



WEST MICHIGAN CORVAIR CLUB

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March 1999

### - What's Going On -

The next meeting of the West Michigan Corvair Club will be on Tuesday, March 16 at 7:30 PM. The meeting will be held at Brann's on 4157 S. Division. After the business meeting, John Cole will be giving a tech session on a generator to alternator conversion.

### - Coming Events -

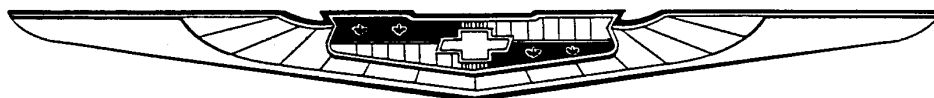
March 16	WMCC General Meeting
April 20	WMCC General Meeting
April 24 - 25	Tri-State Corvairs Swap Meet, Bryan, Ohio
May 22	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual WMCC Car Display and Swap Meet
May 22	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Benefit Car Show for Childrens Burn Camp, Old Kent Park, Grand Rapids, Michigan
June 12	Picnic honoring Charter Members
June 15 - 20	CORSA International Convention, Lake Tahoe, Nevada
August 17	Whitecaps Game
August 27 - 29	Detroit Area Corvair Club Corvair Homecoming

### - 1999 Dues -

It's time to pay your 1999 dues. You can bring your \$12.00 to the March meeting or send it to Gary Gruetzmacher or John Cole.

### - Parade Cars -

We may have the opportunity to participate in a few parades this summer. We would like to get a fair number of cars that we can count on. Your car doesn't have to be a 90-point concours car to participate. If you are interested in participating in parades, contact John Cole at (616) 395-0021.



## - Classifieds -

**1962 700 Coupe** – New Mexico car, 3-speed, white with blue interior. Must sell. \$600 or best offer. Bill, (616) 459-7149.

**1962 Monza Station Wagon** – Parts car. Make offer. Would also consider buying a drivable Corvair station wagon. Vern Faber, (517) 569-2287.

**1962 Monza** – In restorable condition. Want to trade for rebuildable 140 long block. Robert Walker, (616) 894-9541.

**1964 Monza 900 Coupe** – 22,000 miles, white exterior, black interior, automatic. This car is original and in excellent condition. Kevin, Milford, MI (248) 486-4785.

**1965 Corvair Coupes** – Two restorable. Also two engines (110 & 140), three transmissions. Fiberglass spoiler and front bumper. Some new sheetmetal. Also 1965 convertible parts cars. Scott Kleis, (616) 532-8641.

**Wanted** – Clean, nice running, 4-speed 1961 – 64 Monza Coupe or Convertible. Tom Greco, Holland, (616) 786-3176.

**Wanted** – 1965 or 1966 Corsa turbo coupe or convertible. Body must be in very good to excellent shape. Todd Stranahan, San Angelo, Texas, (915) 942-0340.

**Parts for Late Coupe** – 2 left doors, 2 right doors, hood, engine lid, windshield, rear window, front bumper, rear bumper. In storage in barn loft in Belding since mid-80's. Joe Malby, home: (616) 454-4552; work: (616) 257-1630.

**Parts** – 110 engine from a 66 Monza, 2 wheel-well trim molding still in GM wrapper, new lifter rods, new window trim, various gasket kits and other parts. Asking price: FREE. Doug Wood, St. Joseph, (616) 849-2719 after 6:00 PM or [dwood@gtm.net](mailto:dwood@gtm.net).

**Parts** – several partial engines, windshields, trim, etc. Also a 1961 Greenbriar. Tom Drake, Grand Rapids, (616) 391-2070 or [tom.drake@spectrum-health.org](mailto:tom.drake@spectrum-health.org).

## - 3<sup>rd</sup> annual car display and swap meet –

We have officially set the date of the WMCC 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Display and Swap Meet to be Saturday, May 22, 9:00 – 3:00. There are two sites in Bangor being considered for the event. We will pass the word once we get the site nailed down. Like last year we will have a people's choice car display and a swap meet with free vendor space. There will be food available to purchase and there will also be a 50/50 raffle. This show will also be a celebration of our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We would like to set up a display table of WMCC memorabilia. If you have any that you would like to share, please bring it.

## - Who Wants a Raffle Ticket or 10? –

We currently have in our possession 150 raffle tickets for the car that is going to be raffled off at the 1999 CORSA Convention in Lake Tahoe, Nevada. The car is a 1965 Monza Coupe. It is Metallic Green with a 95-hp engine and a 4-speed transmission. Tickets are \$2.00 a piece. They will be available at the March general meeting.



## - WMCC 1977-1979 -

In 1977, the president of the West Michigan Corvair Club was Gerry Miske. There were some early discussions about the club becoming a chapter of CORSA. It was agreed that the board of directors would look into the benefits of joining CORSA. The monthly club meetings were still being held at the Grand Rapids Public Museum on Jefferson. Some of the club activities included a spring rallye, a mini-convention in Akron, Ohio, and a fall rallye/color tour. Jack Konkle had a tech session on rebuilding the Corvair starting motor and generator.

The same slate of club officers repeated their duties in 1978. The first amendments were made to the club constitution and by-laws for purposes of affiliating with CORSA. Bob Laubscher donated a 1969 Monza Convertible to the club to use as a club project. Cliff Murphy allowed the club to use space in his garage for this and other club projects. A car show was held in Eastbrook Mall with 15 Corvairs and 2 Ultra-Vans on display. Other club activities included a parade of cars around the Berlin Raceway and a picnic in Fallasburg Park. Also, WMCC sponsored the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Kalamazoo Invitational.

Chuck Stebelton was elected club president for 1979. The CORSA Convention was held in Detroit. Club activities included helping Cliff Murphy move out of his garage on Scribner St. (current location of the Gerald R. Ford Museum), a car show in Eastbrook Mall, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kalamazoo Invitational at Milham Park. Also, the club held a fund-raiser selling sets of Viton O-rings for \$10.00. The biggest event for the West Michigan Corvair Club in 1979 was becoming a charter chapter of the Corvair Society of America. We officially joined CORSA on February 27.

## - wmcc memories -

*by John Shipman*

We had a Corvair get-together at Fallasburg Park with picnic and games. One of the games I remember was balloons placed strategically in an open field. The idea was to drive up alongside of a balloon and your passenger had a stick with a sharp point to burst the balloon. You were racing against time. Things were going well until I accidentally drove on top of a balloon and it never broke. It was either a tough balloon or my Corvair was unusually light that day.

They were 25 pleasant years and we met a lot of fine people.



## - West Michigan Corvair Club Officers -

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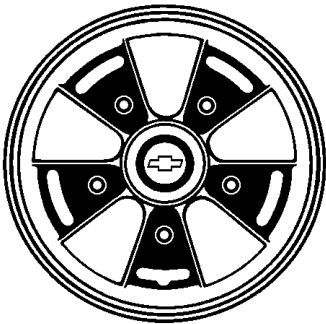
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