THE AIRCOOLER



DETROIT AREA CORVAIR CLUB ESTABLISHED 1974

CHRISTMAS MEETING

Tuesday January 7th, 2014
Pontiac / Waterford Elks Club
Regular Monthly Meeting

Driving memories of 'Corvairs in the Winter'

A few people can relate to this and we can tell a few stories and talk about improvements to heater performance and other issues dealing with Corvairs in the cold weather, both past and present.

PETE Cimbala

WHOOPS!

Apparently there was a problem with some of the address labels sticking on the December Aircooler. Several were returned because they had no address labels !?!&@# There is no way for me to tell who got 'em and who didn't. Oh well ... If you did not get your copy, e-mail your name and address and I will hand address a replacement copy ... kenpepke@yahoo.com

A WORD FROM ACTING PRESIDENT PETE CIMBALA

As I write this we are under an ice storm warning here in Swartz Creek, Stubby is in the driveway under a car cover, 5817 is next to it also covered and Skirts is in the big wood barn for the winter. Jeff Shreve is driving the Greenbrier in this stuff and I bet Eva is getting around town in one of her Corvairs, and I saw a picture on Face Book of Don Jennings 67 in the snow. Most of us can park our cars and trucks and wait till spring but there was a time when a lot of us drove one everyday all year, the last time for me was 1988-89. It was the Frost Green 69 Monza Coupe that I bought from Ken Pepke that turned out to be one of the best running and driving Corvairs that both of us had ever owned. Rob Duerden ended up with it and drove it all year too until one day the body rusted away where the rear lower control arm attaches and it was done going down the road.

It was parted out and the rusty body scrapped, the 110 hp engine and the frost green interior are still out there so! Be where. This was the fate of 1000's of Corvairs and other cool 60's cars and trucks that lived in the salt belt states and used for daily drivers. So this leads us to our January meeting program, talk about your winter driving experiences with your Corvair back in the day.

As for meetings during the winter months we may need to call one off if the weather is bad and the road conditions are questionable. This is where the email list comes into play, if you are like me and check your inbox a couple times a day the message will be there before your leave home. So if the first Tuesday weather looks nasty and we do call off the meeting keeping in mind everyone's safety, Clark will send out an email (right Clark?)

PETE C

The Calendars are In!!!

Extra calendars are available for \$10 each. If you would like to purchase a calendar you can send check or money order for \$10 each plus \$2 S&H per order to:

John Allesee P.O.Box 549 Saline, NI 48176

Make checks payable to John Allesee.

If you reside outside of USA or Canada, send me an email telling me how many and where you live, and I will let you know the postage cost.

http://www.allesee.com/calendar

2014 CORVAIR DRIVING EVENTS

The driving events will be planned soon and the dates for the big shows are coming in and will be printed in the February Aircooler so you can fill in your calendar and put in for vacation time off, if you are still working at a job where you have to do this.

Pete C

CHRISTMAS PARTY

We had a great time at the Christmas Party with Corvair Bingo, good food and service, visited with our friends and gave the kids at Haven House some cool toys. We also donated the 50/50 take and a few generous people added even more money to the total. The evening was pretty relaxed and thanks to Judy O'Leary for being in line at Home Depot in the wee hours of the morning on Black Friday we had some nice table centerpieces that were given away, Karen and John brought the cupcakes for desert and there were prizes given to the bingo winners.

On a Sad Note

Robert and Doreen Jennings lost their beloved dog Isabelle just after the move to Flint. She went missing for a few days and was hit by a car a few blocks from home. They are living in another house and still working on the "fixer upper" and may not be in that one till spring.

As I understand Doreen is in Hospice care and holding her own at this time. Pete C

Harold Dexter

had another stent installed and found out he has congestive heart failure, he is staying with his son and daughter in law while he has the heart monitor hooked up and can't drive at this time. Keep them in your prayers and thoughts during this cold winter.

Last Sale of a New 1960 Corvair

'Caveman' Koehler made a valiant effort but was 'sniped' and lost the car by \$100 :-(

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MEETING NOTES DACC CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 3, 2013

With a poinsettia on every table and 37 loyal Corvair enthusiasts present, the annual DACC Christmas Party came to life on December 3rd.

Tim Duve, with his French Horn and musical accompaniment, set the tone and the festivities took over.

Following a dinner of our choice at the Elks Club, attentively served by Andrew and his staff, the amazing Paul Piche led a prizepacked game of Corvair Bingo.

Haven House benefited from the many gifts, donations and volunteering efforts of some of our members. Haven House addresses the needs of over 250 families in the area and brightens their lives each Christmas.

Karen and John A. topped the evening with a cupcake dessert tree. With prizes, door prizes, poinsettias, 50/50, and attendance awards, everyone went home with a renewed holiday spirit

This event was an enjoyable prelude to what we hope is a wonderful Holiday Season.

A very Happy New Year to all.

Respectfully submitted, Judy O'Leary

Marilyn Knapp

I was hoping to be at the DACC Xmas party this year, but alas I will be near or returning from the South Dakota/Iowa line while you were having good cheer.

What I am doing with many of my better prizes for kids that come to the DACC Homecoming is donating them to Toys for Tots. Many of the kids backpacks will be filled with chalk, crayons, firefighter hats, card games, toys for 1 year olds, and matchbox cars are just a few of the items growing under the Xmas tree. I hope everyone had a good time and see you in 2014.

Remember to Par-Dee!



AMERICA'S ONLY CAR WITH THE TRUNK UP FRONT (MUCH EASIER CURB-SIDE LOADING WHEN YOU'RE ANGLE-PARKED!).



See it at your local authorized Chevrolet dealer's

CAVEMAN HISTORY ... DO YOU REMEMBER? ... HAVE YOU SEEN ONE?



Converting a Corvair. You can't buy convertible Corvairs from the factory, but a Michigan Chevy dealer now makes a kit that turns standard coupes into soft-tops. You get underbody support braces, a manually operated canvas top, windshield-header locks, and padded pillar replacements that fit into the glass channels. (You have to whack off the old steel top, of course.) Ray MacGillivray, Vassar, Mich., dealer, makes the conversion kit for sale to other dealers. It brings the price of a Corvair to about \$150 above that of a standard coupe.

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Treasure report December 19th 2013

Beginning Balance: December 30th 2012 **\$6,460.17**

Income		Expenses	Profit/ loss
109 members	\$2,181.00	Aircooler \$2,238.00	-\$57.00
Corsa fine	\$78.00	\$78.00	-0-
50-50	\$1,468.00	\$736.00	+\$732.00
Woodward cruise	\$125.00	\$125.00	-0-
Homecoming	\$6,999.00	\$6,678.57	+\$320.43
Bingo	\$180.00	\$ 138.65	+\$41.35
Haven House donation \$135.00		<u>\$367.00</u>	<u>-\$232.00</u>
Totals:	\$11,166.00	\$10,361.22	\$804.78

Items without income:

Attendance: \$120.00 Sloan Picnic: \$71.13 Corporation fee \$20.00 Memorials \$100.00

Total: - \$311.13 - \$311.13 Grand Total: + \$493.65

Ending balance: December 30, 2013 **\$6,953.82**

Prepared by: Paul Piche

DACC MEMBERSHIP REPORT

November 20, 2013 by Clark Hartzel

Thanks for keeping your membership up to date:

Avery, Balow, Belfontaine, Boulan, Dood, Schesky, Storc, Yoscovits.

Dropped: G.Burt, S.Gillson, R.Jennings, Koths, Lindh

Expired in Sept: Berta, Elder, Hilton, R.Kelava, Malo,

McCormick, Raker, Ramsay, will be dropped

Exp in Oct: Browne, Harriss, Kulback, Wholehan **Due in Nov.:** Beckly, M.Granger, D.Jennings, Johnson,

Witte.

Due in Dec: Hensley, McDonald

<u>Due in Jan.:</u> Huff, Ives, Lowell, Major, Rutherford,

Sanger, G.Shreve.

We have 117 paid members and 19 who owe dues.

We are mailing 13 complementary newsletters to other clubs and the Ypsilanti museum

Please don't pay in cash. I can forget who gives it to me! Let's get those checks in folks!!!

If you can't make it to the next meeting, send a check for \$20.00 dues [\$23], payable to: Detroit Area Corvair Club, 16911 Anita Ave., Fraser, MI 48026-2275

If you wish to receive only an on-line newsletter let me know by email so I can verify your email address.

Any questions about your membership or if you have an address or e-mail change:
chartzel@comcast.net or phone 586-293-1587

We have an **email blast list** to notify members of quickie tours or last minute changes. Please send me your email address so I can keep the list up to date.

SELL & SWAP

ADS ARE FREE TO ALL - SEND TO kenpepke@vahoo.com

WANTED: 1965 to 1969 Corvair engines

Bob Conklin (586) 344-2318

FOR SALE: LM parts, VGC –ALSO– 36 Ford Fire Truck, runs / drives - Clint McNett 517 592 5177 Brooklyn, MI

FOR SALE: **FOR SALE**: 66 Monza cpe 140hp 4 spd Maroon ext blk int AM runs \$1075 OBO incl Clarks ultimate manual kit & cover Bill 231 325 1017 Traverse City

FOR SALE: LM w/ comp new brake system, flr pans, W/S, carb overhaul, clutch, tune up, exhaust, 90% body work done. trim & bumpers removed - have pieces, hubcaps. over \$2500 spent, ask \$1500. Jerry 248 404-5884.

FOR SALE: Nice driver side door for an FC No rust-thru - no window -- Located in Southeast Michigan. \$50 if you come and get it. - Caveman Pete

WANTED: one 1964 Corvair front compartment lid call Cecil 734-262-0068

FOR SALE: 64 Monza accessory parts, emblems, lens and too many parts to list - call Cecil Rollins @ 734-262-0068

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https://www.facebook.com/#
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The Detroit Area Corvair Club is a charter chapter of CORSA, Inc. Monthly meetings are held on the First Tuesday of each month, 7PM, at the WATERFORD ELKS Club, on Scott Lake Rd, Waterford, MI 4/10 mi south of Dixie Hwy. Meetings are open to DACC Members, friends, and all interested in the Corvair. Come early; join us for dinner in the ELKS dining room. Choose entries from their menu.

MEETING **TUESDAY, January 7th 2014** Corvairs in the Winter HAPPY NEW YEAR

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FIRST CLASS

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Event Calendar

- Jan 7 DACC Meeting at Elks Club
- Jan 11 Second Saturday Breakfast Event
- Feb 4 DACC Meeting at Elks Club
- Feb 8 Second Saturday Breakfast Event
- Mar 4 DACC Meeting at Elks Club
- Mar 8 Second Saturday Breakfast Event

Activities, Bill Johnson C/313-333-9707

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