

Vair Views

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PREZ SAYS

Greetings Everyone,

Our lunch and meeting at Chuck-A-Burger in late September was a great event again this year. Turnout was strong, including 1 past member and 2 prospective members. Past member Arlo Curtiss showed up with his black-over-yellow 1965 Monza,

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upgraded to 180hp motor and trim, that he is selling. Prospective new member, and now our newest member, Pat Dunn attended in search of a Corvair. I put him in touch with several members with cars for sale, and he's now the proud owner of Bob Marsh's 1966 Corsa 140! Russ Neal showed up and told us about his white-over-red 1966 Monza 140 that he had in the shop for hail damage repair. Russ plans to drive to the tech session in his Corvair now that it's back from the shop, and join our club!

Speaking of which, this coming Saturday 10/25 is the tech session at my/Kris' house. To date, 21 people plan to attend. *If you plan to attend, but have not yet sent your RSVP, please do so today!* At the meeting we will re-open nominations (please consider self-nominating to take a more active role in our club) and then elect our 2026 officers.

As a reminder, nominations for the 2025 Cavagna Award are needed and accepted until November 1st.

Let's enjoy our Vairs this fall!

Kent

SHOW ME CORVAIR CLUB 2025 MEETING AND EVENTS SCHEDULE

Don't miss the October 25th Tech Session at Goddard's Garage-Mahal



The Event:

- Work on cars (rain or shine, we have space to get 3 or 4 cars into the garage; the 2-post lift will be available)
- Games (Baggo, Kuub, bocce ball, The Game of Wash, etc.) for those not interested in getting their hands dirty, or giving advice
- Coffee and snacks in the morning
- Potluck lunch (dogs, brats, etc.)

The Details:

- Saturday Oct 25th
- Arrive 9:30 or anytime thereafter, lunch about noon, meeting after lunch
- 18070 Deer Haven Dr., Wildwood, MO 63038

What You Need to Do:

- 1. Contact us by email or phone ASAP if you plan to attend
- 2. Let us know what you'd like to bring in the way of food or drink
- 3. Let us know if you plan to work on your car and, if so, what you hope to accomplish
- 4. Order your parts NOW so that you receive them in time

<u>This will be a fun day whether you want to work on cars or not.</u> Hope to have great attendance, **including spouses.**

RSVP.

Kent and Kris Goddard 314-258-6472

kentgoddard@msn.com

Date	Event	Coordinator and other information
October 25th	Tech Session at the Goddard's	Coordinators: Kent and Kris Goddard
November 27th	Ameren Thanksgiving Day Parade, downtown St. Louis	Coordinator: Tom James
December 26th	Christmas Luncheon: Noon to 4PM, Rich and Charlie's	Coordinators: Suzanne Cavagna. Need two additional coordinators,

New Member Profile

Patrick Dunn

The Member Profile for this issue is for a new member, Patrick Dunn, who plans to attend the Tech Session in his car. If you are planning to be there, be sure to introduce yourself.

Here is what Pat had to tell us about himself and his interest in Corvairs.

Pat told us he just acquired his 1966 Bronze 140 Corsa convertible in running and driving condition because he had one in high school and always liked the late model body style. Then he got down to what we suspect is the real reason he liked them, explaining that he loved how well they did donuts in the snow (Editor's note: Pat, many of us are "guilty" on that account so you are among friends). Pat did throw a fanbelt on the first Corvair he owned, so if you have fanbelt advice offer it to him at the Tech Session.



Both photos are of Pat's Corsa



His dream Corvair would be a late

model convertible 140 Powerglide in a color other than Bronze. Or a Corvair wagon. And wouldn't we all love to own a wagon even if just for a little while.

If he could own any classic car regardless of cost Pat would take almost any early 50s Chevy car or a first generation (62-65) Chevy II or Nova. The car he would most like to own again is a 69 Chevelle. Catch the Chevy theme

here? When it came to recalling his fondest car-centered memory Pat simply said, "Many dates." You'll have to ask him for more specifics on that description.

In addition to that 69 Chevelle Pat has owned more than one 56 Chevy, a 67 Chevelle, a 66 Pontiac Grand Prix, 66 Pontiac GTO (the Editor is envious of that one), and a 68 Buick Riviera. On top of those classics, he enjoys motorcycles as a hobby.





This 66 GTO is a stunner, even with the aftermarket wheels. The 66 Grand Prix was L-O-N-N-G and definitely Grand. And who doesn't like a first generation Nova? Pat has owned them all, and more.



Nominations and Elections for 2026 SMCC Officers

By Kent Goddard

This newsletter contains a ballot for our 2026 officer positions (see the next page). Nominations remain open, however, until our meeting this coming Saturday at the tech session, where we'll conduct the voting. If you wish to vote but cannot attend the tech session / meeting on Saturday, then you can send a completed ballot to Suzanne Cavagna (sjcavagna@gmail.com) by this coming Friday evening and your vote will be included in the tally on Saturday.

For continued viability, the SMCC really needs some new folks to step up and take a more active role in the operation of the club. Please consider self-nominating for one of our elected positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and (2) at-large Board Members.

Call me at 314-258-6472 with questions about the roles and/or to self-nominate.



2025 Cavagna Award Nominations

By Kent Goddard

Each October we seek nominations for club members who, during the current year, have significantly contributed to advancing the mission, goals, activities, and ideals of the Show-Me Corvair Club, and who have displayed the exemplary personal qualities of the award's namesakes, John and Joan Cavagna. Lifetime accomplishments may be used as a tiebreaker or, in rare cases, as a basis for the award.

The SMCC Board of Directors will meet in early November to review the nominations and select the 2025 recipient, assuming there is a person deemed worthy of the honor by the Board. The recipient will be announced, and a presentation will be made, at our Christmas luncheon on Saturday December 6th.

Nominations close on October 31st, so please mail a written nomination today or bring it to the tech session.

SMCC Officers and Advisors

Officers & Board Members

President – Kent Goddard Vice President – Ron Karl Treasurer – Ron Karl Secretary – Suzanne Cavagna

Additional Board Members

Past President – Bob Bauer Elected from general membership: Doug Riser and Larry Pratt

Advisors

Newsletter Editor – Mark Moyer Historian – Tom James Membership Chairman – Trevor Monninger Facebook Page Manager – Nick Raeber Send in your own member profile so your fellow members can get to know you better. You will find a copy of the profile form at the end of this newsletter. Send the completed form to markgmoyer1@gmail.com and your profile can be in the next issue.

Show Me Corvair Club – Mail-In Ballot for 2026 Club Officers

Instructions: In-person voting will be conducted on Saturday October 25th at the Tech Session. If you're unable to attend the Tech Session, you can print this ballot, record your votes, and submit the ballot the club Secretary, Suzanne Cavagna, 9120 Coral Drive, Afton, MO 63123. Or you can email a scan or photo of your completed ballot to Suzanne at sjcavagna@gmail.com.

President:		
	Kent Goddard (incumbent)	
	Write-in:	
Vice Preside	ent:	
	Phillip Kost	
	_Write-in:	
Secretary:		
	Suzanne Cavagna (incumbent)	
	_Write-in:	
Treasurer:		
	Don Hemwall	
	_Write-in:	
Signed:		
Print Name:		
Date:		

Chuck-a-Burger Get Together and Meeting



That's a nice line-up of cars to the right. And to the left Kent is discussing his car with a new friend while others watch.



Below: Couple of early 50's Chevy pickups and their owners were among those grabbing a burger with us.

Right: Past member Arlo Curtis brought his yellow Corsa clone that is for sale. Reach him at arlocurtis3@gmail.com









Above: In addition to great burgers, fries, fried mushrooms and drinks we actually had a meeting. Kent kept it brief and to the point. In attendance were the Goddards, Moyers, Suzanne Cavagna, Larrry Pratt, Charlie and Nathan Geiler, Jack Holahan, Don Hemwall, Bill Hutchens, Russ Neal, Pat Dunn, and past member Arlo Curtis.



Above: This is what happens when you drop a chocolate shake on the pavement. What a shame. Those shakes are delicious. Fortunately, Chuck-a-Burger replaced it at no cost.

2025 Car Cruises, Events and Shows

Every Fri. Apr -Oct ~ 1980& older~ 3889 Veterans Memorial Parkway Every Fri Apr - Sept ~ Sonic Restaurant, 1002 S. Kirkwood Rd. 1st Fri Memories Car Club Cruise~ 4 to 9 pm~ 1979 & Older ~ 417-700103 @ Faith Church, Corner of Hwy 30 & Rahning Rd. ~	O'Fallon, MO Kirkwood, MO Fenton, MO			
2 nd Fri Hardy's Restaurant~ 2850 Lemay Ferry Rd.	St. Louis, MO			
2 nd Fri April-Sept-Hotshots Bar-1239 S. Laclede Station Rd. 314-755-1550 Webster Groves,MO				
2 nd Sat. Rolla Cruise-In ~Big Lots Parking Lot, 1001 S Bishop~ 573-634-0865 2 nd Sat Apr-Oct JJ's ~1215 S. Duchesne~ 636-946-3500~	Rolla, MO St. Charles, MO			
2 nd Sat Apr-Oct~MO Moonshiners Cruise-in~Thriftway Parking Lot 5-8PM	Linn, MO			
2 nd Sat Apr-Oct~Owensville Cruisers,meet @ Snowensville @4PM,573-999-7998	3 Owensville, MO			
3 rd Sat-May-Oct ~ (new)Cloverleaf Sports Bar- 6070 Telegraph Rd., 314-293-1815	Oakville, MO			
3 rd Sat-May-Sept Gearheads Cruise-in~ 5-9PM, downtown Ste Genevieve	Ste. Genevieve, MO			
4 th Sun-Rides & Coffee~ Detail Garage, 70 Meramec Valley Plaza, 1-3, dogs & coffee	Valley Park, MO			
Last Sat- Apr-Oct ~ Bobby's Place- 5PM-9PM, 108 Meramec Valley Plaza, 141 & Marshall Valley Park, MO				
Last Sat- Raisin' Canes, 5PM-9PM, DJ Don,1163 Jeffco Blvd ½ mi S of 141	Arnold, MO			
Last Sat. JJ's ~ Apr-Aug.~ 200 Fort Zumwalt Sq. ~636-978-1737~ 10:30 am-3 pm	O'Fallon, MO			
Last Sat ~ Caffeine & Chrome ~Feb-Nov~Gateway Classics 1237 Central Park Dr	O'Fallon, IL			
Last Sat ~Capital Mall Cruise-in, 3-7 PM at Capital Mall (New time)	Jefferson City, MO			
1 st Wed every month- 7 PM, First Capitol Classics Auto Club meeting, Sports Ca	fé,			
3579 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044 firstcapitolclassics@yahoo.com	Bridgeton, MO			
1 st Thurs every month- 7 PM, Rt. 66 Car Club meeting, St. Clair Elks Lodge	St. Clair, MO			
35 E. North St. (Frontage on N. Commercial St.)				
1st Thurs every month- 7 PM, Gateway GTO Assoc. meeting, Ginghams Restaurant	St. Charles, MO			
1566 Country Club Plaza Dr. St. Charles, MO 63303 chriswinslow@charter.net				
1st Thurs every month- 7:30PM STL S/R Assoc. meeting, Location TBD	Wildwood, MO			
Barry Gan, 314-315-1712 or 636-244-0316 after 5. St.louisstreetrods@gmail.co	<u>om</u>			
1st Thurs every month- 7PM,Rt 66 Corvette Club meeting,Old Hickory Golf Club	St. Peters, MO			
1st Sat every month-Cars-n-Coffee,Immanuel Lutheran Church,214 W.5th,8am-10amWashington,MO				
2 nd Tuesday every month-7PM, Archway Olds meeting, Sports Café,	Bridgeton, MO			
3579 Pennbridge Dr. Bridgeton archwayoldsclub.org				
2 nd Tuesday every month-7PM, Original Corvette Club meeting, Dogwood Social House,				
15682 Manchester Rd.63011	Ballwin, MO			
2 nd Sunday every month-5:30 PM, Gateway AMC, Bandanas, 11750 Gravois	Sunset Hills, MO			
3 rd Fri most months~HCCM of STL, email perschgs3@gmail.com for time & place(variousSTL location), MO				
4 th Thurs every month-6 PM, Mid-Mo Old Car Club, location varies ck midmooldcar.club Jefferson City, MO				
4th Fri every month-7:30 PM VCCA(GMC also), WestCtyEMS, 223 Henry Ave, VCCA. ORG Manchester, MO				

June 21-GTA Donnie Wehmeyer Mem. Car Show~Reg 8-12,\$15,30 classes	Rosebud, MO
June 28- Pacific Car Show~8AM-noon, drive-thru judging, Rt. 66 Car Club will judge	Pacific, MO
July 12-Moose is Loose Car Show~ 9-3, 50 & Koelling, \$20, food avail. 636-583-644	14 Union, MO
July16-19-OCA Nationals~ Holiday Inn Bo	wling Green, KY
July 20- Car Show- Owensville Threshers ~ 10-2:30	Rosebud, MO
July 26-GTA Gasconade Fair Car Show~Reg 9-12, \$20-includes 2 free fair entries	Owensville, MO
Aug 16-GTA Honor Flight Poker Run~ White Mule Winery, 12-6PM	Rosebud, MO
Aug 22-24- Auto Swap Meet~ Ozark Empire Fairgrounds	Springfield, MO
Aug 22-23-Blue Oval Rally~ All Ford Gathering	Herman, MO
	St. Charles, MO
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Sept 6- Pontiac Car Display~ Early Times Chapter, Orchard Park, 9-3,314-795-4700	St. Clair, MO
Sept 6-Wheels in Motion Charity Car Show~Church on the Rock,900 Birdie Hills Rock	d St. Peters, MO
Sept 14- HCCM Car Show & Swap Meet~ location TBD	(TBD),
Sept 19-21~Mo Rt66 tour missouri66.org/events/2025-motor-tour Leba	anon, Spfgld MO
Sept 20-21- All Pontiac Show~ Courthouse Square at Pontiac Oakland Museum	Pontiac, IL
Sept 20-Show-Me Regional Car Show~ Thompson Car Sales lot, reg 9-11,\$20	Springfield, MO
Sept 20-GTA Fall Festival Car Show~Reg 9-1,Immaculate Conception Church, \$15	Owensville, MO
Sept 20-Ambassadors Fall Festival Car Show~Craft Fair,9-2,Sullivan Fairgrounds	Sullivan, MO
Sept 21-All Ford Powered Car Show~Walmart,401 Supercenter Dr.,65101 Je	efferson City, MO
Sept 27-Mid- MO Old Car Roundup & Show~reg 8-10 AM, Broadway & Dunklin	Jeff City, MO
Sept 28-Archway All Oldsmobile Fun Show~Frisco Hills Auto, Baumgartner Rd.	Oakville, MO
Sept 28-Octoberfest Car Show~South Main Street, Stock only, Awards - 22 classes	St. Charles, MO
Oct 4- Fall Cruise-in & Poker Run~10:30-1:30, 50 & Koelling, Benefits Camp Hope	Union, MO

Nov 1-Collector Car Trivia Nite-American Legion Hall 312

St. Charles, MO

SMCC Member Profile: Please complete and return to Mark Moyer at Markgmoyer1@gmail.com, or mail to 2220 Edge Wood Manor Lane, Wildwood, MO 63011. We'd like to get to know you better. Member Name: Corvairs you currently own: Year, color, body style, drivetrain, running or non-running, how often do you drive it? When and why did you buy it (them)? What is it that you like most about Corvairs? Any interesting story about your Corvair, or others you have owned: Describe your dream Corvair: Corvair job you hate most (e.g. brakes, upholstery, oil change, etc.): Have you ever thrown a fanbelt? Other than a Corvair, and assuming money is no object, what classic domestic or foreign car or truck would you most like to own and why? What car or truck would be a close second? Name one car you'd most like to have back, including cars from your childhood to today. Fondest car-centered memory ("G" rated version). (first date, parade, best compliment you received, etc.)

Do you/have you owned any other classic cars, and what are they?

Other hobbies or activities you participate in: