



CHAPTER 454

DAYTON Corvaair CHRONICLE



JUNE 2022

JUNE MEETING

The June meeting of the Dayton Corvaair Club will be held at the Vandalia Justice Center, our regular meeting place. The date is Tuesday June 28. The time is our normal 6:30 PM. If you are not the first one there the west side door should be open. If not, go through the lobby. Directions to the Justice Center are on the last page.

JULY ACTIVITY

There is no scheduled club activity for July.

CLUB MEMBER PASSES AWAY

Joe Dranschak, a long time mainstay of the Dayton Corvaair Club, passed away on June 12. Joe had been having serious medical issues for some time, but his rapid passing came as a surprise. He had been enjoying the afternoon with the presence of some of his grandkids. He passed away later that night.

place in spite of the fact that he did not have a Corvaair for a long time. At one time he did have a 1967 Corvaair until it wore out. One could not have a more pleasant person to be around. It was Joe who obtained permission for the club to use the Justice Center for our meetings.

From the funeral home website:

Joe was a member of St. Christopher Catholic Church for the past 45 years. He was a U.S. Navy veteran having served on the USS Everglades. Joe started his working career with Mohawk Airlines (US Air) where he developed their reservation system. Later he went to GMAC (EDS) and then to the State of Ohio Department of Job & Family Services from which he retired. After that he served as President of the Historical Society of Vandalia & Butler Twp. He served on numerous committees to promote interests in Vandalia & Butler Twp. In 2019 he was honored to be named Citizen of the Year and December 21, 2021 was declared "Joseph A. Dranschak Day."

Joe was a member of the Corvaair club for a long time. He was always involved in running the club. He always had a list of things to do for the yearly activity planning meeting and for a long time lined up the activities. His most recent club position was the secretary and always had all the meeting details. His interest in history lead him to start adding, for five and a half years, a Corvaair history article to the newsletter. All this involvement with the club took





MAY MEETING MINUTES

Shawn opened the May meeting at 6:40 with welcome to any visitors.



VP comment: No comment.

Treasurer's report: We had \$2426.54 on hand last month. This month we ended up with \$1931.90. The expenses came from Kevin's newsletter program, Mid Ohio shelter reselection and Marions pizza. Income was \$32 from the 50/50 drawing at Buffalo Jack's meeting. There is one check for \$147.95 not accounted for. With Jennie's situation with Joe there wasn't an opportunity to clear this up. The club is using Monroe Federal Credit Union for our checking.

New members: The Gitzinger family, father Mike, sons Mike and Shawn joined the club after the D & D tour.

Newsletter: No input.

Activities: Kevin Clark reviewed his to-do list and had members sign up for the various tasks. New treasurer Angie Chaffins contributed a number of nice prizes and suggested we have a special raffle for these. Ticket and money handling were discussed. We have three ticket

colors for this. The Cincinnati club donated \$200. Gary Funkhouser made a motion our club contribute \$150 for door prizes. Verle seconded.

We went over the list and had registration fees set as \$7 for singles and \$10 for families, 50 dash plaques will be purchased. Kevin will print two forms for registration. One for Corvairs and one for non-Corvairs. Kevin would like cars park by class making judging easier. Paul, Verle, Jim and Angie volunteered to be chefs and chefs helpers.

Jim Schmidt will bring two big bags of charcoal. Verle will bring ice and coolers. Duane and Darcy will provide name badges and sharpies. Verle has two 6 foot tables for preparing the food for the grill.

Kevin will have the awards. Awards are early and late open and close, station wagon, FC, Daily Driver, Hard Luck, Best of Show, Longest Distance and Founder's Choice. Founders attending are Gary Funkhouser and Dennis Kugler.

Kevin has all three banners, Gary wants to order two 50th anniversary banners for himself. Jim stukenborg to purchase food, quantities to be determined at the Sunday review June 12.



CASH GUGGLING GAS ROBBERS

"Thanks everyone for your concern. I'm still a bit shaken up!"

For those of you that aren't aware, I was robbed at Shell on Dayton-Xenia, this morning. After my hands stopped shaking, I managed to call the cops.

They were quick to respond and calmed me down because my blood pressure went through the roof!

My money is gone though. The police asked me if I knew who did it and I told them "Yes, it was pump number 5!"

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My friend asked me if their car blinker was working and I said , "Yes. No. Yes. No."

CRUISIN' CLASSICS JULY 2

Crusin' Classics Custom Car Show. July 2nd at the Greene County Expo Center. 120 Fairgrounds Road, Xenia. Food trucks, vendors, DJ, Awards. Spectators free, \$15 per car entry. 10am-4pm.



DAYTON DRAGONS OUTING

On May 17th Fifteen members and guests enjoyed a perfect spring night out at the Dayton Dragons game. Joey Votto was back into playing baseball from DL. The Dragons hit a lot of homeruns but blew a 6-1 lead when the Quad Cities River Bandits scored seven combined runs in the 8th and 9th inning. Note, not all members are pictured here.

2022 MID OHIO MEET IN OUR REAR VIEW MIRROR



An aerial view from a drone overlooking the parking lot. Thanks to Dale Thompson for providing this breathtaking snapshot.

The club celebrated its 50th anniversary at the Mid Ohio Meet held at Caesar Creek State Park. We had a very good turnout on a very nice weather day with the temperature in the seventies. Sandwiched between two stretch of heat waves with tempatures in the mid nineties, who could have asked for a better day? The new location with the two shelters worked out very well allowing plenty of room for the large selection of door prizes in one shelter and the other for food and eating. The 88 hamburgers and 50 hot dogs were all eaten. Of course there was plenty of side dishes and desserts so no one went away hungry. Larry and Willa Smith were there so we had Willa say the prayer before lunch. Since Jerry Fritts is no longer an active member Willa has been our go to person for this.

The previous Sunday organizing effort by a number of club members helped the cause as the large number of door prizes required planning for distribution and identification to make the giveaway run smoothly. Fifty registration packets also were assembled in an assembly line. Decisions were made on how much hotdogs and hamburgers



Gearing up... Sorting the door prizes at the Corvair shop.

were needed. With Kevin going over the checklist, he handed out slip sheets with reminders of tasks remaining to be accomplish and things we still needed to bring for our big day.

A lot of effort was again needed the day of the event to lay out all the prizes. This year we had a number of extra special gifts with Alison Hanlin's Corvair T-shirt throw blanket the top prize. The special prizes were given out first and then the more common items. There were enough prizes that all of the registrants got one.



Grand prizes... Ladies getting the grand prizes ready at day of show.

With the entire parking lot to ourselves, we had the Corvairs grouped by classes to make it easier to judge the top cars in each class. That worked very well. Two came with their car trailers and parking for them with other "non-Corvairs" along the outer edge of the parking area kept them separate from the Corvairs. The restrooms though were a little far away for those who don't like to walk but they could have gotten a motorcycle 3-wheeler ride or a ride on a golf cart to the restrooms.



The shelter dedicated for food and dining provided lots of elbow room. The meats were prepared on two very large grill and the way the tables were laid out for the food made serving very efficient. Many sat out under the shade between the two shelters to eat and enjoy each other company.

After lunch ballots for voting were collected prior to giving away door prizes. With the huge collection of fabulous grand prizes, tickets sales would be brisk. After all, it is our 50th anniversary, it wouldn't hurt to splurge some more.

A moment of silent was observed for our late Joe Dranschak. We also had cake with our edible 50th club logo on it. The awards usually consisted of late model open and close, early model open and close, Forward Control and Best of Show. To promote camaraderie the

club also had additional awards for Special Interest, Daily Driver, Longest Distance, Station Wagon, Hard Luck, and Founder's Choice. All vehicles deserving of their awards were very well presented. The awards are custom made aluminum license plate that will get made and mailed out at a later date. Finally our club president handed over the traveling gas can, or should I say train, to the members of the Corvair Club of Cincinnati. The gas cans will serve as a reminder it is their turn to host the Mid Ohio Meet next year and they too will be turning 50.

To view 170 memorable photos from the Mid Ohio Meet, go to Facebook and search Susan Lazenby Galloway. She is a great photographer. Continue on to the next page to view some of her best pictures.

We hope everyone had a great time and got home safely.



2022 Mid Ohio Meet Awards... A closer look.

Top row left to right:

The Hard Luck award is an unclaimed leftover from the Performance Workshop. With the unfortunate by-product adorning this award, we had hoped no one would be arriving limping on five cylinders or less. Fortunately recipient Mike Demeter of Cincinnati had a spare belt on hand to replace the one that broke on his way to the Meet.

The Longest Distance Award for Rod Lasley of Circle City Corvairs is a travel kit. His tiny vintage suitcase contained enough merchandise to make his return home a pleasant one. Included in his kit is an Ohio map (has a Corvair on the cover), air freshners, a pair of sunglasses, tire pressure guage, a Sonic gift card, a \$25 gas card, and our very own window decal. Coming west of Indianapolis 180 miles away, we certainly hope he will have a leisurely drive back home.

We thought it is a nice touch to have an Ohio Plaque with our own 50th logo on them. Two were creatively made with one for the Best of Show awarded to Kim and Arden Robinette, and the other one just like it, with the Founder's Choice, awarded to Darcey and Duane Baker. The Founder's Choice was a difficult one to tally the votes. It probably was too much pressure for our two founding fathers to decide on one winner. Oh well, we'll try again in another fifty years.

Next month we will introduce the rest of the awards that are custom made on aluminum license plates. Stay tuned!



THE RESULTS

2022 Mid Ohio Meet Winners

Best of Show	- Kim and Arden Robinette - No club affiliation - 1969 Monza Convertible
Founder's Choice	- Darcy and Duane Baker - Dayton Corvair Club - 1961 Lakewood
Early Open	- Jeff Sandor - Corvair Club of Cincinnati - 1964 Spyder
Early Close	- Ralph and Sandy Gubser - Corvair Club of Cincinnati - 1962 Monza
Late Open	- Greg Hanlin - Dayton Corvair Club - 1965 Corsa
Late Close	- Shawn Funkhouser - Dayton Corvair Club - 1969 Monza
Forward Control	- Dan Brizendine - Circle City Corvairs - 1964 Greenbrier
Station Wagon	- Darcy and Duane Baker - Dayton Corvair Club - 1961 Lakewood
Special Interest	- Spence Duffy - Corvair Club of Cincinnati - 1966 Cord
Longest Distance	- Rod Lasley - Circle City Corvairs - 1964 Monza
Daily Driver	- Dan Wingett - Vair Force - 1966 4 door sedan
Hard Luck	- Mike Demeter - Corvair Club of Cincinnati

The Numbers

33	- Corvairs registered
97+	- Participants (Registered Families = 2, Individuals = 1)
15	- Corvairs from Dayton Corvair Club
7	- Corvairs from Corvair Club of Cincinnati
4	- Corvair from Columbus Vair Force
4	- Corvairs from Indianapolis Circle City Corvairs
3	- No club affiliation



50+ Miles Club - Cincinnati, OH / Coldwater, OH / Columbus, OH / Dublin, OH / Findlay, OH / Harrison, OH / Indianapolis, IN / Jackson Center, OH / Marion, OH / Urbana, OH





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.

ENGINE OUT - NEED TO MOVE THE CORVAIR

You want to move the Corvair with the engine out? Here is one neat way to keep the wheels upright. Rex Johnson on Corvair Center posted this picture of his spacer bar. Note how it hooks on the coil springs and bolts to the suspension rods. The strap pulls it all together.



SILICONE BRAKE FLUID

Recently my Local parts stores did not have silicone DOT 5.0 brake fluid on hand. They had DOT 5.1. Close enough right? NO. Do not try to substitute 5.1 for 5.0. Reading the can fine print discloses that they are not compatible with each other. Dot 5.1 is a synthetic brake fluid. Other stores did not have 5.0 either. Good ole Amazon does, and in one quart cans at a good price. The friendly auto parts stores usually had DOT 5.0 in 12 oz cans when they had it. So why did they call the synthetic 5.1? Why not 6.0 since it is so different?

Free: late model Corvair sheet metal "vent" pieces that install at the base of the windshield and rear glass. Good shape in red primer. Jim Stukenborg 937-429-2291

CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

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

CHAMPAIGN CRUISERS



24TH ANNUAL FIRECRACKER

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Car, Truck, & Bike Show

ALL PROCEEDS FROM SHOW GO TO CHARITY

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AWARDS PRESENTED: APPROXIMATELY 3:00PM •

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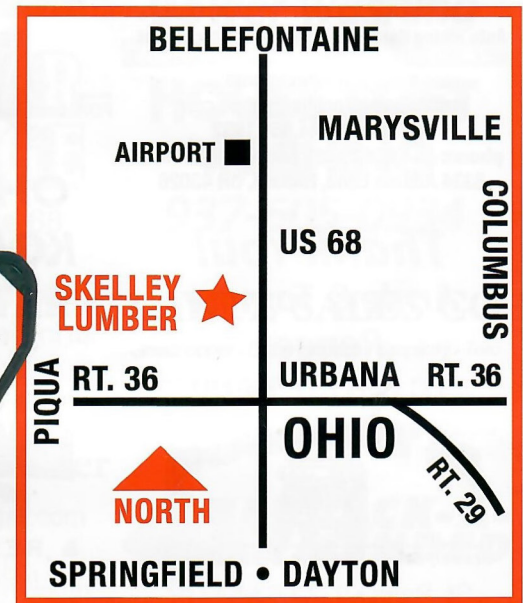
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** DRAWING WILL BE AT THE END OF THE SHOW*

**DASH PLAQUES 300 • DRIVER'S POT
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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:
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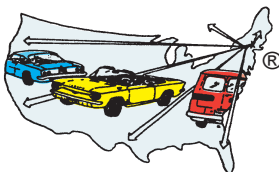
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