

Hot Air Newsletter

*Dan**Ed**Bob*

“Overhaulin” Corvair Style

Well the story starts a while back when a couple members thought it would be nice to get Dan Rutka's 61 4-door and do a quick sanding and paint job on it. At the time I thought lets go one better, while we have it lets drop a rebuilt engine in it. Time went on and not much happened. I started building an engine just in case. I had an old 64 110 HP motor that needed rebuilding so that's what I did. Bob Saunders supplied the Bearings, I had the rings, Jason had all the gaskets and other members supplied all the support. Between Jason and I we got the engine built and running. It sat in my garage and waited for the right time to get my hands on Dan's car. He came over a couple times and seen the engine and I told him it was Jason's engine that he was putting his Judson on. The time came when things slowed down and I told Dan to bring his car over and I'd tune it up and fix some oil leaks. The stage was set. Between Jason and myself we got his engine swap done and his car back on the road. This fresh 110 was going to be a lot better than his old worn out 80 HP engine. His gas pedal needed some work so we fixed that also. His gas tank leaked and I was able to seal it up after it ran dry on my garage floor LOL. The last thing to fix was the lights. Jason got the rear lights working just fine after playing and grounding the sockets. It still need some work on the brakes but we will do that at a later date. Both Jason and I took the car for a drive and it runs SWEET!! Not at all the same car as before.



The old engine out and on the floor!!



Ready for the new rebuilt engine.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday!!

Sept 6 Carol Bringe
30 Mary Murphy

Oct 29 Paul Wortruba



**NEW MEMBERS
Welcome!!**

**Don & judy Juntunen Carlton Minn
1963 Convertible**

*Don't forget to check out
our merchandise at our Club
Store!!*



<http://www.edselmotors.com/hlcahome.html>



Some pictures from my Trip to Seattle and a visit with my Old Corvair Clubs

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323 223-2775
<http://www.californiacorvairparts.com>

Dale Manufacturing
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400 Mohawk Trail
Shelburne Falls, Mass 01370
423-625-9776
WWW.corvair.com

Well what would it be like with out a story about our favorite Member Jason and his Latest break down story. This story starts as I was just thinking about curling up in the sack and I get a call from Jason ask what I'm doing, this is always a bad sign. Jason said he was broke down on the road and needed a set of points to get home. The points in his car fell apart and he didn't have a spare. So Off I went with the needed parts and tools and 1 1/2 hours I meet up with Jason about 50 miles north of Minneapolis. He was up and running in no time and we were headed for home. Today we put in a set of new points and tuned it up and she's running fine until the next phone call. Ha Ha



A big Thank You
to Peter Prudden from Ed and Toni Jeffries. Recently, we were on vacation in Smiley (UltraVan #486) in the Duluth area. We developed engine problems while driving through Duluth and called Peter for advice. He came out to the campground the next morning, diagnosed what he thought was the possible problem, drove Ed to get oil and then came back and helped get Smiley back together. We really appreciate all he did for us to get us back on the road! It's nice to know that when you need Corvair assistance there are club members that are ready to help you out. Thanks again Peter!!



Upper left: Dan's old Engine out

Bottom left: All done and ready to give it back to Dan

Right: Bob explaining it to Dan that he's been overhauled!!

Head of the Lakes Corvair Association Meeting minutes for July and August 2009

July:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 12 members in attendance.

The 50/50 raffle put \$7.00 to the club and \$7.00 to the winning ticket held by Patti.

Reports: The minutes were read by Kathy and a motion was made and seconded to accept as read.

The treasurer report was given by Patti.

Committee Reports: Car shows mentioned attended and have since passed. The July 4th car show in Superior, the All GM show took place in June, it wasn't as great a turnout as in the past. Sidewalk days July 8th, Carlton nursing home, Northshore rod run, and Two Harbors, shows that were mentioned but I didn't get all the dates. Pete and Patti shared some of their adventures with their Camaro on the Power Tour.

As always articles are always welcome for the newsletter. Write up a story about your experiences with a Corvair or anything item that you would like to share about cars with the club.

Under old business: Pete, Dan, Ron, Art and Jason took a day cruise to Grand Marais, they had a great time and great food. Chatted about our Gordy Hi Hat trip again, that was a great time and great food too. There was a short story time about Jason and his breakdown "near" Hinckley.

Under new business: The Fire and Ice in Iowa, August 29th and 30th. There will be races and and BBQ with awards. Don't forget next year near the end of June 2010, the big convention will be in Iowa, the club is looking for any kind of extra help from surrounding clubs to give a hand.

October 3rd is the Anniversary shindig being held in Milwaukee WI. If you need a registration/info packet see Patti. August 9th is the Proctor county fair and car show.

There is a tentative plan to meeting with the Minnesota club on September 19th. More details for that hopefully at the next meeting. Bob Saunders has Corvair TEE's see him.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

August: Meeting called to order at 7:00P.M. There were 15 members and 3 guests in attendance.

The 50/50 raffle was \$7.50 for the club and \$7.50 for Jim L.

Kathy read her hand written minutes, (July), and a motion was made and seconded to accept.

The Treasurer reports that the club has \$648.88

Ed attended a car show in Grand Rapids and won a \$50.00 prize.

There are car shows around, Proctor, Two Harbors Sonju, and on August 14th at the Eagles in Virginia.

Ron still needs articles, come on cough em up.

Pete made aware to all at the meeting that using ZDP oil additive is very bad for Corvairs'.

Don't forget Milwaukee in Oct for the 50th Anniversary for Corvairs. Fire and Ice August 29 & 30.

Bob has Tees. SEPTEMBER meeting will be time for nominating new Officers for the Club, ballots will be handed out and Officers will be selected at the final meeting this year in October.

It was decided to have our Mid-winter holiday bowling as has been the usual, it is always fun, you get to eat pizza, and if you bring a 10\$ gift you can choose a 10\$ gift from the other bringers.

Finally, this was a big meeting, for months the Calvary, Ron, Jason and many others have been secretly building a new engine for Dan's car. Tonight the gig was up and he was surprised with a newer more powerful engine for his beloved Corvair. To say the least the grin on his face said it all, he was surprised and very happy.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

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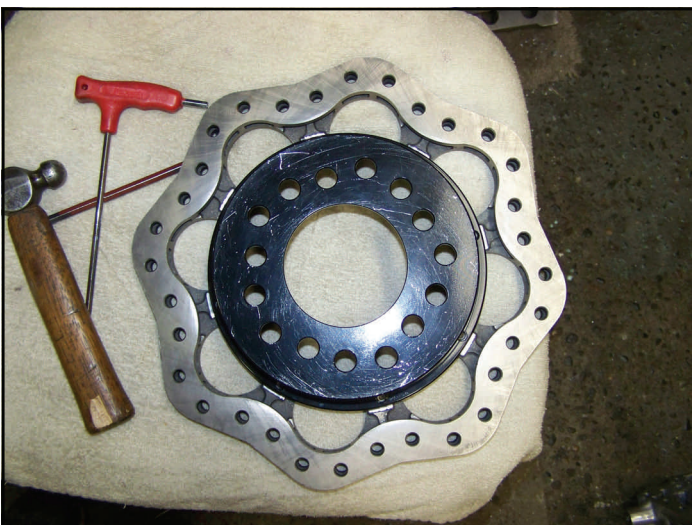
*****To All Members*****

THANK YOU EVERYONE

from the bottom of my heart to all of you that helped and participated in any way to put together the new 110 hrs power engine and installing it into my 1961 4 dr. I LOVE THE EXTRA POWER and all the other fixes that needed to be done, the gas pedal, and working lights, now people know where I am going. Also for the new gas tank lock ring I needed for my gas tank, that is in too now and also the breather pipe.

THANK YOU ALL!!!

Daniel Rutka



Disk brakes for a late model V-8 Autocrosser.



John finishing up on my big bore motor.



In my garage getting ready to make the swap.

Well on my trip to Seattle I had a van full of parts and engines. I brought back several heads and 3 engines. John cleaned house and I was there at the right time. I've been working on getting the big bore running and Found I have some clearance issues. Too much cam lift and too small of head gaskets. So I have it pulled apart and fixing it. Parts on the way from Calif and should be here soon. I had it running for a bit and she's gonna be a screamer. It has a Crane H-302-C cam and roller rockers. I cannot wait!!!

Ron Thompson



8/26/2009

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Corvair Classifieds

For Sale:
 1966 Monza 140 4 speed
 Ran when parked. Stored in heated garage.
 Ray Mlaskoch
 Willow River, Mn
 218-372-3693 218-380-9922
 \$3,500.00

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 Evening orchid VERY NICE!!!
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 Art Bringe 218-7213050

For Sale or Trade \$1500
 From Craigslist Foxboro Wis
 1965 4DHT 140 Auto
 Motot and tranny were rebuilt. Car is stripped to metal and primered. Been sitting in a garage for 10 yrs. Calif car. Trade for cycle/sports/muscle car or ? Offers over a grand. . Call 715 395 0666 and leave a message.

List your parts or car for sale here.
Free to members and \$7.50 to non Members. Just send all the information and I will get your ad in here. Send all ads to:
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Cavalry Update

Well it's been a busy summer and I cannot catch up. I'm in the middle of getting my big bore motor all set up and ready to install. We just finished up with Dan's big surprise and a few on the list yet. We have to get up with Dick Dee and discuss his car and I still haven't went thru Ed Lampi's 64. Bob Saunders is in the middle of his Loadside resto and she's looking good. We have the drive train out and need to do a few things to it. And we still have Jason's Judson on the list. Have Patience everyone we'll get to you.

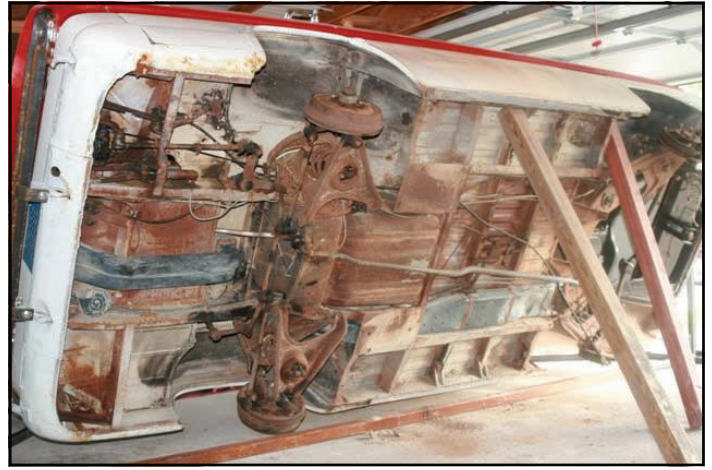
Bob brought over his 65 and it had a squeek in the engine. First thought is a leaking head gasket. I tried torqueing the lower head nut and all were fine except the last end one. The stud was fine but the nut was stripped. I put a new one on and it was all fine. One other problem with the low shifting will be fixed with a new modulator.



Here's a couple pictures on Bobs Loadside progress.

Activities and Events

Sept 1 Committee meeting 6 pm Perkins London road 1 hr before regular meeting
Sept 1 Regular membership meeting 7PM Perkins London Rd



The Long and Winding road... {With apologies to John Paul Ringo and George...}

I only wish it were the Beatles song, but like their music, when this thing is done, it will last another 50 years.

The Loadside project is coming slowly, but incredibly well. Steven has been custom fitting and producing panels, brackets and the like. There are perhaps only several days left on the rotisserie. Thanks to Dick for his great patience.

Steven suggested using 16ga steel for all repairs. Seems it welds better. Tool Shop cutting discs from Menards work best for cutting each piece before it meets the Ball Peen Hammer for fitment. I have learned that it is possible to make ANY good open end wrench into a thin model with the optional cheese cutter grinder attachment.

I was able to locate a drivers side rocker in Houghton-Hancock, but think I'll opt for a rust free version from California Corvairs instead.

It was interesting to see Peters Rampy the other day. Nothing new, it's been parked outside the garage since I've joined the club. Enlightened eyes saw how crisp the body lines were when original paint was still present. SHARP!

Found a guy in Melbourne Florida who owns a hot rod shop. Builds custom jobs. One of his personal trucks is his 62 Rampy which he restored several years ago. He does a good job with the English Wheel, so far he is the best candidate to reproduce my bed side body panels.

Bob Saunders

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