

By Michael Scott

Boot & Bonnet

IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR!!

As we dive headlong into the joys of what will undoubtedly be one of the strangest Holiday seasons in memory, I just wanted to take a couple of moments to tell you all how grateful I am to be a part of such an amazing group of people. Through all of the challenges of 2020, the cancellations of some of our premier events like the Luau, Soups and Stews, the Halloween and Christmas parties, and our slow start to the Motoring season as we worked to adapt our Motoring events to ensure a safe(but still fun) experience, you've stayed with us. Through the most difficult challenges for a social group like ours, Queen City Coopers continued to grow, welcoming new members and making new friends along the way with each event. To me, that just speaks volumes about our QCC family. The love of these quirky little cars and the sheer joy of watching a line of MINIs snake through some twisties is what hooked us, but we truly do enjoy sharing the experience with FRIENDS. Even though we cannot see the smiles under the masks right now, or share the traditional handshakes and hugs, the unmistakable aura of this group shines through every single time we are together. The time spent with you all warms my heart. Thank you...

Although November is normally the time of year when the Club's activity starts winding down, there has been absolutely NOTHING normal about 2020. MINIacs thrive on NOT NORMAL. It is on our shirts, it's on our cars. The slogan NOT NORMAL has been a part of MINI's marketing since 2002, so in a year such as this we have embraced it and made November one for the books! I am starting this off with the Halloween Covered Bridges Drive. Yeah, I know, it was technically in October. But gimme a break, it was on the 31st and deserves some attention! Even with the absent-minded late promotion on my part, we had a nice group of MINIs, led by Tim and Bobbi Ross, motor through Brown and Adams Counties to six historic covered bridges. Great photo ops ensued, and there was even some really cool video posted to Facebook by brand new members John Bryant and David Bellish! Top it off with lunch at Miller's Bakery, a chance encounter with a hayride, and a blast from the past on one of the bridges, and it was a really fantastic day! A couple of weeks later, John and Kathy Witt took us on a beautiful Fall ride through some Northern Kentucky twisties to the village of Augusta. This was the Witt's first event, and they NAILED IT! The route was perfect, ending with time for lunch and shopping along the river and then a socially-distanced tour of the Baker-Bird Winery. And of course, most of the Ohio folks took the opportunity for a ride across the Ohio River on the Augusta Ferry. Another great day! And to

keep packing as much Motoring as possible into the end of the season, Ed Fenker took us to one of our new faves, Christmas Nights of Lights at Coney! It is hard not to get into the spirit of the upcoming holidays when you're surrounded by 2-1/2 miles of lights and music! And then to round out the month, a small group of QCC MINIs will be lighting our cars once again for the Fairfield Holiday Lights Parade (thanks, John and Nancy!).

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December events

12/12: Monthly Motor in







Again, COVID has reared its ugly head and forced modifications to this year's event, but this one has unlimited potential for some serious Club fun for years to come! So even with all of the restrictions placed upon us by COVID, November serves as a graphic example that until we can go back to our "normal" operations, we can still safely produce fun and exciting Motoring events that will keep our membership active and engaged. Lesson learned...

And as we enter December, I would certainly be remiss without a few words of caution regarding the upcoming Winter weather. Please do not wait until the last minute to get up to speed on maintenance on your MINI. If you change to Winter tires, do it now, before the first snowfall. If you do not, make sure your all-weather tires are in good condition with plenty of tread. Make sure your fluids are up to date and check them more often during the Winter. The temperature changes are hard on your engine, and your oil and coolant are their only protection. Being stranded on the side of the road by a breakdown is dangerous at any time, but Winter multiplies the danger by a factor of 5 to 10. Make sure you are prepared for the cold as well. A kit with a blanket, an extra sweater, heavy gloves and a hat, even heavy socks and a pair of boots, could save your life if you slide off the road. And keep your kit within reach, not in the boot. We love our MINIacs, and we would rather not see you turned into popsicles.

To wrap this all up, my sincere wish for you all is a Holiday season filled with warmth, joy, and love surrounded by family and friends...

MERRY CHRISTMAS, QCC!! CHEERS!! and MOTOR ON!!! Tom

2021 Dues are due!!!

Please send your annual dues of \$15.00 to
Nancy Cusick 5227 Mississippi Dr, Fairfield, OH 45014-2411
If you change your e-mail please let me know so you can continue to receive the newsletters

"With Covid-19 and the risks of infection, we will not be using our traditional paper Liability Release forms and the sharing of writing instruments, going forward. Instead, we have developed a new electronic Liability & Covid Release form that can be accessed via the Web either on your computer or a mobile device. Use of this form will be **mandatory** for events that require a Liability/Covid Release."

Links from the editor

Michael Scott

I hope you all are staying safe and healthy.

I have added a few links for your convenience about what is going on in your state.



Ohio

https://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov

Kentucky

https://govstatus.egov.com/kycovid19

Indiana

https://www.coronavirus.in.gov

USA CDC

https://www.coronavirus.gov

Stay Safe, stay healthy and most of all STAY HOME!



Monthly Motor INN



The QCC Officers are inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Due to Covid-19 and the current restrictions on gatherings, etc. we are hosting the December Monthly Motor-in via a Zoom Meeting. Please join us for a fun-filled time hosted by Tom Foster.

Topic: QCC December Motor-in Zoom Meeting Time: Dec 12, 2020 04:00 PM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83177639239 Meeting ID: 831 7763 9239 Passcode: 435436

One tap mobile

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> Meeting ID: 831 7763 9239 Passcode: 435436

Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kOeF6YSOs

On Sunday, November 29, three MINIs drove to Harbin Park to be part of the 2020 socially-distant Fairfield Parade of Lights scheduled for 6:00 -8:00 pm. Instead of the parade moving through Fairfield, Fairfield moved through the parade. All "floats" (Note: We were considered one float!) were stationary in parking lots at the park. Spectators stayed in their cars and drove through the lots. The parade of spectators started at 6:00 - and the last car passed us at 8:30! It was a different experience - and a treat to have decorations stay where they were put on the cars! We had arrived at 4:30 to decorate ours. Let's see which format 2021 brings! Thanks to Nancy Cusick for being the coordinator of our small part of this event.

1:Let the fun begin!"



3: All 3 cars are decorated and lit. Let the parade begin!"



2: "Scooter as Santa""









On Wednesday evening, Nov. 18th, we had 7 cars and 12 people join us for our annual trip to see **Coney Island - Christmas Nights of Lights**. Upon our arrival, the word spread through the staff that the MINIs were in the park. The staff let us all enter together. We enjoyed a 45 minute drive where we saw over 1 million lights synchronized to traditional and newer, rocking Christmas music played through our car stereo system.











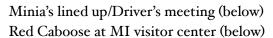






John & Kathy Whitt led a drive on Saturday, November 14 to Augusta, Kentucky. The weather was nice as 12 Minis followed scenic roads through Kentucky back country. We ended in Augusta where we ate lunch and then visited the Baker-Bird Winery for a tasting of some excellent wines.











Hallowe'en Covered Bridges Drive

On a chilly Hallowe'en morning, eleven travelers in seven MINIs met in Cherry Grove. Extra points to Johnny Bryant and David Bellish and Tim Ross for arriving in costume. The first part of the drive was pretty boring as it involved following US 52 East to get us out of civilization and onto about 100 miles of narrow, twisty roads. We visited six covered bridges in Adams and Brown Counties, crossing two. We had a lunch, pastry and popcorn stop at Miller's Bulk Foods/Bakery/Furniture complex in Wheat Ridge. We were our own parade - and attracted the attention of a youth group on a hay ride. It was good Karma for Johnny and David's candy to find a lot of grateful children, and they drove most of the route with the MINI's top down! Thanks to Tom Foster for ordering perfect fall weather and we still got a bit of colored leaves. Thanks to Ed and Vel Fenker, our expert sweepers. As for the group in the middle, thanks for keeping together on the twisties. Note: Rob and Doris Bax came in two cars! And Steve and Jane Nickerson came all the way from Xenia to enjoy the drive. Pictures follow.



George Miller Bridge



George Miller





George Miller Bridge



New Hope Bridge



North Pole Road Bridge



Brown Bridge



Harshaville Bridge







QCC Voluntary Job Descriptions

Group President: Promote Queen City Coopers, oversee all aspects of club functions, encourage camaraderie within the club, work with club sponsor.

Membership: Maintain accurate member information, Order name tags for members.

Treasurer: Collect club dues and oversee expenditures. Provide funds, if available, for club merchandise / events.

Event Coordinators: Promote club events, encourage members to host events and help host / plan as needed. Report event results to newsletter editor for posting in monthly newsletter.

QCC Swag Coordinator: Maintain & order club merchandise for inventory. Offer items for sale at monthly Motor In's

Club Photographer:Photograph club events and send pictures to Newsletter editor

Newsletter Editor: Create, edit, and send out monthly newsletter.

Website Editor: Help members with web site functions, keep web site up to date in all areas.

2020 QUEEN CITY COOPERS OFFICERS & SUPPORT STAFF



Let's wish Happy Birthday to our December members:

Scot Jonas	12/7
Sandy Stevenson	12/7
Becky Roberts	12/8
Peggy Vanderman	12/10
Linda Krum	12/12
Andrew Gear	12/16
Kathy Folino	12/19
Richard Posey	12/26
Nicole Wallace	12/30



Treasurer's Report:

We have a balance of \$1290.00 in our account. We can now accept card cards through our Square Purchase System (with a small convenience fee) for merchandise and membership dues.

Ed Fenker

Cincinnati MINI is offering active QCC members with a discount on MINI Parts and Accessories of 15% and 10% off of Labor charges. You will need to present your QCC Membership Card to quality for the discounts!!!

QCC Merchandise

Hey Everyone this is your new Swag Man Alex.

Please check out our list of current QCC Swag in the files section of the Facebook page.

We are currently working on building an online store and adding more Merch to the list.

If there is anything you would like to add to the current list please let me know.

Many more things to come... so excited...

Alex, Angela & Red Hot Rosy



2020 Membership Roster

Lan Ackley & Barbara Bush Dale & Sandy Ballinger Nick Banschbach & Becky Robert Gaby & Jennifer Batshoun Robert & Doris Bax Mark & Linda Bingman Jane & Bob Brocker Cheryl & Randy Brown Nancy & John Cusick Richard & Sylvia Darnall James & Erica Dean Kristin Dillenburger TJ & Jim Dixon Nicole & Mark Dooley Ann Finesman Ed and Vel Fenker Kathy & Mark Folino Tom Foster Andrew & Jessica Gear Sandy & Ron Gregory Joey Lee Gartrell & Karmyn Lang Corbit Harrison & Darla Bateman Richard Hamm & Trisha Mitzol Jean Janneck Tracy & Jonathan Jennings Zac & Anna Koroschetz

Mark & Linda Krum
Mary & Matt Hopton
James Hutsell & Jean Durkin
Robert & Nancy Ice
Scot Jonas & Jessica Proctor
Wyn Jones
Jerry & Debbie King
Louis & Millicent Larson



Barbara Lindsey Jennifer & Chris Linder Hector & Gina Maldonado Elizabeth & Randal Merrill Daniel & Carol Mohr Michael & Jenny Murphy Steve & Jane Nickerson

Angela & Brooks Nieberding Paul Nielander Mike & Mary Obermeyer Alexander & Angela Olveda Richard & Anne Posey Lara & Mike Prachar Rob & Carol Rauch Donna Ring & Jean Pabst Anji Roberts & Nelson Farmer Tim & Bobbi Ross Janet Scanlon **Brittany Schlemmer** Craig & Karen Schlesinger Michael Scott Joe & Lisa Spangler David & Sandy Stevenson Paul Stockhauser Walt Stubenvoll & Sue Kemp Elaina & Jim Stuard Mike Sugar DiEldred and Marilyn Storm Roger & Tammy Swartzendruber Daniel & Peggy Vanderman Kay & Herschel Weintraub John & Kathy Witt



Welcome New Members



Joe & Lisa Spangler



Want to be a Member? Pay your Annual Dues to gain Full Access to ALL the Queen City Coopers has to Offer!

Annual Membership Fees are \$15

Make Checks Payable to:

"Queen City Coopers"





Mail to:

QCC Memberships
Nancy Cusick
5227 Mississippi Dr.
Fairfield, OH 45014







QCC Resources

The following vendors have <u>Proven</u>
their quality of service to QCC
members in the past and have
welcomed us with good service, quality
work & excellent prices. If you are in
need of they type services they
provide, please give them a call,
identify yourself as a QCC member and
see how they can be of service.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS.

Schottmillers Auto Body
11478 Reading Rd
Cincinnati, OH 45241
Phone number(513) 563-2006

Ronnie Price Upholstery & Top Shop 9341 Seward Rd Fairfield, Ohio 45014 513-368-9462



WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

Even during this time, your MINI can be an essential part of your daily life.

To help support you, most of our service departments are currently open and are offering pickup and delivery.

Now you can have "no contact" access to service from your home.

Car Wash Hours

Monday 9am - 4pm Wednesday 9am - 4pm Saturday 8am - 4pm



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MEMBERSHIP

"All Who Wander Are Not Lost"



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MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES:

- Club Name Tags
- Full Access, Online Event Registration, & Access to the Links within the Queen City Coopers Website www.queencitycoopers.com
- Voting Rights on all Club Decisions that the Club Officers Deem Necessary for a Vote
- No Participation Fee for any QCC Sponsored Events
- 10% OFF CINCINNATI MINI SERVICE & 15% off on PARTS

Mail Application and Dues to:

 QCC Memberships Nancy Cusick
 5227 Mississippi Ave.
 Fairfield, OH 45014



MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS:

- Own / Lease a MINI
- Valid Driver's License
- Proof of Insurance (Primary Driver)

MEMBERSHIP TERM / DUES:

- January 1st thru December 31st
- \$15 Annual Fee
 Renewals Due by December 31st
- Make Checks Payable to: "Queen City Coopers"

MEMBERSHIP DEFINED:

Member, and up to one Associate Member

Date:			Your Information will be included in our online Member Directory viewable by other Members for		
Member's Name:			communication purposes on our Secure Site unless indicated by a "X" in the box		
Associate Member's Name:		X	MINI Model:		
Address:			Year of MINI:		
City, ST, Zip:			Body Color:		
Primary Phone:			Roof Color:		
Mobile Phone:			License Plate #:		
Member's Email:			License Plate State:		
Associate Member's Email			MINI's Nickname:		
Member's Birthday: (MM/DD/YYYY)	Year is Optional	П	Purchase Date of MINI:		
ssociate Member's Birthday: (MM/DD/YYYY)	Year is Optional		Was MINI Purchased at Cincinnati MINI?	Yes	or No
Emergency Contact:			Allow Other Members to Email You through Website?	Yes	or No
Emergency Contact Phone:	Should not Be Member or Associate Member	•	How did you hear		

