*"ALL WHO WANDER ARE NOT LOST* 

APRIL 2021

By Michael Scott

Boot & Bonnet

SPRING HAS SPRUNG, THE GRASS HAS RIS, I WONDER WHERE THE MINIS IS ...

WELCOME TO SPRING, QCC!!! I truly hope that everyone is finding some opportunities to get out and enjoy some of the absolutely fantastic early Spring weather we've had as of late! I'm EXTREMELY jealous of all of you Convertible and Roadster folks I've already seen out and about soaking up some rays with the wind in your hair. If the early emergence of warm temps and sunshine are any indication of the Spring and Summer to come, this has the potential to be an amazing Motoring season for QCC. And what better way to kick it of than with some GOOD NEWS?!!



QUEEN CITY COOPERS IS RETURNING TO OUR OWN SPECIAL BRAND OF **NOT NORMAL** WITH OUR FIRST REAL MOTOR-IN IN OVER A YEAR!!! That miserable virus-that-shall-not-be-named may have put an inconvenient kink in our social schedule for a while, but you can't keep a motivated group of MINIacs down! WE'RE BACK, BABY, with the APRIL MOTOR-IN!! Brittany and our besties at Cincinnati MINI are hosting our return on **APRIL 10<sup>th</sup> AT 4pm** as we take our first steps back toward business as usual! Don't misunderstand me, we're not throwing caution to the wind and getting careless. We'll still be taking proper precautions, requiring masks and proper social distancing, but I'm declaring this opportunity to cast aside the virtual meeting format and enjoy each others' company a decisive victory! I can't wait to have our QCC family together again and barring any unforeseen changes in regulations or risk levels, it'll only get better from here! Weather permitting, this will be an outdoor meeting (moved indoors if necessary), so bring a chair as well as your own personal drinks and snacks. Further details will be out on QCC e-mail, the website, and Facebook as they develop.

The only way to top the return of the Motor-In is with an outstanding schedule of Motoring events! The schedule is coming together, but as you might imagine, it's been hampered a bit by the difficulty of communication imposed by the virtual format, not to mention another postponement of MTTS and MOTM and the general dark cloud of the past year. I'm hoping that getting together again will help us clear away a bit of the funk and get those creative juices flowing to fill the calendar with some of our favorite events, as well as some fresh ideas. Let's fill the highways and backroads with shiny little cars and great big MINIac grins!

There's finally a bit of light at the end of the tunnel, so honk the horn, put it in SPORT, and listen to the echo of the pops, bangs, and burbles. In the meantime...

CHEERS!! and MOTOR ON!!!

Tom

### **April events**

4/10: Monthly Motor in

4/28-4/30: 2021 MINIs on the Dragon





## M&M Weekend

After a year hiatus due to the Covid-19 virus, the annual M&M Weekend is returning. For those who've never heard of this event, it is an annual joint event started way back in 2013 sponsored by the Greater Cincinnati Miata Club (GCMC). MINI's and Miata's spend a wonderful weekend driving the twisties in our local region. Past weekends have been spent in West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. This year's event will be centered in the Athens Ohio area with Athens as our hub and daily drives radiating from there. Saturday, Sunday, and Monday we will be experiencing three of the <a href="https://www.windy9.com">https://www.windy9.com</a> routes - each is about 100 miles. Along the way will be scenic stops, funky shops, a cave, art galleries in a Dairy Barn, lunch in Stockport at the Mill Inn, a visit to historic Nelsonville along with a scenic train ride.

The event starts on Friday evening May 28th and runs through Monday, May 31. The GCMC has secured a block of rooms at the Fairfield Inn & Suites Athens at a special rate just for us. Rooms need to be booked by May 1st.

Check the QCC website for details, the link to make your reservations and to sign-up.

Don't miss out on what is always a great time and the opportunity to catch up with old friends or to make new ones.

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### 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

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 Vaccine Information** 

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines Stay Safe, stay healthy and most of all STAY HOME!

**Michael Scott** 





## **Springtime Tech Tips**

Spring is one of the prime times for auto maintenance. That first wash-n-wax on a warm Saturday afternoon is liberating. Winter's gloom (to say nothing of grit and road salt) is literally washed away. Take out the snow shovel, the gloves, and heavy boots and store them 'til next season. Surely summer can't be far away.

Some preparation now will help ensure that your summer driving plans go as smoothly as you envision then now. ASE o er the following tips on getting your vehicle ready for summer.

- Read the owner's manual and follow the recommended service schedules.
- Have hard starts, rough idling, stalling, etc. corrected before hot weather sets in.
- Flush and refill the cooling system (radiator) according to the service manual's recommendations. The level, condition, and concentration of the coolant should be checked periodically.
- If you are not a do-it-yourselfer, look for repair facilities that employ ASE-certified automotive technicians.
- The tightness and condition of belts, clamps, and hoses should be checked by a qualified auto technician.
- Have a marginally operating air conditioner system serviced by a qualified technician to reduce the likelihood of more costly repairs.
- Change the oil and oil filter as specified in owner's manual. (Properly dispose of used oil.)
- Replace other filters (air, fuel, PCV, etc.) as recommended.
- Check the condition of tires, including the spare. Always check tire pressure when the tires are cold.
- Inspect all lights and bulbs; replace burned out bulbs.
- Replace worn wiper blades and keep plenty of washer solvent on hand to combat summer's dust and insects.





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Let's wish Happy Birthday to our April members:

Angela Olveda	6th
Kathy Witt	19th
Kristin Dillenburger	24th
Nick Banschbach	28th



## **Treasurer's Report:**

We have a balance of \$1461.00 in our account. We can now accept card cards through our Square Purchase System (with a small convenience fee) for merchandise and membership dues.

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

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#### "ALL WHO WANDER ARE NOT LOST"

# **COOPERS** 2021 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 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 \*\* Tony Guastaferro Richard Hamm & Trisha Mitzol \*\* Jean Janneck \*\* Tracy & Jonathan Jennings \*\* Zac & Anna Koroschetz Mark & Linda Krum

Mary & Matt Hopton James Hutsell & Jean Durkin Nancy Ice Scot Jonas & Jessica Proctor Wyn Jones \*\* Jerry & Debbie King Louis & Millicent Larson \*\*



Jennifer & Chris Linder \*\* Hector & Gina Maldonado \*\* Elizabeth & Randal Merrill Daniel & Carol Mohr \*\* Michael & Jenny Murphy \*\* Jane & Steve 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 Dave Storer & Tracy Wells Walt Stubenvoll & Sue Kemp Elaina & Jim Stuard Mike Suhar Gene Trimble & Patti Robinson Daniel & Peggy Vanderman \*\* Kay & Herschel Weintraub John and Kathy Witt \*\*Dues not paid



## Welcome New Members



Gene Trimble & Patti Robinson 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"





## **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.

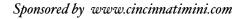
## **Car Wash Hours**

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



LET'S DRIVE A MORE INTELLIGENT CAR. Let's pack it with futuristic technology. Let's flip all the switches. Let's kick it into superdrive. Let's call it by name. Let's be its best friend. LET'S MOTOR.

\*Car Wash entrance is located behind the Cincinnati MINI showroom. An attendant will be out to greet you.













## **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.

## 2021 QUEEN CITY COOPERS OFFICERS & SUPPORT STAFF





## **2021 QUEEN CITY COOPERS OFFICERS & SUPPORT**





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## MEMBERSHIP

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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





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#### **MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS:**

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

#### **MEMBERSHIP TERM / DUES:**

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

#### **MEMBERSHIP DEFINED:**

Member, and up to one Associate Member

### **Membership Form**

Mail Application and Dues to: QCC Memberships, Nancy Cusick 5227 Mississippi Ave Fairfield, OH 45014

Date: Member's Name:			Member Directory v communication p	will be included in our online viewable by other Members for ourposes on our Secure Site ated by a "X" in the box
Associate Member's Name:			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		Purchase Date of MINI:	
Associate Member's Birthday: (MM/DD/YYYY)	Year is Optional		Was MINI Purchased at Cincinnati MINI?	Yes or No
Emergency Contact:		Ξ	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 about the club?	

