



DAYTON *Corvair* CHRONICLE



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MARCH MEETING 3.25.25

The March meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held at our usual place, the Vandalia Justice Center. The date is Tuesday, March 25. Time is our usual 6:30pm. A new map showing the direction to the Justice Center is on the last page of the newsletter. Enter through the west side door. If the door is locked, someone already there will let you in. We will have pizza at the meeting.



we want to make sure you mark April 19 now on your calendar to attend the tour, a shop with about four dozen cars in various stages of restoration. It will be interesting to see some of the cars we saw last years could be nearing completion of a total restoration. Our customary tour guide, Mike Ison is still at D&D for another year. Two years ago, he hinted he may be working someplace else. Who knows, this could be our last tour with Mike. The location is 2300 Mote Drive on the southeast side of Covington (OH), and we plan to meet there at 10:00am. We will have lunch at Buffalo Jacks following the tour. A reminder will be in the April newsletter.

MARCH ACTIVITY

There is no separate activity planned for March. We are having our March pizza meeting, but instead of having it at Marion's, we will have pizza at the meeting at the Vandalia Justice Center on March 25. It was agreed that Marion's was too noisy for a good meeting. Bring your significant other.

LUNCH AT BUFFALO JACKS - 4.19.25

After the D&D Classic Restoration tour in Covington, we will go down the street to Buffalo Jacks for lunch. We have reserved a party room with plenty of seatings. If you can't make the D&D tour, you are still welcome to join us for lunch. We plan to be there by 11:45am. The address is 137 S High Street, Covington, OH 45318.

APRIL ACTIVITY - D&D TOUR 4.19.25

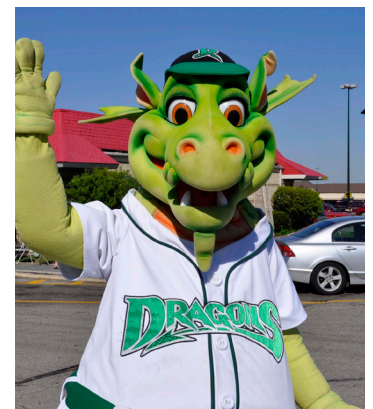
Since the April newsletter is due to be published just days before the D&D Classic Restoration tour,



MAY ACTIVITY - DATE TBD

DAYTON DRAGONS BASEBALL GAME

At the March meeting we will set a final date for a night out at the Dayton Dragons baseball game. We started a list and so far, we have thirteen members signing up. Anyone attending the March pizza meeting will have a chance to sign up. We will have a list of nights that are still available to obtain group seatings. Hopefully we can still sit in the Plaza area near third base. The cost per person is from \$9 to \$11 depending on which night we choose.



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FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

President - Duane Baker welcomed all in attendance and thanked them for taking time out of their schedules. Everyone present is very much appreciated!



Vice President - Craig Puthoff was not in attendance this evening.

Secretary - Darcy Baker asked the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. Motion made by Verle, second by Angie - motion carried.

Treasurer - Outgoing Treasurer Angie Chaffins reported what we need to close out our account at Monroe Federal Bank and what is needed to open our new account with Wright Patt Credit Union. Our new Treasurer Kevin Funkhouser is working on getting the new account ready to go. The new ending balance is \$6798.00. Motion made and second by Kevin C and Verle - motion carried.

Membership - Angie Chaffins reported thirty-one members have paid the annual fees. We are very pleased to have our newest member Norbert Bir in attendance. Welcome Norbert! We hope you enjoy your membership with us! Kevin C revised the membership form.

Newsletter - Jim Stukenborg reported how nice of job Kevin C does with the newsletter monthly.

Activities - Kevin Clark reported our March 25th meeting will be our pizza night. We will still meet at the Justice Center location in Vandalia at 6:30 pm, order the pizzas along with a few 2 liters of pop and have our meeting while waiting for the delivery. Duane and I will be bringing plates, napkins and cups. Hope to see you all come enjoy dinner on the club!

Other activities planned include the D&D Tour in Covington, Ohio at 10:00am on April 19. We will be making a donation of \$50.00. Lunch to follow at Buffalo Jacks Restaurant a few blocks away. In May we're looking at a couple of dates to attend a Dayton Dragons game. June 21 is the Corvair Tri Meet with the Columbus club as the host. The CJ

Brown Reservoir has been reserved down from the spill way close to the water. July, many car shows available to attend as well as the Detroit Area Corvair Club hosting the Homecoming July 10-13, 2025. September or October the Funkhouser's will host our annual Vair Affair at their shop in Centerville. If you have any ideas of activities please pass along your information.

Kevin C asked our club to send the fee of \$35.00 to Corsa for membership we have along with a roster of members. This provides our club with insurance for the year.

Old Business - continue working on transferring to a new bank.

New Business - transfer of non-profit trustee. Jim Stukenborg will get the info needed to get this accomplished.

A question of making a donation to the Corvair Museum Preservation Foundation was discussed but for now is tabled.

President Duane asked for volunteers to make up the By Law committee. They are as follows; Duane, Kevin F, Shawn F, and Kevin C. A meeting date and time to be announced.

The 50/50 duties now being run by Mike Bayman and his assistant Glenda B amounted to \$34.00. The winner was Mary Ann Morris and Verle McGillivray.

Thank you again for attending tonight: Norbert Bir, Greg Hanlin, Patrick Kirgan, Glenda and Mike Bayman, Mary Ann Morris, Verle McGillivray, Kevin Clark, Cindy Simon, Shawn Funkhouser, Kevin Funkhouser, Angie Chaffins, Jim Stukenborg, Wendell Pace, Ed Wolf, John Hubler, Steve Schumann, Mike and Michael Gitzinger, Ron Reitz and Darcy and Duane Baker.

Darcy Baker
Secretary



MORE DAYTON CONVENTION PHOTOS DISCOVERED

A flyer was found tossed in Kevin's Corvan last fall from a local car show. It listed their free website as having over 100,000 photos, plus a collection of videos, a list of car shows and cruise-ins, and cool YouTube video links. Upon checking out the website, Kevin discovered there were 380 photos taken during the first full day at our Dayton convention. That day was the Corvaair Cruise-In and the Valve Cover Race. Too bad it did not have any photos from the rally, econo-run and the autocross that occurred during the rest of the week. The good thing is, it showed there were a lot more Corvaairs than originally thought during the Cruise In. We all were just too busy running the show and pretty much missed it. The photo credit goes to Rob Schrader. Here are some of the pictures and to view them all, go to www.miamivalleynovas.com.



SALT FLAT RACER

The latest addition to the Corvair Museum is a salt flat racer, a modified late model Corvair donated by Phil Daly. It reached a top speed of 146 mph.



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.

AIRTEX ELECTRIC FUEL PUMPS

Corvair Center texter, wheels4fun, posted that he had an Airtex E8016S electric fuel pump go bad on his Corvair. That led to a lengthy discussion about the Airtex fuel pumps. The discussion centered on the pump in question probably being a Chinese knockoff since it was purchased on Amazon for only \$26. Well known Corvair mechanic, Steve Goodman, reported that he has installed a number of Airtex pumps over time and has had good luck with them. Steve mention that he buys his pumps from parts store like NAPA or Facet. The price of the Airtex pumps Steve buys is in the \$95 range. Back in 2015 Steve called Airtex and asked if one could tell the difference between a real Airtex and a knockoff. They said no.

Steve reminded all that electric pumps are intended to be fuel pushers, not fuel suckers, and for that reason they should be located low enough that the fuel will gravity to the pump. He did say that sitting seems to reduce the life of a fuel pump. The Airtex electric pump has an inlet filter that might get plugged. When another poster mentioned that the in-tank filter should stop any dirt before it gets to the pump filter, Steve responded that in his experience a lot of filters are missing or torn.

Another poster mentioned that the Airtex electric will not allow fuel to be pulled through it by the mechanical pump if one should be using the electric pump only for starting.

MECHANICAL PUMPS

During the electric fuel pump discussion, Corvair racer Mike Levine (AKA v8vair), stated that after he machined the bottom section of his mechanical pumps, he had no more issues. Other posters mentioned problems with Airtex mechanical pumps. (Ed notes: Another case of Chinese knockoffs?).

Clark's Corvair Parts just announced they have completed testing their new mechanical fuel pump. With hundreds of hours and 2000 miles of actual road test, the testing is done, and production is being finished. Their new fuel pumps should be in stock this Spring.

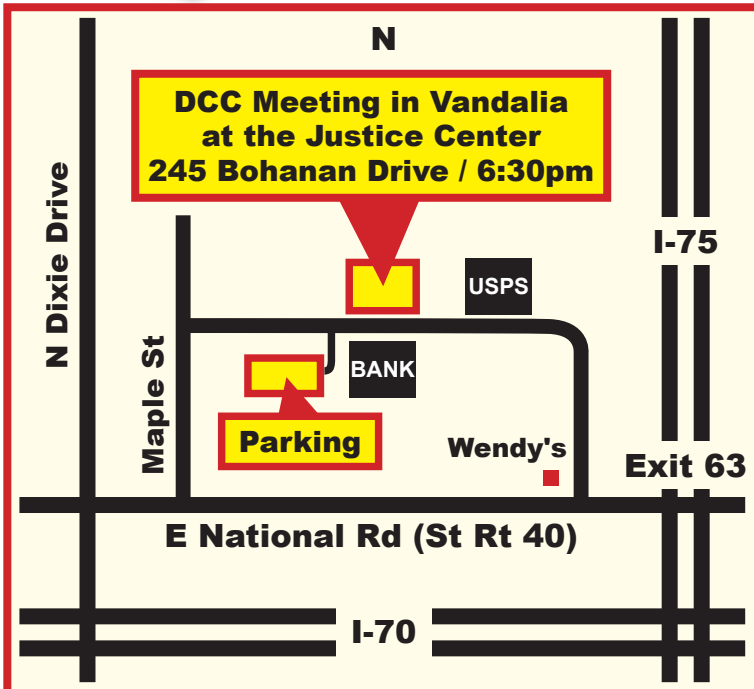


CORVAIR JUNKYARD

Website, thetruthaboutcars.com, has some photos of the Corvair section of a junkyard 30 miles north of Denver, CO. The place is Speedway Auto Wrecking in Dacono, CO. They are only open on Saturday mornings. One of the photos is pictured. Just type Corvair in the search field on their website and you will find not only junk cars but articles on nicer Corvairs and classic GM videos as well.



CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES	
March	
03.25.25	Club meeting with pizza in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
April	
04.19.25	D&D Classic & Restoration Tour in Covington (Ohio) - 10:00AM
04.19.25	Lunch at Buffalo Jacks in Covington (Ohio) after the D&D Tour - 11:45AM
04.22.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
May	
TBD	Dayton Dragons baseball game. A date will be decided at the March meeting
05.27.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
June	
06.21.25	Mid Ohio Meet at Buck Creek State Park in Springfield - 10AM
06.24.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
July	
07.22.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
August	
08.26.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
September	
09.23.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
TBD	Vair Affair in Sept or Oct - Shawn Funkhouser Corvair Barn in Centerville
October	
10.28.25	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
November	
11.25.25	Club meeting with pizza in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30PM
December	
TBD	Christmas Lunch or Dinner - Location TBD
TBD	Picnic at National Museum of the USAF Squadron Memorial Park
TBD	Covered Bridge Tour / Rally
07.04.25	Urbana Car Show (your club President's hometown)
TBD	Car Shows - Young's Dairy / Waynesville /
TBD	Cars and Coffee - Austin Landing / Springfield / Carillon Park



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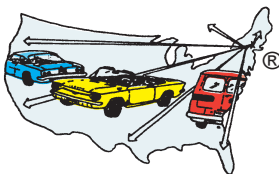
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