Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club

What's Going On

The next meeting of the West Michigan Corvair Club will take place on Tuesday, April 19.

The meeting will take place at Brann's at 4157 South Division in Wyoming. Starting time is 6:30 PM. We will be having a name the part contest so get out those obscure Corvair parts and bring them in. We will also have a raffle with the prizes being a copy of the book Corvair Restoration as well as an oil filter with oil.

The next WMCC board meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 26 at the 84th St. Pub & Grill at U.S. 131 and 84th St. in Byron Center. Start time is 6:30 PM.

May is a busy month for the WMCC. Among the highlights are the Spring Dust-off on the 15th, the Junkyard Tour on the 21st and a bowling night on the 24th. Look for more details in next month's

March Meeting recap

We had a great turnout at our March meeting! We had 18 people in attendance with one Corvair driven (Ryan Counterman's late model sedan).

For our entertainment we watched a few videos that included Corvairs racing at Waterford Race Track in 2007, Corvairs racing at Turk Lake on the ice from January 2010 and a video of old car commercials.

We did have a brief business meeting. Treasurer Doug Lectka gave a report that 22 members have paid their 2011 dues and we have a balance just short of \$1900. President Dave Dykwell went over

WMCC CALENDAR

April 19 – WMCC Membership Meeting April 26 – WMCC Board Meeting May 15 – Spring Dust-off May 17 – WMCC Membership Meeting May 21 – Junkyard Tour May 24 – WMCC Bowling Night

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newsletter.

A calendar of 2011 events is included in this newsletter; take a moment to look it over and make your plans to attend as many as you can!

the 2011 events calendar highlighting the spring dust-off on May 15 and the BBQ Chicken cook out on June 25 at Ryan Counterman's house.

At the end of the meeting we held a raffle with the following winners: NOS Rocker Arms were won by John Koning and Steve Ridderman; a throwout bearing snout was won by Randy Merrill; a Rosewood Pen in a Rosewood box (the box had a Corvair engraved on it) was won by Christy Adams. Thank you to John Wyma for donating the Corvair parts and thank you to Dave Dykwell for donating the pen.

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Dues ARE DUE

This is your last opportunity to pay your 2011 dues.

The amount for 2011 remains the same last year at \$18.00 for an individual membership.

Family memberships can be purchased for \$19.00 and youth memberships are available at \$9.00 for the year.

Please make checks out to the West Michigan Corvair Club.

Dues can be paid at any of our meetings or sent to our treasurer at the following address:

Doug Lectka 3415 Mistywood SE Kentwood, MI 49316

2011 Calendar of Events

Here are the events that we have planned for 2011. For each month there is the membership meeting plus other CLUB activities that are official club events. Also listed are some optional events that may be of interest and some club members may attend informally. Keep checking the Events page on the club website for an up to date list as new events may be added. Also listed on the Events page are weekly cruise nights.

APRIL – General Meeting 4/19 Brann's S. Division 6:30pm

- Ø Guess the part contest
- Ø Raffle: Oil & Filter, Corvair Restoration Book

Optional Activities:

GVSU – Allendale Campus Spring Dust-Off 4/16

Board Meeting - 4/26 84th St. Pub & Grill 6:30pm

MAY – General Meeting 5/17 FRICANO's Alpine 6:00pm

CLUB Activities: SPRING DUST OFF - Sunday, 5/15 7:30am GILMORE Museum We'll rally from EB BK

JUNKYARD TOUR - Saturday, 5/21

BOWLING NIGHT - Tuesday, 5/24 6:30pm SPECTRUM LANES 5656 Clyde Park SW

Optional Activities:

McFadden Motors Car Show/South Haven - Wednesday, 5/04

WMI Off Road Races – Hudsonville Fairgrounds 5/07 & 5/21
Coldwater Swap & Show/Fairgrounds - Sunday, 5/08
Jenison Memorial Day Parade - Monday, 5/30 (we could Pre-Register as a Club)

Board Meeting 5/31 Pete's 6:30pm

JUNE – General Meeting Annual BBQ CHICKEN CHALLENGE

Saturday, 6/25 Hosted by: Ry & Carolyn

Bill Wright Master Griller will be the Chief Chef this year. Watch for more to come on what has become a great family club event. Family activities: Horse Shoes, Crashing the Neighbor's Pool, Fire Pit (smores)

CLUB Activities: WMI OFF ROAD RACES Saturday, 6/04

5:00pm Display / 6:00pm Races

Join us for an entertaining style of racing at the Hudsonville Fairgrounds. +/-100 cars enter to compete on a special off-road style clay track, including PowderPuff. GROUP Fee \$8 – SPECIAL Display Parking. <u>www.wmoffroad.com</u>.

DAN BAKER'S GARAGE 6/16 6:30pm

Join us for a look at more of Dan Baker's private car, scooter & cycle collection. We'll meet at EB BK. Later, we drive back up to Schmohz for some suds (great Root Beer or beverage of choice).

Optional Activities:

Lakeshore Car Show / HollandSaturday, 6/11CORVAIR OLYMPICS6/16-20 "Indy"DUTTON DAYS CAR SHOW6/25 Free EntryThis is a nice little car show with mixed entries at Mill Village. Check time.WMI Off Road Races - Hudsonville Fairgrounds6/04 & 6/25

Board Meeting – 6/28 Pete's 6:30pm

JULY – General Meeting – 7/23 SPECIAL SATURDAY EVENT ... BERLIN RACEWAY, Marne 5:00pm

We'll repeat our "Group Outing" featuring a Reserved Parking Area for display of our Corvairs, Special Ticket Pricing, Reserved Seating AND the opportunity to crawl your Vair around the oval during the opening PACE LAP! Enjoy a full night of regular racing, including those crazy 4-cylinders. \$1 Dogs and \$1 Beers and racing means great fund for all!

CLUB Activities: 100 YEAR CHEVY CELEBRATION in Flint - Saturday, 7/23 7:30am Rally at for this all-day event (Hemmings) <u>www.vcca.org</u> (708) 455-8222

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Optional Activities:

VOLO Museum CAR SHOW - Sunday, 7/17 Host: Chicagoland Corvair Enthusiasts (3 States invited) BYRON DAYS Parade & Car Show - Saturday 7/30 8:00am Resurrection Life Church Car Show 52nd Street & Ivanrest - Wyoming Sunday, 7/24 Pre-Registration Required - Great Show!!!



Annual CORSA International Convention - Denver 7/26-30

Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival Car Show - Sunday, 7/31 Pre-Registration Required - Great Show!!! WMI OFF ROAD Races - I 96 Speedway TBD

Board Meeting 7/26 Pete's 6:30pm

AUGUST - General Meeting Saturday, 8/06 GIL MORE MUSEUM – Hickory Corners Rally at Burger King on Broadmoor at 7:00am (coordinator needed)

CLUB Activities: BERGER ALL-CHEVY SHOW (GR Metro-Cruise) Saturday, 8/27 7:30am

WM Camaro Club has asked us back to attend the Berger Chevrolet annual All-Chevy Show. We'll continue to have a "reserved" area for us to park and display our unique Chevrolets at the dealership. Your Board encourages all members to participate so we have a good number of Corvairs to display. Plan to arrive early and to keep your car there until 4:00pm. Complimentary soft drinks, sandwiches and snacks will be provided.

NIGHT AT THE DRAGS Saturday, 8/20 5:00pm (TBC) Martin US 131 Dragway Park

BOB'S BEACHHOUSE - (TBC/TBD)

- Board Meeting Tuesday, 8/23 6:30pm Dave Z's or Dave D's Place (TBD)
- SEPTEMBER General Meeting Tuesday, 9/20 6:30pm YELLOW JACKET

Located at 12011 Lake Michigan Drive, West Olive, half way between Allendale and US31(Port Sheldon). We'll rally at the Standale Meijer by the Gas Station at 6:00pm for a cruise before hitting the restaurant.

Optional Activities:

Hudsonville Fairgrounds DEMO DERBY Monday, 9/05 Labor Day HOT ROD POWER TOUR - Labor Day Weekend / Muskegon SUNSHINE Church Service & Car Show – Sunday, 9/11

Board Meeting 9/27 Pete's 6:30pm

OCTOBER – General Meeting 10/18 Vitale's Comstock 6:30pm – Nominations for Elections

CLUB Activities: Annual FALL COLOR Tour Saturday, 10/01

This year we'll trek north to LUDINGTON for their Oktoberfest to enjoy a nice color cruise, fall air, German food, shopping and more. CD needed.

Board Meeting 10/25 Pete's 6:30pm

NOVEMBER – General Meeting 11/15 BRANN's 6:30pm Ø Elections 2011

Board Meeting - 11/29 6:30pm Pete's

A Note From The President

by Dave Dykwell

The Corvair is coming of age and gaining respect as a truly unique American Classic collector car. We are blessed with a plethora of Car Shows in West Michigan with several good shows listed in our Calendar of Events. However, there are many others not listed. For more go to: www.festivaland-shows.com, www.michigan-car-shows.html, www.carshownews.com. I encourage you to show off your Vair, regardless of condition. The crowds will love your car.

As we gather specific details or learn of additional local shows we'll publish the information at our General Meetings. So watch our website and attend our meetings to stay in tune. This year, you'll also see CLUB Activities which are planned for the "whole" separate from our General Meetings. I encourage you to participate. Optional Activities are listed for your enjoyment beyond our traditional Club Activities.

196 - Don't forget the grinding sliding racing action at the 196 Speedway dirt track. 4 cylinder Stockers to Winged Sprints and Motorcycles provide a lot of entertainment. <u>196speedway.com</u>

We have a lot of activities and options on the Calendar, so make plans and get ready to have a great summer with your Corvair and the West Michigan Corvair Club. Pass it on! West Michigan Corvair Club 7769 Burlingame Ave. SW Byron Center, MI 49315

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