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NOVEMBER MEETING

The November meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held at our usual place, the Vandalia Justice Center. The date is Tuesday, November 26th. Time is our usual 6:30 PM. The directions to the Justice Center are on the last page of the newsletter.

Since we do not publish a newsletter for December, the newsletter staff would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

NOVEMBER ACTIVITY

There was no planned activity for November. Our Christmas party takes place in early December. Next year we will get back on our normal monthly routine now that the Convention is over.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our yearly Christmas will be held on Saturday, December 7 at the same place as last year, the Company 7 BBQ in Englewood, from 11AM-3PM in the party room. Park in the back lot since the party room is just inside the back door. The address for Company 7 is 1001 South Main St. This location is on the west side of the road just a little north of the Vandalia exit (RT-48) on I-70. The restaurant's phone number is 937-836-2777 should you get lost.



Our lunch menu is pulled pork, smoked turkey, mashed potatoes, and green beans. Soda is free using their soda dispenser.

The cost is \$15 per person. You will need to call Darcy Baker to make your reservation. Darcy's number is 937-508-5825, or you can email Darcy at 1120bakerd@gmail.com.

Be sure you let her know by November 30 so she can have a head count for the caterer.

We also will have the usual gift exchange which has always been fun. The gift limit is up to \$25, and you are not required to bring a gift. Everyone will get a ticket and be eligible to win a gift regardless of you bring a gift or not. No one will be put on the naughty list!

You are welcome to bring desserts to share. The restaurant will allow only cake and cupcakes.

To pay for your Christmas lunch, you have several options. You can:

1-Send a check to Angie. Make your check out to Dayton Corvair Club and send it to; Angie Chaffins, 4800 Delba Drive, Dayton, OH 45439.

2-Come to the November club meeting November 26 and pay Angie at the meeting.

3-We will have a drop box at the Christmas party. We will not make any transactions during the party so leave an itemized note in the envelope letting Angie know how many you are paying for lunch.

While you are at it, it would be a good time to pay your club dues. If you are a CORSA member, your club due is \$12. Dues for any non-CORSA member is \$15. You may combine your dues and Christmas lunch fee. Just make an itemized note for Angie to keep it simple for her. When you pay your dues in the last months from October through December, you will be covered through 2025.

Corvair Society of America

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

To join visit: www.corvair.org.





OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES



Our regular Corvair meeting on October 22, 2024, was called to order by our President - Shawn Funkhouser stating how much fun we had at our appreciation party just days before. Shawn

announced we are still looking for nominations for the offices of President, Treasurer and Membership. Voting will take place during our Christmas party on December 7, 2024, at Company 7 BBQ in Englewood from 11-3. Menu and price to be determined.

Vice President - Craig Puthoff was not in attendance.

Secretary - Darcy Baker asked the minutes from the previous meeting be accepted. Motion carried by Verle McGillivray and Mike Bayman.

Treasurer - Angie Chaffins included an ending balance for September 2024 of \$1134.64 and Convention balance \$3050.41. I think we are pretty much done with all expenses and sales of hats and T shirts.

It's that time of year again to accept membership payments. Corsa member \$12.00, club member \$15.00. Those that joined in the last month would be covered for a year.

Newsletter Jim Stukenborg thanked Kevin for putting the newsletter together and for the work involved in doing so.

Activities - Kevin Clark presented a couple awards to those that were unable to attend our get together and mailed out awards to those not present at the appreciation party.

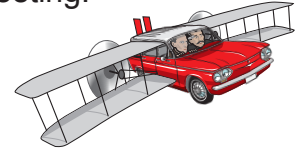
Under new business, our website will be able to accept payments online soon.

Our 50/50 amount was \$33.00 with the winner being Patrick Kirgan. He took back \$5.00 leaving \$11.50 to go into the treasury.

Thank you to Glenda and Mike Bayman, Shawn Funkhouser, Gary Funkhouser, Mary Ann Morris and Verle McGillivray, Wendell Pace, Kevin Clark, Angie Chaffins, Jim Stukenborg, Patrick Kirgan,

Cindy Simon, Steve Schuman, Larry Smith, John Hubler, Ed Wolf, Greg Hanlin and Darcy and Duane Baker for attending the meeting.

See you in November!
Darcy Baker
Secretary



POST CONVENTION UPDATE

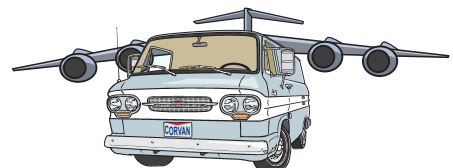
I wanted to give back to the activity leaders, volunteers and sponsors, everyone who had helped with the convention. To recognize them, we had our post-convention appreciation party. We had catered meal at a BBQ joint, and I awarded each person with a convention plaque and special picture frames with engravings. Everyone enjoyed their lunch with our own "award banquet". A few awards were left, and they were promptly mailed out with an appreciation letter. Thank you! We had fun. I know how tough it was, and I could not have been happier on how well the volunteers really showed 'em!

We have heard some CORSA members couldn't attend the convention or saw how cool our hats and shirts were and wanted to order one. We have decided to offer everyone a second chance. We have advertised them on our convention Facebook page and on our website and newsletter. After the deadline had passed, we ordered one last batch. They have been fulfilled and I hope everyone is satisfied.

Would we host the convention again? Everyone wants to come back. One well known individual told CORSA he had nominated me to be a permanent chairman. I'm just going to take that as a compliment.

There is one last order of business. CORSA had called and said they finally have nailed down the finances. The convention is successful, and the number looks good. Hopefully I will have the answer before our next meeting. See you there.

-KC



POST CONVENTION PARTY

On October 19, 2024, many Corvair members from the Columbus, Cincinnati and Dayton clubs were treated to an appreciation party at Company 7 BBQ in Englewood, hosted by Kevin Clark. We were treated with a delicious lunch of Beef Brisket, Pulled Pork, Macaroni and Cheese and Green Beans. A few members brought desserts of Lemon Cake, a Poke Cake, two Poke Cakes with either Lemon or Orange Jello, a large assortment of cupcakes and a bowl of Chocolate Brownie Delight to be shared by all. Thank you for contributing these



goodies! Everything was so good!

This party was put together to honor those that gave their all for the Corvair Convention way back in July 2024. Everyone who either made a generous monetary donation or your special contribution to the convention, received a Corvairborne plaque or Carillon Park frame. Again, thank you to all who gave their support to have a very successful convention.

It was a very enjoyable afternoon with all our Corvair friends. Thank you Kevin, for honoring each of us in the manner you did, very thoughtful!





WELL DESERVED RECOGNITIONS



Eva McGuire

October 31 at 4:08 PM · 2



I received a package today in the mail from Kevin Clark, who was the 2024 Dayton CORSA Convention Chair. It was an award plaque and letter thanking me for organizing the "Star Spangled Spectacular - Shriner Corvair Event." I am humbled and overwhelmed on what a kind, generous, and thoughtful gesture. I know Kevin and his dedicated volunteers worked very hard to ensure that the convention was a big success. Kevin did a fantastic job organizing everything; he's one class act. What a perfect gift to receive on my last day (Oct. 31) with CPF and the National Corvair Museum. Thank you, Kevin!

With much respect,
Eva "Corvair Lady" McGuire
Corvair Historian

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October 28, 2024

Dear Mark Corbin,

On behalf of the Dayton Corvair Club, Corvair Club of Cincinnati, and the Columbus Mid-Ohio Vair Force, I want to thank you choosing to be the head of the Model Car Competition at our 2024 CORSA International Corvair Convention.

I wanted to present you with this award for your hard work and dedication chairing this event. It was great to see many model cars and dioramas. I think it was well attended.

Thank you for being part of our convention. Doing your part as event leader in Model Cars has made us have a successful convention.

Sincerely,

Kevin G Clark
Chairman

Lori DeCesco Komora

Moderator



Top contributor

November 4 at 9:35 PM · 1

Was pleasantly surprised with a package I received in the mail today from the [Dayton Corvair-Club Ohio](#)! Many thanks for the recognition!🙏🏻



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.

BACKUP LIGHT SWITCH FOR MANUAL TRANSMISSION

The following is a discussion on the Corvair Center Forum about replacing a late model manual transmission backup light switch for a Corvair. The original post called it a "reverse brake light switch".

Re: Tips on installing "reverse brake light" (backup light) switch
Post by RexJohnson » Mon Nov 04, 2024 7:49 pm

There should be a 3/8" ball bearing ahead of the switch. Make sure that it doesn't try to make a run for it when you look the other way. Make sure there is one inside the cover because that would keep the switch from working. Be careful when removing the connect because they can be very hard after all of these years and pull out the switch pins if not.

Re: Tips on Installing Reverse Brake Light Switch
Post by County98 » Sun Nov 10, 2024 9:38 pm

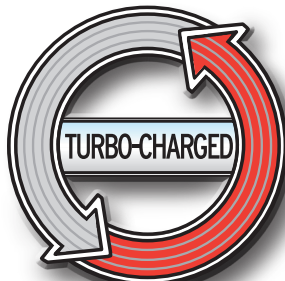
Not trying to hijack. My reverse lights don't work either. I changed my switch, but don't remember a ball bearing. Do you literally just shove a 3/8" ball bearing in the hole and screw the switch in on top of it? The answer was YES.

Re: Tips on Installing "Reverse Brake Light" (backup light) Switch
Post by Wagon Master » Tue Nov 12, 2024 8:47 am

66-69 style switches used the ball bearing. They were located in the side cover.
61-65 style switches were mounted on the bottom front of the trans. and just used the plunger on the switch. They also needed a close to factory thickness washer or the contacts wouldn't close when shifted into reverse to turn on the back up lights.
Powerglide cars used the neutral safety switch to operate reverse lights.

EARLY MODEL FRONT STABILIZER (SWAY) BAR

Originally the Corvair came without a front sway bar. In 1962 they came as part of a heavy duty suspension option and standard on the Corvair Spyder. In 1964 and after all Corvairs had a front sway bar. According to Clarks catalog for sway bar bushings, there is a different part number for 62-63 and 64-69. Addition of the front bar increases under steer which offsets some of the tendency for oversteer with the engine in the rear. If you can't find a factory bar you can get one from ADDCO. The sway bar will help handling for spirited driving. ADDCO Sway Bars still lists sway bars and link kits for 62-64 Corvairs.



**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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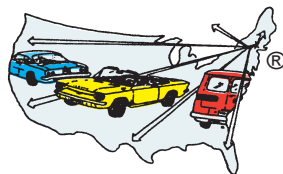
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