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Shine 'em up for Tastee Freez...

Showing Corvairs on Saturday, May 15, in Cabot

Editor's note: Please note the time changes, below--one hour later--for the Tastee Freez car show and our planned meeting time at the Shell MaxMart station, in Cabot. These times differ from those given at the meeting in Mountain View

Cathy Smith is inviting all Arkansas Corvair enthusiasts to join her and Bill, in Cabot on Saturday, May 15, for a fun and informal car show at the nationally-renowned Cabot Tastee Freez restaurant. The car show runs from **4:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

PLEASE NOTE that the car show times and meeting time (below) differ from what was announced at our April and May meetings.

The restaurant is located on the south end of Cabot, at 620 South Second Street (Hwy 367), the Old Jacksonville Highway.

We're planning to meet at **3:30 p.m.**, at the Shell Maxmart station, on the south end of Cabot (opposite McDonald's), just off Exit 16A (driving north), on Highway 67/167.

After we join as a group, we'll travel together and arrive at the Tastee Freez in unison.

The owner-operator of the Cabot Tastee Freeze, Billy Johnson, started sponsoring car shows at the restaurant in 2003. During the warm season, he

hosts a car show every third Saturday.

The show for May 15 is scheduled from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The car show is FREE. There is no entry fee. Four trophies will be awarded for various categories, all judged by show participants.

Generally, the Tastee Freez car shows have not drawn a huge number of vehicles. Past shows have had 18 to 30 vehicles participating. With a smaller turnout, it makes for a relaxing event and an opportunity for us to truly showcase Corvairs for a different audience.

In addition to cars and conversation, you'll have a chance to enjoy the food and ice cream specialties that Tastee Freeze is known for. Billy Johnson offers a unique Dixie Dog on his menu. Somewhat like a corndog, the Dixie Dog migrated to Cabot from Texas.

So, shine up your Corvair and meet us in Cabot, at 3:30, on Saturday, May 15. ■



From your ACC President

Rain doesn't dampen spirits in Mountain View

I wish to thank everyone who attended our Mountain View Corvair gathering, April 23-25. The weather wasn't ideal, but we brought our own sunshine.

It was gratifying to see so many Corvair enthusiasts ignoring the rain and enjoying themselves. Despite the damp and gray, we had two fun-filled days of showing our cars and flea market shopping. What more could you ask for?

Mountain View is a beautiful town, snuggled among the mountains. It has so much to offer visitors. It's too bad the weather was so wet we were unable to take full advantage of the town and its surroundings. Hopefully we can plan a return trip next year and the weather will cooperate to let us enjoy the full benefits of this quaint retreat.

A special "thank you" JB and Elvis King for your good work to plan the weekend event. Without your endeavor our Mountain View weekend would not have happened or been as enjoyable for everyone.

And, I express sincere thanks, again, to Butch Chapman, for his

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"Corvairs bring friends together."

President's Message *continued*

fine work in making nametags for the event. What a nice surprise for everyone to have a nametag with a color ACC logo. And, thanks to Butch for presenting two interesting and informative tech topics, with props and visual aids, at our may meeting.

Thank you, Butch, for all you do for our Corvair club.

Lastly, thanks for re-electing me as your president for another year. I'll do my best to make the coming year one for everyone to remember.

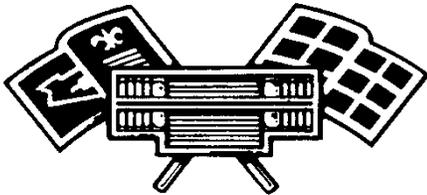
We have several fun events already in the works planned and more to be planned.

I hope that, at some time during the coming business year, all of you are able to attend at least one Arkansas Corvair Club event. I look forward to meeting and getting to know each of you.

Until we meet again...

Best regards,

Cathy Smith



Corvairs for sale in Fayetteville

Offered for sale by Don Coget, e-mail donaldcoget@sbcglobal.net or phone 479 444-9327 -
 1964 Monza 4-dr sedan, Powerglide, light blue, \$2,500

Offered for sale by Richard Mayes, home 479 443-0246, mobile 479 601-7758, work 479 443-4346 -
 1966 Monza 2+2, 140 hp, red, \$2,000
 1960 90 hp, blue, \$2,500
 1965 Monza 2-dr, white, \$3,500
 1965 4-dr hardtop, white, Powerglide, new engine and transmission, \$3,500

Q Descriptions provided by sellers.

Poet's Corner

An Air-Cooled Limerick

A trucker just south of Eau Claire,
 Rear-ended a Chevy Corvair,
 Whose driver was nude,
 And a pile-up ensued,
 When she got out to set up a flare.

As heard on the radio program, A Prairie Home Companion, on National Public Radio, March 21, 2004. Courtesy of Seth Emerson and the Virtual Vairs mail list on the World Wide Web.

Happy Birthday
 to our ACC associates
 born in May.

Steve Simmons
 May 3

Brenna Smith
 May 9

Melissa Levy
 May 11

Ryan MacLeod
 May 13

Mike Barrett
 May 24

Robert Brown
 Sharon Evans
 May 26

Brenda Barrett
 May 27

Lynn Gates
 May 28

Happy Anniversary
 to

Clyde & Dee Jones
 May 8 (28 years)

Jerry & Rhonda Snyder
 May 15

Andy & Lise Cobb
 May 27

Mike & Brenda Barrett
 May 30 (24 years)

ACC Dues Alert

In an effort to keep everyone informed about the status of your ACC membership dues, we publish a membership *Dues Alert* in every issue of *On the Air*.

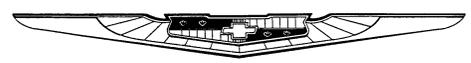
The *Dues Alert* lists names of members who are past due, those due for the current month, and those due the following month.

Dues are **\$20.00** for regular membership and **\$15.00** for associate members. Please mail payments to: **Arkansas Corvair Club, P.O. Box 627, Little Rock, AR 72203.**

Here are the names that are **past due** and due in **May**.

- Past Due** Kim Armstrong
 Andy Cobb
 Eric Evans
 Ricky Grant
 Stephen Franco
 Bill Reves
 Mike Still
 Steve Simmons
- Due May** Mike Barrett
 Lynn Gates
 Gary Higgins
 Chuck Jolley
 Jerald McKown
 Jerry Snyder
 Charles Springer

Please disregard if you've already paid or mailed your check. **We appreciate your support.** ■



ACC April Meeting Minutes



JB King

The Arkansas Corvair Club met at Joshua's Ozark Restaurant, in Mountain View, on Saturday, April 24, at 9:00 a.m..

The meeting was called to order by president Cathy Smith.

Cathy welcomed all 22 members present who came to Mountain View for our annual spring get-away weekend. She issued a special welcome to Donna Hamilton, of Searcy, guest of Al Embrey.

Also, Cathy recognized two ACC members, Jim and Hazel Latture of Hot Springs, who were attending their first club function, since we had the pleasure to meet them at last year's reunion in Hot Springs.

Old Business

The 2004-05 slate of officers was presented to members and elected by acclamation. The officers are:

- President**.....Cathy Smith
- Vice Pres** Ronnie MacLeod
- Secretary**JB King
- Treasurer** Elvis King

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New Business

Cathy Smith suggested that we plan a club picnic at Maumelle Park, in West Little Rock, for some time this fall.

Jim Latture mentioned that he would like our club to plan a weekend meeting at the Hot Springs Country Club, at a date to be determined. Jim

will investigate and provide more on these plans later.

Tech Topics

Butch Chapman presented a two-part technical session on pushrod tube removers and LED lamps for brake/turn signal bulbs.

Butch showed both the Clark's Corvair pushrod tube removal tool and a home-built one made of thin walled electrical conduit. He reported that Clark's version works well with the exhaust manifold logs removed. The homemade tool works better with the manifold logs in place.

Next, Butch showed how to modify a late model tail light bucket, to use the new Bright LED replacement bulb in place of the dual-filament incandescent stop/turn signal bulb.

Butch explained that early model Corvairs can use the LED lamp

without modification. However, because the bulb is in the socket in an upright position, and due to the directional nature of the LED, the socket on a late tail light bucket must be repositioned to the rear of the assembly and the original lamp hole filled.

Another key aspect of this lamp conversion is use of an electronic turn signal flasher unit, because the current draw of the LED is too weak to allow the OEM flasher to function.

The meeting ended with a large number of door prizes given away. Everyone left the meeting with at least one door prize.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted,

JB King

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the Chevrolet Corvair."*

Arkansas Corvair Club Information

Meetings

The Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) meets on the **3rd Tuesday** of each month at **Just Like Mom's** Home Cooking restaurant, 3140 E. Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood.

May Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **May 18**, 7:00 p.m., at Just Like Mom's, on Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood.

Join us at 6:00 p.m. for food and fellowship prior to the meeting. The club offers an array of merchandise for sale—oil filters, gas filters, hats, decals, patches, T-shirts and more.

Officers

President: Cathy Smith, 370 Windwood Drive, Cabot, AR 72023, 501 843-8413.

Vice-President: Ronnie MacLeod, 28305 Bandy Rd., Little Rock, AR 72211, 501 821-3622.

Treasurer: Elvis King, 21305 N. Mill Rd., Little Rock, AR 72206, 501 888-1224 (evening).

Secretary: JB King, 21305 N. Mill Rd., Little Rock AR, 72206, 501 888-1224 (evening).

Elected Board: Allan Embrey, 501 834-5373; Ronnie MacLeod, 821-3622; Clyde Jones, 479 774-6789; Bill Smith, 501 843-8413.

Appointed Board: Pending.

Committee Chairs

Membership: Elvis King

Publicity: Bill Smith

Newsletter Editor: Bill Smith, 370 Windwood Drive, Cabot, AR 72023, 501 843-8413.

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\$35-¼ page.

Program & Events: Open

ACC Webmaster: Ken Franson, 608 Ridgelea Ave., Sherwood, AR 72120, 501 835-6005.

Web Address

Arkansas Corvair Club Web site:
<http://corvair5.tripod.com/acc.htm>

ACC Mission: The mission of the Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) is to promote the maintenance, enjoyment, and preservation of all types of Corvairs and related vehicles, and to advance and improve driving skills, automobile safety, and the Corvair's image.