



CHAPTER 454

DAYTON *Corvair* CHRONICLE



SEPTEMBER 2026

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The September meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held at our usual place, the Vandalia Justice Center. The date is Tuesday the 22nd. 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. Note that this is a five Tuesday month. We meet on the 4th Tuesday so don't come to the last Tuesday this month.

SEPTEMBER CLUB ACTIVITY

On Saturday September 26 the club is planning to visit the Packard museum at noon with lunch to follow at the Spaghetti Warehouse around 1:30-2:00 PM. Both are in the downtown Dayton area. The Packard Museum is located at 420 South Ludlow Street, 45402. The Spaghetti Warehouse is located just a few blocks north at 36 West Fifth Street, 45402, between Ludlow and Main Street. The admission price for the museum is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors (65+), and \$5 for youth/students (w/ college ID). There is a little aviation interest at the museum since Packard built under license the Rolls Royce V-12 aircraft engine during WW II. The well-known P-51 Mustang was powered by one of these engines.



OCTOBER CLUB ACTIVITY

Our October activity is our yearly "Vair Affair". This year, as last year, it will be held at Shawn and Gary Funkhouser's Corvair barn at the rear of 9452 Sheehan Road at the south edge of Centerville. It is also Shawn's residence. Look for the parked Corvair on the south side of the road about 1/4-1/2 mile west of RT-48. The club will furnish the meat, buns, and condiments. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to share. Also bring tableware, drinks, and your folding chair. Drive your Corvair. The date is Saturday October 3rd. The "Affair" starts at 11:00 AM with lunch at noon and last until around 3:00 PM.

MOM AWARD SNEAK PEEK



Kevin is finally making progress working on the Mid-Ohio Meet awards. Trying not to be a spoiler, we'll publish everyone else's award here after they receive them. Kevin is close getting them finished. To save on shipping, Kevin is expecting to have them available when we meet at the Packard Museum or the Vair Affair. Plan on coming to either event to pick yours up. He will mail the rest afterward.



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**AUGUST MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting of August 25, 2026 was called to order by our President Duane Baker. He welcomed all in attendance by sharing that we, along with Daniel Harris and his son Maximillion had attended the Hill Climb in Zanesfield, Ohio. What a cool event to attend! Gary Funkhouser had driven one of his Corvairs many years ago. Two members from the Cincinnati club were running Spence Duffy's Corvair. We didn't learn the times they ran, but I'm sure they had a blast. Maybe this could be a club activity in the future? This was the same day as the Orphan Car Show at Young's Dairy. Four Corvairs made that show, Doug and Cindy Simon, Ryan Lochtefeld, Ron Reitz and one from Columbus. Congratulations to Ryan winning an award!

Duane shared he had heard lots of compliments regarding the Tri Meet. Nice job everyone!!

Our Vice President Norbert Bir was not in attendance.

Secretary Darcy Baker asked the previous minutes be approved - Motion made by Greg Hanlin and Cindy Simon.

Treasure Kevin Funkhouser has reimbursed all expenses from the Tri Meet. Some of the breakdown included 2 shelters \$150.00 Porta Potty \$200.00 Food / Door Prizes \$502.00. Kevin Clark is having the trophies printed for \$50.00 with W Productions. Expenses totaled \$902.00 Profit made included 50/50 \$80.00 Raffles \$212.00 Registration \$330.00 totaling \$622.00 So we lost around \$280.00 for this event. We may need to increase the charge per vehicle or not give out as many prizes...we'll see what happens. Another HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped in any way, especially for all the donated prizes and supplies and of course your time given!

Our ending Treasury balance is now \$4831.00 Membership Mike Bayman stated our membership is 46 with 27 couples.

Newsletter Jim Stukenborg thanked Kevin C for another great newsletter. September's meeting will feature another Bio of Allison and Greg Hanlin.

Activities Kevin Clark will be getting info so we can tour the Packard Museum hopefully on September

26, 2026 and then all go to lunch or dinner afterward.

Upcoming Car show or Cruise-ins include MERFI Fly In September 12, 2026 in Urbana, Mum Festival Cruise In September 25, 2026 in Troy, Union City show September 19, 2026 and Cars and Coffee in Austin Landing weekly? Our annual Vair Affair is on October 3, 2026 at the Funkhouser shop in Centerville from 11-3, please bring a dish to share. Meat will be provided by the club.

The 50/50 amount tonight was \$34.00 with Shawn Funkhouser winning \$17.00!

Thank you all for coming out tonight: Daniel Harris, Darrell Biddlestone, Mike Bayman, Gary, Shawn and Kevin Funkhouser, Mike Magee, Theresa and Ryan Lochtefeld, Cindy Simon, Mary Ann Morris and Verle McGillivray, Patrick Kirgan, Allison and Greg Hanlin, Kevin Clark, John Hubler, Mike and Michael Gitzinger, Jim Stukenborg, Darcy and Duane Baker.

Our next meeting is September 22, 2026 at 6:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned by Cindy Simon and Allison Hanlin.

Secretary
Darcy Baker



Try on the new Dayton Corvair Club hats.

Stylish blue baseball style cap with white trim, and adjustable Velcro tab. Logo in embroidery. \$15 each. To order or make a purchase, contact Duane at; bakerdoh@gmail.com. Duane will have them at every meeting.

CLUB MEMBER PROFILE: GREG AND ALLISON HANLIN

This month's member profile is that of long time members Allison and Greg Hanlin.

I guess this story starts back in the early 1980's when I was in high school (Allison was still in elementary school, lol). A couple of my friends had



gotten MG Midgets and I decided I needed one also. I traded my Kawasaki Enduro for a 72 Midget which was mostly bondo and rust. I got it on the road and drove it for 2 or 3 years and eventually realized it was too far gone. That was followed by an Austin Healy Sprite and a Triumph Spitfire. I sold the Spitfire in 1987 and had some money burning a hole in my pocket so I was perusing the Trading Post (remember that?) and found an ad for a 64 Corvair Convertible. I had at least seen a Corvair before – someone down the road from us had a 65 Turbo Coupe for sale about the time I graduated high school. It had a rattling flywheel but I thought that was beyond my scope then.

So I went to look at the 64 convertible and the body wasn't too bad, had a bit of rust, wasn't running at the time, but it would supposedly run. It did run but the cloud of smoke trailing it was pretty impressive.

I rebuilt the engine after graduating from UD in the spring of 1988, got a new top put on it and took it with me to graduate school at Penn State. Before leaving Dayton, I had accumulated some engine parts (also from the Trading Post!) and I needed to get rid of them. I loaded them in a borrowed pickup and took them out to this house on County Line Rd where someone told me a guy had a bunch of Corvairs. That's when I met Jerry Fritts. He of course said he didn't need any more parts but I said they were going to the dump otherwise so he let me unload them.

The 64 was reasonably reliable while I was at Penn State (it was a second car so I wasn't depending on it every day) other than losing a rear wheel bearing and running over something on the interstate that tore a hole in the bottom of the gas tank.

I came back to Dayton in the spring of 1990 and have lived here ever since. Shortly after returning, I bought a 66 Monza coupe with a thrown rod and rebuilt a 140 for it. A year later I bought a house with a 3 car garage and the real fun began. I went to a Dayton Corvair Club meeting or two in 1990 and I think I joined that fall or in 1991. I had club member Virgil Neal paint the 64 convertible in 1992 and it was looking pretty good. I got to know Gary Funkhouser and Herb Wooddell through the club around that time and they had started working on Corvairs for people and thought maybe I could help out with that. I learned a ton from both of them and we kept some cars on the road. Herb got me interested in FC's and so pretty soon I found a 62 Rampside and bought it. Then came a 65 Corsa turbo coupe, and many others including an 8 door Greenbrier and a 62 Monza wagon. Herb also got me started on Fieros. I had 3 or 4 of them at one time.

I was newsletter editor for several years in the 1990's and then had a couple of terms as club president.

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**CLUB MEMBER PROFILE ...continued**

1998 was kind of a big year for me! I met Allison that summer and I think I owned 11 cars at the time between the Corvairs, the Fieros and the Dodge Dakota I drove in the winter. Also in 1998, I put air conditioning on the 64 convertible as I had taken it on several long trips including the Albuquerque convention in 1996 and the Lake Placid convention in 1997. I purchased the white 66 Corsa Convertible (which met its demise earlier this summer in an accident on I-75) in the spring of 1998.

We got married in October 2000 and by then the herd had thinned a bit. The Fieros were gone as well as several of the Corvairs including the Rampside. However, I had added a nice 1972 MGB and a 65 Corsa Convertible "kit" just before our wedding. The "kit" turned into the green 65 convertible we have now and the restoration took until 2021 to finish. A lot happened in the interim. We became parents in 2003 with Ben and I soon sold the MGB and we purchased the 1963 Greenbrier which had belonged to Herb Wooddell from the early 1970s until he passed in 1998. Ethan was born in 2004 and serious Corvair work took a back seat for quite a few years. We did attend several Homecomings in Detroit, the convention in Lexington and the convention in Detroit when the boys were young.

I started a re-restoration on the 64 convertible in 2021 which I thought would take about 3 years to complete. It was an Ohio car so the underside was a bit rusty – worse than I thought. I ended up getting a better body shell from Arizona and had it chemically dipped and stripped. It was at the body shop over 3 years and I got it back in July 2025. Five years in now, it is now mostly completed – just waiting for the top installation and then I can put the interior in. Look for it next spring.

We sold the 63 Greenbrier in 2024 after the convention, purchased a 69 Monza convertible out of Detroit in July 2025 and lastly purchased a 65 Greenbrier (rust free!) in Cleveland this past May. That puts us currently at 4 Corvairs including the

64 Convertible and the 65 Corsa Convertible (plus a 1990 Miata).

Professionally, I have worked at the same company since 1990. I'm an electrical engineer by degree and did a variety of electromagnetic analysis work as our company was a DoD contractor and we did R&D work in magnetics and built railguns. I also became the default IT guy and security guy (hazards of working in a small company). We were bought in 2017 by BAE Systems (very large defense contractor). They closed our office in 2021 at which time I transferred to a remote IT support position within BAE Systems and have worked remotely since. Retirement is looming, within the next 1-2 years. I also do a good bit of bicycling in my spare time.

Allison was born and raised in Centerville and graduated from the University of Cincinnati. She is a pharmacist and worked mostly retail pharmacy during her career. Her longest stint was at the Medicine Shoppe in Huber Heights and she retired from Hocks in Vandalia last December. She has been incredibly supportive of this hobby (sometimes bordering on insanity!) of mine. Since retiring she spends time exercising, working on her scrapbook projects and helping her 92 year old dad.

Our older son Ben is now a third year law student at the University of Cincinnati and he intends to return to Dayton next spring after graduation and hopes to work as a prosecuting attorney for either Montgomery County or the City of Dayton.

Younger son Ethan is in his senior year at Miami of Ohio, majoring in Accounting. He plans to become a CPA and is exploring career options now.





1963 MONZA FOR SALE

I have a friend who has a "1964" Corvair convertible for sale. It is driveable but needs some tlc. It has an automatic trans.
He is asking \$3,500.00
Phone, 937-572-6290
The car is in Clayton, Ohio

Thanks,
Denny Kugler



FOR SALE

1965 Corvair Corsa Coupe

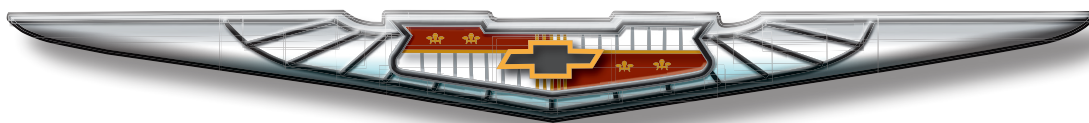
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CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

September	
09.22.26	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30 PM
09.26.26	America's Packard Museum - 420 South Ludlow Street, Dayton - Noon to 1:30 PM
09.26.26	Spaghetti Warehouse - 36 West Fifth Street, Dayton - Be there before 2 PM
October	
10.03.26	Vair Affair at Funkhouser Corvair Shop in Centerville - 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
10.27.26	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30 PM
November	
11.24.26	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30 PM - Pizza?
December	
	Club Christmas Party - TBD

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

Every Friday	Rip Rap Friday Night Cruise-In / Rip Rap Roadhouse / Great food / Shake Shack / Vendors / Show cars / 6021 Rip Rap Rd. Dayton / 7-10pm / Angie 937-236-4329
Every Saturday	Kettering Saturday Night Cruise-In May 2 thru Oct 2 / Orthopedic Institute of Dayton 3205 Woodman Dr. Kettering / Music / DJ / Food / Free / 4-9pm / Robin 937-626-6406
8/23/26 9/27/26	Car/Bike/Truck Cruise-In American Legion Post 598 / "Freedom Cruise-In" car show series / Food and concessions / 5700 Kentshire Dr, Kettering / 11AM
Every Tuesday	Company 7 Cruise-In / Company 7 BBQ in Englewood, Ohio / Corner of St. Rt. 48 and W. Wenger Road / 4-8pm / April through October / Larry 937-823-2879
Every Tuesday	Ohio Valley Cruisers Franklin Cruise-In / 4th and Main St. Franklin, Ohio 45005 / 5-8pm / April through October / Patti 513-465-1427
Every Thursday	Get Air Cruise-In / Get Air in Huber Heights, Ohio / 6020 Chambersburg Road / 5-8pm / April through October / Tracy 937-307-2281
Every Sunday	Airline Dairy Creme Cruise-In / Airline Dairy Creme / 224 North Dixie Drive / Vandalia, Ohio 45377 4-8pm / April through October / Sara 937-898-3100
Every Friday	Beavercreek Friday Night Cruise-In / 4051 Indian Ripple Rd. Beavercreek, OH 45440 at Vineyard Church / 4-8 p.m. / April through September / Dave 937-409-1962
First Saturdays	Horsepower Farm Cars and Coffee / 2227 Trinity Dr. Middletown, Ohio 45044 / 8am to noon / February through December / Opie 937-477-0450

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.

TURN SIGNAL REPAIR

A post on the Corvair Center Forum by Steve Goodman, a well-known Denver Corvair mechanic, initiated a number of replies on this topic. One that stood out was, Do Not use the signal stalk to cancel the turn signal as this can break a turn signal part inside the steering column. The Clark's Corvair catalog has a good summary of the parts available to repair the turn signal components in the steering column for the different years. Rockauto also has some parts for a Corvair turn signal and lists several of their sources. The Corvair Center Forum post on 9-7-26 by Steve is titled 67-69 Boyne turn signal repair.

EARLY MOTOR MOUNT BOLTS

Corvair Center poster "OldWrench Turner" on 9-9-26 wanted to know how to hold the nuts on the front motor mounts of an early model Corvair to remove the bolts. The following ideas were suggested: Cut off combination wrench, bent with a torch wrench, small block Chevy distributor wrench, cut off wheel, and a pry bar to gently push on the body panel get some space for the wrench. Corvair mechanic and racer, Ken Hand, suggests an easy way is to use an 1/2 inch impact wrench or large ratchet and tighten the mount bolt until it breaks. (Ed note: When replacing the bolts use grade 8 bolts since they are holding the weight of the motor).

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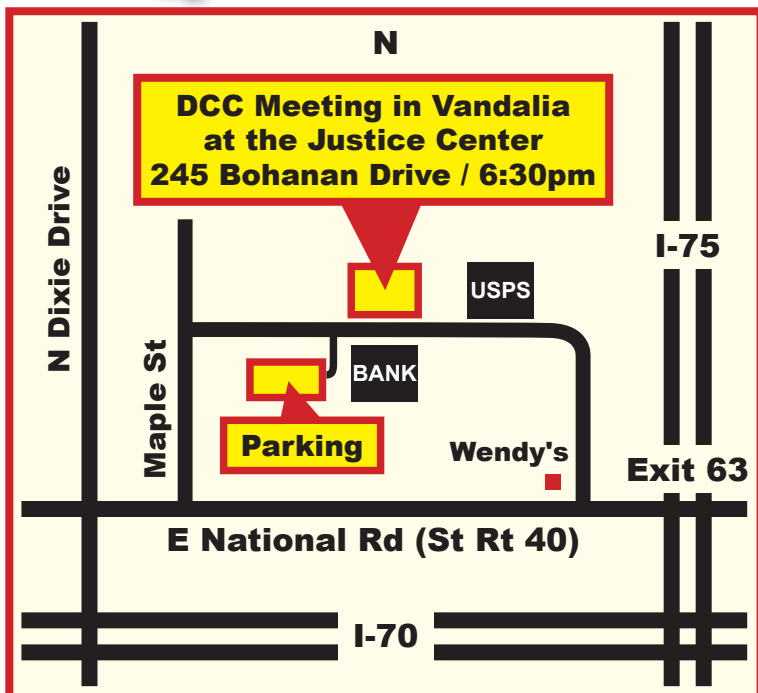
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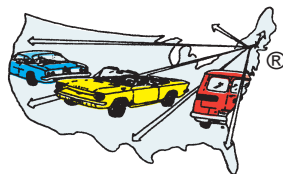
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