## Central Oklahoma Corvair Association Newsletter

# Sept/Oct 2020



#### THE PREZ SEZ

**September**, a fine month for our Corvairs and us too. Remember we voted to hold this month's meeting a week early because many members have indicated they want to attend the Ada car show next Saturday. Get your Corvair out, check it over and get ready for the show. We will firm up our travel plans at the meeting for those who wish to travel together. We will also start laying out our plans for October and beyond.

This month at Ken's Cows and Corvairs ranch we have accomplished many repairs on member's cars. First off we did a rear brake job on Chris Teer's late model that turned out to be quite interesting. It all started because he had a leaking rear wheel cylinder. When we pulled the rear drums off something just didn't look right, someone had modified the rears by removing the short metal lines and installing longer brake hoses in their place. We figured since it had been operating that way for years that we would just change out the wheel cylinders, install new shoes and press on. That idea just wasn't that easy, after all it's Chris's car you know! The "someone" had somehow installed front wheel cylinders on the rear. It turned out what should have been a simple two hour job went on for two days along with time spent getting the right parts from Clark's. We just can't wait to help him do the front brakes next and see what happens!

The other big job we finished up was Joe Nel's late coupe. The previous owner had put the 140 motor together without the heat/air baffles under the cylinders. We started at 9 AM on Sunday pulling Rocker arms and push rod tubes, everyone pitched in removing, cleaning, getting tools, parts and reinstalling and adjusting, we had his car up and running by noon. We had also planned to install a new perimeter seal, but that didn't happen due to running out of time. Joe returned with his car the following week and we got his seal installed after a bit of a struggle, another 4 hour job. Thanks to all for your great efforts in keeping our member's cars up and running.

**October**, a fine month for our Corvairs and us too. We had to do a quick cancel on last months meeting due to COVID concerns.

We did have a good turnout and fun time at the Ada Car Show. There were seven Corvairs in attendance and we even made the evening news in Ada. The show had many nice and some very interesting vehicles. The drive to and from the show went great for our Corvairs and one of our members commented on Facebook "not a single problem with any of them" there and back.

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This last Sunday David Allin (new member) needed both Carburetors rebuilt. He purchased the deluxe kits and shafts from



Clark's and we accomplished a total and complete overhaul on both carbs and the engine runs great but, he still has a minor linkage problem under the car that needs attention. Thanks to all for your great efforts in keeping our member's cars up and running.

David Castiaux, The Prez DCastiaux@Aol.Com



### **COCA Meeting Minutes August 2020**

The August meeting of the Central Oklahoma Corvair Association was held on August 22, 2020. President David Castiaux opened the meeting at 10:00AM. The weather was agreeable and we held the meeting outside under the shade trees. He welcomed the club members and one new member. Abbas Tajmir has joined the club. No guests were in attendance. Social distancing was practiced.

**Old Business-** The minutes for July were reviewed. Pat Silver made a motion to accept the minutes as given. Larry Duvall seconded the motion. The motion was voted on by the members and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**- Ken Drye gave his report on our finances. James Ergenbright made a motion to accept the report. The motion was seconded by Pat Silver. The motion was passed by the membership.

New Business- David welcomed the new member Abbas Tajmir to the meeting.

David wants everyone to keep an eye open for suitable locations for our next roundup whenever it may be.

David will need copies of your insurance verification cards for each of your vehicles if you plan on participating in the Veteran's Day parade this year. The American Legion is looking to put a veteran in the "shotgun" seat for the parade. Those that would like to have a vet ride with them contact David. It would be a great way to let them participate and to show your appreciation for their service.

On September 26<sup>th</sup> Ada will host the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Blue Moon Car Show. The \$25.00 registration fee is per vehicle. Friday night before there will be a cruise through town escorted by the local police. After the cruise The Blue Moon Restaurant will feed participants for free. The car show will be held from 10AM to 3PM. There will be many different awards handed out after the show. The proceeds go to a local needy person. James Ergenbright made a motion that the club pay the registration fees for any club member that could attend. The motion was seconded by Liz Capron. The motion passed. Because the show coincides with our regular meeting we will move the meeting up a week to September 19<sup>th</sup>. David Castiaux said he would contact the North Texas club to see if there was any interest on their part to attend.

Member Francis Tanner is offering up his collection of Corvairs and parts. There is a mix of early and late model parts. If you are interested the number to call is 405-802-5042.

It was reported that our good friend Terry Kalp had surgery and was expected to be out of the hospital in a couple of days. We wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

David Main will have several neon Corvair signs available for sale sometime in October of this year. The signs measure approximately 12" x 22". If you are interested please contact David Main for more details.

October 24' 2020 is the tentative date for our fall hotdog cookout. It will be held right after our monthly meeting. Hotdogs, buns, condiments, and salads etc. will be provided by the club. If you want anything else, please bring it.

Jim Gailey won the door prize for Corvairs driven to the meeting.

Door prize tickets were sold and the prizes distributed.

Remember coffee at Ken's Sunday and Wednesday mornings. He would love to see you.

Pat Silver made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ann Ergenbright. The motion passed and we adjourned.





## Coffee at Kens







### **David Castiaux**

September 14

Hey all, Jim Gailey has set up a BBQ lunch run for this Friday (Sept 18th). We will be having lunch in Wellston at Butcher's BBQ. We need to be there before 10:30 AM in order to beat the crowd. Bring your own chairs, yep the same chairs you'll be bringing on Saturday to the monthly meeting. We'll meet at Pop's on Rt 66 at 9:30 then head to Wellston at 9:45. It might be a nice little run in your Corvair getting it ready for the trip to the Ada car show on the 26th, however showing up in a water pumper will be just fine too. Please post name and how many with you so Jim can have a head count. Jim say's he knows some of us have to work and hopefully the next trip will be on a weekend.



Terry Kalp, Kate Moore and 7 others

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Pat Silver I have to change plans.. I will not make it ..

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David Castiaux The lunch run went well and the BBQ was great! We ended up with 4 Corvairs in the run. It was a nice drive and good to get the oil circulating in our motors. We got there 35 minutes early and the line grew long behind us until the 11AM opening. A very unique building with glass garage doors all around and burn out tire tracks on the floor. Joe Nels snapped a few pictures.



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## Bob's Tech Corner

### Tech Tip for Sept/Oct 2020

This month I have been working on a 3L engine. You know... one with the big barrel cylinders from Germany... But that will be for another time!

I have been thinking on previous/ early years in which many accessories and parts suppliers provided various "hot rod" parts for our beloved little cars.

I will try to go over as many as I can find in my own Corvair library.

Let's begin!

Vendors:

Many vendors have come and gone However Clarks has been around and continue to provide our niche with new products every year. My hat is off to them. We cannot list all the specialty aftermarket pieces that they (or each vendor for that matter) have pioneered so I will just say take a look at their current catalogue with fresh eyes). There is more there than replacement parts!

You will need to google the other suppliers that I have listed to find their ventage advertising. Sample adds from every one of them would make a book!

The vendors that I have listed here are in no special order. As they popped into my thought process while writing this, they were added.

Clarks Corvair Parts. Extensive parts list... Their catalogue is On Line.

Corvair Underground, is now out of business but they had a long run.

John's Corvair Parts has also been around for many years but he too is getting older and no telling how long he will stay in the mix. John Sweet is the owner. Check him out at his e-Bay store.

OTTO Parts was owned and run by Blake Swaford. He eventually sold out to Clarks. Blake was very innovative and produced many aftermarket accessories for our cars. The OTTO Parts oil pans and Valve covers are still valued Items. A little trivia is in order. His first oil pans were of cast magnesium! Few were made.

Crown Manufacturing: Ted Trevor brought us the awesome Corv-8. I even built one in 1972! (pictures on request..). He also brought us the 4-spider gear rear end, High volume oil pump and even the Trans-vair kit. His EQUAL LENGTH headers.... \$54.50. There was a lot more in his catalogue!

Corvair by IECO: IECO MEGAPHONE/TROMBONE exhaust extractors, the dreaded valve seat staking tool too. IECO was the originator of the RAM INDUCTION 4bbl center manifold. They used a Carter AFB. I believe that most owners that run the center mount 4bbl, have gone to the Holly 390. His offerings were very similar to Crowns but with thier own twist.

Moby Dick Racing Enterprises: AKA MDRE. These guys were racing their Corvairs and trying to pay for it by doing machine work on heads and selling Stinger parts. I think they folded shop before 1990 or a little after that.

American Corvair Parts: was run by a man named Larry Rollo.

The Vair shop: An endeavor of Larry Claypool's. Larry serviced Corvairs and sold new and used parts. I believe Larry is still active in the national club.

American Flat 6, is a home-based machine shop that specializes in the Corvair heads. AF6 is owned and operated by Tom Knoblauch

Midwest VW-Corvair Specialists was also a home-based machine shop, owned and operated by Glenn Ziesenis, who passed a short time ago.

Star Corvair: Run by Star Cook. This is another machine shop that sells Corvair engine parts. Mr. Cook is a dune buggy guy so most of his offerings are for the High-Performance crowd. His 1982-83 catalogue was the first time I saw the offering of VW cylinders for use in a Corvair engine!

Bell Auto in California produced a turbocharger kit and "spot disc brakes" for the front for the earlies.

EELCO was another supplier that provided parts to personalize your Corvair. They offered gear shift knobs with shift patterns or crossed flags and others as well. They also offered the original cast aluminum exhaust headers and some of the first head rests for the Corvair, that they called the Corvair Safti-Rest.

Ropal made a gauge cluster for the EM that sat in the center of the dash. I have never personally seen one! They also produced the classic "No Name" Deep oil pan.

This list is not exhaustive but I simply wanted to let the members see that the Corvair has been and I believe will continue to be supported by vendors in the future. Just like the flu, Vendors will come and go, but our Corvairs are like no other cars on the road and will be around for many years to come.

See you all at the meeting. Now, get out there and personalize your Corvair. Bob Welch

## Corvair Ladies Shared Recipe Corner

#### This months recipe shared by Liz Capron

TWO RECIPES

#### **Quick and Easy Corn Casserole**

- 1 Cube Butter/Margarine
- 1 Cup Sour Cream
- 1 Package Jiffy Cornbread Mix
- 2 Cans Corn, 1 with Juice

Mix together, place in 9x9 pan (greased), bake 350° approximately 1 hour (or until done).

#### MAGIC COOKIE BARS

1 YELLOW CAKE MIX
1/2 C. BUTTER, SOFTENED
2 C. SEMISWEET CHOCOLATE CHIPS
1 1/2 C. COCONUT
1 C. CHOPPED PECANS
14-OZ SWEETENED CONDENSED MILK

350 DEGREES. BLEND CAKE MIX AND BUTTER 1 TO 2 MINUTES IN ELECTRIC MIXER UNTIL CRUMBLY. PRESS INTO 10X15 JELLY ROLL PAN. SPRINKLE WITH CHOCOLATE CHIPS, COCONUT AND NUTS. POUR MILK EVENLY OVER EVERYTHING. BAKE 25-28 MINUTES OR UNTIL LIGHTLY BROWNED. COOL COMPLETELY BEFORE CUTTING INTO BARS.



Kate Moore is with Brandon Prince.

August 30

We didn't take any photos as we had too much fun chatting but thank you Robert Franklin Welch and Janet Terrell Welch for coming to visit with us in Ada and working on Foxy Roxy \*\*\*\*





David Castiaux, Terry Kalp and 26 others

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Janet Terrell Welch Enjoyed the visit so much! We have sooo much left to talk about now!

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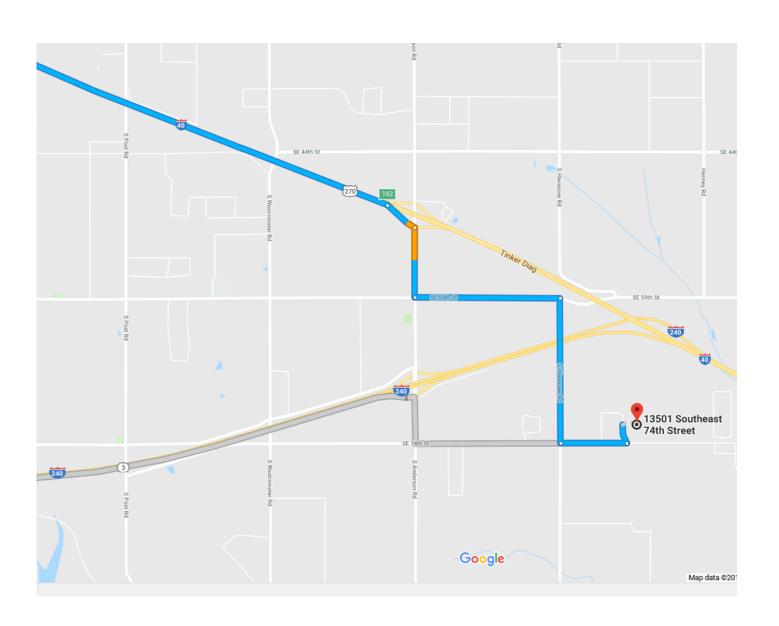


Kate Moore Janet Terrell Welch yes we do. Us Italian ladies love to chat about the world 💞

Directions to the Diamond E Ranch (The Ergenbrights) Meeting Place

Saturday 24 October

12 Noon for our Monthly Meeting for and a cookout after meeting followed by a board of directors meeting



# Facebook Happenings



#### Kate Moore

Visual Storyteller · July 16 at 1:16 PM · ⊕

Hello lovelies, mark your calendars for the Blue Moon Car Show. Brandon Prince and his crew work really hard on putting this together and last year it was a blast!



# Facebook Happenings





## ADA Car Show







Thanks Kate the club had a great time at the car show... til next time



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#### **Club Stats:**

NUMBER OF MEMBERS	13	
NUMBER AT LAST MEETING	22	
NUMBER OF CORVAIRS DRIVEN	1	
NUMBER OF GUEST AT LAST MEETING	0	
NEW MEMBERS	0	

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January 26 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch Board of Directors voting DUES for the year are Due \$15.00
February 22, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch Cold Tuna—Wichita, KS
March 28, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch
	<sup>s</sup> CANCELED Due to Covid - 19
April 25, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Law Home directions in the Newsletter
	<sup>He</sup> CANCELED Due to Covid - 19
May 23, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch - Meeting at Noon for a cookout see newsletter
	For more details
	Tri-State - May 15-17 Albuquerque NM
June 27, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamor CANCELED Due to Covid - 19 Juna Tuna June 13th - confirmed by Terry Kalp
July 25, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch
	Corsa Convention - 6-11 July 2270 Hotel Cir CANCELED Due to Covid - 19
August 22, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch
	Watermelon I <sub>CANCELED Due to Covid - 19</sub>
September 11-13	Corvair Track Classic
September 26, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch Ada Car Show - see Facebook Happenings
October 24, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch
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November 28, 2020	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch
December 2020	TBD
1st Saturday	Cars and Coffee North Park Mall
2nd Saturday	Cars and Coffee Norman at Crest Foods W. Robinson
3rd Saturday	Cruise in for Coffee Midwest City Santa Fe Steak House parking lot May - Oct
1st and 3rd Thursdays	Thursday Night Cruisers - Mustang Apr - September
Sundays	Coffee at Kens
Sundays	Cruise Air Depot 5-9 pm