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# THE REAR VIEW

Serving Northeastern Oklahoma Corvair Enthusiasts

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4	Friday 5:30 p.m.	Regular meeting at Full Cup Restaurant 4634 East 31 <sup>st</sup> Street: <b>NOTE: NEW STARTING TIME ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS</b>
18-20	Friday-Sunday	Heartland of Texas Show: Glen Rose, TX.
MAY, 2008		
2	Friday 5:30p.m.	Regular meeting at Full Cup Restaurant 4634 East 31 <sup>st</sup> Street: <b>NOTE: NEW STARTING TIME</b>
3	Saturday 10:00 A.M.	14h Annual Orphan Show: 9121 East 71 <sup>st</sup> Street, Tulsa
JUNE, 2008		
6	Friday 5:30 p.m.	Regular meeting at Full Cup Restaurant, 4634 East 31 <sup>st</sup> Street : <b>NOTE: NEW STARTING TIME</b>
7	Saturday, 10:00 A.M	Advance Auto Show: Broken Arrow, OK.

## CLUB NEWS

**MINUTES:** March 7, 2008 Regular Meeting (by Marilyn Ash) Members present were: President Roger Scott, Vice-President Marvin Luke, Secretary-Treasury Marilyn Ash, J.C. Ash, John & Mary Zink, Bob & Pat Kinser, Forrest Andrews, Jim Brewer, Steve Rayl, Van Upky, Wayne Grieve, Carey Perry, Felix DeGeyter, Roland Taber, Larry Mills, John Harris, Bob Mooney, Tim Palmer, Mark Boynton, Taylor & Joellyn Brown, Gary, Mary, and Jennifer Baxter. Roger thanked members for agreeing to the earlier meeting time. He explained that many members had to drive long distances to come to the meetings and this would help with getting us all out earlier.

**Steve Rayl**, who is heading our participation in the **Tulsa Auto Show** talked about the theme for this year, which is a "Ralph Nader's Used Cars". **Bob Mooney** has laid out the pattern for the car display. Steve showed our 55' X 65' space on a floor map. We will be on a corner with two open sides. The walls will be used on the sides between us and the other car clubs. On the open side we will string some black and white checkered pennants. We also have red, white and blue pennants to draw attention to our display. There will be balloons on each car. On the windshield will be large numbers of the year model and a flyer with important information about the car. **Mark Boynton** has assured us that Ralph Nader will be on hand to explain his errors; or a least a reasonable facsimile of Ralph. There will be 12 cars of differing models and years and one Forward Control. Everyone who is going to help with set up was advised to be at the Quik Trip center, lower level, at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday March 11th. Our display must be complete with all cars in position by Wednesday March 12th around noon. The work schedule has been filled and will be e-mailed to everyone who signed up to work.

Roger reminded us that the **Orphan Show** will be on May 3rd. We will be given flyers to distribute around our towns and to all auto parts stores. We will also be needing door prizes.

**Marvin Luke** will be entering the hospital on Monday morning, March 10 for an Angio-gram. Our prayers go with him.

Meeting adjourned.

**TREASURER REPORT:** Marilyn Ash, GCCG Treasurer reports a balance in the bank account in the amount of **\$1,660.51** with all known bills paid. Your support of Green Country Corvair Group is appreciated. Please continue to support the Club with the payment of your Dues.

**DUES REMINDER:** The following members' dues are now due or will be due or overdue:

Overdue:, Jon Gartman, Dale Vikse, Art Maimbourg, Gary Cooper, Richard Hawk

April: Marvin Luke, Roger Scott, Van Upky, Ron Walton

May: Ben Bishop, Mark Boynton, Bob Mooney,

Please pay the \$15 dues to Marilyn Ash, GCCG Treasurer, either in person or by mailing a check to 4250 S. Oswego, Tulsa, OK 74135. Please make checks payable to Green Country Corvair Group

**TECH TIP: "Greasing Late Model Rear Wheel Bearings"** (by Gary Baxter). The most common suggestion for greasing late model rear wheel bearings is to add a grease fitting to the hub, near the brake backing plate. I have done this on several cars and have thought I was accomplishing greasing the wheel bearings. After a failure on one of these, I disassembled the unit only to find that only the outer bearing had actually received any grease. The fitting location turns out to be right next to the inner race, or cup to use the correct term, of the outer bearing. In order to get grease to the inner bearing you would have to pump the housing full. This creates two problems. First so much grease causes drag on the rotating shaft, which heats the grease thinning it out. This leads to the second problem of grease all over the brake shoes. Let me tell you that sitting in a motel parking lot 1000 miles from home (and most of your tools) trying to clean grease off the brake shoes so you can continue the trip is not so much fun. I now only re-grease the bearings by taking the assembly apart. To take the assembly apart you first need to remove it from the car. If you have the tools shown in the shop manual, then follow it's directions. Most of us do not have access to these special tools. This is my method:

1. Start by placing the rear of the car on stands.
2. Disconnect the rear axles from the outer yoke.
3. Disconnect the rear emergency brake cable from the one coming out of the tunnel. This will make it easier to remove the lever that attaches to the brake shoe and to remove the cable from the backing plate.
4. Remove the brake drums and brake shoes and the lever that attaches to the emergency brake cable.
5. Remove the bolt that holds the cable to the suspension arm.
6. Pull back on the cable housing and slip the cable out of the bracket on the cross-member.
7. Remove the cable from the backing plate. There are tree fingers on the cable housing end that have to be pushed down to get the end through the hole in the backing plate. I usually try to get one started and then work each of the others into the hole by prying down on them while pulling on the cable housing. Magic words seem to be used in this part of the job.
8. Disconnect the brake line from the wheel cylinder.
9. Remove the four nuts holding the backing plate to the suspension arm.
10. Rotate the yoke to a vertical position and pull the backing plate/ axle assembly out. When the yoke gets to the hole, tip the assembly outer the bottom, pulling it off the lower studs first.
11. Remove the yoke with a good puller.
12. Remove the inner grease seal and push the axle shaft out of the bearings. You will need a press to push the axle out of the bearings. Be sure to support the backing plate well so you don't bend it. My 20 ton press will usually be able to do the job. Expect a loud bang as it breaks loose at first.

You can now clean, inspect and repack the bearings before reversing the process. I usually put enough grease in the hub to reach the lip in the hub. Some I have taken apart had no grease in the hub and none remaining on the inner bearing.

**TULSA AUTO SHOW: MARCH 13-16, 2008.** The annual **Tulsa Auto Show** was held March 13-18, 2008, in the Quik Trip Center (formerly IPE building) at the Tulsa fairgrounds. Under the leadership of **Steve and Shirley Rayl** the club displayed eleven good-looking Corvairs in "**Ralph Nader's Used Cars**" a car lot full of Corvairs, hosted by old Ralphie himself. It was a good display and all GCCG members were proud of their

efforts. Members showing cars were **J.C. Ash, Marilyn Ash, Gary Baxter, Carey Perry, Bob Kinser, John Zink, Roger Scott, Forrest Andrews, Bob Mooney, and Wayne Grieve**. Steve had a committee of workers including **Carey Perry, Mark Boynton, Bob Mooney, Jim Brewer, J.C. Ash and Marilyn Ash**.



Ralph Nader's Used Car Lot

"Ralph Nader's Car Lot"

Ralphie and "friend" to right



J.C.'s "new" baby



Carey Perry's hot rod



Roger Scott's 63 convertible



John Zink "Zpyder"



Forrest Andrews' Four door



Wayne Grieve's 65



Marilyn Ash's baby



Bob Kinser's 64 coupe



Mary Baxter's 65 coupe



Richard Hawk's 65 coupe (left) and Bob Mooney's 66 convertible (right)



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**GCCG MERCHANDISE:** The Club has a new jacket complete with logo.

The Club also has adopted a knit golf shirt and a cap with the logo embroidered. All items are available to all members by special order. Also name-tags are available with club logo and your name, also by special order.

To order merchandise or to suggest new club items, contact our resident rag merchant **Marvin Luke at 250-1500**, or see him at the next club meeting.



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Clark's Corvair Parts, Inc. <http://www.corvair.com/>  
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P.O. Box 339, Dundee, OR, 97115  
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**NOTE: NEW STARTING TIME FOR DINNER MEETINGS**

**NEXT MEETING: APRIL 4, 2008 AT 5:30 P.M. AT FULL CUP RESTAURANT:**

**BE THERE TO SEE YOUR FRIENDS**