

#### World of Wheels 2010









We had a GREAT showing at the 2010 World of wheels Car Show. We had 2 Early convertibles, 2 Vans, 1 station wagon, and 2 late Coupes. The Vans and My Station wagon attracted a lot of attention. Everyone loved the convertibles. There wasn't a Corvair there that didn't have people admiring it. The Best Picture is Dale actually *cleaning* his Convertible, GOOD JOB Dale!!

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







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

Treasurers Report	
Oct Opening Balance	\$663.38
10-07-09 Pete Latour Dues	20.00
50-50	8.00
Oct ending Balance	\$691.38
Jan Opening Balance	\$691.38
<b>Check #1038 Christmas Party</b>	111.61
Jan ending Balance	\$579.77

Pete Prudden Treas.

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBER!!**

Tim Kwapick Duluth, Minn

#### Activities and Events

April 6th Committee meeting 6 pm Perkins London road 1 hr before regular meeting April 6th Regular membership meeting 7PM Perkins London Rd May 4th Committee meeting 6 pm Perkins London road 1 hr before regular meeting May 4th Regular membership meeting 7PM Perkins London Rd





Before After

Well I did some buffing on Kathy's Wagon the last couple weeks. Yes, I said Kathy's wagon. I was informed that I cannot refer to it as Ron's wagon. Kathy has been involved with Corvairs since she met me and has only driven one around the block when we lived in Seattle. It was a 62 that was a mate to mine. The paint on the wagon was oxidized real bad. I used a buffing compound and the yellow pad to bring back the shine to the wagon, As you see it came out great. A nice 20 footer. It'll get a new paint job later but for now it's fine. I have some work to do on it before she goes too far. I can't wait to get it on the road, for Kathy of course!! LOL Ron Thompson

Greetings, Everyone. As you can see, I have returned safely from my 10 week trip to Bermuda. It was a lot of fun and a fair amount of work as well. I'd like to thank Ron for taking over the newsletter in my absence. It was much appreciated.

I'm glad to be back home and working on my Corvair again. This last weekend found Ron and I in his garage fixing a transmission leak on my 63. What was initially thought to be a bad torque converter seal turned out to be a scored differential snout and a bad torque converter bearing. With the help of a transmission to differential gasket from Pete, we installed a new differential and torque converter. Happy to report that she no longer leaks.

Remember, if you have anything you would like to see in the newsletter drop me a line. Articles, pictures, suggestions, ads... I'm always open to new ideas.

Pete has been a great asset to our club and Corvairing in general and is looking for a few extra hands to get "Showgirl" ready for the national convention. Anyone wanting to lend a hand or hang out, contact Ron or Jason and we'll organize a day to head out to Pete's.

#### **Progress on the 1964 Coupe**

I hadn't planned on any new projects at my age but I couldn't pass up on the deal that was presented. The 64 didn't look so great at first but when I checked it out it had great possibilities. It was a Monza but it was definitely a NO FRILLS example. The first thing I had to do was install tires and wheels so I would be able to move it around. I could see that the bumpers, wheel well trim and rocker panels were in good shape. I did notice a dead starter was in the car, and when a battery was installed in the car, The starter was also bad. That was the first clue that the timing was 180 degrees off. After installing points, plugs, Plug wires, and good carburetors, the car started right up. It still needs a tune up, but at least the car ran enough to be able to move it around. Before this, I found the gas gauge didn't work, there appeared to about 5-6 gals of gas in the tank. The gas was siphoned out and replaced with good gas the gas lines were dis-connected and cleaned out. The gas gauge was removed and discovered that the float was missing and the gas line at the gauge was blocked with sediment. During the winter months I did some repair on the interior, which now is guite presentable some other repairs have been done. The steering had a bad spot caused by the relay installed in the wrong side which restricted the steering. Repaired front stabilizer bracket, and checked the brakes. I added a 2 speed wipers and windshield washer, added padded sun shields and an am-fm radio push button with speakers. A new gas gauge was also installed. New carpeting and a new back rest upholstery was installed. Some heater hose was replaced along with a used heater motor. Lights were repaired with new sockets lenses and some wires. I have gone back to checking the motor which is a 1965 110 HP. Some work had evidentially been done as these were the old style push rod tube O rings. These were replaced with new Vitons. The push rod guides were all in backwards which resulted in a bent pushrod in one cylinder. In #1 cylinder the lifter had not been pushed all the way down causing the valve to hang up. A rust hole was discovered in the right side manifold which was replaced. Right now the valves should be adjusted and a good tune up be done. Then the only things that are left would be to replace the windshield, finish some body work and paint. The surprises that were discovered kept the project interesting and there might be some surprises left!! The solving of these mysteries is very satisfying. It seems I haven't forgotten everything I've learned over the many years of working on our beloved Corvairs.

#### **ED LAMPI**





before After

#### Head of the Lakes Corvair Club Meeting Minutes April 6, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Present were 14 members and 2 guests. Secretary's report read and accepted without corrections after motion was made and seconded.

Pete Prudden read the treasurer's report. \$579.77 beginning balance and \$764.77 was the closing balance. Account details will be in the next newsletter. Treasurer's report read and accepted without corrections after motion was made and seconded.

Several members have not paid as of yet, so Peter Prudden will send out postcards to remind them.

50/50 Drawing: Dan Rutka held the drawing for 2 - \$10 gift cards which he received from O'Reilly's Auto Parts. Bob Saunders and Ed Lampi won the gift cards, and \$24 goes in the club.

Car Shows: Barry will be putting on a car show at the Lake Superior College on May 15th. Ed will get the calendar of car shows to Ron. The Wednesday Night Car Show has started and we need to show our support by showing up at KMart by the mall most Wednesday nights around 5 pm.

Parts: Anyone wanting to order parts, please see Pete Prudden. Tim Kwapick ordered \$2000 worth of parts. It is our biggest order to date. You can really save on shipping by combining orders. See Pete if interested.

Newsletter: Thanks to Ron Thompson for doing the newsletter for one more month while Jason is in Bermuda. We will be including other clubs articles and links for more information. Articles, want ads, or pictures would be appreciated to make the newsletter more enjoyable.

Merchandise Orders - Patty: On our web site is a link to place orders for merchandise. We get a percentage of the price for our club. Tim Verthein is running the web site, Cafe Press, at www.edselmotors.com.

Old Business: World of Wheels went well. Mike was there with his race car and we also had 2 vans and a station wagon new this year. We need to start planning for next year's competition. We had a lot of people stopping by to see the cars and chat. Some even showed interest in wanting cars and interest in the club.

National Convention is coming up in Cedar Rapids from June 21st through 25th. Pete Prudden is involved in the advertising promoting the convention. The theme is celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Corvair. The list of events is on the back of the February 2010 Communique. See Pete if you don't have one and would like more information. There is a variety of hotels and motels in the area with a variety of accommodations and prices. Marshalltown is 45 miles away, and there is a casino 25 miles away. There will be a group going down for this, so if you want to drive down together, see Pete Prudden if you want to leave on Sunday, or Bob or Ron if you are leaving on Monday. It is a fun time! Pete has sent emails to Jay Leno to invite him to the National Convention. Others should email him as well. Other celebraties have been invited as well.

The Corvair Association dues are now \$45 per year, but they are considering a tier membership. With a basic you get membership, with the second tier you get more, and with the third tier you get the Communique and full membership including insurance your car for club events. A decision will be made on this, then we will discuss if the club will subsidize the national dues.

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#### Meeting Minutes continued...

Some of the new officers still need to go to the US Bank in the Miller Hill Mall to sign the signature card.

New Business: The Food Channel's Diners, Drive-ins, and Dives will be filming at Gordy's Hi Hat the week of May 20th to the 26th. You will be called to bring your car if you can.

Dan Rutka will be heading up the volunteer list to drive your car in the Memorial Day Parade in West Duluth on Memorial Day. Contact Dan if you would like to participate.

If you know of a 64 Spyder convertible, Bob knows a guy who wants to get some information on one. See Bob if you have information.

Ron will check with Superior WalMart and Jeannette will check with Kenwood Super One for a food drive. Information will be presented at the next meeting.

Call Bob if you would like to go on a scenic drive around town and show off the cars or take pictures for the local paper or news channels.

Peter Prudden has been such a driving force and asset to the club. He is having a hip replacement done, but wants to put it off until Fall. To get Showgirl ready for the Nationals, it needs new steering arms, glass changed out, and a few little things that he needs help with. Bob will organize this, call him if you can help out in any way.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm. Next board meeting is May 4th at 6pm and Club meeting following at 7pm. The following month we will meet at Gordy's Hi Hat on June 1st at 6pm and Club meeting following at 7pm.

Minutes taken by Jeannette Olson, Secretary

# A big thank you goes out to O'Rielly's Auto Parts for donating 2 \$10 gift certificates to the club.



# Have you paid your dues yet for 2010? If not please send your checks to:

Head of the Lakes Corvair Association % Pete Prudden 5129 Howard Gnesen Rd Duluth, Minn 55803

Dues are \$20.00 newsletter thru USPS And \$15.00 for E-Mail Newsletter



I'd like to thank Perkins for allowing us to have our meetings at their restaurant. They also donated some gift certificates to our club.

#### **Vendor List**

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#### 4/28/2010

#### Head of the Lakes Corvair Association Newsletter





## **Corvair Classyfieds**



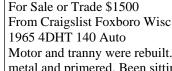
1966 Monza 140 4 speed Ran when parked. Stored in heated garage. Ray Mlaskoch Willow River, Mn 218-372-3693 218-380-9922 \$3,500.00

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Art Bringe 218-7213050





Motor 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.



#### For Sale

NOS 4 barrel carb, air cleaner adapter assy. Near mint condition. \$250 plus shipping. Vern Sundbom, 218-847-6631,

vmsundbom@lakesnet.net



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