

Lifter Noise



Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club

What's Going On

The year is starting to wind down for club activities.

Our next membership meeting is Tuesday, November 18. It will be held at Jake's Goodtime Bar and Grill, 1638 142nd Ave. in Dorr (just west of U.S. 131). The meeting will be starting at 6:30 PM. We will hold elections for club board members for 2015. We will have four open positions to vote for. The nominees are Dave Dykwell, Dan Konkle, Bob Muir, Jamie Reinhart, and Dave Ziebarth.

We will not be having a December membership meeting. There may be a board meeting; that will be up to the discretion of our president.

We have a tentative date for the event that was formerly know as the Chili Cook Off. It is now called the Zoup Off. The date is planned for Saturday, February 7. Cook up your best soup recipe to win valuable prizes. Chili is still welcome...

Later this month you will be receiving a survey in the

October Meeting Recap

We held our monthly membership meeting at Jake's Goodtime Bar and Grill in Dorr. We had a decent turnout with the following members in attendance: Paul Adams, Dave Dykwell, Dan Konkle, Doug Lectka, Tom May, Bob Muir, Reggie Stroebe, Bill Wright, and Dave Ziebarth.

The layout at Jake's is very nice with a room off to the side where we can have our meetings without being interrupted (except for refills).

WMCC Calendar

November 18 – WMCC Membership Meeting
November 25 – WMCC Board Meeting
January 20 – WMCC Membership Meeting
January 27 – WMCC Board Meeting
February 7 – Tentative date for Zoup Off (formerly the Chili Cook Off)

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mail. Please take the time to fill out the survey. This will help the board of directors in planning future club activities. There will be a stamped envelope included for you to return the survey. This is YOUR club. This is your opportunity to have a voice and let us know what you think.

There was a brief recap of the color tour and then we proceeded into the nominations for club board members. The following people were nominated: Jamie Reinhart, Dave Ziebarth, Dan Konkle, Bob Muir, and Dave Dykwell. Elections will be held at the November meeting.

After the nominations we moved on to a trivia contest that Dan Konkle won in a landslide. For his powerful knowledge he won a fall themed goodie bag that included candy and pumpkin beer.

Color Tour Recap

It was a sunny but cool day on October 11 when nine Corvairs showed up at Pal's Diner for the annual WMCC color tour. Only eight left for the tour as Dennis Willson had something else come up but he just wanted to show up to say hi.

A scenic route was layed out by Dave Ziebarth that would take the group along the Thornapple River, through Fallasburg Park, and up M-66 through Stanton where we stopped at Anderson & Girls Orchard.



It was a busy day there as we had to invent some parking spots along the hayride trail. We were pleasantly surprised that they had a whole menagerie of animals to view. There were camels, zebras, kangaroos, goats, reindeer, and many other animals.



After spending some time with the animals and shopping for treats, we hit the road again going through Remus and then over to Hardy Dam. A couple of the convertibles were even brave enough to put their tops down! Following the Hardy Dam, we drove through Croton then wound our way east then south through Cedar Springs. We lost a few Corvairs along the way as some had other commitments and Paul

Adams' electrical woes continued.



We ended the tour at 57 Brewpub & Bistro in Greenville where another Corvair containing Gordon and Susan Tengen awaited our arrival. There we enjoyed some beverages and dinner.



Even though the colors weren't quite at their peak, everyone had a great time and a great cruise in our Corvairs.

John Shipman

It is with much regret that I report the passing of WMCC member John Shipman.

John was a charter member of the West Michigan Corvair Club. He held the position of treasurer for a majority of the club's existence. He was instrumental in planning activities over the years.

It was always a treat the last few years when John would stop by our meetings. He always had a few stories to share. He also had a few words of encouragement for us last year as we were planning the 2013 CORSA International Convention.

Thank you John for everything you've done for the West Michigan Corvair Club. May you rest in peace.



John Shipman on the left with Jack Corcoran in 1999

October Board Meeting Recap

The October board meeting was held at Woody's on October 28.

Membership Survey

- Dave Dykwell updated the membership survey and it is ready to send out
- Suggestion was to print them out and mail them to every member
- Including a self-addressed stamped envelope for the members to return the survey
- The surveys will be mailed back to Paul for him to compile the results
- Dave Ziebarth will print and mail the surveys; timing is early November

November Meeting

- Discussion of election in November and the number of openings (4) and the number of nominees (5).

January Meeting

- Ideas for meeting were either a parts auction or a "tire talk" session with someone Dave Dykwell knows from Discount Tire
- Parts auction won out
- Need to get the word out and have people let us know what they plan on bringing to sell

February Meeting

- Suggestion that we have a Zoup Off instead of a Chili Cook Off; everyone would bring a soup
- Idea to have a wine tasting as well
- Desired date is 2/7
- Dave Ziebarth to reserve room at Rockford Ambulance
- Entertainment would be "The Price is Wrong"
- Would need to plan a kids activity as well

Summer Activities

- A few ideas were discussed but it was decided to wait a bit
- John Koning volunteered to be our chicken grill master this summer
- Discussed having it at Ryan's

Other topics

- Chicagoland Corvair Enthusiasts are putting in a bid to host the 2019 convention
- Discussed possibility about helping them with an event
- Dave Dykwell brought up the idea of a group vacation in the future; maybe some type of all inclusive or a cruise

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