road to the Dixie Drive Highway intersection. Turn left (south) onto Dixie Drive and continue on Dixie to the stoplight at Elva Court then continue on Dixie to the next street on your left (just past the Vandalia-Butler High School), and turn left (east) onto East Alkaline Springs Road. You will see the City Art Park on your right and just past the park is a long wood picket fence in front of the Society property. Turn right into the driveway and drive back around the barn to the parking area and the Meeting House / Shelter. There are restrooms in the Meeting House if needed. It would be a good idea to bring your mask for that additional step of protection.



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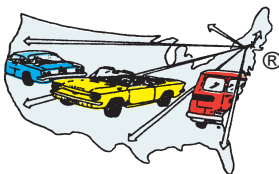
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