



DAYTON Corvair



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FEBRUARY MEETING

The February meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held at our usual place, the Vandalia Justice Center. The date is Tuesday, February 25th. Time is our usual 6:30 PM. The directions to the Justice Center are on the last page of the newsletter. The west side door should be open unless you are the first person there.

FEBRUARY ACTIVITY

There is no planned activity for February. We will be planning the schedule for the new year beginning in March.

MARCH ACTIVITY

We will decide on a pizza meeting for March and it was discussed we would order pizza from Christy's and have them deliver to our meeting room.

2025 MID OHIO MEET JUNE 21

Mark your calendar! This summer it is the Mid-Ohio Vair Force's turn to host the Mid-Ohio Meet. They have reserved Lakeview Shelter at C. J. Brown Reservoir at Buck Creek State Park in Springfield. The date is Saturday, June 21. Due to the 2024 convention planning, we skipped this annual event last year, and the Columbus club will pick up and continue the tri-club tradition. The Corvair Club of Cincinnati and the Dayton Corvair Club will meet up with the Columbus club for a cook-out and have some fun showing the Corvairs. The Columbus crew will be grilling for lunch, and we usually have door prizes and games. They will have more information to share when summer draws near. This event is open to all Corvair owners and enthusiasts are welcome to join.

2024 CORSA CONVENTION ON YOUTUBE

Auto Anatomy on YouTube has a nice video of the 2024 Corsa Convention. The moderator of this video trailed his Corvair to the convention as it is pretty much original except for Camaro wheels and he pointed out that the drivers seat was not suitable for the 7 hour drive to the convention. One of the first Corvairs he showed was a blue shorty Rampside parked next to a V8 Corvair. He had a lot of general pictures of the cars around the convention site. Our vice president Craig Puthoff got a lot of screen time while they were video-taping the really neat valve covers racing side by side.

He had a nice video of the Dinner Under The Wings event at the museum and many of the planes. He was especially interested in the Memphis Belle. He



had been a tour guide for the B-17 when it was in Tennessee. He said he had not seen it for 30 years and was quite amazed at it in its totally restored condition. I believe it sat outside at its previous home in Memphis.

The Dinner Under The Wings was a very nice part of the convention. Kudos to Kevin Clark.

He also had some nice over head shots of the convention from a drone. Below are the links.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeZTWTixA6k>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8EzLJDbOAaU>

Corvair Society of America

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JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Happy New Year 2025 and welcome to our Corvair meeting January 28, 2025!



Our new President Duane Baker wanted to recognize our past President Shawn Funkhouser, but he was unable to attend due to being under the weather tonight. We were saddened to hear that Don Bigler had passed away in December 2024. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Our Vice President Craig Puthoff apologized for not attending recently due to family issues. Craig is wanting to sell his 1968 Corvair but is looking for a 1964 car to restore.

Our Secretary Darcy Baker asked the minutes of the previous meeting and Christmas party be accepted. Motion made by Verle McGillivray and Mike Bayman. Motion carried.

Our soon to be past Treasurer Angie Chaffins gave her Treasurers report. Balance in December 2024 was \$1496.77 with receipts of membership, our Christmas party and the convention profit received, our new balance is now \$7856.87. If you have not given your membership payment yet, please consider doing this soon. As of now 26 members have paid. Corsa members are \$12.00 and non-Corsa is \$15.00 per year.

Our new Treasurer is Kevin Funkhouser. He and Angie will be getting our funds transferred to a new bank soon.

Our new Membership leader Angie Chaffins is asking for each member's birth dates. We learned that Colin Bayman has moved to Arizona and will be joining a club in Phoenix.

Newsletter leader Jim Stukenborg was not present.

Our Activities leader Kevin Clark is working on activities for our club to do this year. A few ideas so far include: D & D tour in Covington, Ohio, a picnic at the Air Force Museum park area, a train ride in Indiana, covered bridge tour, multiple car shows such as at Young's Dairy and Waynesville, July 4th in Urbana along with several dates of Cars

and Coffee at Austin Landing and Springfield. Bring your ideas to our next meeting of February 25, 2025.

President- Duane suggested a Garage Squad where members would travel around to help with any Corvair concerns to help our members get their beautiful cars back on the road!

Old Business- Greg Hanlin made a motion we reimburse Kevin Clark the amount he paid for the Adobe software from April 2024- March 2025 of \$348.00 and a prepay amount from April 2025 - March 2026 of \$348.00 and another charge of \$439.81 for updating our website for a total of \$1135.81. Motion made by Verle and Greg, motion carried.

New Business included looking up on YouTube two videos from the convention by Go4rider and Auto Anatomy. A list of car shows to attend can be found. The question was raised about continuing having our 50/50 drawing monthly. Since we have a larger balance available, we no longer need to donate the winnings back to the pizza fund. Mike Bayman will take charge of the 50/50 this year and take the added pressure off our Treasurer.

A huge thank you to these dedicated members for their attendance: Wendell Pace, Greg Hanlin, Angie Chaffins, Glenda and Mike Bayman, Craig Puthoff, Kevin Clark, John Hubler, Patrick Kirgan, Ed Wolf, Steve Schumann, Jim Schmidt, Cindy Simon, Mike and Michael Gitzinger, Gary and Kevin Funkhouser, Darrell Biddelstone, Mary Ann Morris and Verle McGillivray, Darcy and Duane Baker.

Darcy provided light refreshments of cookies and cupcakes in celebration of her birthday.

The motion to close the meeting came from Wendell and Mike Bayman.

Respectfully submitted.
Darcy Baker - Secretary





DATES FOR 2025 CLUB ACTIVITIES

We are in a new year and drafting a list of activities is underway. The D&D Classic Restoration Tour and the Mid Ohio Meet has already made the list. We could use some fresh ideas and come to the meeting and share your thoughts. We are anxious for spring season to hit the road in our Corvairs.

CORVAIRE CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES	
January	
01.28.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
February	
02.25.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
March	
03.25.25	Club meeting with *pizza in Vandalia at Justice Center - 6:30PM *with pizza TBD
April	
04.19.25	D&D Classic & Restoration Tour in Covington (Ohio) - 10:00AM
04.19.25	Meeting at Buffalo Jacks in Covington (Ohio) after the D&D Tour - 11:45AM
May	
TBD	Dayton Dragons baseball game
05.27.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
June	
06.21.25	Mid Ohio Meet at Buck Creek State Park in Springfield - 10AM
06.24.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
July	
07.22.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
August	
08.26.25	Club meeting - Location TBD
September	
09.23.25	Club meeting - Location TBD
October	
TBD	Vair Affair - Location TBD
10.28.25	Club meeting - Location TBD
November	
11.25.25	Club meeting with pizza TBD
December	
TBD	Christmas Lunch or Dinner - Location TBD
TBD	Picnic at National Museum of the USAF Squadron Memorial Park
TBD	Covered bridge tour / Rally
07.04.25	Urbana Car Show (your president's hometown)
TBD	Car Shows - Young's Dairy / Waynesville /
TBD	Cars and Coffee - Austin Landing / Springfield /

1965 MONZA FOR SALE

1965 Corvair Monza convertible. 4 speed manual, 110 hp. Purchased in 2013 with 95,000 miles. Now approximately 104,000 miles. Over the last 10 years, I gradually rebuilt, refurbished, and replaced many parts. The car is very clean, runs and drives excellent. Older re-paint in original Ermine White. Paint is not perfect but still looks nice. Not rusted – very clean under the car. Believed to have come originally from southern Tennessee. VIN and engine

number correct. Very nice original interior other than the rear seat that I rebuilt with new, correct and matching materials. A list of new components is available and there are many other misc. new bits. I have maintained meticulous records of all work and receipts, assembled in a nice binder. Price is \$16,500. Car is located in Tipp City, Ohio. Greg Leingang / gleingang75@gmail.com Call or text 937-216-1509.



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.

LATE MODEL HEADLIGHT SWITCH REMOVAL

To remove the switch one needs to pull the knob and stem out of the switch. The stem is released by a hard to reach button on the top of the switch behind the dash. Here are several tips found on the Corvair Center forum.

Have small hands or maybe get a grand kid to do it.

Per CC poster Vegas Vair, remove the A pillar cover and push the button down using a screwdriver. On an A/C car remove the A/C air outlet ball and reach in for the release button.

Per CC poster Craig Nicol, remove the two bolts holding the steering column under the dash and use the seat belt through the steering wheel to hold it down to get more room to reach the button.

Per CC poster Lane 66, pull the knob all the way out and then push it back in just a little and then press the release button (Ed note: if you can reach it).

SLOW TURN SIGNAL FLASHER

Per Corvair Center poster Craig Nicol, the conventional thermal flasher that a Corvair uses is load sensitive. (Ed note: Thus, if your signal suddenly starts blinking slow you have either a front or rear bulb out. Conversely, if you should happen to pull a trailer, the extra light on the trailer will cause the signal to blink faster). In the example on CC, the Corvair owner had converted his rear backup lights to tail/stop lights upping the electrical load on the blinker causing it to blink too fast]. Craig says a solution to the fast blinking is to change the standard Corvair flasher from a 224 to a 552 if you are using the standard 1157 bulbs.



Date: _____

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Dayton Corvair Club Membership Application Form

The *Dayton Corvair Club* (DCC) was founded in 1972 and became Chapter 454 of the *Corvair Society of America* (CORSA). Our founders had a vision of preserving the interest of the Corvair and in creating a family oriented club.

The DCC normally meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at Vandalia Justice Center, 245 J.E. Bohanan Drive, Vandalia, Ohio at 6:30 P.M.

Activities are also planned throughout the year that sometimes includes our monthly meeting. The annual single or family dues are \$15. Annual dues for CORSA members is \$12.

Please make checks payable to: ***Dayton Corvair Club***

New Membership / Renewal Membership / CORSA Member? Yes / No

Amount paid \$ _____ / Check# _____ / Cash on site

Member Name: _____ Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () _____ Cell: () _____

Email: _____

Birthday / / /xxxx Spouse Birthday / / /xxxx

Model and year of Corvair(s) owned or other related interests you would like to share: _____



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. Bohanan 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.



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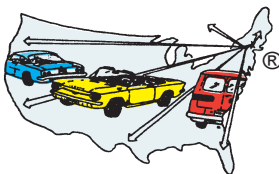
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