



# DAYTON Corvair



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## JUNE MEETING

The June meeting of the Dayton Corvair Club will be held at our usual place, the Vandalia Justice Center. This month, because of the CORSA National Convention in Gettysburg, PA., our meeting will be held on the 5th Tuesday instead of our usual 4th Tuesday. The date is Tuesday June 30th. 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.

## REMEMBERING GREG LEINGANG

Greg Leingang, a kind and enthusiastic club member who attended Corvair events whenever he could, sadly passed away. His funeral was held May 26th at St. Christopher Catholic Church in Vandalia.

Greg began his civil service career in 1997 as an Air Force Palace Acquire Intern assigned to the 89th Comptroller Squadron at Andrews AFB, Maryland. In 2001, he was assigned to WPAFB, where he continued to demonstrate strong leadership throughout his career. His obituary noted a long list of awards and promotions.

Greg lived in Tipp City and purchased his first Corvair in 2013, a 1965 Corvair Monza convertible. Over the years, he carefully rebuilt, refurbished, and replaced many parts. He also enjoyed restoring motorcycles, watches, and clocks.

Greg met several Dayton Corvair Club members at the annual Night Out cruise-in in Vandalia and joined the club soon afterward. He enjoyed attending meetings, getting to know everyone, and chatting with fellow members at the Mid Ohio Meet and Vair Affair.



Aug 12, 1975 - May 21, 2026



Greg wrote an informative article, *Rebuilding Late Model Corvair Shifter Base*, which was published in the March 2016 issue of the Dayton Corvair Chronicle newsletter.

Greg was also a proud 4th degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

For several years, he coached his children's CYO soccer teams and served as a Cub Scout den leader.

Greg leaves behind Melanie, his wife of 27 years, and their three children. He will be sadly missed.

## JULY CLUB ACTIVITY

There is no special activity for July. We are getting ready to run the Mid Ohio Meet on August 1st.

## MID OHIO CORVAIR MEET

This is the 35th annual Tri-club meet with the Dayton, Columbus and Cincinnati Corvair clubs. Dayton is the host club this year. There will be food, awards, 50/50, door prizes, raffles, games, and a swap meet. Our club will furnish the meat, buns, and condiments. All are encouraged to bring a covered dish to share.

It will take place on Saturday August 1, 2026, at Caesar Creek Lake Flat Fork Ridge recreation Center, 3466 N Clarksville Road, Waynesville, OH 45068, at the Beech and Dogwood shelters. The event runs from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM with lunch at noon.

There will be a \$10 registration per car or family. Bring lawn chairs and your Corvair. You may want to practice your corn hole skill.



MAY MEETING MINUTES



The May meeting opened at 6:30 pm under the direction of our Vice President Norbert Bir. He noted we had a great turnout of eight cars for the Dayton Dragons game.

The weather cooperated for us this year, but sadly the Dragons lost.

Norbert shared that a club member, Greg Leingang had passed away. He had a late white Monza Convertible. Kevin Clark attended his viewing.

Norbert shared that the Bylaw committee met and have made changes which have been included in the newsletter.

Secretary: Darcy Baker asked the previous minutes be approved. Motion made by Verle McGillivray and Mike Magee.

Treasurer: Kevin Funkhouser shared that our treasury balance is \$4552.89. One expense for reimbursement to Kevin Clark for the Adobe software used to keep providing our newsletters. Kevin C had sold all 22 Dragons tickets, so he turned in the amount he had been reimbursed.

Activities: Kevin Clark gave five Corvair Hot Wheels to be used for registration during the Tri-Meet or maybe donate these to the Corvair Museum, to be given to guests.

We were reminded of the British Transportation Museum tour on June 6th at 10:00am and lunch afterward at Carillon Brewing Company.

Newsletter: Jim Stukenborg - nice job to Kevin C for another informative newsletter. If you have not been asked to do a Bio, please let Jim know you are interested in sharing your Corvair story. We hope to feature all of our members!

Membership: Angie Bannerman has resigned for her duties. At our next meeting, our President will

be making the selection to fill this position. Angie, thank you for all that you have done for our club over the years! You have been a huge supporter of everything we stand for! We hope you will continue to come to our meetings and events!

Regarding the Tri Meet August 1st, 2026, Kevin C has a list of things needed:

PA system: Mike Bayman

White Board: Greg Hanllin

Parking: Verle McGillivray. Kevin C has the signs

Registration: so far Norbert Bir. Still need a few more. Norbert will be getting name tags

Cook for the day: need someone or two

Goody bags: Mike Bayman is to call Hagerty

Corn Hole: Norbert Bir, Jim Stukenborg

Kevin C has the ballot box and will be printing and counting the ballots, he will also be taking pictures of the winning cars for each category for the awards.

Kevin has included the Tri Meet info on our website and in the Corsa Communique.

Need someone to do the 50/50 during the day.

John Hubler has picked up 3 buckets donated by O'Reilly's.

Upcoming events to put on your calendars:

July 4th car show in Urbana

Homecoming in Ann Arbor Michigan July 9-12

September TBA

October: Vair Affair at the Funkhousers garage - date and time TBA

November TBA

December: Christmas party date, time and location TBA

If you have an idea of a group activity please share with us!

Our 50/50 amount totaled \$29.00 Our winner of \$14.50 was Ryan Lechtefeldt!

Thank you all for coming out tonight!

Norbert Bir, Glenda and Mike Bayman, Mike Magee, Pat Kirgan, Mary Ann Morris, Verle McGillivray, Jim Stukenborg, John Hubler, Shawn Funkhouser, Kevin Funkhouser, Debbie and Darrell Biddlestone, Ron Reitz, Kevin Clark, Ryan Lechtefeldt, Carl Lechtefeldt, Darcy Baker.

See you at the next meeting on June 30, 2026!

Corvair Society of America

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

To join visit: www.corvair.org.



**MICHAEL & GLENDA BAYMAN**

My name is Mike Bayman and here are a few things about me.

My father was an Air Force WWII Pilot and we traveled a lot. I lived in many states and even in Guam. We were stationed in Rantoul, IL and that's where I finished high school and met my wife Glenda. We



were married in 1977 and have two wonderful children. Colin who was born in Illinois and Rebecca who was born in Ohio. Both live in other states now.

My career working for the Air Force started in 1974 at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul. I had many careers while working there. I was a pipe fitter, then gained computer knowledge by working on the computers that controlled the base. Then I went into building HVAC controls. In 1989 the Base Realignment Commission decided to start closing Chanute, so I started looking for a job at another base. In 1991, I was offered a position at Wright-Patt. It started almost immediately, so Glenda stayed behind for a few months to sell the house and finish her job at the U of I Vet Med.

My first job at Wright-Patt was with fire alarms and the security systems. I also monitored, maintained and controlled a few hundred HVAC systems on the base. When I retired in 2014, I was a contract inspector.

Since moving to Ohio, Glenda has worked at a Vet's office, then at the Champaign County Auditor's office and is now the County Recorder (for 2 1/2 more years).

My interest in cars started while watching my dad rebuilding and working on all types of cars. When I was 12 years old, the Corvair bug hit when my dad showed up with a 1964 Spyder convertible. My fa-

ther didn't like the way it puffed smoke when it was started, so he decided to do a valve job. That was the first time I remember holding a light and my arm falling asleep.



Within a few years, he bought another convertible, a 1963 Monza. Both ended up being garage queens. Luckily, Glenda and I were able to buy both cars from my parents and moved them to Ohio with us. We still have both of them.

My dad taught me so much about cars, especially engines. I learned even more by working part time at a body and paint shop. In 1975, I built my first hot rod. It was a 1931 5 window coupe, with a small block. Then my dad had a 1935 Dodge pickup and I

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ended up hot rodding it, too. My dad wasn't thrilled. He didn't think too much of hot rods.

When my father passed, his cars were divided between me and my brother. I was only interested in the Amphicar, which was unique, but in bad shape. We ended up moving that pile of junk to Ohio and I finally restored it in 2005.

In 2017, Glenda went back to Rantoul for a visit and found a 1963 Corvan with a 140. After talking to the owner, we ended up bringing it back to Ohio. The

guy who owned it, wintered in Arizona and used the van to pull his camper from Illinois to Arizona. He also belonged to the Phoenix Corvair Club.

Moving to the Urbana area, didn't stop my appreciation for old cars, especially Corvairs. Through that, we met Duane and Darcy and it's been Corvairs ever since.

We also love the Amphicars and Hot Rods, but it always comes back to Corvairs. You gotta love them!

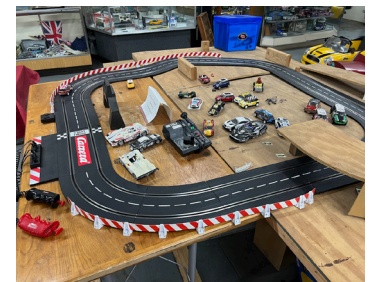
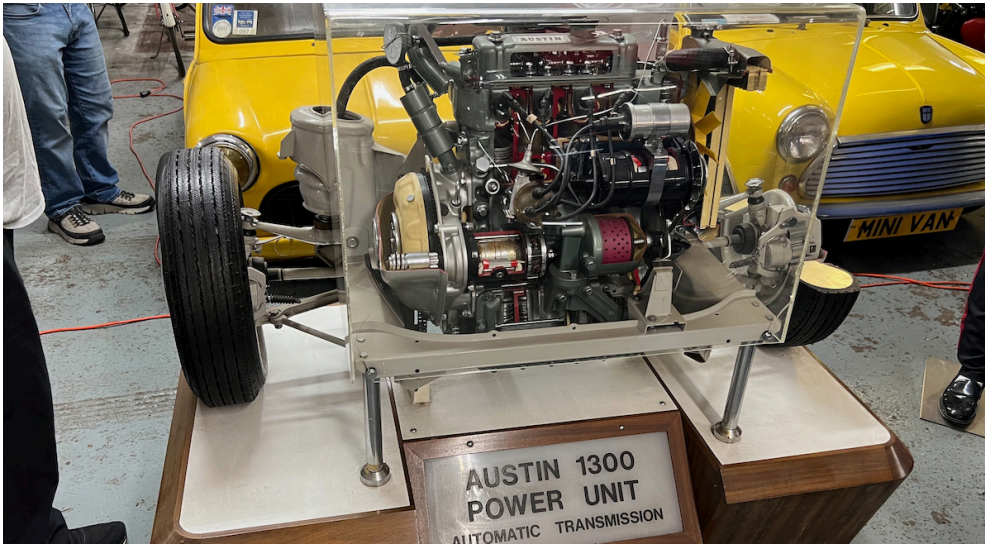
### BRITISH TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM TOUR

It is not prettiest building, but it contained a number of nice cars and bicycles. One of the bicycles had a small engine and fuel tank hanging alongside of the rear wheel. There is a small sign on the front identifying the building which is on the west side of 321 Hopeland Street. A larger picture of a Triumph TR-3 is painted on the wall facing south. The museum has cars that you will not see often at a local cruise-in. They ranged from very small Minis to the larger Rolls-Royce and some nice race cars. One small vehicle had a sign on

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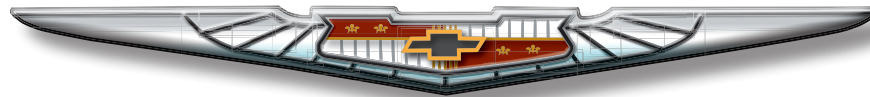


the front reading "Mini Van". It was a very descriptive name, as it was a non-window van much smaller than our US "mini vans". Paul Huelskamp, one of our bigger club members, was able to fit in the driver's seat on one of the small Minis. This is a working museum with vehicles under restoration in the shop area.



**1965 GREENBRIER ON FACEBOOK**

Club member Greg Hanlin had acquired a nice '65 Greenbrier and he posted this on Facebook. "Just added this 65 Deluxe 6 door to the fleet. It is #00156, produced in August 1964. Needs some maintenance (tires, brakes, fuel system) and then looking forward to getting it back on the road and out in public. It's a 4 speed van, currently has a 65 110 car engine. Would like to eventually locate a 65 FC engine block to rebuild for it."



**CORVAIR CLUB TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES**

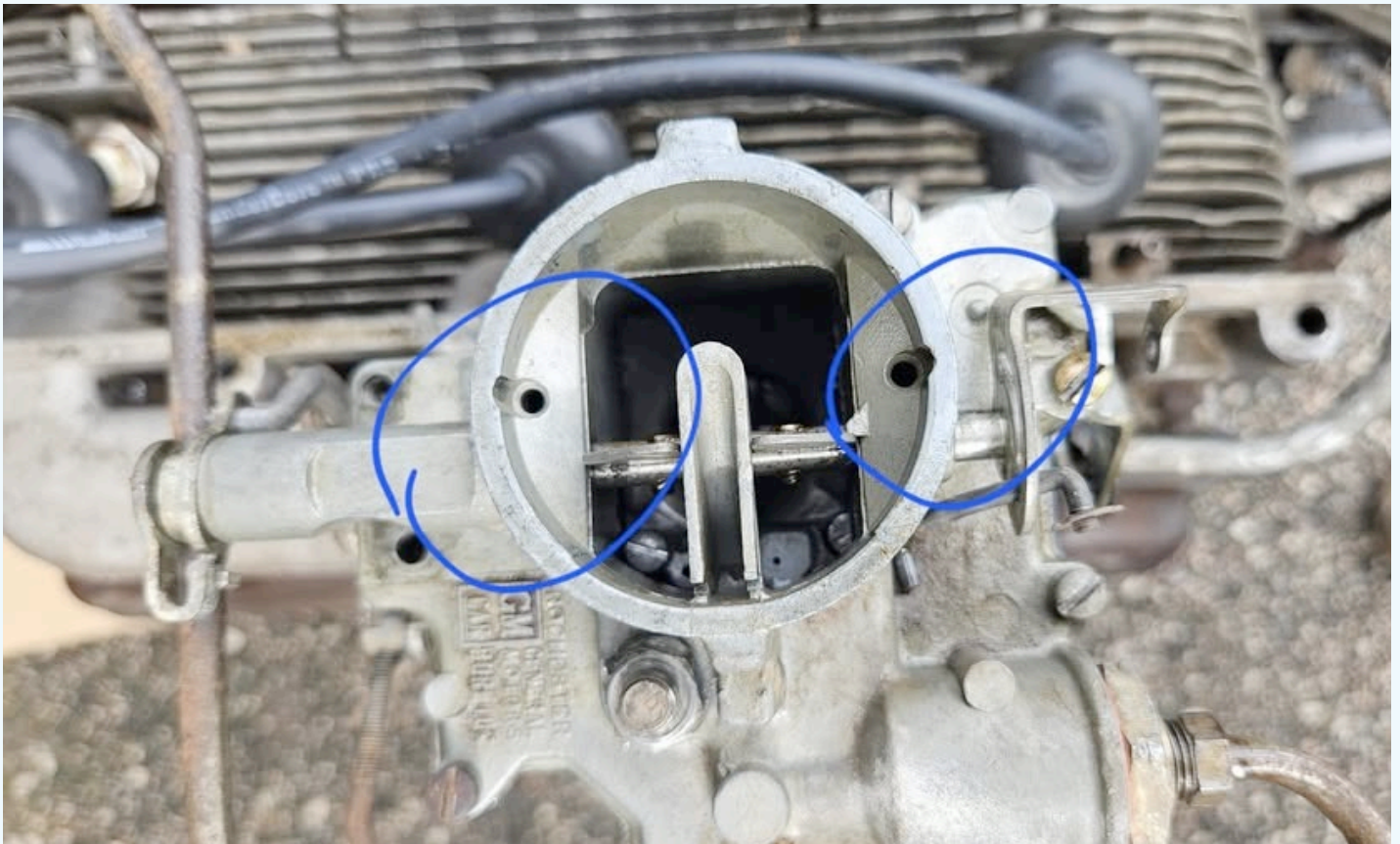
June	
06.22-26.26	CORSA International Corvair Convention in Gettysburg, PA
06.30.26	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30 PM <b>NOTE 5TH TUESDAY!</b>
July	
07.28.26	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30 PM
August	
08.01.26	Tri-club Mid Ohio Meet at Caesar Creek - Dayton Corvair Club hosting - 10 AM to 3PM
08.25.26	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30 PM
September	
09.22.26	Club meeting in Vandalia at the Justice Center - 6:30 PM
October	
TBD	Vair Affair at Funkhouser Corvair Shop in Centerville
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
December	
	Club Christmas Party - TBD

## 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.*

### CORVAIR WILL NOT START AFTER WINTER STORAGE

Corvair Center poster AZDave says if it runs a few seconds off of starter fluid, then try to fill the primary carb bowls with about 2 ounces of fuel poured slowly into the carb bowl vent holes. You'll need a small squirt bottle, or I use an old syringe with a tiny tip to fit the holes circled below. Either hole is fine. Once that is done, also dribble a tiny bit of fuel directly into each carb throat and then try to start it. You should get a minute or two of run time off of the fuel in the bowls. I would guess your fuel pump has failed but sometimes they'll come back to life if you can run the engine long enough to get a good suction on the tank line and get some fresh fuel inside the pump. (Ed note: this action could also loosen up any sticking carb float needle valves).



### REMOVING WIPER BLADES FROM THE WIPER MOTOR POST

Corvair Center Poster Dave Motohead showed a video of his trick to remove the complete wiper blade from the mounting post. Dave uses a paint can lid prying tool. He hooks the bent finger at the end of the prying tool under the opposite edge of the wiper blade base while lifting the blade arm. Pulling up from both sides of the arm mounting will help remove the arm from the shaft of the wiper motor. It may take a little tug. (Ed note: it will also help doing the removal without scratching the paint as might happen if one chooses to pry with a tool like a screwdriver).



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**CAR SHOW DATES:**

- May 9<sup>th</sup> Piqua Ohio
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> Greenville Ohio
- June 6<sup>th</sup> Celina Ohio
- June 20<sup>th</sup> Troy Ohio
- July 4<sup>th</sup> West Milton Ohio
- July 18<sup>th</sup> Sidney Ohio
- Aug 1<sup>st</sup> Minster Ohio
- Aug 15<sup>th</sup> Saint Mary's Ohio
- Aug 29<sup>th</sup> Union City Indiana
- Sep 12<sup>th</sup> Tipp City Ohio




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<b>LET'S GO <i>CRUISE-IN</i>' AND OTHER ACTIVITIES</b>	
Every Friday	<b>Rip Rap Friday Night Cruise-In</b> / Rip Rap Roadhouse / Great food / Shake Shack / Vendors / Show cars / 6021 Rip Rap Rd. Dayton / 7-10pm / Angie 937-236-4329
Every Saturday	<b>Kettering Saturday Night Cruise-In</b> May 2 thru Oct 2 / Orthopedic Institute of Dayton 3205 Woodman Dr. Kettering / Music / DJ / Food / Free / 4-9pm / Robin 937-626-6406
6/21/26 7/19/26	<b>Car/Bike/Truck Cruise-In</b> American Legion Post 668 / Raffles / Live DJ / Hot Wheels Racing / Food for purchase / 8220 N Dixie Drive, Dayton / Noon-4pm / Every 3rd Sunday
Every Monday	<b>New Carlisle Cruise-In</b> / New Carlisle, Ohio / St. Rt. 235 (Main St.) / Just North of St. Rt. 571 / 5-9pm / May through August / Ed 937-605-9033
Every Tuesday	<b>Company 7 Cruise-In</b> / 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	<b>Ohio Valley Cruisers Franklin Cruise-In</b> / 4th and Main St. Franklin, Ohio 45005 / 5-8pm / April through October / Patti 513-465-1427
Every Thursday	<b>Get Air Cruise-In</b> / Get Air in Huber Heights, Ohio / 6020 Chambersburg Road / 5-8pm / April through October / Tracy 937-307-2281
Every Sunday	<b>Airline Dairy Creme Cruise-In</b> / Airline Dairy Creme / 224 North Dixie Drive / Vandalia, Ohio 45377 / 4-8pm / April through October / Sara 937-898-3100
Every Friday	<b>Beavercreek Friday Night Cruise-In</b> / 4051 Indian Ripple Rd. Beavercreek, OH 45440 at Vineyard Church / 4-8 p.m. / April through September / Dave 937-409-1962
First Saturdays	<b>Horsepower Farm Cars and Coffee</b> / 2227 Trinity Dr. Middletown, Ohio 45044 / 8am to noon / February through December / Opie 937-477-0450

# 35th ANNUAL TRI-CLUB Mid Ohio Meet

ALL CORVAIR CAR SHOW AND COOK-OUT

The Dayton  
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hosting a cook-out  
with Corvair Club  
of Cincinnati &  
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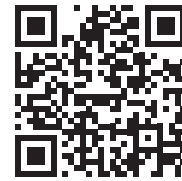
All are welcome.  
Food, Awards, 50/50,  
Door Prizes, Raffles,  
Games, Swap Meet.  
Lunch at noon.

August 1, 2026  
Caesar Creek Lake

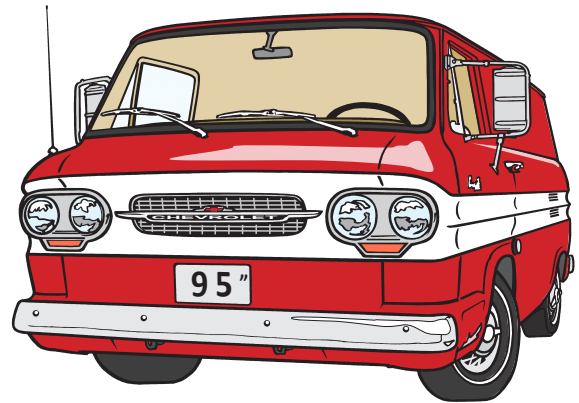
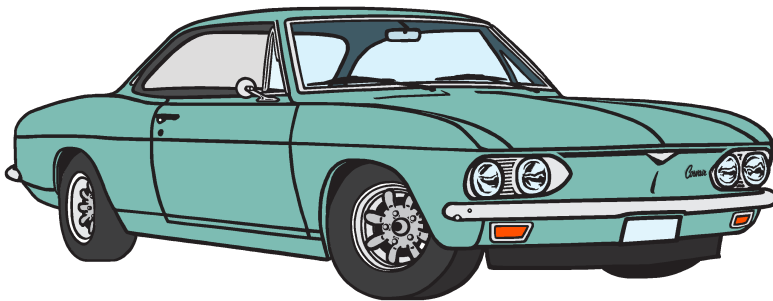
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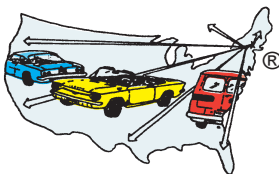
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