

# Vair Views

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Greetings Everyone,

I was very pleased to have so many members attend the Tech Session at our house on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We got a lot of work done, including installing a windshield in Nick Raeber's restoration project, quieting the "chirping" from Kurt Arthur's valve train, a new steering wheel and turn signal switch for Tom Yengle, and resolving the "stiff shifting" problem on Russ Neal's car. The Kost's started their shift tube bushing project and came back later to install it in the car. We enjoyed great snacks and a lunch of grilled brats and dogs plus many wonderful side dishes and desserts. Thank you, everyone, for bringing so much tasty food!

This coming Saturday is our drive to the car show and festival in Pawnee, IL. Responses to date have been few and far between. **If you have not already done so, please respond to the email that Mark Moyer sent on May 26<sup>th</sup>. And remember, this will be a fun day whether you drive your Corvair or a different vehicle.**

Our June event is just over 2 weeks away, on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. We'll be taking a day trip to Meramec Caverns! This will also be a fun trip whether you drive your Corvair or a different vehicle.

I hope to see you soon!

Kent

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*Check out the restored Corvair Fitch Sprint at the National Museum of Transportation in St. Louis. John Fitch was a famous racer who had a love of our favorite cars. Roughly 1200 Sprints were build over a decade and this is your chance to see one. Drive your Corvair to the museum and check it out.*

*More info in the link below:*

[Chevrolet Corvair Corsa Fitch Sprint - National Museum of Transportation](#)

On May 30th our club will caravan to Pawnee, Illinois to attend the Pawnee Prairie Days car show. We had a great time last year meeting other car fans and enjoying meeting up with the Prairie Capitol Corvair Association members. Please send Mark Moyer and email if you plan to attend:

markgmoyer1@gmail.com

2026 Pawnee Prairie Days Car Show  
Curry Funeral Home Parking Lot  
407 Carroll Streets (Route 104) Pawnee IL



**Saturday May 30, 2026**

Registration – 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Judging begins at – 11:15 a.m.

Awards Presented – 1:30 p.m.

**Entry Fee Only – \$15**

Registration includes Lunch (1 lunch per registrant)

Display only - \$5 registration fee – no meal ticket

AWARDS FOR TOP IN EACH CLASS (CLASS LIST ON BACK)

Best of Show

Queen's Choice

Mayor's Choice

## Dean Meyer Member Profile

Dean Meyer is the owner of the in-process 1964 Spyder Convertible in classic Goldwood Yellow shown in the photos. Dick bought the Spyder in 2022 because he always wanted one but his wife didn't like them. As Dean puts it, "And now she is no longer my wife." He bought it because he always like the sporty look and we'd bet he will like that turbo boost too.

He says his dream Corvair is his Spyder in running condition and that he would like to find a Lakewood after the Spyder is back on the road. From the looks of it that may not be too far in the future. His most hated Corvair job is the daunting fuel tank installation and he has never thrown a fanbelt.

If money was not object Dean would love to own a 1965 Impala SS Convertible (wouldn't we all!) and that if he could have any car from the past back again it would be his father's 1966 Pontiac Bonneville.



In his spare time Dean like to trout fishing, running, biking and pickleball.

Final note: A quick thanks to Dean for submitting his profile twice. He submitted one over a year ago and you editor promptly lost it. Thanks, Dean. We hope to see that Spyder at a club meeting soon.



Above: Dick's favorite '65 Impala and a beautiful '66 Bonneville.  
Dick has good taste.

## Another successful Tech Session

Another successful tech session and club meeting were held at Kris and Kent Goddard's Garage Mahal with plenty of time for eating and socializing. Enjoy the photos.



Left: What a nice group of cars. Painted or original patina ya' gotta' love them all.

Below: Just a shot to prove we really do have meetings.



Left: Nick says, "Really, you want me to hit the moulding on my newly installed window with a hammer. Just doesn't seem like a good idea but here goes." Below: The window install process is like organized chaos, hands flying, beating on the windshield, quick changes in where to put pressure, and considerable stress (Don't crack it), but it works. Helps to have a couple experienced guys involved. Dean Meyer is watching intently, knowing he'll be installing a window in the future.



Above: Kent the engineer says, "Maybe we could build a rotisserie so we could turn these cars over and make it easier to work on the bottom?"



## More from the tech session



There is always food at the tech session. And good food too!



Above, below and below left: The 67 (I think?) four-door four speed purchased new by Mike Kost's father. Mike and Phil plan to resurrect it and get it back on the road for the first time since 1979. The hardest part may be deciding whether to paint over Mike's sister's initials she carved in the front fender. But the car is complete and we all know these cars will fire up with some loving care and the Kost's are certainly capable of that. Lot's of barn dust and dirt covering the engine bay but it will clean up. The interior is complete and in nice condition under the dust. I'd bet it will be on the road sooner rather than later.



### SMCC Officers and Advisors

#### **Officers & Board Members**

President – Kent Goddard

Vice President – Phillip Kost

Treasurer – Don Hemwall

Secretary – Suzanne Cavagna

#### **Additional Board Members**

Past President – Bob Bauer

Elected from membership:

Bill Hutchens and Charlie Geiler



## For Sale

Dean Meyer has a couple '66 Missouri license plates for sale at a very low price of \$20 each. These plates typically go for much more online so if you have or plan to have a '66 this is a good deal. Photos of the plates are below.

Contact Dean at [kdem227@yahoo.com](mailto:kdem227@yahoo.com)



## SMCC 2026 Calendar of Events

Some events and times are tentative. Other events, and options to those listed, are still in consideration.  
See the meeting minutes distributed by Suzanne Cavagna.

Date	Event	Coordinator
May 30	Pawnee Prairie Days Car Show in Pawnee, Illinois. Joint event with Prairie Capitol Corvair Association.	Mark Moyer
June 13	Meramec Caverns drive and cave tour	Brett Starostky
June 22-26	CORSA Convention in Gettysburg, PA	
July 4	America's Birthday Parade, downtown St. Louis	Tom James
July 11	Cars and Coffee at Fast Lane Classic Cars in St. Charles	Dean Meyer
August 7	Memories Car Club show at Faith Church Sunset Hills	TBD
August 22	General meeting and bowling. Location TBD	Suzanne Cavagna
September Date TBD	All Chevy Car Show – sponsored by Fabulous Fifties Chevy Club at Museum of Transportation	Don Hemwall
September 26	Chuck-A-Burger lunch and meeting. May coordinate with one of the Corvette clubs	TBD
October Date TBD	Cruise the river road to Grafton with lunch at Fast Eddies or other location	Charlie Geiler
October 24	Tech Session at Goddard's Temple of Zoom	Kent and Kris Goddard
November 21 Date tentative	Ameren Thanks for Giving Day Parade, downtown St. Louis	Tom James
December 5 Noon—4pm	SMCC Christmas Luncheon and Celebration at Rich and Charlie's	Suzanne Cavagna, Kris Goddard

# All activities, including monthly meetings, are subject to postponement or cancellation

## 2026 Car Cruises

Every Fri. Apr -Oct ~ 1980& older~ 3889 Veterans Memorial Parkway	O'Fallon, MO
Every Fri Apr - Sept ~ Sonic Restaurant, 1002 S. Kirkwood Rd.	Kirkwood, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Fri Memories Car Club Cruise~ 4 to 9 pm~ 1979 & Older ~ 417-700103 @ Faith Church, Corner of Hwy 30 & Rahning Rd. ~	Fenton, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Sat-St Martins Church Cruise-in~	Dittmer, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Sat-Emmanuel Lutheran Church Cruise-in~ 5 <sup>th</sup> & Jefferson	Washington, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Fri Hardy's Restaurant~ 2850 Lemay Ferry Rd.	St. Louis, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Fri April-Sept-Hotshots Bar-1239 S. Laclede Station Rd. 314-755-1550	Webster Groves, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. Rolla Cruise-In ~Big Lots Parking Lot, 1001 S Bishop~ 573-634-0865	Rolla, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat Apr-Oct JJ's ~1215 S. Duchesne~ 636-946-3500~	St. Charles, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat Apr-Oct~MO Moonshiners Cruise-in~Thriftway Parking Lot 5-8PM	Linn, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat Apr-Oct~Owensville Cruisers,meet @ Snowensville @4PM,573-999-7998	Owensville, MO
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat-May-Oct ~ (new)Cloverleaf Sports Bar- 6070 Telegraph Rd., 314-293-1815	Oakville, MO
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat-May-Sept Gearheads Cruise-in~ 5-9PM, downtown Ste Genevieve	Ste. Genevieve, MO
4 <sup>th</sup> 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
Select Sats-Red Cedar Mini-Cruise-in~ 10AM-1, free, Red Cedar Inn Visitor Center lot	Pacific, MO

## 2026 "Come Join Us"

1 <sup>st</sup> Wed every month- 7 PM, First Capitol Classics Auto Club meeting, Sports Café, 3579 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044 <a href="mailto:firstcapitolclassics@yahoo.com">firstcapitolclassics@yahoo.com</a>	Bridgeton, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs every month- 7 PM, Rt. 66 Car Club meeting, St. Clair Elks Lodge 35 E. North St. (Frontage on N. Commercial St.)	St. Clair, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs every month- 7 PM, Gateway GTO Assoc. meeting, Ginghams Restaurant 1566 Country Club Plaza Dr. St. Charles, MO 63303 <a href="mailto:chriswinslow@charter.net">chriswinslow@charter.net</a>	St. Charles, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs every month- 7:30PM STL S/R Assoc. meeting, Location TBD Barry Gan, 314-315-1712 or 636-244-0316 after 5. <a href="mailto:St.louisstreetrods@gmail.com">St.louisstreetrods@gmail.com</a>	Wildwood, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs every month- 7PM,Rt 66 Corvette Club meeting,Old Hickory Golf Club	St. Peters, MO
1 <sup>st</sup> Sat every month-Cars-n-Coffee,Immanuel Lutheran Church,214 W.5 <sup>th</sup> ,8am-10am	Washington, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday every month-7PM, Archway Olds meeting, Sports Café, 3579 Pennridge Dr. Bridgeton <a href="http://archwayoldclub.org">archwayoldclub.org</a>	Bridgeton, MO
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday every month-7PM, Original Corvette Club meeting, Dogwood Social House, 15682 Manchester Rd.63011	Ballwin, MO

## 2026 Car Events

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday every month**-5:30 PM, Gateway AMC, Bandanas, 11750 Gravois      Sunset Hills, MO
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed**-AACCA, 7PM, Sports Café, 3579Pennridge Dr, gharris7.wixsite.com/gateway      Bridgeton, MO
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri**-HCCMO- 7PM, Shrine Center,12545 Fee Fee Rd., HCCMO.COM, [jhartm101@att.net](mailto:jhartm101@att.net)      63146, MO
- 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs every month**-6 PM, Mid-Mo Old Car Club, location varies ck midmooldcar.club      Jefferson City, MO
- 4<sup>th</sup> Fri every month**-7:30 PM VCCA(GMC also),WestCtyEMS, 223 Henry Ave,VCCA.ORG Manchester, MO
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- April 25-Springfest on Main Street**~GTA, 8AM-4, food, music, rain date 4/26      Owensville, MO
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- May 1-2-Magic Dragon Car Show**~      Lake Ozark, MO
- May 2-Union Band Boosters Car Show**~ Union High School      Union, MO
- May 3-Model T Swap Meet**~ GCS Grizzly Stadium, 6AM -4      East St Louis, IL
- May 9-Salute to the Troops Corvette Show**~Poage Chevy,8-10 reg.,bene USO      Wentzville, MO
- May 9-Festus Car Show**~1036 St. Pius Dr., 9-3, St Pius X High School      Festus, MO
- May 9- Loafers Car Show**~      Reg 8-12, \$35,Downtown      Hannibal, MO
- May 15-17-Heritage Park Car Show**~Sat evening cruise, 2 free meals 870-324-3270      Piggott, AR
- May 17- Misfits for Jesus Car Show**      Warrenton, MO
- May 30-Wheels in Motion Car Show**~9-2, Church on the Rock, 900 Birdie Hills Rd.      St. Peters, MO
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- June 6-Union Founders Day Parade & Car Show**~Union City Park      Union, MO
- June 6-Rt. 66 Summerfest Car Show**~      9-12,entry \$25, Downtown on Pine St      Rolla, MO
- June 7-White Rose Cruiz-N-66 Display**~ 208 E.Main St.,12PM-???. Free      Union, MO
- June 13-St Clair Historic Assoc Cruise in and Display**~10-2, museum parking lot      St Clair, MO
- June 14-Shriners Car Show**~2002 Arena Pkwy,reg 9-11, \$25,moolahyomo@yahoo St. Charles, MO
- June 20-Great American Race**~ overnight stop and display, Main Street, downtown      Collinsville, MO
- June 20-Donnie Wehmeyer Mem Car Show**- GTA, reg 8-12,City Park      Rosebud, MO
- June 21- Rt 66 Car Show in the Park**~ Reg 8-12, food vendors,29 classes,\$20      St. Clair, MO
- June 26-27-28-Cave State Cruisers Car Show in the Park**~W. City Park      Waynesville, MO
- June 27-Pacific Car Show**~8 AM-12 reg.,food, dyno,      Pacific, MO
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- July 17-19-Ames Performance Nationals**~ Car show Sat-\$60,Pontiacnationals.      Norwalk, OH
- July 22-25-National Oldsmobile Club Meet**~Wyndham Hotel      Indianapolis, IN

## SMCC Member Profile:

Member Name:

Corvairs you currently own:

Year, color, body style, drivetrain, running or non-running, how often do you drive it?

**Send in your 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 markmoyer1@gmail.com and your profile can be in the next issue. Or mail it to: Mark Moyer 2220 Edge Wood Manor Ln. Wildwood, MO 63011**

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: