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Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club

What's Going On

WHEW!!

The 2013 CORSA International Convention hosted by WMCC is now a memory. A lot of work and planning went into pulling off hosting a convention. For the most part it was very well received by the CORSA members. There were a lot of positive comments about having events at the Air Zoo and Gilmore Car Museum. Thank you to all WMCC members who helped out; whether it was in planning, manning the hospitality room, parking lot security (in very hot and humid conditions), hosting a tour, etc. Every bit helped! Now back to club business...

Our next meeting is Saturday, August 3. We will be going to the Red Barns Spectacular at Gilmore Car Museum (yes, back to Gilmore). The show starts at 9 AM and there is an entry fee of \$20 which covers the car and two people. There is a \$5 charge for each additional person. For those interested in rallying down to Gilmore together, we will be meeting at the Burger King on Broadmoor and 52nd St. at 8 AM. We will be leaving shortly after that.

We will also be participating in the Corvair Homecoming on August 24. For those interested in

July recap

Due to the convention, we did not have a July membership meeting. There were a lot of WMCC members helping in various capacities throughout the week.

We had events throughout the greater Kalamazoo area including the Air Zoo, U.S. 131 Motorsports Park and

WMCC CALENDAR

August 3 – WMCC Car Display
August 22 – 24 – Corvair Homecoming in Plymouth
August 23 – 24 – 28th St. Metro Cruise
August 24 – All Chevy Show at Berger Chevrolet
August 27 – WMCC Board Meeting
September 17 – WMCC Membership Meeting
September 24 – WMCC Board Meeting

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rallying to Plymouth, we will be meeting at the Park & Ride lot on Alden Nash Ave. (which is exit 52 of of I-96) at 8 AM. We will spend the day at the Homecoming and then have dinner on the way home.

Our September meeting will take place on September 17 and we will be meeting at Fricano's on Alpine as part of their Tuesday cruise night. The official meeting start time is 6:30 PM but you are encouraged to show up earlier if you want to see the cars in the parking lot.

Gilmore Car Museum. There was also the high speed event at GingerMan Raceway.

Tech sessions were held outside the host hotel under a canopy where the sessions were done using actual cars rather than just an explanation in a conference room.

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More on the convention

Here are a few random pictures from the convention. Some were pictures that I took and some were borrowed from various Facebook pages.

Ryan Counterman's setup for the week:



The Concours at the Air Zoo:



The Super Monza in front of George and Sally's Diner at Gilmore Car Museum:



The Corvair body XXXXXX in front of the historic Shell service station at Gilmore Car Museum:



Corvair body XXXXXX is the last Corvair body made by Fisher body. An extra body was made in case it was needed at the end of the production run. This body was recently purchased by the Corvair Preservation Foundation from General Motors.

Doug Lectka's new paint job on his Greenbrier, courtesy of those who attended the convention and made a donation to the Corvair Preservation Foundation:



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There were tours to Shipshewana, dinner boat cruises, and FireKeepers Casino.

Special displays included the Super Monza at the host hotel and Gilmore Car Museum and the 1969 Corvair body that the CPF recently purchased from General Motors.

One thing to note: we broke the record for the number of cars attending a car display at a convention! Gilmore Car Museum was the perfect ending to the convention and

that attracted a lot of people.

We should all be proud of the convention that we presented to the Members of CORSA. Thank you to everyone in the West Michigan Corvair Club who helped pull this off.

august Board meeting REcap

The August board meeting was held at Woody's in Wyoming. It was a combination board meeting and convention wrapup meeting. In attendance were Paul Adams, Ryan Counterman, Dave Dykwell, Dan and Beth Konkle, Doug Lectka, Tom May, Steve Ridderman, John Cole and Dave Ziebarth.

WMCC Car Display

- Meeting as part of the Red Barns Spectacular at Gilmore Car Museum on Saturday, August 3
- No awards this year; just a chance to show the Corvairs
- For those who are interested in rallying from Grand Rapids, meet at the Burger King on Broadmoor near 52nd St. at 8 AM; we will leave shortly after that for Gilmore

Corvair Homecoming

- The Detroit Area Corvair Club really supported us in our convention effort and we should support them with their show
- Meet at the Park & Ride lot on Alden Nash Ave. at I-96 in Lowell at 8 AM to rally to Plymouth
- We will spend the day at the Homecoming show and stop for dinner on the way back

Metro Cruise

- We will not have an organized club activity at the Metro Cruise this year due to our intention to attend the Corvair Homecoming in Plymouth

on the same weekend

- People can attend the Metro Cruise on their own

Convention Recap

- By all accounts it appears that this was a very successful convention
- Chairman Dave Dykwell reiterated that the people who chaired the various events need to submit their articles to Dave who will submit them to Mike McGowan to be published in the *Communique*
 - Deadline is 8/4
- WMCC donations to Corvair Preservation Foundation
 - Poster sales generated \$215
 - "Paint Doug's Greenbrier" generated \$62
- Thank You's
 - Dave had heartfelt thank you's to all who helped in planning and execution of the convention
 - Formal thank you letters will be sent to the Four Points Sheraton, Gilmore Car Museum, U.S. 131 Motorsports Park, Discover Kalamazoo and Pepsi
 - Special thank you's go out to our outdoor security detail of Bill Brenner, Dan Lok and Ray Dubia for braving the heat all week
- One last note: this year's People's Choice Car Display set the convention record for the number of Corvairs participating

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