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Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club

WHAT'S GOING ON

With the weather warming up, we're starting to see a few more Corvairs at our meetings. Now Ratso won't be lonely in the parking lot.

Our next membership meeting will be on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:30 PM at Brann's in Wyoming. We had a great turnout in March so let's keep it going for April. Brann's is located at 4157 South Division (between 36th St. and 44th St.) in Wyoming. We are working with Tommy Brann to get some reserved parking for our Corvairs along Division so we can show them off! Look for the special parking area when you pull in.

The venue for the May membership meeting is being determined. We may try for Fricano's if they are having their cruise night then.

Plans for the Spring Dust-off are firming up. We will be meeting up with the Chicago Corvair Club and going to the Gilmore Car Museum Spring Dust-off with them. The date is May 19. We will have the final details in the May newsletter.

The WMCC Board of Directors will be meeting on April 24 at 6:30 PM at Pete's in Byron Center.

MARCH MEETING RECAP

On March 20, we held our monthly membership meeting at Brann's. We had a pretty good turnout with 18 members attending including charter members John Shipman and Rob Van Sledright. I believe there were four Corvairs in the parking lot.

John Shipman made a request to say a few words at the

WMCC CALENDAR

April 17 – WMCC Membership Meeting
April 24 – WMCC Board Meeting
May 15 – WMCC Membership Meeting
May 19 – Spring Dust-off
May 29 – WMCC Board Meeting
June 16 – All Air Cooled Car Show at Gilmore
June 19 – WMCC Membership Meeting
June 26 – WMCC Board Meeting
August 4 – WMCC Car Display

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For those who are CORSA members, be sure to check out the March edition of the *Communique* for an excellent article on WMCC member Ryan Counterman's barn, AKA "Manland".

Former WMCC member Toby Ross is selling his very nice 1960 500 sedan. If you're interested, contact Toby at (616) 402-2535 or tobyross55@yahoo.com.

beginning of the meeting. We don't see John much anymore so it was very nice to hear him say a few words. He thanked us for keeping him in the loop even though his newsletter shows up in pretty rough shape sometimes. He also wished us well in our endeavor in hosting the 2013 convention. John, it was great to see you and hear from you. We all hope to see you again

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MARCH BOARD MEETING RECAP

The March board meeting was held at Pete's in Byron Center with the following board members in attendance: Ryan Counterman, Paul Adams, Dave Dykwell, Dave Ziebarth, Doug Lectka, Dan Konkle and Steve Ridderman. WMCC member Bob Muir was also in attendance.

Old Business

March Membership Meeting

- It was very nice to see charter members John Shipman and Rob Van Sledright in attendance
- John Shipman gave a very nice speech
- We would like to invite him to participate in the convention in some capacity
- Would like some recognition at the convention for our charter members John and Rob

New Business

Spring Dust-off

- May 19
- Will be held in conjunction with the Chicago Corvair Club
- Possible meeting places
 - Truck stop in Bridgman
- Possibly meet as a club in Holland and then go as a group to meet up with the Chicago club
- We have been invited to participate in their full itinerary
 - Saturday night at Bell's Brewery
 - Sunday at the Kalamazoo Air Zoo
- Dave Dykwell in contact with a representative from the Chicago club
- Will finalize everything at the April board meeting

April Meeting

- Will be at Brann's

- Need ideas for entertainment
- Idea was brought up about getting Tommy Brann to rope off some parking spots along Division for us to show off some Corvairs
- Dave Ziebarth will contact Tommy to see if this is feasible

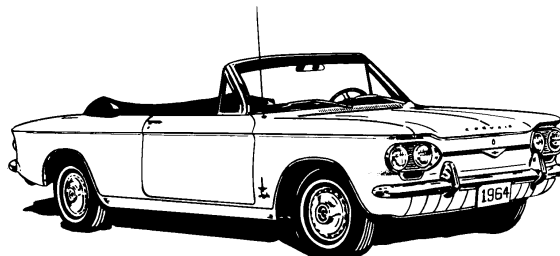
May Meeting

- Do we still want to have a May meeting in addition to the Spring Dust-off?
- Would like to; maybe at Fricano's if they have started their cruise night
- Will finalize at the April board meeting

Upcoming Dates

- 4/10 – Convention Committee meeting at Dave Dykwell's house
- 4/17 – General meeting at Brann's
- 4/24 – Board meeting at Pete's
- 5/8 – Convention Committee meeting at Dave Ziebarth's house
- 5/15 – Possible May general meeting
- 5/19 – Spring Dust-off
- 5/29 – Board meeting at Pete's
- 6/12 – Convention Committee meeting
- 6/16 – All Air Cooled Show at Gilmore Car Museum
- 6/19 – General meeting
- 6/26 – Board meeting

If you have not yet paid your dues for 2012 please do so now so you can keep your membership current.



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soon at another club function.

President Ryan Counterman then called the meeting to order. There wasn't much business to discuss however. Dave Dykwell gave a brief convention planning update. Ryan mentioned that our next meeting is on April 17, also at Brann's. Plans (at least what we have so far) for the Spring Dust-off were revealed. We will be meeting up with the Chicago Corvair Club and traveling to Gilmore Car Museum with them to participate in Gilmore's Spring Dust-off event. Exact meeting place and time are still being worked out. Also discussed was the possibility of having a future meeting at Fricano's on Alpine.

After the business meeting concluded we had a trivia contest. Dave Ziebarth connected a laptop to a television monitor and the internet and we took a few trivia quizzes. The first quiz was identifying 1960's GM cars based on a series of four photos presented. For example, we had four GTO's and had to identify what

year each picture represented. We also took a 1960's non-GM quiz, a 1950's quiz, and a race car quiz. Everyone seemed to enjoy this activity and shouting answers out to the questions. We didn't get 100% of them right but we were in the high 90% range.

If you are interested in taking the quiz on your own as well as taking some of the quizzes we did not take, visit <http://www.americantorque.com/game/>.

PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES

If you have not yet paid your membership dues for 2012, this is your last opportunity to do so and still keep your membership current.

This will be your last newsletter if we do not receive your dues payment by the next board meeting, April 24.

You can bring your dues payment to the April membership meeting at Brann's or you can mail it to one of two places – the club address or our treasurer's address.

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