# Lifter Noise



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# What's Going On

Not much. As of right now we are still planning on having the Spring Dust Off on Saturday, May 30. Our current plan is to visit a few wineries and also have a bite to eat somewhere. However things could evolve depending on what is allowed to open and what social distancing guidelines may exist at that time. Look below for more info.

More events continue to be canceled including the Air Cooled Car Show at Gilmore Car Museum (originally June 6), the CORSA regional convention in Springfield, IL (originally June 17 - 20), the Charlton Park Father's Day car show in Hastings (originally June 21 and our planned event for June), and the CORSA International Convention (originally July 5 - 10). I imagine any cruise nights for the foreseeable future will be canceled.

Dues are due! Usually we'll cut you off after the April newsletter if you haven't paid your dues but we'll give you one more month. This will be your last newsletter if you have not paid for 2020. Your only option at this point is to send a check to the club address on the back of this newsletter.

Later in this newsletter you will see an article from Matt Peterson on how he converted his taillights over to LED's. If you have something you have been working on and would like to share it with the club, send it on to <a href="mailto:zvair65@gmail.com">zvair65@gmail.com</a> and I will publish it in a future newsletter.

# Spring Dust Off

We are still planning on having a Spring Dust Off on Saturday, May 30. We will be meeting at the Family Fare parking lot in Byron Center (2245 84th St. SW) at 11:30 AM.

Plan A is to take a leisurely drive on back roads down to Cody Kresta Vineyard and Winery near Paw Paw. After some wine sampling there, we will make stops at Warner Vineyards and St. Julien Winery in Paw Paw. We will finish off the day with dinner at Lucky Girl Brewing in Paw Paw. This is assuming that wineries and restaurants will be open.

Plan B is to still meet at Family Fare and take a leisurely drive to a yet to be determined park and have a picnic. This will be a bring your own picnic - your own food, snacks, and beverages. After some time at the park we will drive some more ending up somewhere near where we started.

Plan C is to cancel it due to limitations on how and where we can gather as a group. As of this writing, the state of emergency is supposed to be lifted on May 28. Hopefully we don't have to go with Plan C.

# **LED Taillights**

By Matt Peterson

I bought some 80mm red ring leds to add additional visibility for brake lights.





Aluminum flashing cut in strips (4" length x  $\frac{1}{4}$ "wide); hot glued in place; acts as a spacer to the lens and blocks light to the center reverse bulb.



Looks bright enough 😀



Found some leftover trailer wire and soldered to the led leads (red shrink tubing). The lights are polarity sensitive, so check for that. Took the opportunity to add the black wire as a soldered ground to the light sockets.



I'll wrap with electrical tape later.



As an added bonus, the led lights faster than the outside bulbs, so the turn signals start inside out for an animated effect.

## WMCC Calendar

May 26	WMCC Board Meeting at TBD; 6:30 PM
May 30	Spring Dust Off
June ??	WMCC Meeting; TBD
June 30	WMCC Board Meeting at TBD; 6:30 PM

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