

Boot & Bonnet

Greetings QCC members,

Fall is here and hoping everyone had a chance to take their MINI out and enjoy the good weather. For those that participated in any QCC events, thank you! October brought us the annual Board nominations. Though nominations have closed, QCC is still seeking an Events Coordinator. If you enjoy promoting and coordinating events, please consider stepping up for the position. Board elections will be held at the November Motor-In; however, open positions can be filled at any time. The November 5th Motor-In, is the Annual Soup, Chowders, Chilis and Stews hosted by Ed and Vel Fenker. Register and bring something to share.

November also brings us the Coney Christmas Nights of Nights and the Fairfield Parade of Lights. Both events are a fun, so if you can, please attend. Finally as the driving season comes to an end, December brings in the Holiday Party! Come join us on December 3rd from 3:30 to 5:30 for the holiday party at Cincinnati MINI. QCC will supply the main dishes, white roofed MINIs are asked to bring desserts, black roofed MINIs are asked to bring a side dish, and convertibles and other color roofs can pick which dish to bring and there will be an optional gift exchange. See the QCC calendar for more details and to register.

See you soon!
Mary



November events

11/5: Soups, Chowders, Chilis & Stews

11/26: Fairfield Parade of Lights

11/15: Coney Island Christmas Lights



Soups, Chowders, Chilis & Stews

Saturday November 5, 2022

4:00 pm

Riverpointe Condominiums Clubhouse

320 Riverpointe Dr.

Dayton, KY 41074

Bring your favorite homemade soup, chili, stew or chowder for everyone to share. There is plenty of electric to keep your creations hot. Also in addition you are welcome to bring a dessert to share. Eat as little or as much as you like, it is all fantastic. Time to show off your homemade recipes.

This is also our Monthly Motor In, finishing up 2022 "year in review".

This is also election day for 2023 officers.

4th Annual Fairfield Parade of Lights

Pull out the Christmas lights and light up your MINI and join QCC on **Saturday November 26, 2022** for Fairfield's Parade of Lights.

Fairfield has an afternoon and evening event planned for this day. 4-7PM

Come shop at the Holiday Market and enjoy live performances throughout Village Green Park.

6PM staging at Sacred Heart School, across the street from the Coop.

7PM The 4th Annual Parade of Lights will kick off lead by a police escort the parade will ultimately end at Village Green Park. [

7:30 PM The lighting of Village Green Park by Santa and our Mayor.

Pizza will be served before we head to the starting line for the Parade.

Staging anytime after 4:30 PM for the parade is at the

Cusick Coop

5227 Mississippi Dr

Fairfield, OH 45014

The actual parade will be staged at Sacred Heart Church, across the street from our house, we need to be there at 6PM. The parade starts at 7 PM with a police escort followed by the community floats and walking entries. Light up your cars and join us for a fun event, QCC is registered for the parade.

PLEASE sign up on the calendar so I can let Fairfield know how many cars will be participating.

Questions please contact Nancy Cusick at 513-225-0569.

We have used a small portable generator to light up our car, either taping the lights or using magnets to hold the lights on. Small blowups have been used also.

2022 Dues are over due, now accepting 2023 dues.

Please send your annual dues of \$30.00 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



Fall Spirited Drive

On Saturday, October 15, we had one of the largest turnouts for our Fall Spirited Drive, ever!! We had a total of 26 cars - 17 Minis and 9 Miata's! We met in the New Riff Distillery/The Party Source parking lot and left via I-471 but exited on Grand Avenue so that we could drive through the hills and hollers of Northern KY to Red State BBQ in Lexington. We pretty much managed to keep the group together which is surprising with such a large number of cars. About an hour into the drive we had a pitstop in Falmouth KY. From there we headed west on KY-330 for a spirited drive through the rolling hills of central Kentucky to the horse country of Lexington. After navigating some of the major highways west of Lexington we finally ended up at Red State BBQ for some of the best BBQ in Kentucky.



After lunch and a short drivers' about a half dozen cars headed to Castle & Key Distillery on the south side of Frankfort. C&K is located in the Old Taylor Distillery Company along Glenss Creek, a tributary of the Kentucky River, which also flows past Buffalo Trace Distillery. Kentucky's great limestone filtered water is what makes KY Bourbon unique among bourbons. We all enjoyed wandering their beautiful grounds, checking out the Spring House, where it was shady, and tasting their wares before heading home to Greater Cincinnati.



Fall Spirited Drive Cont:



We did have a few learnings from the drive. At every driver's meeting we say "each car is responsible for keeping the car behind in sight". Right at the start 2 cars, without navigators, headed north on I-471 instead of south. They managed to plot a different route and met us in Falmouth. After leaving

Falmouth we had a car miss a "Left, Straight, Right" sequence of turns and in spite of the horn beeping and radio calls from the sweeper and missing the sight of the immediate-leading car who had stopped on KY-330, a little past the intersection – this resulted in a "lost" car, and all three of the last cars made errors.

Typically we hear too many cars say "We'll just follow the car in front", but when the string is interrupted, EVERY CAR MAY AT SOME POINT BECOME THE LEADER of a shortened group. We need to stress that all navigators follow along with the directions, and we especially need everyone without a navigator to listen to the upcoming turn directions on the family radio channel. We also need to point out the importance of having a FRS (Family Radio Service) radio. Most of us in QCC have a Motorola FRS radio. There are other brands out there but some are not compatible with the Motorola radios. (We do have instructions for making Midland radios work with the Motorola's however it is a complicated procedure.) These radios can be purchased at Dick's Sporting Goods, Bass Pro Shops, Target, and Amazon, to name a few and are usually less than \$100 for a pair. Those without radios at the start must borrow one from the club's extra supply or from another participant, with instructions for use.



All in all, we had a beautiful day for an awesome drive through the amazing Kentucky countryside. There is nothing better than being with our fellow MINlacs for a great drive! Thanks to all who came out and enjoyed the fun!

Ed & Vel Fenker

3 Steps to Prepping Your Mini Cooper for Winter Driving

We probably shouldn't be thinking about winter weather while the summer sun is still shining, but it's always best to be prepared ahead of schedule. It's essential to have your Mini Cooper prepped and ready for driving on snowy and icy winter roads. We highly recommend you follow these three steps in order to get your Mini Cooper ready for winter driving.

1. Snow Tires

One of the best ways to safeguard against accidents caused by ice and snow is investing in a good set of snow tires. These types of wheels will make it easier for your [Mini Cooper](#) to grip the road, even if it's covered in ice, snow, or slush. Snow tires were created to improve traction, which also greatly improves your chances of driving safely when it's snowing.

2. Brake Inspection

We can all agree that brakes are an essential auto system any time of the year. [Mini Coopers](#) have some amazing and modern brake safety features, like anti-lock brakes and automatic stability control. We recommend scheduling a brake inspection to ensure your brakes are working at top-notch performance. Plus, if they're not up to par, those advanced features will not be much help when driving on wet roads.

3. Wipers & Lights

While investing in a good set of snow tires and having the brakes inspected will get your Mini Cooper winter-road ready, checking the windshield wipers, wiper fluid, and taillights will also aid in safe driving for you and others on the road with you. If it's been a while since you've changed your windshield wipers or they're not working as well as they should be, now is a great time to replace them. Also, purchase some windshield washer fluid that contains a de-icer to keep your windshield from icing up. If any of the taillights need to be fixed, again, now is the time to take care of this essential task.



By Carlos Aleman

QCC Swag

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On the glowing recommendations from our friends from the Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club, Queen City Coopers has partnered with RP Diamond Printing and Embroidery to offer our membership our FIRST TRUE ONLINE SWAG CATALOG!!! For the time being, we've curated a limited selection of quality embroidered items including hats, men's and women's polos, ¼-zip sweatshirts, long-sleeve button-down shirts, and even sublimation-printed travel tumblers (perfect for MINI cupholders) that will be available for online purchase directly from the vendor! This is gonna be great!!

So, here's how it works... I'll have samples of each item available at our monthly Motor-Ins for everyone to actually see and feel (and yes, the samples will be for sale). When you find something, you like, you'll be able to go to the website RPDiamond.com, choose "SHOP NOW", scroll down to the Queen City Coopers logo, then shop to your heart's content!! Once you've chosen your item(s), size, and color, you can order and pay online, then choose to have it delivered for a flat fee of \$10 or choose "local pickup" and it will be waiting for you at the next Motor-In! How cool is that?!!

And... OUR CATALOG IS EXPANDABLE!! When we find that there's a demand for an item that we don't yet offer, we have the option of adding it to the catalog! THE POSSIBILITIES ARE UNLIMITED!!! And of course, I'll still have QCC printed T-shirts, door magnets, and decals in stock for immediate purchase! The catalog will be online soon, and I'm hoping to have samples at the next Motor-In, so I'm hoping to see you there to share more details in person.

Until then...CHEERS!! and GET YOUR QCC SWAG ON!!



T-Shirts



Window decals

Car Magnets



Embroidery example

Let's wish Happy Birthday to our November members:

Joe Spangler	1
Corbit Harrison	3
Joseph Yannone	3
James Hutsell	6
Jennifer Batshoun	17
Lisa Spangler	19
Sue Kemp	21
Erica Dean	26
Mark Folino	29



Treasurer's Report:

We have a balance of \$2540.72 in our account.

We can now accept all credit cards, even the new chipped cards, as well as Apple & Android Pay 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!!!



2022 Membership Roster

Lan Ackley & Barbara Bush

Dale & Sandy Ballinger

Gaby & Jennifer Batshoun

Darla Bateman & Corbit Harrison

Mark & Linda Bingman

Nick & Becky Banschbach

Cheryl & Randy Brown

Devon Burroughs

Quincy Canady

Rebecca & Randy Clark

John & Nancy Cusick

James & Erica Dean

TJ & Jim Dixon

Tom Draper

Nelson Farmer & Anji Roberts

Vel & Ed Fenker

Kathy & Mark Folino

Tom Foster

Andrew & Jessica Gear

David & Kara Green

Ron Gregory & Sandy Stanford

Ron & Keagen Hoffman

Mary & Matt Hopton

James Hutsell & Jean Durkiz

Scot Jonas & Jessica Proctor

Jerry & Debbie King

Zac & Anna Koroschetz

Jennifer & Chris Linder

John & Dara Lang

Joe & Jen Loving



Hector & Gina Maldonado

Betty & Randy Merrill

Brent & Christy Nibert

Steve & Jane Nickerson

Angela & Brooks Nieberding

Mike & Mary Obermeyer

Debie & Jim Plumb

Stan & Debbie Porter

Carol Rauch

Donna Ring & Jean Pabst

Thomas Roberts & Criselda Del Cruz

Tim & Bobbi Ross

Joel Rosenthal

Janet Scanlon

Brittany Schlemmer

Craig & Karen Schlesinger

Michael Scott

Joe & Lisa Spangler

David & Sandy Stevenson

Paul Stockhauser

Dave Storer & Tracy Wells

Elaina & Jim Stuard

Walt Stubenvoll & Sue Kemp

Mike Suhar

Herschel Weintraub

Jeffrey Weyer & Amy Noffsinger

John & Kathy Witt

Jay Woodruff

Joseph & Judy Yannonne



Welcome New Members

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

KEEP YOUR BAD HABITS.



Reagan Lamb & Julia Fermier

Annual Membership Fees are \$30
Make Checks Payable to:
"Queen City Coopers"

Darla Bateman & Corbit Harrison

Tracy & Jonathan Jennings

THANKS.



Mail to:

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



RECONNECT WITH OLD FRIENDS.



QCC Resources

The following vendors have Proven 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

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



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.**



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Fairfield OH 45014

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John@tintguy.com

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Suntek
Installer

Tint Guy

tintguy.com

Window Films : Automotive - Residential - Commercial
Paint protection films

Specials for Queen City Coopers



FOR SALE: Four (4) good original 2003 MINI "snowflake" wheels, size 5J-16, with 195/55R16 Michelin X-Ice snow tires, \$200 total. Contact Tim Ross at 513-528-3232, leave message or email to hugcrv@fuse.net. The wheels DO NOT have any TPMS pressure sensors in them, and the snow tire tread is 7/32" which means just a little of the soft snow rubber left, maybe okay with a light winter coming. The wheels are straight, balance well, with only a minor number of blemishes considering they have been used in many Cincinnati winters with salt. Photo attached. I also have a Clubman car cover and 2011

service manual for friendly sale to good
www.queencitycoopers.com



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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.

2022 QUEEN CITY COOPERS OFFICERS & SUPPORT STAFF



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CLUB

PRESIDENT:

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By Michael Scott



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
- \$30 Annual Fee
- Renewals Due by December 31st
- 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: _____

Associate Member's Name: _____

Address: _____

City, ST, Zip: _____

Primary Phone: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Member's Email: _____

Associate Member's Email: _____

Member's Birthday: _____
(MM/DD/YYYY) *Year is Optional*

Associate Member's Birthday: _____
(MM/DD/YYYY) *Year is Optional*

Emergency Contact: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____
Should not Be Member or Associate Member

Your Information will be included in our online Member Directory viewable by other Members for communication purposes on our Secure Site unless indicated by a "X" in the box

MINI Model: _____

Year of MINI: _____

Body Color: _____

Roof Color: _____

License Plate #: _____

License Plate State: _____

MINI's Nickname: _____

Purchase Date of MINI: _____

Was MINI Purchased at Cincinnati MINI? **Yes or No**

Allow Other Members to Email You through Website? **Yes or No**

How did you hear about the club? _____

