

On the Air

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Discussing plans for 22nd Annual Robbers Cave Fall Festival, Cruise, and Classic Car Show ~ ~

One of the perennial quests for our band of Arkansas Corvair enthusiasts is to find new and enjoyable events to participate in, during the mild weather we experience in the spring and fall months. Often, it can be difficult to find events that do not involve extra hours of extended travel and that provide the right blend of activities, while maintaining a focus on our "old car hobby".

Thanks to some information shared recently by ACC member Rafee Luan, in Wister, Oklahoma, we have discovered a fall event in nearby eastern Oklahoma that seems to suit our needs perfectly.

This event is called the Robbers Cave Fall Festival. The festival is located in Wilburton, Oklahoma, approximately 27 miles southwest of Fort Smith. The dates for this year's festival are October 17, 18, and 19.

You can view more information at - www.robberscavefallfestival.com.

Held on the grounds of the Robbers Cave State Park, this annual festival features a wide range of family oriented activities. These include the sale

of all types of handmade crafts ranging from soaps to stick horses, cedar furniture to pottery, and yard art to jewelry.

The festival also features a carnival for the children, a variety of entertainment and music, and an eclectic menu of delicious foods for sale.

However, one of the big draws for antique and classic car buffs is the annual Fall Foliage Cruise, held on Saturday, October 18. which hosts between 450 and 500 pre-1979 cars. There will be early registration for the cruise and a "Burger Social" on October 17.

The other big draw for car buffs is the classic car show on Saturday. The show is billed as "One of the state's top classic car shows featuring pre-1979 automobiles." Also, it is called the "Gearhead Gathering of the Year".

We are hoping that many ACC members, and especially those in western Arkansas, might want to join us in Wilburton, OK, in October.

Watch for more information in future newsletters. ■

Looking toward El Dorado in 08

Elvis and JB King have been in communication with Kermit Parks, a member of our Arkansas Corvair Club who resides in El Dorado, Arkansas.

Recently, Kermit contacted Elvis to extend an invitation to host a gathering, in El Dorado, for members of the Arkansas Corvair Club. In addition to visiting the city of El Dorado, Kermit's invitation includes a visit to his property on Calion Lake, in Champagnolle, Union County. Lake Calion and Champagnolle are northeast of El Dorado, on Highway 167.

Managed by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, Calion Lake offers excellent fishing and boating.

Kermit is coordinating arrangements ACC members to display Corvairs on the town square in El Dorado, then drive to his property, in Champagnolle, for an afternoon get-together. The date for this activity is still open.

Kermit informed Elvis that he is planning to attend our monthly club meeting, on July 15, to share more information about the activity in El Dorado and to help set a date.

We look forward to meeting Kermit Parks and to visiting El Dorado, Arkansas very soon. ■

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"Corvairs bring friends together."



The Corvair at left, owned by Betty Jackson, recently underwent reconstruction after severe damage to the front of the car. The entire front section of the car was cut off and replaced. We salute Betty for saving yet another Corvair from the scrap heap.

The early Corvair Monza coupe, pictured above, is owned by ACC member Betty Jackson. Betty has owned the car for many years and has participated in the Arkansas Corvair Club since the mid 1990s. This Corvair was recently "reborn." Read details above right.



The work to restore Betty Jackson's early Corvair Monza coupe was performed by Paul Rhoda, owner of Paul's Body Shop, in Clinton, AR. Paul specializes in "Rods and Restoration". At left, note the custom door panel detailing that Paul included as an extra touch with the project.

Best wishes to
George and Barbara Koenig
on the occasion of
your
50th Wedding Anniversary
June 29, 2008

From all of your friends and acquaintances in the Arkansas Corvair Club, we extend our sincere congratulations for your special milestone.

Happy Birthday
to our ACC associates
born in August.

Mary Swift
August 16

Lauri Holtz
Ronnie MacLeod
August 19

Stuart Levy
August 21

Debbie Levy
August 30

Happy Anniversary
to

Elvis & JB King
August 16 (39 years)

James & Rava Reed
August 25 (63 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 and those due for the current 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 **July**.

Past Due Zack Eby
Corey Holtz
Clyde Jones
David Reardon
James Reed

Due Jul John Coffey
George Koenig
Keith LaCrosse

Please disregard if you've already paid. Thanks for your generous support. ■

ACC June Meeting Minutes



JB King

The Arkansas Corvair Club met at Just Like Mom's restaurant, on Kiehl Avenue, in Sherwood, on Tuesday, June 17.

The meeting was called to order by president Frank Campbell.

The minutes from the May meeting were read and approved as published in the June newsletter.

Bill Smith welcomed several members, including Clyde and Dee Jones, who drove from Texarkana. He also welcomed Robert and Bobbie Brown who now are living in Little Rock.

Old Business

Butch Chapman reported that the porker run held by the South Bend Fire Department was a success, with 190 vehicles participating.

We continued our discussion, from a previous meeting, about the invitation received from ACC member, Kermit Parks, of El Dorado. He is coordinating arrangements us to display our cars on the town square in El Dorado and then drive to his property on Champagnolle Lake, near Hampton, for an afternoon get-together. Members are considering a tentative date of Saturday, August 2. Some voiced an interest in a later date, such as September, if possible. We will continue discussion at our next meeting on July 15.

New Business

Bill Smith read an email from Al and Sharon Nickel of Manitoba, Canada. They have acquired a 1960 Corvair, Model 700, 4-door sedan that has been stored inside since 1973. They are interested in selling this car. They did not quote a selling price.

Bill also shared communication from member Rafee Luan, of Wister, Oklahoma. Rafee has invited club members to participate in the Fall Foliage Cruise Car Show, in Wilburton, Oklahoma, October 17-19. Several members expressed interest in

attending this event. More discussion and information will be forthcoming.

Announcements

Frank Campbell announced that the John Ed Chambers Memorial Hospital, in Danville, received recognition as one of the top 100 hospitals in the United States. It is the only hospital in Arkansas to earn this honor, which it garnered for the past five years. ACC member Todd Sanders, of Danville,

serves on the Board of Directors for the hospital. Again, we're reminded that our Corvair Club has many caring, civic-minded members.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JB King



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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.

July Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **July 15**, 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: Frank Campbell, 2503 Creekview Lane, White Hall, AR 71602, 870 247-1794.

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

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 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.