

Lifter Noise

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What's Going On

The next meeting of the West Michigan Corvair Club will take place on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:30 PM. It will be at AJ's, 1830 142nd Ave. in Dorr.

The January board meeting will be on Tuesday, January 29 at 6:30 PM. It will be at Bunker Hill, 4203 30th Street in Dorr.

A date has been set for the Zoup Off! It will take place on Saturday, February 16 in the community room at Rockford Ambulance. The tentative start time is 2:00 PM. Look for more details in the February edition of *Lifter Noise*.

Paul Adams has been tallying points up for member of the year for 2018. He has requested that if you participated in any activities outside of the club with your Corvair that you let him know. Some examples would be car shows, cruise nights, or parades. Please let Paul know at Padams2607@aol.com by February 1.

You can pay your 2019 dues at any of our upcoming events. Dues are still \$18 per year. If you can't make it to a meeting, you can send the check to the club address on the last page of this newsletter.

Christmas Party Recap

By Scott Olivier

We had twenty three members in attendance. The Dykwells produced the main course of turkey and ham, and all the other members brought an abundance of side dishes--especially desserts. There was a deep culinary selection beyond the main dishes, including mashed potatoes, brussels sprouts, sweet potatoes, spinach, salad, dinner rolls, green beans, baked beans, mini potatoes, and others too numerous to mention. Desserts included cookies, chocolate cake, apple and blueberry pies. Everything was delicious! The evening entertainment was provided through a Christmas trivia contest, which was won by Becky Lectka, a "Who is the Most Like Santa" contest, which was won by Abigail Reinhart, and a raffle which offered prizes to six lucky club members.



State of the Club

By Scott Olivier, President, WMCC

Greetings, fellow West Michigan Corvairians, and happy New Year! It's time to recap our past year's activities, and look forward to the next year for WMCC.

First, let's take a look backward at the highlights from 2018:

- We held the annual WMCC "Zoup Off" in February, with Cheryl Ziebarth winning the soup category and Carolyn Counterman winning the dessert category. We also awarded the prestigious 2017 Member of the Year honor to Dave Dykwell.
- Several members trekked over to the COBO Center in Detroit for the March Autorama.
- We had seven Corvairs in attendance to the first post-winter event in May at Fricano's on Alpine.
- June was a busy month—the WMCC "Spring Dust Off" had several members' cars in attendance at the "Cruisin' Classics" in Ionia, we had a tech session to get member Bob Muir's EM going after a decade of storage (successfully, and it was soon sold to Doug and Becky Lectka who gifted the car to their son as a wedding present!), and a group of members attended the Air Cooled Gathering at the Gilmore Museum.
- The highlight of July was the summer party, hosted at the home of Doug and Becky Lectka at their new lakefront home in Hastings. Chicken was grilled on the Ryan Counterman custom manufactured grill, and we all had a ball in spite of a bit of rain.
- August was busy as well—several members represented WMCC at the Gilmore Museum's Red Barns Spectacular (my favorite event of the year), members John Cole and Paul Adams traveled to Detroit to attend the DACC Corvair Homecoming, and a few brave souls braved the rain to attend the Grand Rapids Metro Cruise.
- September's high point was the overnight trip to Traverse City. We had six Corvairs that made the journey from Grand Rapids up north for a wine tour and dinner on Old Mission Peninsula. Several members took a scenic tour down the west coast the next morning.
- October's showcase was the WMCC Color Tour. We traced a route from Byron Center, southwest to Fennville. We mis-timed the color by a couple of weeks this year, and will be more flexible in 2019 so we catch the colors at the right time.
- November included our first annual model car contest. We had four entries in the inaugural event, and hope to have more in future events. It was very cool to see the craftsmanship in the models entered.
- December's event was the Christmas party hosted at our place. We were glad that so many folks attended this year!

That's 2018 in a nutshell. Now, looking forward: we have many of the same time-honored events coming up in 2019. If you have shows, etc. that you'd like to see the club participate in, let the board know. We're always looking for fun club events. Also, please let me or another board member know what's working (and what's not) with the club. We want to make sure that your dues are paying into a club that you want to be a participant in. My hope is that you're not just joining for a newsletter, but to be an active part of a larger group of Corvair enthusiasts. If you've got ideas/suggestions, drop me an email at scott_olivier_mi@yahoo.com, or send a letter to our home address: 6781 Egypt Valley Ave NE, Rockford, MI 49341.

Wishing you a great 2019,
Scott Olivier

WMCC Calendar

January 15	WMCC Membership Meeting
January 29	WMCC Board Meeting
February 16	Zoup Off
February 26	WMCC Board Meeting
March 19	WMCC Membership Meeting
March 26	WMCC Board Meeting

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