

CHAPTER 454





OCTOBER 2022



MEMORY LANE...Thirteen Corvairs were on display on the front lawn at the Vair Affair. Story on page 3.

OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held at Marion's Piazza in Englewood this month. Their address is 404 West National Rd. The date is Tuesday October 25. The time is our normal 6:30 PM. May be

Corvair before salt hits the streets.

This is a family night so bring kids the or grandkids. The club buys the pizza. Drinks or anything else is the individual's responibility.



Take the Englewood exit on I-70 and head north on RT-48 to the center of Englewood and head west on National Rd. (RT-40). Marion's Piazza will be on the left before you see McDonald's or Union Blvd.

NOVEMBER ACTIVITY

There is no planned club activity for November other than our monthly meeting on Nov 22.





MARION'S PIAZZA IN BEAVERCREEK

Six pizzas were plentiful to satisfy 22 members and guests at the September meeting and pizza party.



Corvair Society of America

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SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

Those in attendance included: Wendell Pace, Don and Lois Bigler, Daryl and Anita Smith, Michael and Sharon Gitzinger, Shawn Gitzinger, Mike Gitzinger, Gary Funkhouser, Patrick Kirgan, Craig Puthoff, Greg Hanlin, Angie Chaffins, Kevin and Susan Clark, Mike Bayman, Shawn Funkhouser, Jim and Brenda Stuckenborg and Duane and Darcy Baker.

Our Corvair meeting at Marion's Piazza in Beavercreek was called to order by President Shawn Funkhouser at 6:30 pm. Shawn welcomed all in attendance and thanked the eight members that attended Cars and Coffee at Carillon Park.

Our Vice President Verle McGillivray, was not in attendance, so no report was given.

Secretary Darcy Baker made a motion that the minutes be approved as read in the newsletter. Seconded by Gary Funkhouser.

The Treasurers report was given by Angie Chaffins. The ending balance August 2022 was \$2210.05.

September 27, 2022 paid to Marion's Piazza - \$88.87 Receipt of dues for 2022-2023 - \$24.00 Pizza donations - \$15.00 Interest - .04 50/50 money - \$31.00 50/50 pay out - \$15.50

Balance September 27, 2022 - \$2175.72

No report of the Membership was given with Paul Huelskamp not being present.

Nothing new to report by Jim Stukenborg for the Newsletter report.

Kevin Clark reported for the activities of the Vair Affair on October 15, 2022 at Shawn and Gary Funkhouser's Corvair repair garage from 11-3. The club will provide hamburgers and hot dogs with those coming to bring their drinks, place settings, chairs and a covered dish to share.

Our Christmas party is December 10 at the Vandalia Historical Society provided by Christy's Catering for \$20.50 per person.

Our next meeting will be at the Marions Piazza in Englewood.

\$31.00 was collected for the 50/50. Craig Puthoff won \$15.50.

Duane Baker is still selling antennae flags and Kevin Clark still has the 50th year tee shirts available.

Meeting was adjourned and all enjoyed pizza provided by the club. Dessert of Pumpkin Roll was provided by Angie.

Our Treasurer Angie is asking anyone that is wanting to pay for 2023 dues or for the Christmas dinner to send a check to:

Angela Chaffins 4800 Delba Dr. Dayton, Ohio 45439

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Respectufully submitted Darcy Baker



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

Save the date! Our annual Christmas dinner is set for December 10 at Vandalia Historical Society meeting house. This is the same place as last year and Chrisy's will be catering for us again. If you remember how good the food was, we will be having it again. The cost is \$20.50 per person. You can contact Angie to make a reservation and to pay in advance, send your check made out to Dayton Corvair Club to:

Angela Chaffins 4800 Delba Dr. Dayton, OH 45439 937.232.6011 The menu is Lasagna, Pot Roast, Loaded Baked Potatoes, Green Beans, 7-Layer Salad, Bread, Pie, Iced Tea and Lemon-aide. We will need a final head count no later than December 3rd.

Vandalia Historical Meeting House is at 336 East Alkline Springs Road in Vandalia and will be open at 4:30pm.

It is convenient to add next year's club membership to your meal cost. Club membership is \$12 for CORSA members or \$15 for non CORSA members.

Another reminder will be in next month newsletter.







VAIR AFFAIR

On October 15, 2022 we attended the Vair Affair at the Funkhouser Covair Shop. Those in attendance were Mike and Glenda Bayman, Lois and Don Bigler, Jim and Chris Schmidt, Verle McGillivray, Greg Hanlin, Jim Stukenborg, Doug Simon, Randy and Mary Liz Lamb, Angie Chafffin, Wendell Pace, Kevin Clark, Gary Funkhouser, Bev Teaster, Ron James, Patrick Kirgan, Jack Walker, Shawn Funkhouser, Duane and Darcy Baker. We missed those who weren't able to attend.

It was a beautiful drive to the shop, absorbing the rich colors of the leaves along the way. It was a bit chilly, but hearing and sharing stories in the company of fellow Corvair lovers warmed us up. All enjoyed a variety of good food that helped make this a really great day. We may need to put a Corvair cookbook together?

We all want to thank Gary and Shawn for their hospitality for the day. Hope to see you all at the October meeting for more Marion's pizza provided by our club.

Darcy Baker - Secretary





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DCC MEMBERS COME TO THE RESCUE

After the August Corvair club meeting had ended and everyone headed home, a maroon 1964 Monza showed up. The driver joy riding and late for the meeting happened to be our newest club member, a retired chauffeur in his just purchased Corvair. He is giving his dog Poco a ride and he seems to like it in a convertible. No one would blame Craig Puthoff if he wanted to have fun driving the long way around to the club meeting. The side effect can be long lasting.

Fast forward to our September club meeting at Marion's in Beavercreek. Craig had already did some tweaking to his new Corvair. He swapped his dash for a sportier Spyder dash and on the day of the meeting he added a Petronix ignition. Craig test drove the Corvair around the block and let it idle for an extended period of time before making the trek from Vandalia to Marion's Piazza in Beavercreek.

The Corvair drove fine and everyone had a good time at Marion's. After the pizza and meeting it was time to check out Craigs new ride and the Corvair wouldn't start. Beside spark and air, the Corvair was lacking fuel. A fuel pump was thought to have gone bad Shawn asked Kevin if he had one in his stash of parts he keeps in his Corvan. Sure enough one was available and Shawn replaced it but the Corvair would not fire up. Starting fluid would make the engine run temporarily so a leak in the fuel line might be the cause. Greg looked underneath and thought the rubber hose looked fine and no leak was present on the pavement. A call to AAA was made and Craig's Corvair was hauled on a flatbed to the Funkhouser's Corvair shop.

At the shop Shawn had tried two other fuel pumps without success until he tried a known working pump from Gary's '69 which fired up. It turns out the sock at the fuel sending unit inside the gas tank was completely clogged and Craig had replaced it. Is it possible the disturbance during loading on a rollback caused the clog to loosen?

Craig said "Thank you to all who assisted me tonight. Don't know what I would have done IF the issue occurred while driving on the highway. This is the true Corvair Community. ...Friends helping Friends!!!"













MYSTERY BOX IN '65 CORVAIRS

At the Vair Affair it was discovered two 1965 Corvairs had what looked like a small metal box with a cover bolted on its side. The box located in the engine compartment was hiden under the fresh air vent below the rear window. To satisfy our curiosity Duane Baker used his cell phone to Google Corvair Center for the answer. The box exits directly into the heater box. To make it work one must remove the top cover. It duplicates what the heater does in the cold position but may have the advantage of a little cooler air as it totally by-passes the engine. It can provide air movement when stopped at a traffic light in the summer. Maybe it was intended to help those who live in hot climates and don't use their heater.



The clubs year long 50 year celebration will soon come to a close and we still have special 50th Anniversary merchandise leftover for purchase. Duane Baker did a great job finding top quality car flags and Kevin Clark took charge of getting T-shirts made for the occasions. If you haven't gotten yours they will have them at every meetings.

The car flag is double sided nylon with full color logo sublimated on both side. A velco on one edge wraps around the antenna. The flag measures 7.75x11. They are very durable and nicely done. Price is \$6 each.



The clubs T-shirts are black with a large logo screenprinted on the back and a smaller logo on the front left chest. They are available in Large, XL and 2X. The price had been reduced to \$15 each.





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.

CARBURETOR CLEANERS

CHEAP CLEANER - Several posters on Corvair Center mentioned that Walmat Super Tech carb cleaner works very well. It has a 5 star rating and at \$1.97 per spray can is pretty cheap. Ken Hand, Corvair mechanic and Corvair racer, says to be careful with the Super Tech as it will eat paint and some plastics.

TIDY BOWL - A poster on Corvair Center who goes under the name Vapor Lock says that Tidy Bowl cleaner works better than commercial carb cleaner and brake cleaner. (ED note: one might be careful about leaving the carburetor in the Tidy bowl cleaner too long). One advantage of Tidy Bowl is that you may already have some in the house.

CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES		
October:		
10.25.22	Club meeting at Marion's Piazza in Englewood - 6:30PM	
November:		
11.22.22	Club meeting in Vandalia at JC - 6:30PM	
December:		
12.10.22	Christmas dinner / Club meeting - Vandalia Historical Society - Saturday 4:30PM	



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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