

Lifter Noise

Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club



What's Going On

Our next regular membership meeting will be on Tuesday, March 18 at Hilliards Bar at 6:30 PM. Hilliards Bar is located at 3508 18th St. in Wayland. Be sure to wear green for St. Patrick's Day!

Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues for 2014! If you have not paid them yet, it's not too late. You can pay your \$18 at the March meeting or mail your check to the club address listed on the last page of this newsletter.

We now have an official 40th anniversary logo. The logo you see up in the masthead was the overwhelming favorite of the attendees at the Chili Cook Off.

If you look at the calendar to the right you will notice a Summer Tour for the weekend of August 2 – 3. This will be an overnight trip up to the Harbor Springs – Cross Village area which features the "Tunnel of Trees". Planning is underway so if you are interested in this event, please let one of the board members know so

Chili Cook Off Recap

Our annual Chili Cook Off was held on February 15 at Rockford Ambulance. There were nine different kinds of chili for everyone to judge along with seven different desserts. Unfortunately we were a little light in the cornbread category with only one entry.

After a prayer by Dave Dykwell the eating/judging commenced. Once everyone got their fill and the votes were tallied, there was a tie for best chili. Since we didn't have a tie-breaker method in mind, we went ahead and deemed the winners the Konings and the

WMCC Calendar

- March 18 – WMCC Membership Meeting
- March 25 – WMCC Board Meeting
- April 15 – WMCC Membership Meeting
- April 29 – WMCC Board Meeting
- June 14 – WMCC Car Display/All Air Cooled Show
- August 2-3 – Summer Tour

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we can get a head count.

Since the Summer Tour is being planned for the first weekend in August, we need to move the date of our WMCC Car Display event. It will still be held at Gilmore Car Museum but will now be part of the All Air Cooled Show on June 14.

Petersons. The best dessert was made by Caroline Counterman. The only cornbread entry came from Ryan Counterman so he won by default.

While the votes were being tallied, Ryan Counterman presented a photo recap of the 2013 CORSA Convention.

We ended the day by playing a game where we threw a rubberband propelled airplane at a group of gifts. Whatever gift the airplane landed on or near was what was won by the person who threw it. Everyone ended

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A Look Back

On June 10 – 12, 1983, some members of the West Michigan Corvair Club had the opportunity to display their cars in Rogers Plaza. According to the club meeting minutes from April and July of 1983, the load in was going to be on Thursday, June 9 after the mall closed. Club member Jack Davidson volunteered to be present all day on Friday to answer questions and keep an eye on the cars. There ended up being eleven Corvairs on display that weekend.

Your humble editor was a 14-year-old kid armed with a Kodak Disc camera (remember those?). I was just getting interested in Corvairs and was pretty excited to be able to see that many in person. Maybe I was so excited that I couldn't center the car in the pictures.

Here is the West Michigan Corvair Club and Rogers Plaza, circa 1983.



Look on the WMCC Facebook page for other Throwback Thursday pictures throughout the year.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/West-Michigan-Corvair-Club/179442438826286>

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up with a prize.



February Board Meeting Recap

The February board meeting was held at Woody's in Wyoming. In attendance were Paul Adams, John Cole, Dave Dykwell, Dan Konkle, Doug Lectka, Steve Ridderman and Dave Ziebarth. Ryan Counterman was in attendance as a guest.

Upcoming Meetings

- March at Hilliards Bar
- April at Yellow Jacket Inn
- May will probably be at Fricano's

Spring Dust Off

- Bob Muir told us about a rib cook off in Grand Haven on Memorial Day weekend
 - Could meet up at his cottage after
- Trip to Dog N Suds in Norton Shores and then a drive-in movie at the Getty
- Wondering what the attendance would be for an event on a holiday weekend if we did the rib cook off event
- Still in planning stages

June Events

- Marc Marcoulides invited us to his home in Otsego for the June meeting
 - Dave Ziebarth will work out the details
- The WMCC Car Display is now going to be part of the All Air Cooled Show instead of the Red Barns Spectacular
- The club birthday picnic that was tentatively planned for June will probably shift to July

Overnight Trip

- Settled on the Petoskey/Harbor Springs/Cross Village trip
 - Tunnel of Trees
- Will happen on August 2 - 3
- Dave Dykwell will look into reserving hotel rooms
- Dave Ziebarth will put something in newsletter trying to get feedback and headcount from members who want to participate

Specialty Tools

- It was suggested that we compile a list of who has Corvair specialty tools
 - Either their own that they would be willing to lend or those that belong to the club
- Doug Lectka has the fan bearing greaser
- Dan Konkle has a steering wheel puller

Club Canopy

- There was a suggestion that the club buy a canopy that we can take to car shows
- We would get it personalized with the club logo
- We would like a durable one
- Would make for a nice presence at shows
- This also spurred discussion on who takes responsibility for club assets
 - May be something spelled out in the by-laws

Club Roster

- There was a request to publish a club roster that includes type of car owned
- Paul and Doug will work on it

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