



MMOCC Newsletter – JUNE 2019

*Mid Mo Old Car Club
PO Box 1594,
Jefferson City, MO 65102*

TOOLS

Defined: A device or implement, especially one held in the hand, used to carry out a particular function.

Kenny Braun has graciously agreed to host the MMOCC June 29 at his Lake Cabin and cook his famous Braun-Be-Que. Please bring a side / dessert to share and your drinks and chair. For the June 29 meeting, arrive as early as 4pm, meal about 6, and meeting at 6:30pm at Kenny Braun's Lake Pavilion at 9404 Route B / southwest of Wardsville, south of the Route B/Route E intersection.

Kenny specifically requested that each member bring a TOOL to share, discuss, and stump other members. This can be automotive related or not. Just bring something cool to talk about.

Another June event, that happens before the June 29 meeting, is the Saturday, June 22 CRUISE TO CUBA. This is an all day or two day affair that we have been promoting since March. Check out the section of the newsletter associated with the CRUISE TO CUBA and consider attending. If you don't trust your old car that far, hitch a ride with a friend or bring a modern car. (Just to find out, can you email Lyle at lrosburg@hotmail.com or call him at 573 291 7159 if you plan to go to Cuba.)

TOOLS AND CRUISES demonstrate *Old Cars are Cool!*

MMOCC President Lyle Rosburg



2019 Officers:

President Lyle Rosburg
Vice President Dennis Smith
Secretary Vacant (it could be you!)
Treasurer Tom Webb
Historian Roger Hager
Events Chair Ron Clark
Car Show Chairs Connie and Mike Schaefer
Immediate Past President Nathan Fuller

MMOCC Bylaws (last amended- 27 April 1995):

Article I - Name: Mid Mo Old Car Club

Article II - Purpose: The purpose of this club is to unite antique and special interest car owners and enthusiasts who are interested in restoring and maintaining their car in a manner to attract prestige and respect within the community. To serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and parts for admirers of antique, classic and special interest autos. To aid them in their efforts to restore, preserve and exhibit the car in its original likeness and to help keep automotive history alive. The club shall be non-commercial, non-partisan, and non-sectarian.

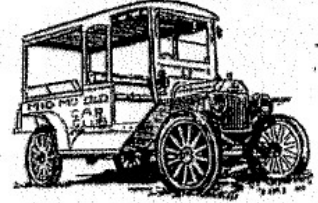
Article III - Members: Requirements for membership shall not insist upon the actual possession of an antique car, but merely an interest in the cars and a desire to take part in club activities .

MMOCC Membership Application:

Family Membership just \$20/ year (July-July)

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
Zip _____
Telephone /Email _____

Send dues payable to Mid Mo Old Car Club
MMOCC PO Box 1594
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 **1968 Plymouth Road Runner**
Richard and Rosemary Heidbreder
Member since 1978



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Upcoming Events

A. Cruise to Cuba. (Just to find out, can you email Lyle at lrosburg@hotmail.com or call him at 573 291 7159 if you plan to go to Cuba.)

- Saturday, June 22.
- Caravan leaves Gerbes on Eastland about 9am. About 85 miles to Cuba. Arrive in Cuba about 11am.
- Lunch in Downtown Cuba at Frisco's at 121 South Smith Street / Cuba 573-885-1522. <https://friscosgrillandpub.com/>
- Walk and view Cuba Murals. "Old Town" Cuba. <https://cubamomurals.com/murals/>
- 2pm Bob's Gasoline Alley at 822 Beamer Lane, Cuba, MO. Over 300 old signs and memorabilia. Bob and Darlene Mullen 573-885-3637.
- 4pm Cruise In at The Wagon Wheel Motel at 901 East Washington / Cuba. www.wagonwheel66cuba.com/
- Next to the Wagon Wheel is Missouri Hick Barbeque. 913 East Washington / Cuba 573-885-6791 <https://missourihick.com/>. Easy stroll from the Cruise to the Food.
- Drive In Movie at the 19 Drive-In at 5853 MO-19 / Cuba, MO 65453. Featured movie released the week of. <http://www.19drivein.com/>
- Return back to JC before or after the Cruise In, stay for the movie, or just check out Cuba. Depart at your discretion, but try to caravan back with someone else.
- Make your own overnight accommodations. (The Wagon Wheel Motel is a recommended Route 66 experience.) Other accommodations available at Days Inn, Super 8, and Cuba Inn.
- Breakfast, somewhere, on Sunday morning.

OTHER CUBA CRUISE ITEMS:

- Cuba Visitors Center at 71 State Highway P / Cuba 573-885-2531 <https://www.visitcubamo.com/> open Saturday 8-5 and Sunday 11-4.
- Ozark Trail Legacy Monument <https://www.osagetraillegacy.com/> at the Cuba Visitors Center.
- The Bruce Barnes Antique & Collectible Toys on Wheels Collection at the Midwest Travel Plaza (exit 208 in Cuba).
- Antiques / Shopping / Wineries / Museums.

B. Dodge Brothers Club Convention.

- Ozark Odyssey.
- June 23-29.
- Inn at Grand Glaize.
- <http://www.dodgebrothersclub.org/convention>

C. June MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, June 27 at 6pm.
- Braun-Be-Que.
- Arrive as early as 4:30 with Meal at 6 and meeting to follow.

- Kenny Braun's Lake at 9404 Route B (south of the B and E intersection) 573 496 3639 or 573 821 2586.

D. Capital Mall Cruise In.

- June 29 / July 27 / August 31 / September 28.

E. Sonic Summer Nights – MMOCC Caravan.

- *Always the Third Saturday of the Summer Months.*
- July 20 caravaning from Schultes at 3:30pm.
- Sonic in Versailles.

F. July MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, July 25 at 6pm.
- Location and topic to be determined.

G. August MMOCC Meeting.

- The Wes Scott Swap!
- Thursday, August 22 at 6pm.
- Wes and Betty Scott's – 7311 Old Bass Road / Eugene.
- Swapping starts at early at 4pm with meal at 5:30pm. Meeting at 6pm.

H. Ozark Ham and Turkey Festival.

- Moniteau County Fairgrounds in California, Missouri – 610 East South Street.
- Saturday, September 21. 9-4. MMOCC times to be determined.
- "Cars and More" Show (Cars, Tractors, etc.) and small-town Parade (optional).

I. USS Aries Road Trip / Car Cruise.

- A weekend day in the fall. Date TBD.
- Leaving from Gerbes on Eastland.
- Tour of the USS Aries in Gasconade, Missouri (confluence of the Gasconade and Missouri Rivers).
- Restored Hydrofoil Guided Missile Gunboat.
- <https://www.ussaries.org/>

J. September MMOCC Meeting.

- Car Show Related.
- Thursday, September 26 at 6pm.
- Carpenter's Hall – Dunklin and Broadway / JCMO.

K. October MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, October 24 at 6pm.
- Location and topic to be determined.

L. Eugene PTO Car, Truck, and Bike Show.

- Cole R-V High School in Eugene,
- 9am to 2pm. Registration ends 11am.
- \$15 pre-registration. \$20 day of.

M. NO November or December MMOCC Meeting.

- NO November or December meeting.
- *Instead, plan to attend the Holiday Party on Tuesday, December 3.*

N. Holiday Party.

- TUESDAY, December 3 at 6pm.
- American Legion – 1423 Tanner Bridge / JCMO.
- Fried Chicken and all the Fixins. Paid for by the Club.

- “Rob Your Neighbor Gift Exchange”. Bring an item marked for Male and Female.
- O. 2020 New Year’s Day Cruise.**
- Wednesday, January 1, 2020.
 - Lunch and Garage Tours.
 - Need garages in the Honey Creek / Tanner Bridge / Brazito area.
 - Let Dennis Smith know if we can visit your garage (hint, hint: Tim Petty, Leonard Rutledge, Floyd Siebeneck, etc.)

2019 - Mid Mo Old Car Club Events Calendar - 2019

June 14-15 Sedalia 21st Annual Spring Swap Meet at Fairgrounds 7-5 660 596-3338

June 15 Stover Fair Car Show (Stover, MO)

June 16 St.Clair 29th Annual Fathers Day Car Show in Orchard Park + free Swap Meet /Vendor

June 22 Centertown Reid Melliard 60th Birthday "Big Birthday Bash" ??? Car Display plans in progress ???

June 22 MMOCC Tour to Cuba Depart from Eastland Gerbes at 9AM

June 22 Jefferson City 5308 Monticello Rd. "Midwest Renovation" Car Show

June 22 Boonville Heritage Days Car Show

June 22 Fulton Drive to Survive Car/Bike Show

June 22-23 Waynesville Cave State Cruisers 32nd Hillbilly Concours Car Show- City Park Downtown

June 29 Capital Mall Cruise In (last Saturday of Month) 4pm-

June 29 Pacific Car Show

June 29 Rosebud Benefit Cruise-In Event for Honor Flite at White Mule Winery

July 4 Jefferson City Route 66 Cruise-in and Car Show

July 14 Jefferson City Celebration Downtown

July 11-13 Iola,WI 47th "Old Cars" Swap Meet and Car Show

July 21 Rosebud Thrashers Assn. Car Show at the Park info Mike 573 437-6735 <-revised check this Date!

July 22 Boonville - Heritage Days Car Show

July 27 Rosebud Gasconade County Fair Car Show info Mike 573 437-6735

August 16-18 Springfield Ozark Empire Fairgrounds Swap Meet

August 22 Brazito MMOCC Meeting Wes & Betty' Annual Club's Trunk Swap

September 6-7 Branson Orphan Car Show

September 8 Herman 20th Annual Car Show in the Park

September 14-15 Sedalia Annual Fall Swap Meet at Fairgrounds

September 21 California Ham & Turkey Festival Car Show

September 21 Owensville Fall Fest Antique and Classic Car Show

September 28 Jefferson City,MO Old Munichburg Festival(&Weinner Dog Race)

and **50th Annual ! -Mid Mo Old Car Club Roundup and Car Show**

September 28 Cuba Lions Club Car Show

September 28 Columbia VA VET Center Car Show 9-2 at the VA Hospital Parking Lot

October 5 Linn State Tech College Car Show

October 6 Linn Moonshiners Swap Meet 8-2 at Elsevier's Parking Lot East of Linn Info Tom 573 897-2888

November 2 Eugene PTO Car Truck & Bike Show 9am-2pm registration ends at 11am

December 3 MMOCC (Tuesday)Christmas Holiday Meeting & Election 6PM at Amer.Legion -bring a Gift

January 1,2020 MMOCC New Years Day Garage's Tour- Dennis & Linda Smith - need Garages SW of JC for tour

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MMOCC meetings - Typically the 4th Thursday of month (except Nov-Dec)

Additions or corrections? Call Ron 573 893-2553 or email Bondorondo@aol.com

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In 1959-1960, all the major makers planned to introduce a "compact" brand. Most of these designs were scaled-down versions of the conventional American car, using four- or six-cylinder engines instead of V-8s with bodies about 20% smaller than standard cars. An exception to this was the Chevrolet Corvair.

Led by General Manager Edward N. Cole, Chevrolet designed a revolutionary new car. It was powered by an air-cooled horizontal six-cylinder engine made almost entirely out of aluminum. The engine was mounted in the rear of the car, driving the rear wheels through a compact automatic transaxle. Suspension was independent at all four wheels. There was no conventional frame; it was the first Unibody built by Fisher Body. The tires were an entirely new wide low-profile design. The styling was unconventional for Detroit, subtle and elegant, with no tailfins or chrome grille. Its engineering earned a flurry of patents, its styling was copied by many European makers. *Time* magazine put it on the cover, and *Motor Trend* named it the Car of the Year for 1960.

For 1961 the Corvair product line expanded, with the addition of a Monza sedan, station wagons, more engine horsepower, and a four-speed manual transmission. Also new was the Forward Control series, Corvair-based family vans and commercial panel vans and pickup trucks. These offered an inexpensive choice in the truck market.

Despite its critical acclaim, the Corvair did not dominate the marketplace. It was expensive to produce because of its unusual design, and it was not as economical to operate as some of its competitors. These were major weaknesses for an economy car. But its destiny was discovered when the Monza show car, a sporty Corvair with bucket seats and a floor shifter, was introduced to the public in the Spring of 1960. It was so popular on the show circuit that Chevrolet immediately put the Monza into production. Then, in 1962, Chevrolet introduced the Chevy II as a conventional compact car and directed the Corvair line toward sport and versatility. The most exciting new Corvairs were the Monza convertible and the sporty Spyder with a turbocharged engine. This was the peak of Corvair development and sales, with a dozen different models of cars and trucks, and almost one-third of a million units sold.

For 1963 Corvair held its course although the station wagons were discontinued. Corvair owners were loyal and enthusiastic, and Chevrolet promoted the sporty theme with clubs and driving events.

In 1964 the Corvair rear suspension was improved, and the engine was made slightly larger and more powerful. But in 1964 Ford introduced its own sporty compact, the Mustang, and sold one and a half million cars in the first two years. Chevrolet responded by introducing the 1965 Corvair, a second generation design. The new body style was again outstanding, and the rear suspension was completely redesigned to make the car more sure-footed. Corvair sales improved, but not nearly enough to compete with Mustang.

 **1965 Chevrolet Corvair Monza**
Lyle Rosburg
Member since 2005



Also in 1965, Ralph Nader published *Unsafe at Any Speed*, a criticism of the U.S. auto industry's safety record. Only the first chapter was about the Corvair, but that is all that the reviewers and critics read. Nader's complaint was about the 1960-63 rear suspension design that was already discontinued, but the damage to Corvair's reputation was done. GM's mishandling of its response to Nader only made things worse.

Corvair sales for 1966 were down by more than 50% and Chevrolet decided to cease any further development. Production and sales continued for three more years, perhaps to display corporate confidence in the Corvair. By 1967, Chevrolet was selling the Camaro (its own Mustang-fighter), as well as the compact Nova and mid-size Chevelle.

Corvair sales fell dramatically in the last years, as advertising ceased and the model line was reduced to just two coupes and a convertible. After ten years of production throughout the decade of the 1960s, the last Corvair was built on May 14, 1969. The Corvair Decade, which lasted from October 1959 to May 1969, was over.



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