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Newsletter of the West Michigan Corvair Club

What's Going On

The next meeting of the West Michigan Corvair Club will be on Tuesday, September 15 at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be held at Yellow Jacket Inn in West Olive; 12011 Lake Michigan Drive. We plan on having a trivia game for our entertainment.

Also this month is our second annual overnight trip. That will take place on September 19 – 20. If you planned on going you should have made your hotel reservation by now as well as your reservation with the event chairman, Dave Dykwell. Look for an article from Dave later in the newsletter.

Planning is also underway for our annual color tour. We are planning on touring southwest Michigan and going to a few wineries. The original planned date was October 17 but we are going to move it to October 24

WMCC Calendar

September 15 – WMCC Membership Meeting September 19 – 20 – Overnight trip

September 29 – WMCC Board Meeting

October 24 – WMCC Color Tour

October 27 - WMCC Board Meeting

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in hopes of seeing better color. Look for more details in next month's newsletter.

August Events Recap

After fighting traffic for the West Michigan Whitecaps game, 16 people made it to the August membership meeting at Vitale's on West River Drive. With such a large party, they had to take some time to get some tables together for us. Since the restaurant was very busy and loud, we dispensed with a business meeting and just enjoyed each others company. We even gained a new member at the meeting!

Once again Bill Wright was able to join us. It looks like he is working his way back to health. We look forward to seeing him back behind the wheel of a Corvair very soon!

John Cole was the only WMCC member to represent us at the Corvair Homecoming in Plymouth. From what I saw on his Facebook posts, John and his wife Julia and daughter Bethany had a great time. Part of the event was a tour of the GM Heritage Center which is always a treat.



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We're Traverse Bound

by Dave Dykwell

It looks like we'll have another great summer outing. We have a total of ten (10) members, their spouses and even some of our younger future members signed up with reservations. I double checked with Kyle Underwood and he personally guaranteed great weather. You can even ask him for your money back.

To recap, Traverse City overnighter, Saturday, September 19 and Sunday, September 20th. We'll rally at our regular Tour-de-Site [Fricano's on Alpine] at 9:00am for complimentary coffee & donuts. We'll hit the road at 9:30am and take a leisurely drive north to Traverse City (approx. 2 hours since we're taking our time). First stop is Don's Drive-In at 11:30am then hotel check-in around 1:00pm. Once settled, we'll leave the lot and start or Old Mission Penninsula WINE TOUR. There's four to five good spots if we decide to try them all. Back to the hotel at 6ish for a refresh and we'll regroup in the lot at 7:30pm for a laterGROUP DINNER. With a little arm-twisting we'll have

reservations at the infamous Apache Grill with Boones Long-Lake Inn our back-up plan.

On Sunday, we'll all enjoy our Continental Breakfast at the hotel or you can choose to hit the Flap Jack House for Cherry Waffles. Once refilled, we'll meet in lot at 10:30am for a drive up to Sutton's Bay, then Fishtown (Leeland). Then, it's "On your Own" once there.

Route maps for the coming and going, along with info about the Wineries, Breweries, Restaurants, Shopping, and other attractions will be provided.

LASTLY, I believe we still have one (1) room available and there may be new rooms open? So, do something FUN with your Club/Car before summer is over and call; BOARDERS Inn & Suites Eastbay, 1870 N. US31, Traverse City, (231) 938-1887. Lastly, email or call Dave D. to let him know you did. Kumbaya!

Welcome New Members

I would like to welcome two new members to the West Michigan Corvair Club!

Keoni Taylor joined the club back in June. He lives in Kentwood with his wife Emily and their two children Austin and Ariana. Keoni owns a 1963 Monza. He wanted to bring it to the All GM Show at Berger back in August but had some issues getting it started.

Ron Lindquist joined the club at our August membership meeting at Vitale's. Ron lives in Spring

The September meeting will be at Yellow Jacket Inn in West Olive at 6:30 PM on September 18! Lake with his wife Diane. Ron owns a 1963 Monza Coupe.

We look forward to seeing Keoni and Ron at our upcoming events! Please make them feel welcome!



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August Board Meeting Recap

The August board meeting took place on August 25 at Woody's with board members Paul Adams, Dave Dykwell, Doug Lectka, Jamie Reinhart, and Dave Ziebarth in attendance.

September Meeting

- Will be at Yellow Jacket Inn in West Olive
- Discussed entertainment ideas; decided on a trivia contest

Overnight Trip

- 11 couples & kids
- All rooms in the block have been booked
- Meet at Fricano's on Alpine at 9 AM; leave by 9:30
- Doug to bring donuts and coffee

Color Tour

- Dave Ziebarth presented a possible route with meet up points in Dorr and Allegan
- Would stop at a few wineries and an orchard
- Discussed where to have dinner in South Haven
 - South Haven preferred over St. Joseph/Benton Harbor
- Dave Z. will tweak the route a little bit and have a final proposal at the September board meeting
- Due to where we are traveling and concern over the amount of color that may be present, we

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On the same weekend as the Corvair Homecoming was the 28th St. Metro Cruise in Grand Rapids. We had a planned meet up at Berger Chevrolet on the Saturday of the Metro Cruise. Unfortunately, only four Corvairs were able to make it. I know of two others that had intentions of being there but could not due to mechanical issues.



discussed moving the date to October 24

Holiday Party

- Looking at November 14
- Need ideas and a venue
- Would be a club membership meeting as well
- Club officer elections will still be on the agenda

Long Term Planning

- Most people come when we have food (BBQ, Chili Cook-off)
- Spring Dust Off have low attendance
- Plan another tour for the summer with a picnic
 - o Cold food (sandwiches, salads)
 - o Don't have to haul a grill
- Spring Dust off that is just a drive with a picnic instead of going to a show
 - o Maybe to a museum (RE Olds, Auburn)

Winter Meetings

- Ideas related to convention participation; holding workshops
- Encourage participation at Springfield convention
- Jake's in Dorr is a good venue
- Shot's up in Comstock Park was discussed
- Parts auction for January meeting

Paul Adams, David Huhn, Jamie Reinhart, and Reggie Stroebe had a great parking spot right along 28th St. The Corvairs would have been the first thing you saw as you were going west on 28th St. David Huhn had his low mileage 1969 coupe – a very nice car!



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