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Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club

WHAT'S GOING ON

Our May membership meeting will be on Tuesday, May 15. We will be meeting at Fricano's Pizza on Alpine as part of their weekly cruise night. This is their first cruise night of the year so it will probably be crowded. Our meeting officially starts at 6:30 but you are encouraged to get there as early as you can so you can get a parking spot. Fricano's Pizza is located at 5808 Alpine Ave. NW in Comstock Park.

Our annual Spring Dust-off will be happening on Saturday, May 19. We will be meeting up with the Chicagoland Corvair Club in Kalamazoo and heading over to the Gilmore Car Museum for their Spring Dust-off. For those leaving from the Grand Rapids/Lakeshore area, we are meeting at the McDonald's on 68th St. and U.S. 131 at 8:30 AM. We plan on leaving promptly at 9:00 AM and taking a leisurely cruise to Kalamazoo. We will be meeting the Chicago club at the Meijer on Gull Road (5800 Gull Road) at 10:45 AM. We will then rallye over to the Gilmore Car Museum. Admission to Gilmore will be \$5.00 per person.

Also, we have been invited by the Chicago club to participate in their entire weekend tour. After the Gilmore dust off they plan on heading over to Bell's

APRIL MEETING RECAP

On April 17, we held our monthly membership meeting at Brann's. This was our last meeting at Brann's until the fall so we thought it would be nice if we could get some reserved parking for our Corvairs along Division. Dave Ziebarth worked it out with Tommy Brann to have some spots reserved for us. It sure looked nice seeing all of those Corvairs parked together!

WMCC CALENDAR

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
July 25 – 28 – CORSA International Convention
August 4 – WMCC Car Display

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Brewery. On Sunday they will be touring the Air Zoo.

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.

There were 19 members in attendance and nine Corvairs in the parking lot. One Corvair of note was Ryan Counterman's recent acquisition – a 1966 Corsa Convertible. This is its first trip to a WMCC meeting and probably the last for awhile as it is going to be taken apart and have a V-6 put in.

Please see *April Meeting Recap* on page 3

APRIL BOARD MEETING RECAP

The April 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.

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance of \$1738.39
- Will have over \$1800 after last dues checks are deposited
- 28 members renewed for 2012

New Business

Spring Dust-off

- May 19
- Chicago club wants to meet at the Gull Road Meijer in Kalamazoo at 10:45 AM
- We discussed some alternate meeting places and having Dave Dykwell contact them about an alternate meeting place but ultimately decided to go with the Meijer meeting place due to tight timelines in getting it in the newsletter
- We'll meet at the 68th St. and 131 McDonald's and leave there at 9:00 AM
 - Suggested meeting time of 8:30 AM
- They have invited us to join them at Bell's Brewery afterward and a trip to the Air Zoo the next day

May Meeting

- Will be at Fricano's
- Their first cruise night of the year
- May 15 at 6:30 PM

Upcoming Dates

- 5/8 – Convention Committee meeting at Dave

Ziebarth's house

- 6/16 – All Air Cooled Show at Gilmore Car Museum
- 7/21 – Potential day for Chicken BBQ
- 7/23 – 7/28 – CORSA convention
 - A few WMCC members will be attending
- 8/4 – Annual WMCC show at Gilmore Car Museum

Other Events

- Possible tour to Frankenmuth Oktoberfest; September 20 – 23
 - Might be too early for a color tour
 - We would go 9/22 – 9/23
 - Dave Z. will put something in newsletter to gauge interest in an overnight event
- Autocross at Martin Speedway on July 1
 - Good for us to see how Furrin Group lays out an autocross
- Mad Anthony show on June 8 – 9
 - Good optional activity
- Corvairs at Volo Museum on June 23
- Corvair Homecoming
 - Same weekend as Metrocruise
 - May be good to try to get some WMCC members there to give them support and to recruit help for the 2013 convention
- Possible junkyard tour
 - Would have to do soon before it gets too warm and we're pretty busy for May and June
 - May not have one this year

It was nice seeing those Corvairs lined up together at the April membership meeting at Brann's!



April Meeting Recap from page 1

President Ryan Counterman held a brief business meeting where he highlighted some upcoming events: May 15 meeting at Fricano's and the Spring Dust-off on May 19.

There was also an old poster hanging on the wall that the club had made years ago. We are thinking about having more copies made so they can be available to club members. Look for a picture of this poster in this newsletter.

Here are a few pictures from that night.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN...

There are a couple of things being pondered by the WMCC board of directors and we would like to see what the interest of the membership is.

First, we are thinking about planning a fall event where we would go to the Oktoberfest in Frankenmuth. This would be an overnight trip which is something we haven't really done as a club in a while. Is there interest in having an overnight trip for a fall event?

Also, we are thinking about reprinting some posters the club made a long time ago. A sample is pictured to the right.

If you have an interest in either of these, please let us know. You can call one of the board members listed in this newsletter or send an e-mail to wmcc@corvair.org or zvair65@gmail.com.



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