

Boot & Bonnet

Greetings Fellow Miniacs:

November brought some good events! Thanks to those that were able to attend. The 2023 Officer slate was proposed and voted on at the November Soups, Chowders, Chilis & Stews. With no new nominations, the current officers will retain their positions; however, QCC is still in need of an Events Coordinator. So if you know anyone that would be interested, please touch base with one of the officers.



December brings in a Toys For Tots drive on Friday, December 2nd. Please help kids during this holiday season and drop off a new, unwrapped toy at Cincinnati MINI or touch base with either Craig Schlesinger, Nancy Cusick or myself. If you have the time on Friday and would like to help, we are meeting at Cincinnati MINI at 12:30 p.m. and driving to Erlanger, KY to drop off the donations.

Finally, December 3rd is the annual Holiday Party at Cincinnati MINI. It starts at 3:30 p.m. and goes until 5:30 p.m. QCC will provide the main dishes, but we are asking white roofed MINIs to bring desserts and black roof MINIs to bring a side. Non-white or non-black roofed MINIs get to choose which to bring. Please register on the website, so we know how many member to expect. Hope to see you there.

Happy Holidays!

Mary

December events

12/3: QCC Holiday Party

Coney Island Nights of Lights Recap:

On November 17th we had 10 Mini's come out on a cold crisp evening for our annual Coney Island Nights of Lights event. We motored from Eastgate Mall to Coney Island. As we entered the queue for the event, the crew signaled ahead that the **"Minis were coming"**. They were kind enough to let us all in as a group. We got to drive through the region's largest synchronized holiday light spectacular. We experienced more than two million lights synchronized to a mix of traditional and rocking holiday music. We enjoyed seeing the larger-than-life Christmas trees, glowing snowflakes, dancing candy canes, fantastic tunnels of lights, and so much more! It was a great way to kickstart our holiday spirits.

Afterwards 6 Mini's, 8 people went to Gramma's Pizza on Beechmont for an after-the-event meal. It was awesome to sit around and enjoy some great conversations with our fellow Miniac's.

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All who wander are not lost! We drive MINIs!!

Ed



Fairfield Parade of Lights Recap:

The 5th annual Fairfield Parade of Lights is in the books. Three cars participated, Santa's Hat (Tom Foster) Rob Philpot in his hot red convertible and Amobia with his roof full of blowups and the jack in the box popping out of the trunk (Nancy & John Cusick) we had a longer route this year with more participant's.

As always, the crowd was awesome.

Nancy



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 pay 2023 dues via Credit Card there is a \$1.00 service fee.

QCC Holiday Party

QCC will be hosting the annual holiday party. It will take place at Cincinnati MINI from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The main dish will be provided by QCC, white roofed MINIs are asked to bring a dessert, black roofed MINIs are asked to bring a side dish, and convertibles and other colored roofs can pick either one. There will also be an optional gift exchange (suggested \$20 limit). Please sign up on this site so we know how much "main dish" to order....

If you have not paid your dues for 2023, this is a great opportunity to pay.
Questions, please contact Nancy Cusick 513-225-0569



Join QCC and [Cincinnati MINI](#) in gathering donations for Toys For Tots. It's a wonderful cause, so please donate new, unwrapped toys at the drop box at Cincinnati MINI.

After a bit of back and forth, Craig Schlesinger was able to confirm Friday, December 2nd at 12:30 p.m. at Cincinnati MINI. We'd love to have a parade of MINI's deliver the donations. If you're interested in helping with the delivery, please let us know.

Please help every kid have a happy holiday season.

Thank you fellow Miniacs!

Not All MINIs Going Electric: Next Generation MINI Cooper (ICE) Previewed

We've been talking a lot about the upcoming all electric MINI offerings (the [Cooper](#), [Aceman](#) and [Countryman](#) EV) but MINI isn't letting go of internal combustion engines (ICE) yet. In an unprecedented move there will be two next generation MINI Coopers (hatches) built on opposite ends of the planet on two different platforms. This move will allow MINI to offer innovative electric offerings while still selling to the traditional ICE market for as long as possible.

A revised F56 MINI will form the basis of the "new" ICE MINI Cooper and will be built at the Oxford plant. We use the word "new" carefully because this will be an extensively revised F56 and not just a refresh focused mostly on design but the actual structure of the car.

Recently [Autocar](#) got their hands on some spy photos of the forthcoming revised F56 and what it shows is a heavily clad JCW model with some clues as to what to expect. For starters MINI looks to have slightly decreased the front overhang. We've heard for years the brand had been toying with new crash materials that could pass pedestrian safety standards with less space needed. We also know that Oliver Heimler has gone as record several times that the current car's front overhang is too large and not in fitting with the brand.

Massive Upgrade In Technology

Elsewhere we can clearly see a camera and sensor module integrated into the top of the grille allowing this next generation of F56 MINIs to make use of L1 and perhaps even L2 autonomy features seen on some BMWs. Currently MINI has only one vaguely autonomous feature – adaptive cruise. While helpful it really does one thing – follow the car in front. MINI's aim is to introduce this technology as an option meant primarily for highway purposes and likely only on automatic equipped MINIs.

BMW's current Active Driving Assistant Pro (optional on most mid-sized to larger BMWs) allows for Level 2+ below 81 MPH for 2023 models. That means you can take your hands off the wheel entirely as long as your eyes are on the road. The car will stop, go, turn and even change lanes on command. When that hits MINI models is yet to be seen but there's no question it will eventually come.

But perhaps the most pressing reason for MINI to upgrade the Cooper's camera system is newly introduced EU safety legislation that goes into affect in 2024. More specifically MINI needs to comply with the intelligent speed assistance (ISA) requirement that has the ability to limit cars speed in urban environments. Yes you read that right.



Yes that is a massive circular screen and it will be present on all next generation MINIs. What you see above is the screen sitting camouflaged plastic enclosure. The final version will allow the screen to float similar to what we saw a few months ago on the upcoming [2024 MINI electric hatch](#).

Beyond the massive screen there's a lot to take in here. The switches and knobs (which are actually marked) are also identical to what we saw in the electric hatch leak meaning that MINI is moving to a consistent user experience across all models no matter where they're produced or what platform they're on. The automatic transmission gear lever is now going to be on the dash and next to it the return of a twist to start rather than a button. From there MINI will have it's "experiences" toggle (more to come on that) and volume knob.

How Much Of A Refresh?

Most don't realize that the 2007 R56 was a major refresh of the previous generation R50/R53 chassis. Will we see similar radical refresh of the F56? Likely not for two reasons. MINI is intending to keep the current engine line-up and refine them to meet tightening emissions standards. So no new engines but likely different tunes. MINI also doesn't need to fix any significant issues like they did on the R50 which was never engineered to BMW quality standards. While this will be a heavy refresh, we believe that the changes we'll see on this refresh/next generation F56 will be focused on design and technology with important tweaks to performance.

The petrol powered range will use an evolution of the current B48 engine range with mild-hybrid added to decrease CO2 and add performance. As we detailed in our recent preview of the next generation MINI Countryman, every petrol powered engine is a revision of an existing one. So things will look familiar but we believe numbers might rise slightly. The 1.5 three cylinder could use a more powerful BMW tune that would see it rise to 137 hp and 170 lb-ft of torque. Then there's a series of 2.0 four cylinder that could also use various BMW tunes; 170 hp and 206 ft-lbs and 218 hp and 265 ft-lbs.

Most petrol engines will get a 48 volt [mild hybrid system](#) and will be mated to a revised 7-speed dual clutch with an all new gear selector design. The manual transmission's days may be numbered but we believe it will stick around in a couple trim levels on the new F56 through the end of the decade.

When Will The Refreshed Next Generation MINI Cooper Launch?

With the test mules progressing quickly, we believe we'll see the refreshed F56 (likely not to be called the F56) sometime in late 2023 or early 2024. We'd expect a tiered launch starting with the Cooper and Cooper S, followed by a JCW model. This will all happen in the shadow of the entirely new and all electric MINI Cooper built in China and meant primarily for Asia and Europe. We'll have more on that car and MINI's plan to get it to the US soon.



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 December members:

Rick Rosenberger	4
Scot Jonas	7
Sandy Stevenson	7
Becky Roberts	8
Andrew Gear	16
Robert Philpot	16
Kathy Folino	19
Jeffrey Weyer	22
Tracy Wells	23



Treasurer's Report:

We have a balance of \$2340.00 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

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John & Dara Lang



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Brent & Christy Nibert

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Angela & Brooks Nieberding

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Stan & Debbie Porter

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Donna Ring & Jean Pabst

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Craig & Karen Schlesinger

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Joe & Lisa Spangler

David & Sandy Stevenson

Paul Stockhauser

Dave Storer & Tracy Wells

Elaina & Jim Stuard

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Mike Suhar

Herschel Weintraub

Jeffrey Weyer & Amy Noffsinger

John & Kathy Witt

Jay Woodruff

Joseph & Judy Yannone



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!



Ann &
Grant
Light

Robert &
Victoria
Philpot

Annual Membership Fees are \$30
Make Checks Payable to:

"Queen City Coopers"

THANKS.



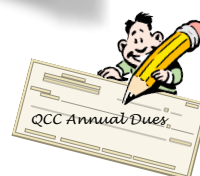
Mail to:

QCC Memberships

Nancy Cusick

5227 Mississippi Dr.

Fairfield, OH 45014



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.

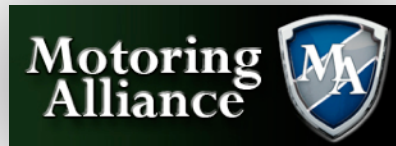
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Specials for Queen City Coopers



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

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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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**QCC SWAG
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Tom Foster

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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? _____

