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FEBRUARY MEETING

The February meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held on Tuesday February 22nd at our regular place, the Vandalia Justice Center. The meeting time is 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 can be found on the last page of the newsletter.

FEBRUARY ACTIVITY

There is no planned activity for February. Just stay warm.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

Get the word out. The Dayton Corvair Club turns 50 this year. And it is also the clubs turn to host the Mid-Ohio Meet. We decided to splurge and celebrate our milestone at the Mid-Ohio Meet. Kevin had designed and

presented several 50th Anniversary logo and suggested we promote our anniversary with this on T-shirts and a large banner. To help spread the word, more business cards would be needed for our members to pass out. We jump started to proceed with the plan and T-shirts and a large banner will get ordered.

A reservation to host the Mid-Ohio Meet is set for June 18th and will be at Caesar Creek Lake. The new location has twice the space to accommodate a larger gathering. Our website is updated with current information with an interactive map taking you to the exact location. Get the word out. Get your Corvair ready. We're going to have a grand celebration.



Corvair Society of America

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

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JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Location: The Vandalia Justice Center. Meeting began at 6:35.

Attendees: Shawn and Gary Funkhouser, Kevin Clark, Verle McGillivray, Jim Schmidt, Jack Milliff, Wes Bogner, Angie Chaffins, and Jim Stukenborg.

Welcome: Shawn began with a welcome to everyone and any visitors. He then had a discussion of the up coming Performance workshop at their shop on Sheehan Road in Centerville. Shawn announce that Verle McGillivray had agreed to fill the vacant VP position. Jim Stukenborg gave an up date on Joe Dranschak's health situation. Joe is making some progress and will be doing his rehab in the near future at his house and his daughter's house.

Secretaries report: With Joe in rehab Jim Stukenborg took notes of the meeting.

Treasurer's report: with Joe's current situation Jenny had not had time to assemble all the numbers including Christmas party and dues payments.

Membership: Nothing new

Newsletter: Jim had no corrections or changes.

Activities: Kevin had a preliminary list of activities for this year. They were reviewed and voted on. See the activity list after the last page in this newsletter. Print it out and post it on your refrigerator or next to your pin up calendar in your garage.

New business - Mid Ohio Meet:

Since Kevin Clark mentioned we will be celebrating our 50th anniversary as a club, we should do all we can to promote the club and have a grand celebration. Kevin discussed we could use a new logo to commemorate our 50th year on dash plaques and trophies for the upcoming Mid-Ohio Meet. A 3" x 4" dash plaque would be \$1.95 each. "License plate" trophies will cost \$14.95 each. A 4' x 4' banner is \$30 at a wholesale price. Convention tote bags printed with our 50th logo were mentioned but were considered at the bottom of the list of things to do for the Meet.

Shawn looked at the shelter house sites at Caesar Creek State Park. Two were considered. Shawn's choice, Dogwood Beech, has twin shelters near the lake with good tree cover and ample parking. The members present voted to go with this site at a cost \$150 for the date of June 18th.

Gary Funkhouser wants to have a 50th anniversary celebration at the Mid-Ohio Meet of our clubs existence

with the original founding members including, Gary, Jay Greenup, Nick Olsen, and Dennis Kugler present. He has several possible at this time.

Kevin Clark is making more club business cards. The cost for 500 is \$35-\$40. He had added two QR codes on the back side which you scan with your phone camera for quick access to our website and facebook page.



New T-shirts with a 50th anniversary in the logo were presented by Kevin. There were two styles that we named style A and style B. It was decided to go with a shirt with style A on the front left chest and style B on the back. The shirts will be black 50/50 cotton material. It was voted that we purchase 72 of the shirts at \$12.95 per shirt plus a setup charge of \$180. The 2x shirts cost \$2 more and 3x were \$3 more. The cost of half as many shirts was about the same as the larger amount. The size breakdown is as follows: L-18, XL-28, XXL-20, XXXL-6. Gary made a motion seconded by Shawn to do this. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn at 8:15. first by Jack Milliff, and seconded by Wes Bogner.

FROM THE EMAIL BOX (PART 2)

Kevin,
Almost done. I should be cleaning interior by Tuesday.
Rob
(see previous continuation from January Email Box)



CORVAIR + EL CAMINO = CORVAMINO?

A recent listing appeared in the Darke County Rummage Sale Facebook page for a Corvair that was for sale, and it included the attached photos. The listing is no longer there, and it is likely that the vehicle has been sold. The images show an early-model Corvair that was converted to become a pickup truck. The remaining front doors suggest it originally was a 4-door sedan or perhaps more likely a station wagon. A station wagon would have had a floor and rear quarter sheet metal that formed much of the pick-up bed. A “black box” is in the pickup bed and appears to be a cover for a transplanted mid-engine power train. The added-on grille likely has a radiator behind it.



The listing indicated the mileage, that it was a 1963 Corvair, and the price was \$12,000. The Corvair’s location was Union City, Ohio, on the Indiana border 10-15 miles northwest of Greenville. The listing did not mention anything at all about the car’s body style or that it had been converted to be a pick-up truck.

Does anyone know anything more about this?” *Jack Milliff*

CORVAIR PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP

The Performance Workshop is taking place on March 5th, 2022 at Gary and Shawn’s Corvair shop on Sheehan Road in Centerville. The workshop takes place on Saturday from 9-5 but there is a causal dinner activity on Friday evening. On Saturday there will be coffee and donuts in the morning. Then a full day of speakers, performance parts and regular parts for sale, vending, a catered lunch, bench racing and assorted tall tales. Vender early setup is Friday the 4th from 8 to 5. Registration is \$25 per person. The place for the evening dinner is to be determined.



Shawn plans to have a tour of his work facility showing testing of the magneto-rheological (MR) fluid shock absorbers. These are the “Magnaride” shocks available on Vettes and high end cars. A computer senses the speed and size of a bump and electrically changes the viscosity of the shock fluid to give the desired damping for the situation. One weird part of the MR damping world mentioned by Shawn is that Porsche uses this type technology on their motor mounts to improve acceleration time due to the ability to stiffen the mount while having more vibration absorption while just cruising. The tour will take place after Friday night dinner around 6:30-7pm and takes about an hour. Check out their website at BWIGroup.com.

Fifty-five enthusiasts are planning to come. The V8 Registry club president John Lanning will have his V8 car there and one other V8 in progress car. Maybe some other V8’s will show. The shops address is 9452 Sheehan Rd.

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.

BATTERY DRAIN WHILE PARKED

In addition to the glove box light, alternator, voltage regulator, the spiral wire in the heater hose rubbing against the starter, the cigarette lighter stuck in, the clock is another item that can cause a battery drain.

NEW WINDSHIELDS

According to one of the posters on Corvair Center Safelite, a frequent advertiser on TV, does not do cars older than 1985. Another site mentioned was Auto Glass Now. Corvairs use old technology involving fitting a molded rubber seal around the window and mounted to the body by working the rubber seal over a body flange. New glass is glued in place. No rubber seal is involved. The new method is a lot easier and faster. It seems that most of the glass is now made in China with mixed results. Goggling for the windshield glass replacement yields a lot of sources, but how many are ready to do Corvairs? Windshields are listed in the Clark’s catalog. Late models for example are listed at \$298.50 plus large package shipping surcharge.



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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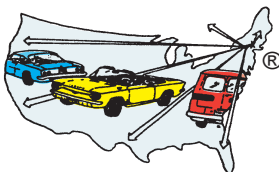
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CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

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 Jack's
May:	
05. .22	Dayton Dragons Game - TBD
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