



DAYTON Corvair



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JULY MEETING

The July meeting will be at Company 7 BBQ. We plan to meet there after our tour at Dayton Auto and Memorabilia Museum in Englewood. The date is Saturday July 22. The address is 1001 S. Main St., Englewood, Ohio 45322. The address on their website is incorrect.



The restaurant does not open till 11am. Plan on being there shortly afterward if you miss the tour.

JULY ACTIVITY

The club's July activity is a tour of John Prikkel's car collection at the Dayton Auto and Memorabilia Museum on Saturday July 22nd. The tour starts at 10:00 AM. The museum is located at 100 Holiday drive in Englewood. Take the west bound exit on I-70 at Route 48 (Englewood exit). At the exit traffic light just drive straight across Rt-48 onto Holiday Dr. We will have our lunch and meeting at Company 7 BBQ afterwards.



John was an engineer at the Inland division of GM and decided to start his own business and did well. Ironically, when GM closed Inland, John took over the automotive and truck fiberglass spring business. Corvette used a fiberglass spring on the rear and on both front and rear for a number of years. Compared to a steel spring the fiberglass is practically indestructible.

One little side note: Glass has an Achilles heel, Hydrofluoric acid. It will dissolve glass. As a story goes, one Corvette owner had three springs replaced under warranty on his car in a short period of time. So the spring engineers contacted this person and found out he cleaned the underside of his car on a regular basis. The cleaning spray he used turned out to contain, you guessed it, Hydrofluoric acid. So if you have a 1981-2019 Corvette be careful with any cleaner that you might use on the wheels or on the car's suspension. Check what it consists of before using it.

DAYTON CONVENTION UPDATE

Everyone I talked to at the 2023 convention in Wisconsin seems to be excited about the Dayton Convention for 2024. Our Dayton promotional display proved to be an eye catcher. It was set up right outside the Hospitality room where everyone had to see it when leaving the room. A mixture of brochures of area attractions and most of "Distination Dayton" books were taken.



After talking with several Corsa Directors, some task requirements to organize some of the activities has become much easier than thought. We are now down to four activity remaining open and in need of a leader. They are Banquet, Tech Sessions, Valve Cover Race, and Parking.

Ideas were discussed and are being pursued. We are working with the AF Museum to have either a Welcome Party or as a dinner tour and have the entire museum to ourselves on that evening. Renting the museum is very expensive and I hope Corsa will approve it. Once we finalize the date with the AF Museum, everything else on the preliminary schedule should fall in place. When that happen, we should have the sites for the Autocross and Concours confirmed. We also are working up a plan to include a cruise-in to the Wright Brothers airport. The Wright Flyer B is stationed there and it would be delightful to view it up close and see it fly.

A British 1964 Imp which resembles an early model Corvair could be showcased when invited.

A full page 2024 Dayton Corvair Convention logo can be found elsewhere in this newsletter....Kevin Clark





JUNE MEETING MINUTES

First get together was on June 17, 2023 at Caesars Creek for the Tri Meet put together by the Cincinnati Corvair club to celebrate 50 years! It was a beautiful day! Our Dayton club was well attended with Craig Puthoff and Poco (his cute dog), Greg Hanlin, Steve Deak, Kevin Clark, Ron Reitz, Mike and son Colin Bayman, Mary Liz and Randy Lamb, Angie Chaffins, Jim Stukenborg, and Darcy and Duane Baker. We shared great food, Corvair stories and many laughs with each other. Cincinnati did a great job putting this day together, a fun day was had by all!



On to the 2023 National Corvair convention at Chula Vista resort at the Wisconsin Dells. The many clubs working together did an awesome job this year finding many fun adventures to do for the week. A welcome party with the ice cream social, a Duck boat ride exploring the surroundings, several tech sessions to attend, the Concours display and judging, an Economy run, a road rally and the auto cross, a couple Dinner boat cruises up the river to explore the rock formations left many many years ago and the Banquet ending the week was really good.

Our Dayton club was well represented by Greg and Allison Hanlin, Mary Liz and Randy Lamb, Susan and Kevin Clark and Darcy and Duane Baker. The dashboard display was well received with many saying they plan to attend next year! During the week we'd offer ideas that we had heard from other attendees to help us plan for next year. One lady from California suggested we make kids tee shirts. This family of 9 flew in from California and had a 3 hour drive from the airport. Someone had suggested we do hats or ladies visors with our logo on them, another suggested we have the car display earlier in the week so more could participate. During the peoples choice display, we need to have porta johns available and play music. Depending how large the area is we may need to have golf carts available.

Greg Hanlin did both the Economy run and Road rally, he has agreed to be the chairman of these events! Still lots more questions, concerns and maybe the unknown but we'll do our very best to have a great convention in 2024.

On to the meeting of June 27, 2023... We were welcomed by our president Shawn Funkhouser. Thanked all that attended the Tri Meet. Gary Funkhouser, Shawn and Susan were at the Indianapolis motor speedway course help the team of Jim Schardt race their Yenke Stinger. Unfortunately this was the same weekend as the Tri

Meet. At least 16 Yenke Stingers raced all weekend long. Jim Schardt's son did well taking all the green flags for the weekends races and only missing one checked flag. Pat Kirgan surprised them by attending.

Those in attendance included, Shawn Funkhouser, Gary Funkhouser, Glenda and Mike Bayman, Pat Kirgan, Angie Chaffins, Verle McGillivray, Jim Stukenborg, Kevin Clark, Larry and Darryl Smith, Greg Hanlin, Craig Puthoff, Ron Reitz, Cindy Simon from Cincinnati club and Darcy and Duane Baker. A few on line. Lori DeCesco Komora from Detroit area, Bill Richards from Canton Friends of Corvair and Jim Schmidt from Cincinnati.

Our Vice president Verle had nothing new to report.

Secretary read the minutes in abbreviated form from the May meeting.

Treasurer Angie gave her report. Old balance \$1665.32. Sid Roth paid his dues for three years 2022, 2023, and 2024-- \$36.00 and Greg bought a koozie for \$5. New balance \$1706.32.

Membership Paul Huelscamp was not present.

Activities Kevin Clark had lots to report. Upcoming car show in Urbana July 4th. July 22 club activity in Englewood with lunch afterward at Company 7. Our July meeting will be at Company 7 during lunch. August 9-12 is the Oldsmobile convention. We should try to go see how they have things set up since their convention is at the same hotel we are using next year. Kevin got several helpful hints from Bob Norwalk from Friends of Corvair in Canton and from several Directors of Corsa.

Points of interest Boonshoff Museum, Carillon Park-Dayton History, United States Air Force Museum-possibly have the welcome party or mid week dinner tour. Kevin found shirt pricing of \$12.18 to \$15.98 from PJ Promotions.

Shawn is in contact with Ron Eifert with UD regarding the auto cross, he will also contact a few gentlemen that spoke at the performance workshop in 2022.

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2023 MID-OHIO TRI CLUB MEET





June Meeting Minutes continued

We discussed the possibility of having the car display at the Wright Brothers field at Austin Landing with a Wright B Flyer present. We will be inviting those that have the Shriners cars to have their own car show within ours to get more recognition for these cars. Mike Hall and Eva McGuire have a Shriners car. Eva also has contact with someone who has a Corvair powered airplane to have it fly in. We know there are dozens of Monza Juniors in our area.

Kevin will be in touch with RTA bus system to possibly transport those who want to go to the Air Force museum.

Old business Kevin stated the website needs updated and discussed options and cost to expand, motion

carried for Kevin to do what is best for coverage with the convention info in mind and will be reimbursed the expense.

New business Matt Gordon has his 1963 coupe for sale \$2200.00

50\50 amount came to \$24.00 Kevin won and donated \$7.00 back to the club.

We still have work to do regarding 2024s convention. Still lots to discuss and still need lots of help along the way. Please consider helping in anyway! Thank you all!!

Respectfully submitted
Darcy Baker - Secretary

URBANA FIRECRACKER CAR SHOW

Some of our members made it to the 4th of July cruise-in at Urbana. This was the 25th anniversary for the Champaign Cruisers event. This cruise-in takes place at the most shady place you will find for an automotive event. It is all in a woods. The Urbana members, the Bakers and the Baymans, had a short drive to get there.

Glenda Bayman drove her early Corvair convertible while husband Mike brought his Amphicar just in case we had a lot of rain. Their son Colin drove his green 30's pickup. The Bakers brought their late Corvair coupe. Patrick Kirgan drove his Dunebuggy all the way from Union city on the Ohio-Indiana border. Patrick says that, at speed, any rain will blow right over the top of the car. The buggy sports a 140 engine with a single 4 barrel carb. Jim Stukenborg's Crampy refused to start so he had to resort to a 65 Corvette.



MISSING JUNE NEWSLETTER

If you were wondering what might have happened to your June newsletter, don't bother waiting for one in your inbox. The Corvair convention in Dells, Wisconsin conflicted on the same week the newsletter would have been produced. The June newsletter would have mentioned Corsa president Mike Hall came to our May meeting. In doing so, he had delivered a nice Lakewood to Jeff Sandor from the Cincinnati group. We had several other people from Cincinnati and Columbus club and those streaming with Facebook attending the meeting while Mike talked about the Dayton Convention and the newly named National Corvair Museum. We went over all the activities that are part of the convention and had lots of questions answered. Then we had our normal club meeting with pizza afterward.



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.

LM CORVAIR DASH PAD REMOVAL

Corvair Center poster Dean Gemberling (ISCOMPUTERS) posted a picture of the back side of one half of the pad showing three of the six studs that attach the pad to the metal dash. The GM service manual describes the procedure to remove the pad. Studs are not easy to get to. (see attachments).

Dean removed his studs and used magnets instead to remount it. (ED note: leave the studs in place and glue on some magnets



the size of a quarter dollar from Walmart. They worked great for the gas door on my Malibu Maxx when the mounting pivot broke and no easy way to fix it). See attached pictures.

REVITALIZING RUBBER WEATHERSTRIPS

Corvair Center poster Eric Page (playerpage) suggested using STAR BRITE PREMIUM RV RUBBER SEAL CONDITIONER to reduce the visibility of cracks in the Corvair vent window seals in answer to a question by another poster.

INSTRUMENT PANEL COVER ALL CHEVROLET STYLES

The instrument panel cover is secured to the instrument panel by studs and nuts or screws (Figs. 3-18, 3-19, 3-20 and 3-21). The studs are an integral part of the cover assembly.

Removal and Installation:

1. Remove windshield side garnish moldings where necessary.
2. Loosen or remove any necessary instrument panel items, glove box etc.
3. From underside of instrument panel, remove attaching screws and nuts and carefully remove cover assembly (Figs. 3-18, 3-19, 3-20 and 3-21).
4. To install, reverse removal procedure.

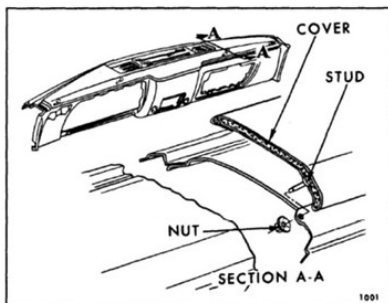


Fig. 3-18—Instrument Panel Cover



CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

July	
07.22.23	Dayton Auto and Memorabilia Museum Tour - 10AM - 100 Holiday Drive, Englewood
07.22.23	Club meeting at Company 7 in Englewood after Dayton Auto & Memo Museum Tour
August	
08.09 - 08.12	Oldsmobile Convention at Marriott at the UD - Time TBD
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 Corvaair Shop
10.24.23	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

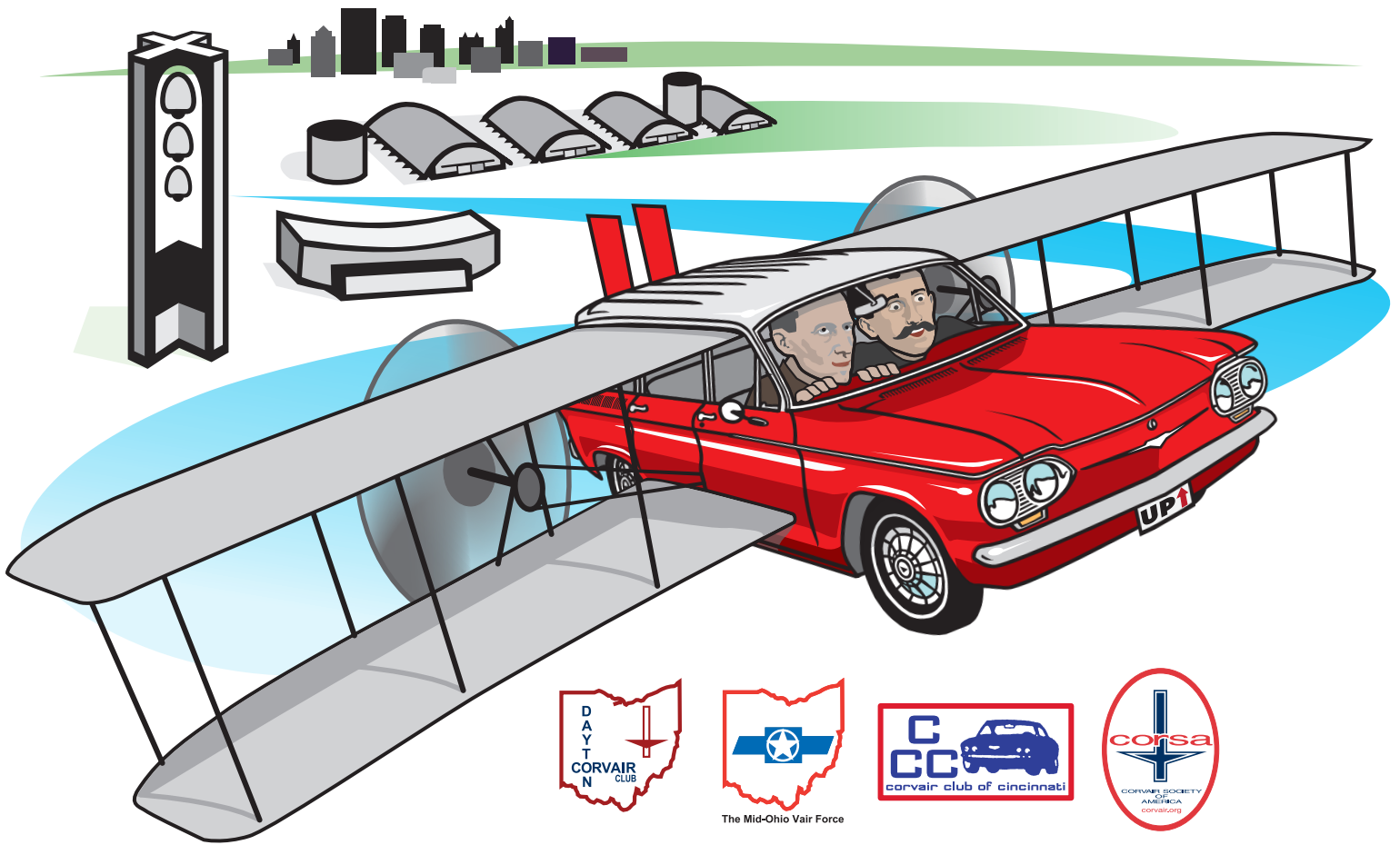


LET'S GO *CRUISE-IN*' AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Apr 22 - Oct 7	Kettering Saturday Night Cruise-In 2250 E Stroop Rd. 4pm to dark.
Aug 19 / Rain Date Aug 20	20th Annual Asphalt Outlaws Car & Bike Show Wolf Creek Rod & Gun Club 6700 Derby Rd. Dayton Registration 9-12:30pm. \$10.
Aug 19	Wings & Wheels Plane & Car Show Wright Brothers Airport 10600 N. Springboro Pk. Miamisburg 2-6pm \$10
Aug 26	Bob Pool Orphan Car Show Young's Jersey Dairy in Yellow Springs. Pontiac is the Featured Car this year. Registration 10-noon. \$5/car.
Aug 27	16th Annual Car Show at Culp Lake 1830 E Home Rd. Springfield. 9am-3:30pm.

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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.



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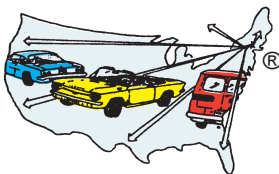
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