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OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held at our usual place, the Vandalia Justice Center. The date is Tuesday the 27th. 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. If not, go in through the main entrance door on the east side of the building.

SEPTEMBER CLUB ACTIVITY

Our September activity was a tour of the Dayton Packard Museum. They were hot when big was beautiful and there were a lot of big cars at the museum. An early Packard dump truck from the twenties was on display. The truck was built like a tank and ran on solid rubber wheels. One can imagine the ride. It was surprising to come across several Studebakers, but that was because Packard and Studebaker merged in 1954 because both were in financial trouble. The name Packard on a car disappeared in 1962. Check out some of the photos from the museum on page 5.

Corvair Society of America

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

To join visit: www.corvair.org.

The museum tour was followed by lunch at the Spaghetti Warehouse on Fifth Street in Dayton.

OCTOBER CLUB ACTIVITY

Our October activity was our yearly "Vair Affair". Again it was held at the Funkhouser Corvair garage in Centerville. We had a nice lineup of Corvairs facing Sheehan Rd. on the front lawn of Shawn Funkhouser's home and good food to eat. Thanks to the Funkhousers.

NOVEMBER CLUB ACTIVITY

There is no separate event, but we will have pizza at the regular meeting on November 24.

2026 VAIR AFFAIR

Our annual Vair Affair was held on October 3, 2026 at the Funkhouser shop in Centerville. Thank you to Bev Teaster, Gary, Shawn and Kevin Funkhouser for allowing us to invade your shop and having the tables and chairs set up for us!

We appreciate your willingness to provide a nice area for us to display our cars along the road for

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SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES



Our Corvair meeting held on September 22, 2026 was brought to order by our President Duane Baker. He congratulated Ryan Lochtefeld on receiving a top 75 award from the Pops car show that had over 400 cars in Urbana. Ryan has attended many car shows this summer and is proud to say he's gotten several awards. Way to go Ryan! Duane shared that a show called All Brakes No Gas would show all 7 Corvairs owned by the Funkhousers while they attended the Cars and Coffee event recently. Duane also shared that on October 16, PBS will show the Concours judging from the Dayton Corvair Convention from Carillon Park.

Vice President: Norbert Bir had no report.

Secretary: Darcy Baker asked that the previous minutes be approved: motion made by Mike Magee and Verle McGillivray.

Treasurer: Kevin Funkhouser gave our balance of $4923.00. He will reimburse Kevin Clark the annual fee of $33.35 for the usage of the domain name for our website.

Membership: Mike Bayman stated we had no new members but did receive the dues payment from Steve Donovan. Mike announced he will start collecting dues at the October meeting. Dues are Corsa members $12.00 and Non Corsa members $15.00. Mike will also be collecting the money for our Christmas party of $20.00 per person.

Newsletter: Jim Stukenborg will feature the bio of Verle McGillivray in the October newsletter.

Activities: Kevin Clark reminded us of the Packard Museum tour on September 26, 2026. What a nice museum with tons of beautiful cars to look at! Duane spent some time in their library finding one Corvair book. Our annual Vair Affair is October 3, 2026 at the Funkhousers shop from 11-3.

Duane had taken the license plates to W Productions in Urbana for printing of the winners from the Tri Meet in August.

Our 50/50 amount totaled $34.00 - the winner of $17.00 was Patrick Kirgan giving $14.00 back to the club.

Thank you all for coming out tonight!
Steve Donovan, Mike Bayman, Allison and Greg Hanlin, Shawn and Kevin Funkhouser, Teresa, Ryan and Carl Lochtefeld, Verle McGillivray, Debbie and Darrell Biddlestone, Patrick Kirgan, Norbert Bir, Mike and Michael Gitzinger, Jim Stukenborg, Kevin Clark, Mike Magee, John Hubler, Darcy and Duane Baker.

Meeting adjourned by
Shawn Funkhouser
and Mike Magee

MEMBERSHIP DUES AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our next meeting is October 27, 2026- Mike Bayman and Kevin Funkhouser will be taking your dues payments. Corsa members are $12.00 and Non Corsa members $15.00.

They will also be taking the payments of $20.00 per person for our Christmas party on December 12, 2026 at Company 7 BBQ in Englewood, Ohio from 11-3.

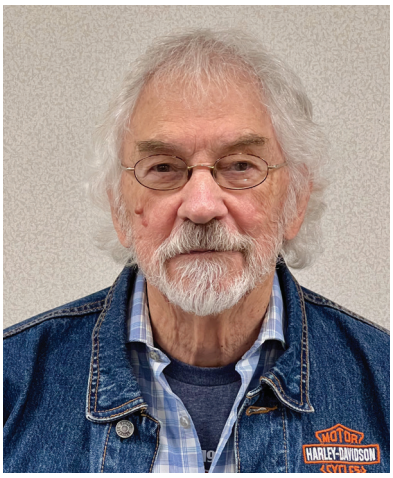
Menu of Beef Brisket and Pulled Pork sandwiches, Macaroni and Cheese and Green beans. Drinks of coffee and soda included. We are allowed to bring our own dessert - cake only.

We will be having our gift exchange again this year. Ladies if you don't want to act surprised if you open a new wrench set, or an oil filter or fan belt…please mark your gift for a Lady and you should take home something just for you! Cost of gifts should be around $25.00.

Our November 24th meeting is our pizza night provided by the club at the Vandalia Justice Center.
See you all on October 27!!

CLUB MEMBER PROFILE: VERLE McGILLIVRAY

My name is Verle McGillivray. I was born in 1941. I was raised on a farm north of New Carlisle, Ohio. I graduated from Tecumseh High School along with my late wife Jane in 1959. We were married in 1960 and had our son Kevin in 1962. I attended Hobart Welding School after high school graduation and worked a couple of year as a welder. During that period of time in the welding shop, I started attending Sinclair College night school pursuing an engineering technical certificate. I knew early on that I did not want to spend my life in a welding environment.

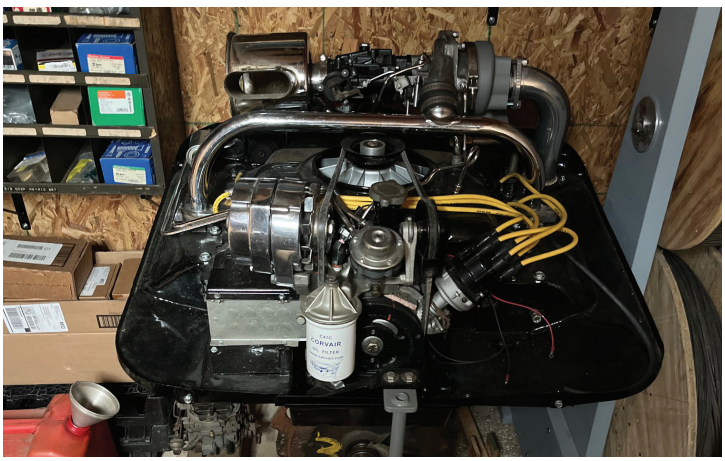


I applied for a position with the City of Kettering as a draftsman/technician in their Traffic Engineering Division and was hired on with the city. Little did I know then that would become my lifetime vocation. I worked for the city until 1969 when I was hired by the Wagner Smith Co to work in a newly formed Traffic Signal Division. They constructed traffic signals, highway lighting and privately owned primary electric systems. I worked there until 2005 when I retired as Vice President of their Outside Commercial Division.

Enough about my working career. Jane and I bought our first new car from Langs Chevrolet in Fairborn. It was a 1966 Corvair Corsa convertible with the 180 hp turbo engine. It was our primary driver until 1971. It had 56,000 miles on it and I retired it to the barn. It sat in a dry barn on a wood floor until my son Kevin and I took it out and began a restoration about 2015. It was completely disassembled. The car was mounted upside down and sandblasted and primed with OP epoxy primer and painted black. All the chassis parts were also sandblasted and painted the same. I did all the necessary body repairs, and my son did the sandblasting and the painting. The body was professionally painted in a paint shop. The engine was rebuilt by the Funkhouser's and the 4-speed transaxle by Michael Leveque. *...continue on next page*







CLUB MEMBER PROFILE *...continued*

I have installed front disc brakes, and the chassis is being lowered a couple of inches. I am installing an EFI fuel system on the car manufactured by Brown Injection Systems.

Kevin and I both joined the Dayton Corvair Club about the time we started the restoration on the car. I served several terms as president of the club following Darrell Smith and before Shawn Funkhouser.

I now have a significant other, Mary Ann Morris who attends most club activities with me. She also graduated high school with Jane and me. We are enjoying retirement and coping with old age.

MID-OHIO MEET AWARDS COMPLETED

The Mid-Ohio Meet had all its awards given out to the winners who were there at the Vair Affair. A few folks acted as messengers to deliver one to Columbus and one to Cincinnati. They kept passing it around until it finally reached Tom Finnegan and Ralph Gubser. Now they have the bragging rights! The DCC really appreciated everyone's participation, even though it was pouring rain.













2026 VAIR AFFAIR *...continued*

everyone driving by to enjoy! Thank you Kevin, Shawn and Mike Bayman for grilling the hamburgers and hot dogs! Thank you Gary for getting the Porta Pot set up again this year!



Along with the grilled items, we all enjoyed the many assorted dishes, everything was so good!! This year we had 22 come to share Corvair stories















and to enjoy each other's company. We missed those that had other commitments - maybe next year?

Thank you again to Bev and the Funkhousers!!

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PACKARD MUSEUM

Here are some of the photos from the Packard Museum. Many thanks to Kevin C. for taking them for the newsletter.











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.

NON WORKING WINDSHIELD WIPERS

The problem is frequently in the wiper switch if the fuse is OK. The wiper gets power from the battery once the ignition is turned to on. The wiper switch serves as a ground for the wiper and the windshield washer. The following Corvair Center Forum posts describes some things to try if you have a wiper problem.

Re: wipers not working...

Post by cnicol » Mon May 17, 2010 10:39 am

Wiper switch failures are not all that unusual. The switch GROUNDS the various wires that are plugged into it and the internal connection between the switch body and the electrical contacts sometimes fails. You can test the wiper by unplugging the switch and grounding each of the wires. Two wires will operate the wiper motor and one will operate the wiper and washer. If each of those wires activates the motor when they're grounded, you have a bad switch.

Re: wipers not working...

Post by ubuck » Mon May 17, 2010 12:11 pm

The switch Is the object behind the dash that the knob is hooked to. Classic case of a bad switch. Replace and make sure you have/use the star washer to attach. The star washer "digs" into the dash a bit to make/complete the good ground.

Re: wipers not working...

Post by swi66 » Tue May 18, 2010 6:43 am

Had it happen on a couple cars, and my greenbrier.
Was just the switch lost it's ground.
Try loosening and tightening the nut that holds the switch.

Re: wipers not working...

Post by wesinls » Mon May 17, 2010 9:04 pm

I had the same issue - and it was a dirty contact on the actual switch. Try this - Lay down and look up into the dash, you'll be able to see the "plug" for the wiper switch and also be able to reach it... at least I could reach mine...Turn the key On and put the wiper switch to low or high and then wiggle the connection. If it turns on, dirty connection and an easy fix.

Re: wipers not working...

Post by chassisman » Mon May 17, 2010 9:39 pm

Mine did the same thing, I took the switch out, took it apart, and stretched the spring so it would put more pressure on the contacts. It's worked ever since and only cost me my time.

Re: wipers not working...

Post by mike hicks » Mon May 17, 2010 11:49 pm

This happened on a switch I had and I took it apart (carefully prying the little bent over tabs) and cleaned up the contacts. Worky now.

1966 CORVAIR 2 SPEED WINDSHIELD WIPER SYSTEM

OPERATION & SCHEMATIC

Note: Also, applicable to 1965 Cars/ Trucks and 1960 - 64 EM cars & FC Trucks, installed by dealers or owners.

When Ignition Switch is turned to On or ACC, battery voltage is continuously provided to wiper/washer units through YL wires. Power is removed when Ignition Switch is turned Off.

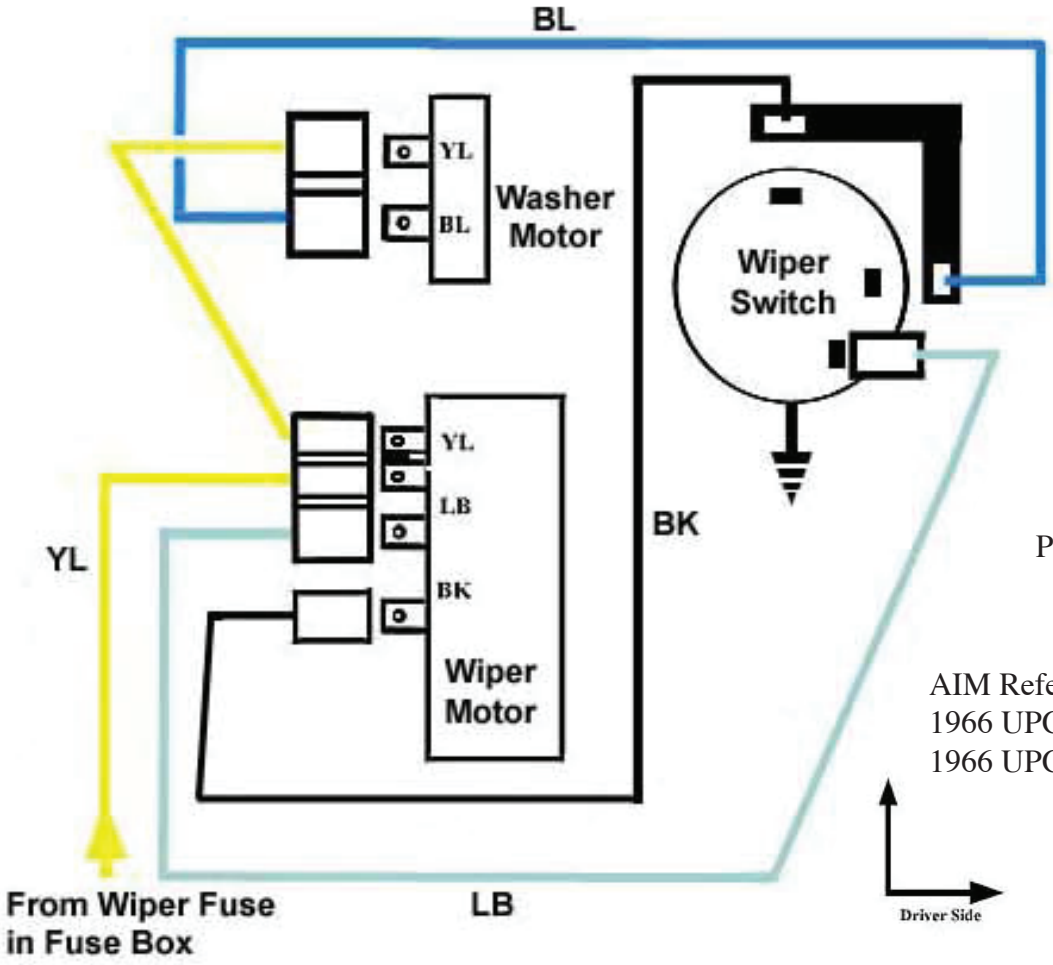
When Windshield Wiper Switch is selected to SLOW speed position, wiper motor is grounded through BK wire and a secondary ground is also provided by LB wire. Wiper blades start to cycle continuously at slow speed. When wiper switch is selected to HIGH speed position, wiper motor is grounded through BK wire only. Ground through LB wire is removed. Blades will then speed up to the fast speed.

When Wiper Switch is selected to Off, ground is removed from wires LB and BK wires. An internal ground is now provided through motor frame and a mount screw. A rubber mount has a copper strap that the screw goes through. When screw is tightened, the strap is sandwiched between the mount screw head and the motor frame. The motor will continue to cycle the amount needed to PARK the wiper blades.

If Ignition Switch is turned Off or battery is disconnected, before selecting Wiper Switch Off, wiper blades will stop at their current position.

When Windshield Washer Switch is depressed, wiper motor switch is mechanically selected to SLOW speed and system starts operating. Washer Pump is grounded through BL wire and pump starts operating. Pump should operate approximately 13 pump cycles. Ground is removed from BL wire, when timed cycles are completed and pump will stop. Driver needs to select wiper switch to Off to shut-off the wiper system and to park the blades.

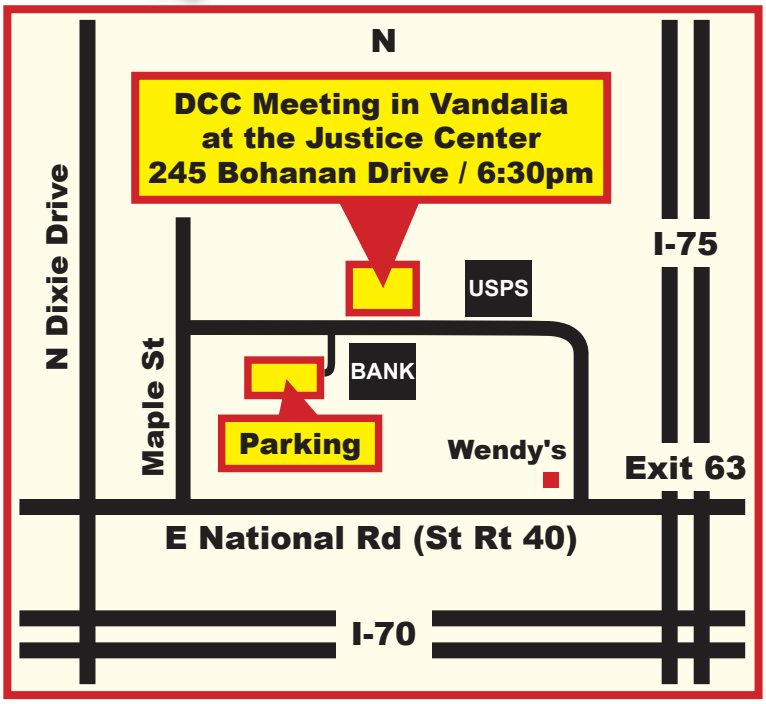
Check wiper switch is properly grounded by testing for 0 - 2 ohm reading from wiper switch bezel nut to left door light switch housing nut flats.



Parts: Motor - p/n 5045428
Pump - Anco p/n 61-02
Switch - p/n 1993670

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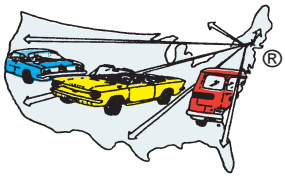
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