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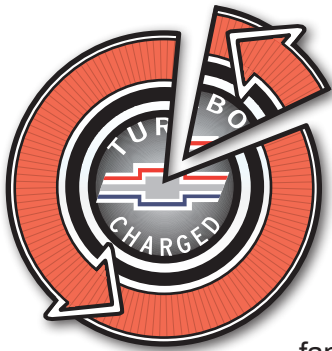
DAYTON Corvair CHRONICLE



MARCH 2022

MARCH MEETING

The March meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club is a pizza meeting. It will take place at the Marion's Piazza as usual, but not the Marion's on North Dixie Drive. It will be held at the Marion's in Kettering on the corner of Stroop and Far Hills Avenue in the Town and Country shopping center. The date is Tuesday March 22nd at our usual time of 6:30 PM. This is a family meeting so bring the kids or grandkids. The club buys the pizza and the rest is everyone's responsibility.



APRIL ACTIVITY

Mark your calendar for the annual D&D Classic Auto Restoration Tour. The date is April 23. After the tour we will have our April meeting at Buffalo Jacks. There will be more about it in the April newsletter.

50TH ANNIVERSARY / MID-OHIO MEET UPDATES

We got a good start moving ahead with the planning for the Mid-Ohio Meet. The commemorative 50th Anniversary T-shirts and club banner arrived just in time before the February meeting. They were brought in and most members who were present bought some shirts. A big THANK YOU to those who bought more than one! The club business cards were also made available and

taking more than a few were encouraged to help get the word out. A new feature was added to the home page on our website. Just scroll down and watch the wow factor move: www.daytoncorvairclub.wix.com/daytoncorvairclub. The special effect will not work on mobile devices but you can see what had been added.



We still have some work to do. As we prepare to celebrate our clubs 50th year, we're trying to make this Mid-Ohio Meet a special one. It will take a team effort to get organized for a smooth operation. Once we all get behind this together, push starting uphill won't be too hard.

CLUB DUES RENEWAL

The yearly Christmas party was the time that a lot of members renewed their dues. Are yours up to date? Make the check out to the Dayton Corvair Club. Dues for CORSA members is \$12 and for non CORSA members \$15. The reason for the difference is the CORSA charge to each club. This charge covers the insurance that CORSA has to cover accidents that may occur during club events.

Send the dues check to: Jenny Dranschak, 1328 Cornish Dr. Vandalia, OH 45377

MID-OHIO MEET
June 18, 2022 - Caesar Creek Lake
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FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

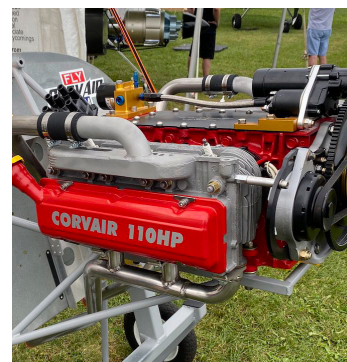
Location: The Vandalia Justice Center
Attendees: Angie Chaffins, Jack Milliff, Verle McGillivray, Gary and Shawn Funkhouser, Mike Bayman, Duane Baker, Paul Huelskamp, Greg Hanlin, Kevin Clark, Jim Stukenborg, plus new members Wendell Pace and Rob Rindler
Welcome: Club Vice president Verle McGillivray did the honors and we had said the VP was an easy job. First time in your new position and on the hot seat. Good job Verle.
Secretary's Report: With Joe out with his medical issues Jim Stukenborg made a motion to accept the minutes as published in the February newsletter. All were in favor of this.
Treasurer's Report: With Joe's current situation and her own medical issue Jenny did not have time to get it all ready. This is a time when it includes Christmas income and expense, Raffle money, and dues. Jenny really does not have time with the current medical situation for both her and Joe. Anyone want to volunteer?
Membership: we have two new members: Wendell Pace and Rob Rindler
Newsletter: There were no issues or corrections to discuss
Activities: Gary Funkhouser reviewed the Corvair Performance Workshop coming up on Saturday March 5th at the end of the week. Gary had 62 resevations at that time. Friday is Vendor set up day, dinner that night, and a tour of Shawn's test lab and testing on the rheological (Magnaride) shock absorbers. Saturday is the technical discussions day. Shawn mentioned that Porsche was using the method to make a special motor mount using the same principal. Why? To cut the 0-60 mph accereration time by a second and a half. Important if you want bragging rights. Works just like the shock absorbers. Get a soft mount performance for low engine vibration and hard mount performance for good accereration response. Just need a computer, accelerometer, metal power and an electrical source to align the metal power under just the right conditions. Saturday's time is 9-5.
Kevin Clark reviewed the April 23 D&D tour and the May 17 Dragons game. Greg Hanlin will get 20 tickets for the club. Verle reserved the Marion's party room for our meeting. Anyone not going to use their 25% off Marion's coupon from "Reach" magazine for March, bring it with you.
Greg Hanlin mentioned that the location for this year's Mid Ohio Meet at Cesears Creek is not off Rt-73 as in past events, but is actually on the back side of the lake. We will have more on the exact location in the May newsletter.
The Concours De'Elegance at Carillon Park will take

place on September 18th.
Old Business: Kevin passed out new club business cards with scannable QR codes on the back. Kevin wore one of the new T-shirts recognizing our 50th anniversary as a club. We discussed on pricing and Gary proposed that Kevin donate them to the club as a non profit and then everyone will make a donation to get one. Jim Stukenborg will look at our paperwork to see what kind of state charter we have. Not sure if Kevin is wanting to do that. Shirts are for sale for \$20 for large and XL. \$22 for 2XL and \$23 for 3XL.
It was proposed that we get soft drink can coolers for the Mid Ohio goody bags. They are only about \$1.50, but the minimum order is 200-250. There was no more discussion on this. We do need to start looking for items to fill those bags.
Kevin Clark is now listed with CORSA as the contact person for the club.
Verle does not have e-mail. To contact him just call his cell phone at 937-765-1301
Jack Milliff talked a little more about the "El Cormino" (Corvair stationwagon made into a pickup truck) for sale in Dark Co.
Duane Baker had a call from someone who is looking to find a 65 Corvair Monza that was sold to a person in Springfield. Not much detail to go on.
New Business: None
Meeting adjourned at 7:30



FROM THE EMAIL BOX

Hi Kevin.
A gentleman modified a kit single engine experimental airplane into twin engine plane.
Here is a link to one of many stories and Youtubes about the plane. https://generalaviationnews.com/2021/09/13/the-twin-jag-a-twin-engine-rv-6a/
Thought members might find it interesting to include in the newsletter. Don Bigler





CORVAIR PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP REVIEW

A stroke of good luck timed the Corvair Performance Workshop on a perfect spring like day sandwiched between two lousy weekends. It is not run later in the year because all the performance guys are busy getting ready for race season. At last count there was a total of 72 registrations.

Friday night most of the attendees went out to eat at a seafood restaurant. Later that evening Shawn Funkhouser invited everyone to take a tour at his place of employment to talk about Magnaride shock absorbers they produce and test. They have labs for research and build prototypes. They observed



test machines that run all night long spitting out data on shock absorber performance.

Saturday morning saw actions of large crowds enjoying coffee and donuts and browsing with venders selling performance parts. Rare Yenko Stinger memorabilia were on



display. This was the ultimate swap meet if you were looking to improve your Corvair.



The first speaker up front was John Lanning, the current president of the V-8 Corvair Registry, who talked about the V-8 car that Russell Brandenburg had when he passed away. Russ was the first president of the V-8 Registry group. The car,



which was at the event, is a mid engine late model with a Chevy V-8 engine. The big attraction for this car is its Ford Pantera 5 speed transaxle rather than the Corvair transaxle. The transaxle is lot stronger than the Corvair and the over drive gear makes it a lot more fun to drive on the highway. The car is really well done. The cost and difficulty of finding a

Pantera transaxle makes this a rare combination.

Ken Hand who is well known in the racing world of Corvairs talked about his dual disc clutch setup, a special alternator bracket, and his fan belt spring tensioner for the Corvair. After Ken's presentation lunch was served catered by Chrisy's.

After lunch Lee Grimes from Koni shock absorbers gave some history of the shock absorber and describe differences in shock design and performance. At the end he showed a list of Koni shocks available for a Corvair. For an early model the Koni 8040-1019 will fit both the front and rear and the front of a FC. For a late model front use Koni 80-1739 and for



the rear use Koni 80-1740. The late models are Clark's part numbers.

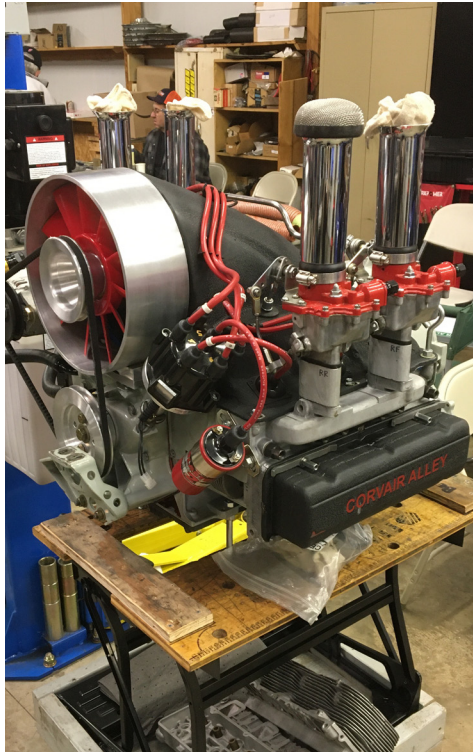
Following that was a presentation on building a Corvair to claim a Bonneville Salt Flat record. The car was built by Michael LeVeque, another well known name in the Corvair world. The car was first run



CORVAIR PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP *continued*

in Maine and set a record for its class at 147.272 miles per hour.

To set a record at Bonneville one must do a two way run with the second run being made within 30 minutes of the first. Its first time at Bonneville it set a record speed of 138+ for its class and all the car magazines wanted to write about it. A number of stories about running at Bonneville were written. One such story was the addition of one hood scoop being allowed at Bonneville. Since the Corvair does not have an engine up front it would not do much good up front so it was mounted on the rear deck standing 11 inches tall to get the scoop three inches above the roof and into the ram air flow. The tech





CORVAIR PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP *continued*

inspectors were dubious about this being allowed but eventually gave it their blessing. Others covered the problems running on salt at Bonneville. One one-way run clocked the Corvair at 153.447 mph. Next, a person from the Corvair

Preservation Foundation spoke. The Corvair museum has moved several times and it is looking at moving once again as the building it is now in is planning to be sold. The CPF is a 501C3 rated for taxable deduction purposes so make a donation and deduct it. Note that CORSA itself does not have a 501C3 status.

being a high performance distributor donated by Seth Emerson from Silicone Wire Systems.

Susan and Shawn has posted over 125 excellent photos covering the Corvair Performance Workshop. Visit Susan's facebook page under Susan Lazenby Galloway.



Rick Norris, first president of CORSA, and a racer talked about racing. He said it takes him about 100 hours to build a Corvair race engine. He had a beautiful engine mounted on a stand and displayed at the event. You can buy it for 20K.

Finally, Kevin Nash discussed his aluminum spiral fin cooling fan for a Corvair. At the conclusion door prizes were given away with the grand prize



MORE EL CORVAIRAMINOS

In the February newsletter I submitted a brief story about an early model Corvair that has been converted to be a pickup truck and we dubbed it the "El Corvairamino." My son did some searching and found another. Then I did some more looking and discovered these, mostly from Bing.com.

Jack Milliff





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.

*We are on the web! To join the Dayton Corvair Club and CORSA visit:
<http://daytoncorvairclub.wix.com/daytoncorvairclub>*



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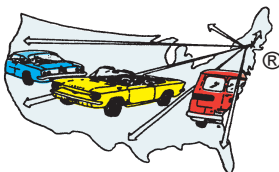
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CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

January:	
01.25.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
February:	
02.22.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
March:	
03.05.22	Performance Workshop at Funkhouser shop
03.22.22	Club meeting at Marion's in Kettering
April:	
04.23.22	D&D Tour in Covington
04.23.22	Club meeting at Buffalo Jacks
May:	
05.17.22	Dayton Dragons Game
05.24.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
June:	
06.18.22	Mid-Ohio Meet / DCC 50th Anniversary at Caesar Creek Lake
06.28.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
July:	
07.26.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
August:	
08.23.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
Sept:	
09.27.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
09. .22	Cars and Coffee - TBD
09.18.22	Dayton Concours d'Elegance at Carillon Park
October:	
10.15.22	Vair Affair at Funkhouser
10.25.22	Club meeting at Marion's in Englewood
November:	
11.22.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC
December:	
12. .22	Christmas dinner - TBD
12. .22	Club meeting - TBD