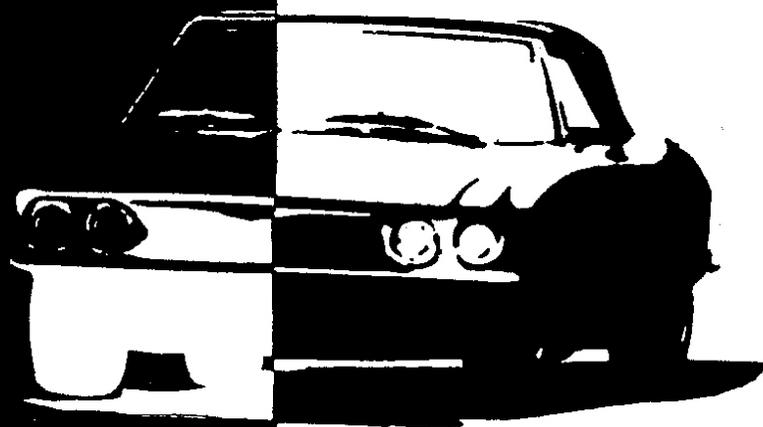


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### **Meetings**

Monthly meetings of the Corvaire Club of Cincinnati, unless otherwise specified in this Newsletter, are held on the second Friday of each month starting at 8:00 PM. Currently, the meeting place is the Mount Healthy Community Center near the pool.

### **Newsletter**

The *Negative Camber* is the monthly newsletter of the Corvaire Club of Cincinnati and is received free by all members. Ads and items for inclusion should be sent to the Editors:

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Deadline for material to be included in the Newsletter is the third Monday of each month for publication in the following month's Newsletter.

**CLUB WEBSITE: <http://myplace.frontier.com/~schwetdd/>**

# The Prez Sez . . .

*May 2012*

*We had a big turnout at the April pizza meeting. Roger, we tried to save you some, but our willpower was weak – better luck next time. We had some new folks and one from the past attend the meeting and then join our club. Brain May and his wife, George Nyktas and his wife and Russ Brandenburg. Brian had recently purchased a 1960 and had pictures to share.*

*You know, in the last several months we've picked up more new members than in the last several years! It really makes me feel good to see the interest. It's fun to sit and listen to the questions of the newer members and the answers provided by the experience of the longtime members. We are getting a nice mix of new and longtime diehard members. Go CCC!!!*

*Some upcoming events are the Mid-Ohio meet on June 24<sup>th</sup> and the Hamilton Car Parade on the 28<sup>th</sup> of July. The national convention in Sturbridge, MA is July 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>. A couple of our Cincy members always make it to the nationals. Mark your calendars now; these are all great events.*

*We will cover the details of these events at the next meeting.*

*There is one other BIG event occurring in April; it is the Walter Mitty vintage road race in Atlanta, Georgia. There will be 15 race-prepared Corvairs on hand. It is believed this is the most ever. I expect a couple of our members to make the trip. Look forward to an update at the next meeting.*

*See you at the next meeting . . . Vairs Rule!*



# Just-A-Minute

**April 13, 2012**

Meeting called to order by Joe at 8:11 PM. There were 19 in attendance.

Mike reported a balance of \$4,426.65 in the Club treasury.

The meeting was attended by new faces, Brian and Robin May. They have recently purchased a 1961 coupe. Welcome!

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The trip to EnterTRAINment Junction was discussed. We are pursuing making the purchase of a Corvair scale model to donate to their display.

Greg Bodenbug thanked the Club for its donation to the League for Animal Welfare. The donation was made in support of Greg's participation in a road rally to benefit the organization.

Wes and Anthony reported that the Corvair Performance Workshop was well-attended. A good time was had by all.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The Mid-Ohio Meet is scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>.

The CORSA National Convention will take place beginning on July 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Hamilton parade will be held on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

Mike displayed a cloth calendar that the Club had printed in 1980. We are investigating having new ones made if there is sufficient interest from our members to do so.

Cindy suggested having a Club event at a Dayton Dragons baseball game. She is checking into ticket prices and suitable game dates.

Greg B. has contacted the local VW club to see if they would consider including us in their annual show at G.E. Park. More details as they become available.

Dues for 2012 are (over) due.

We had pizza!

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph Gubser, Secretary

**May 11, 2012**

Meeting called to order by V.P. Spencer Duffey @ 8:15 PM.  
There were 13 members in attendance.

Mike reported a balance in the Club treasury of \$4,406.65.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Mid-Ohio meet at Caesar's Creek is scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Hamilton parade is scheduled for July 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Club received a thank-you letter from The League for Animal Welfare in appreciation for the donation made to support Greg Bodenburg's participation in their charity rally.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The 10th annual Mad Anthony Corvair Classic car show and swap meet will be held in Fort Wayne, IN on June 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>.

Spencer and Joe attended the Mitty racing event in Atlanta on May 4-5. Spencer brought his computer and shared many photos of the event. Looked like a great time!

Meeting adjourned @ 8:50 PM.

After the formal meeting, the Club held a small farewell party for long-time Club member John Bennetto. John and his wife Verona are relocating to Rochester, NY to be nearer their daughter and grandchildren. Many thanks to Patty Demeter for the delicious cakes she made for the party. John has promised to forward his new e-mail address to us so that we may continue to send the Negative Camber to him each month. Best of luck John and Verona! We'll miss you.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph Gubser, Secretary

# Editor's Corner

NEW Club Website: <http://myplace.frontier.com/~schwetdd/>

Corvair Club of Cincinnati Yahoo Group:  
<http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/corvaircincy/>

## **DUES ARE PAST DUE**

### **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

Corvair Club of Cincinnati  
c/o Mike Demeter  
2440 Brenda Drive  
Hamilton, OH 45013

\$10.00 for CORSA Members  
\$15.00 for CORSA NonMembers

Call Mike if you have any questions, 513-737-7981.

**DON'T FORGET, the 2012 Mid-Ohio Corvair Meet will be held at Caesar Creek State Park on Sunday, June 24, 2012 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The hosts this year are the Dayton Corvair Club (in conjunction with the Columbus Mid-Ohio Vair Force and Corvair Club of Cincinnati). Please bring your own drinks, place settings, a covered dish to share, and a hearty appetite. The Dayton club will be providing the meat, buns and condiments. There will be games, door prizes, awards, fun and Vairs! Registration is \$7 per adult or \$10 for a family. Lunch is scheduled for noon.**

**Caesar Creek State Park is located approximately 4 miles east of Waynesville, OH on the south side of RT-73 just west of Oregonia Road at the 50 Springs Picnic Area on the east side of the lake.**

**For more information, please contact Jim at 937-429-2291 and/or visit <http://www.kcvairbrush.com/midohiomeet.html> for full details of the event and a map of the area.**

## **TWO STEPS FORWARD, TWO STEPS BACK**

*Submitted by Ralph Gubser*

In many ways, today's new cars are amazing. They start instantly, idle quietly, most get excellent gas mileage, and they are more reliable and require far less maintenance than their older models. Good warranties, too. Progress, no doubt.

But in many ways, it seems that today's machines have taken a few strides in the wrong direction. Over the next few months, I will share with you some examples of areas where I think most new cars have managed to turn progress on its head.

### **CHAPTER 1 - BUMPERS**

Many of us can remember in the early 1970s when various consumer advocates were railing against the handsome but ineffective chrome bumpers on cars of the 1960s and early 1970s. To save us from our plight, the consumerists (with enthusiastic approval from the insurance industry) prevailed upon the federal government to require sturdier bumpers on all new cars beginning with the 1973 model year; and it worked. The new bumpers were unattractive and ungainly, but they did afford superior protection in low-speed impacts.

Fast-forward to today. Do you honestly believe that the plastic-clad moustaches on most any new car will survive a 5 mph hit? Not bloody likely. At the very least, the paint will splinter. In the worst case, the soft plastic facebar will (a) crack or (b) shatter completely. A 1960s chrome bumper may have suffered a slight dent in such an impact, but on a new car the damage will be far more severe, guaranteed. My wife bumped a PLASTIC garbage can in the garage with her Caravan at maybe 3 mph. The paint on the front bumper was scarred to the point that the damage wouldn't polish away; so, either you schedule a trip to the paint shop or you just learn to live with it. Ironically, even the worst of the 1960s bumpers would have been absolutely undamaged in such an impact. Progress, right?

Now, if the excuse for having crappy bumpers today is that car manufacturers want them to be color-matched, why not bring back the Endura plastic-painted bumpers like those on the 1968 Pontiac GTO? I can remember the television commercials that showed them being bashed with crow bars and ball-peen hammers - didn't leave a mark on them. This fairly begs the question: Where are the consumer do-gooders of 40 years ago when you really need them?

# Corvair Trade

'65 vert for sale in northern Hamilton Co.--parts car--good drive train--110 with a 4sp and extra parts including a NEW top. Mike Warmbier, 513-907-4679 (cell), 513-777-2668 (home), [crosley31@gmail.com](mailto:crosley31@gmail.com).

I have 2 Corvair Ramp Side 95 pickups. I am looking for a T-5, 5-speed transmission that was built by Boxer/Linn Richardson Group. Clark's sold some (12-18 I'm told); I'm trying to locate someone who has one or at least has some info about them. I have all the info that was on the web, but no one answers faxes, emails or classified ads. If you have any info, it would be greatly appreciated. Smokey, 510-553-9800 (Office), 510-385-4227 (Cell), [smokeystoffer@somersetstudios.us](mailto:smokeystoffer@somersetstudios.us).

WANTED: Working Corvair spare tire lock and key. Ralph Gubser, 513-741-8247 or [rgubser@zoomtown.com](mailto:rgubser@zoomtown.com).

Carlton Smith (317-697-0318), President of the Circle City Corvair Club, is interested in 14 x 6 steel wheels with 4.5 offset.

Pair of balanced late-model half-shafts with new u-joints; rebuilt alternator; pair of modified cylinder heads with Holley 5210 carbs; parts for exhaust header system. Gary Pierce, 513-497-5069.

This car is a work in progress. The interior was removed, rusted pieces of the floor were removed, and a new floor is halfway tacked into place. Exterior of car is in decent shape with minor rust. The motor starts and runs. The brakes have been removed because of a broken line. Everything is original, including the motor and trans. I have all the parts to put the car back together, and all the parts go with the car. This is a solid car for the money and is ready to modify and make into whatever kind of car you want. Asking \$1,800.00 OBO for the car and all the parts. The car is located in Springfield, OH. I would like whatever help you can give passing this information around to help sell the car. (See Next 4 Pictures) David, 937-324-4930.

*Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary  
to All Celebrating During the Months  
of June & July!*







Wes Greiwe  
*Still need to install engine and interior, but I'm almost there!*



# Upcoming Events

## **June 23, 2012**

Milwaukee Corvair Club & Chicagoland Corvair Enthusiasts Corvairs at Volo Auto Museum, Volo, IL, Andy Rominiecki, 847-838-5549 or [aromini@comcast.net](mailto:aromini@comcast.net)

## **June 24, 2012**

Dayton Corvair Club Mid-Ohio Corvair Meet, Waynesville, OH  
Caesar Creek State Park, 50 Springs Picnic Area, [jlstuk@juno.com](mailto:jlstuk@juno.com)

## **July 4, 2012**

Green County Antique & Classic Car Club Car Show & Swap Meet  
Green County Fairgrounds, Xenia, OH

## **July 13, 2012**

**8:00 PM:** Monthly CCC Meeting, Mt. Healthy Community Center

## **July 24, 2012**

Northeast Corvair Council CORSA International Convention,  
Sturbridge, MA

## **July 28, 2012**

Antique and Classic Car Club of Butler County Antique and Classic Car  
Parade, Hamilton/Fairfield OH, [www.anticuecars.org](http://www.anticuecars.org)

## **August 3, 2012**

Lehigh Valley Corvair Club Das Awkscht Fescht, Macungie, PA  
610-398-3689 or [rjkvair@aol.com](mailto:rjkvair@aol.com)

## **August 10, 2012**

**8:00 PM:** Monthly CCC Meeting, Mt. Healthy Community Center

## **August 11, 2012**

Flag City BalloonFest Classic Car Show, Findlay, OH  
Kim Wilhelm, 419-427-8064 or [kimwilhelm@thecourier.com](mailto:kimwilhelm@thecourier.com)

## **August 23, 2012**

Detroit Area Corvair Club Corvair Homecoming, Plymouth, MI  
Pete Cimbala, 810-621-9866 or 810-241-8593

## **August 25, 2012**

Connecticut CORSA Air-Cooled at the Orchard, Middlefield, CT  
860-621-7551

## **September 14, 2012**

**8:00 PM:** Monthly CCC Meeting, Mt. Healthy Community Center

## **September 21-22, 2012**

Hoosier Auto Show & Swap Meet, Indianapolis, IN  
Marion County Fairgrounds, [www.hoosierautoshow.com](http://www.hoosierautoshow.com)

**September 22, 2012 (Tentative)**

Orphan Car Show, Young's Jersey Dairy, Yellow Springs, OH

**October 12, 2012**

**8:00 PM:** Monthly CCC Meeting, Mt. Healthy Community Center

**November 9, 2012**

**8:00 PM:** Monthly CCC Meeting, Mt. Healthy Community Center

**December 14, 2012**

**8:00 PM:** Monthly CCC Meeting, Mt. Healthy Community Center

**Late July 2013**

Western Michigan Corvair Club CORSA International Convention,  
Kalamazoo, MI

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Hot Rod  
Magazine,  
1961

**OUTA MY WAY SON!**

Dear Sir:

I have been an avid reader of HOT ROD Magazine for several years. I am enclosing a picture of my 1960 Corvair which I hope rates a spot in your magazine. It has a stock Corvair engine with dual exhausts.

It was top eliminator of South Central

Kentucky Drags with an e.t. of 17.48. I have participated at several drag strips in and around Kentucky and have won several trophies.

Although I am a Grandmother, I enjoy drag racing very much. Thank you.

Mrs. Rex England  
Glasgow, Kentucky

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