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PRESIDENTS CORNER—DALE BALLINGER

Hello, and I hope all is well with you.

In this B&B, you will read about recent events and see my minutes for the May 4 Motor-in. That is past history, and now my challenge to you is this: Let's make our own NEW-story. Let's get out and participate, show off our Minis, and honor our country.

Next, is the Memorial Day parade May 27 in Newtown, Ohio. It was recommended by Tom Foster.

Look for Treasurer Ed's QCC survey and respond, please. Then, on June 22, there is a Motor-in in Lawrenceburg, Indiana. It will be at a restaurant with a side visit to the antique cars of "The Great Race." They just happen to be stopping overnight. If they can drive from Kentucky to Maine, I think we can drive to Lawrenceburg. What do you say? Hope to see you "down the road."

Sincerely, Dale



Devou Park

The Official Newsletter of the Queen City Coopers

QCC MAY 4, 2024 MOTOR-IN MINUTES BY PRESIDENT DALE

Call to order: 5:35 p.m.

The meeting will come to order. Welcome to my 14 fellow QCC members. Thanks to all for driving here and to the ten brave souls who did the pre-drive from Devou Park to Union, KY. And, thanks to Debbie Porter for navigating and riding in my BRG Mini Me and doing radio calls, too. I would like to thank my wife, Sandy, for hosting this meeting. We have Bill Howell as our newest member, and guests, Jo and Denny Lindauer.

Reports of Officers and Volunteers:

President: The Event Coordinator position is still open, so I led an event on April 6.

We had a total of twenty car lovers come out to Collection 21 in Erlanger, KY on Saturday, April 6, 2024. We toured over 200 American-built cars with the Ohio Valley Austin-Healey Club. So, there were 11 OVAHC members and 13 QCC members. With four of us in both clubs, that equals 20. Most of us went to lunch nearby at MacKenzie River Pizza and Pub for drinks and food.

Treasurer Ed Fenker: We have a \$2240 balance. I am selling Woodford Reserve Bourbon QCC 20th anniversary raffle tickets today. They are \$2 each, or 6 for \$10. I will post a QCC members' survey on the web site, direct email, and on

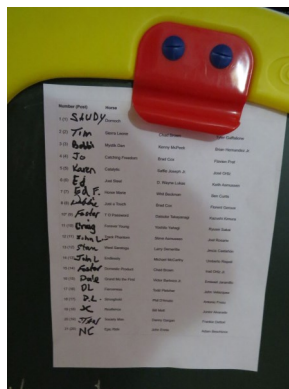
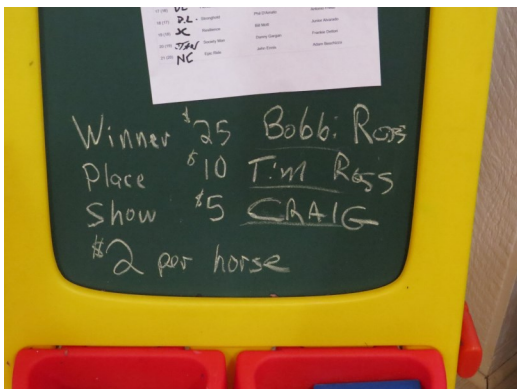
our Facebook group later in May. I will pay Dale \$149.64 for his receipts for today's expenses.

Swag Coordinator Karen Schlesinger: The new name tag orders are being taken. They come in several color combinations. Howell, Porter, and Lang were able to choose what they liked today. If any member needs a new one, they must tell



an officer in person at a motor-in or event. And they must pick them up in person, too, since we are not mailing them.

Membership Nancy Cusick: We now have 100 members. I am helping Karen with the name tags. Dale thanked her for providing some cups, bowls, plastic ware, etc. for today.



Boot & Bonnet editor Stan and Debbie Porter: Stan asked for recommendations for advertising and repair shops, etc. He wants to ask the membership in the next B&B to give him input. Dale thanked Stan and Debbie Porter for taking the editor job. GREAT April and May editions went out. And thanks for help-



QCC MAY 4, 2024 MOTOR-IN MINUTES—(CONT.)

ing with the Mint Juleps, too.

Old Business: Bobbi Ross gave a complete update for the M & M 4-day outing for September 26-29 in Marietta, OH. Check the web site calendar for details. Register on the web site if you are going.

New Business: We need June plans for a motor-in. Discussion centered around combining with July because of the 4th of July. So the decision was to hold the June/July motor-in on Saturday, June 22, in Lawrenceburg, IN. The "Great Race" is going to stop there at the Doubletree Hotel along the Ohio River. The antique cars are driving from Kentucky to Maine! Visit www.greatrace.com for more info.

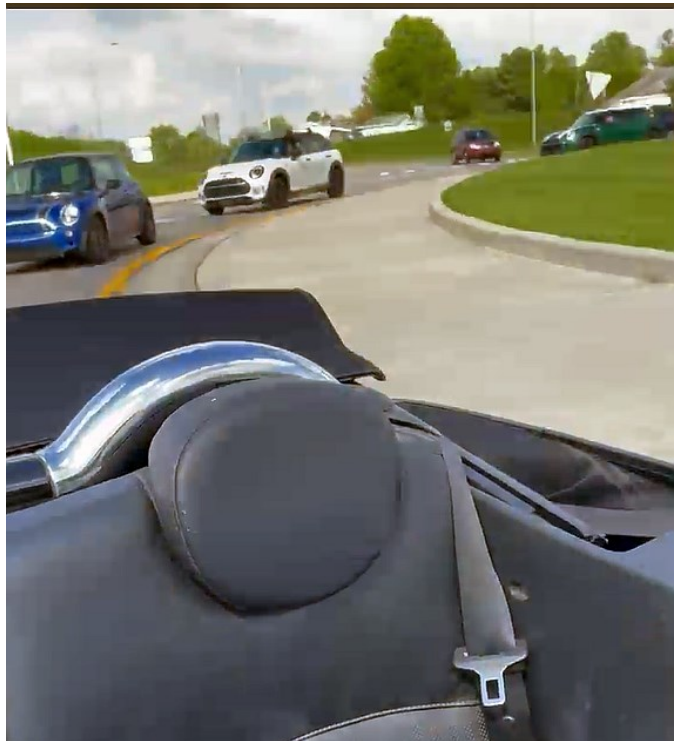
Our club will participate in Toys for Tots this year, so start gathering presents.

Tom Foster mentioned that we should attend the 2024 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE May 27 at 9:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Newtown, OH. All are welcome to participate in the parade. Lineup begins at 9 a.m. at MVCA 6830 School St, Cincinnati, OH 45244 with step-off taking place at 10 a.m.. The parade ends at Moundview Park around 10:45 a.m.

The last autocross of 2024 with Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club runs "rain or shine" on Saturday, July 27. Show up at Live Oaks campus near Milford and pay \$30 per driver for six laps around the new and improved parking lot course. Or watch/ride for free! Check www.ohiovalleyahc.com for details.

Thank you, Sandy, for making the food and everyone for attending. Meeting is adjourned.

Let's party!



QCC May 4, 2024 / MOTOR-IN / DERBY PARTY

MAY 4 DRIVE / MOTOR-IN / DERBY PARTY report by President Dale

At the Saturday, May 4th event, Sandy & I invited y'all to explore a little bit of Kentucky. I met up with 5 more Minis and 1 Miata at Devou Park in Covington. YES, the rain stopped, the clouds parted, the sun came out, and we drove top-down the whole way. We started off from the Drees Pavilion overlooking the Cincinnati skyline at about 3:35 with 6 cars and 10 travelers. Then we followed each other for a scenic tour of Park Hills, Burlington, and then Boone County back roads to our home in Union, KY. I led the Minis with Craig & Karen Schlesinger, Tom Foster, Bill Howell with the *glass pack* muffler, Ed Fenker, Stan Porter, and Tim & Bobbi Ross swept in their Miata.

Thanks to Debbie Porter for being a "voluntary-told" navigator and radio operator in my BGR convertible. She even had a joke or 2. Some broadcasting about "banjo music" and how "folks were dying to get in there" when we passed a graveyard.....One of the fun parts for me was when I whoa-ed us down at the long CVG runway tunnel on Route 20, and then smashed the gas to allow the exhausts to blurt out loud full-throttle roars. Bobbi Ross said she loved the part when Debbie *talked me into* doing a double loop around the traffic circle in Union.

Back at our home about 5 PM, John Lang caught up with us, and John & Nancy Cusick dropped in.

That made 8 Minis in our driveway! Our friend and neighbors Denny & Jo Lindauer stopped by with some wine and ice tea to help us celebrate Derby Day. Sandy had set out some appetizers and Stan & Debbie made some mint juleps. About 5:35 we started a brief motor-in followed by a dinner of burgoo and cornbread. Burgoo is Kentucky's most famous stew, usually made for big gatherings. Followed up by some delicious pecan pie.





QCC May 4, 2024 / MOTOR-IN / DERBY PARTY (Cont)

We turned up the TV in time for the big race. There was a pot for all to try their luck. Everyone drew a \$2 horse or 2 from the hat and we posted them to see who might win. Bobbi won \$25 on Mystic Dan for first, Tim the place for \$10, and Craig the show for \$5. Ed sold raffle tickets for a VERY special 20th QCC anniversary

Woodford Reserve Bourbon. John Cusick was the lucky one! The Derby party continued and we enjoyed more goodies, shrimp, snacks, soft drinks, and wine. Thanks to Sandy for coming up with the idea and hosting, and thanks to all for attending. President Dale

Upcoming Events— NEWTOWN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE!!!

LET'S SHINE 'EM UP AND LINE 'EM UP!!!
Hey, QCC! It's almost time once again for the NEWTOWN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE!!!

Join your besties from QCC on Monday, May 27, as we honor our fallen American heroes and entertain the crowd with our shiny MINIs.

The folks in Newtown LOVE us, so let's give them another great show! Line-up starts at 9:00 a.m. in the lot of MIAMI VALLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY at 6830 SCHOOL ST. in NEWTOWN. The parade will kick off at 10:00 a.m.

I'll have antenna flags, but feel free to decorate your MINIs as much as you like. Bring door magnets if you have them.

The Newtown parade is always a great way to wrap up Memorial Day weekend and hang out with your buds from Queen City Coopers! Practice your wave, bring the family, and we'll SEE... YOU... THERE!!!

Regards,
The Queen City Coopers Team

UPCOMING EVENTS— 2024/06/22 MOTOR-IN AND GREAT RACE CARS

The "Great Race" cars are going to stop in Lawrenceburg, Indiana at the Doubletree Hotel along the Ohio River. The antique cars are driving from Kentucky to Maine! visit <http://www.greatrace.com> for more info. Thanks to Debie Plumb, We are changing where QCC will meet on Saturday, June 22. Please register on the QCC web calendar so we can update you with any further developing news regarding this lunch/event/motor-in.

"I would suggest you go maybe a mile down the street to "4 Speed on 50s Diner", 479 West Eads Parkway, Lawrenceburg, IN. It's a retro diner built around love for automobiles. They have a small museum, gift shop, and gas station at their complex. Their Facebook site is very active with cars that are to see, or be seen in as many car clubs parade on in. It's definitely been a "destination" for car lovers."

I love the idea! I called them and they said they would be busy, which is good that folks like the food there. I told them 12 for 1:30 PM. They said they could fit us in, no reservations accepted, but they do have outdoor seating. (with good weather) We may have to huddle up by our Minis for the (brief, like 9 minute?) Motor-In.

Maybe bring chairs?

We can send an email with the changes, and change the web site calendar page. Registered right now is my MINI and Lisa Poor. We want more. But, since we are getting so few our options are wide open. I worded the original message as "our plans right now are....." so this sounds even better!

Car museum: Admissions General Admission: \$7
Children 6 and under FREE

Veterans (with military ID) and individuals under 18: \$5

We are proud to recognize the Lawrenceburg Speedway as the official sponsor of the 4Speed on 50 Cars and Coffee! Now happening every Saturday 8am-11am throughout the car season! Still not sure when the Great Race cars will arrive.....so stay tuned.....Dale



New Events

Have an idea for an event? Let us know.

We are always looking for new activities, so lets find some fun drives out in the country. Obviously, driving a Mini is the whole purpose. There are hundreds of miles of country roads in the tri-state area of Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana. Visit restaurants, distilleries, wineries, ice cream shoppes,

unique small towns and cities, ride along the river, museums, race tracks, sports events, and many more. Put together a fun trip, or let us know, and we will put it together for you.

This is your club. Let's do what you like to do.

Get out on the highway and enjoy that Mini.

TREASURER—ED FENKER

We have a balance of \$2,200 in our account.

We can now accept all credit cards, even the new chipped cards, as well as Apple and Android Pay through our Square Purchase System (with a small convenience fee) for merchandise and membership dues.

Ed Fenker



- Cincinnati MINI is offering QCC members a 15% discount on MINI accessories, parts, and labor and member pricing on all new Mini purchases.
- You will need to present your QCC Membership Card to qualify for the discount!

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to our June Birthday Members:

Kim Crabb	6/5	Gaby Batshaun	6/17
Angela Nieberding	6/9	Mary Hopton	6/29
Jonathan Jennings	6/10	Quincy Candy	6/30
Karen Schlesinger	6/12		
Tim Ross	6/14		



2024 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Lan Ackley & Barbara Bush	Nancy Gack	Lisa Poor
William & Rhonda Arledge	Ron Gregory & Sandy Stanford	Stan & Debbie Porter
Dale & Sandy Ballinger	Mary & Matt Hopton	Doug & Karen Powell
Gaby & Jennifer Batshoun	Bill & Michelle Howell	Carol Rauch
Mark & Linda Bingman	James Hutsell & Jean Durkiz	Donna Ring & Jean Pabst
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Becky Roberts	Scot Jonas & Jessica Proctor	Joel Rosenthal
Jeff & Tonda Davis	Regan Lamb & Julia Fermier	Tim & Bobbi Ross
Rob & Doris Bax	John & Dara Lang	Janet Scanlon
Jim & C J Bowling	Ann & Grant Light	Brittany Schlemmer
Devon Burroughs	Jennifer & Chris Linder	Craig & Karen Schlesinger
Quincy Canady	Brian & Sarah Loeb	Paul Stockhauser
Jeffrey & Kim Crabb	Debbie & Dan McCormick	Elaina & Jim Stuard
John & Nancy Cusick	Hector & Gina Maldonado	Walt Stubenvoll & Sue Kemp
James & Erica Dean	Christian & Carrie Masterson	Mike Suhar
TJ & Jim Dixon	Betty & Randy Merrill	Bill & Corina Taylor
Tom Draper	Steve & Jane Nickerson	Ryan & Jennifer Turner
Nelson Farmer & Anji Roberts	Angela & Brooks Nieberding	Herschel Weintraub
Vel & Ed Fenker	Mike & Mary Obermeyer	
Tom Foster	Debie & Jim Plumb	
Andrew & Jessica Gear	Amy Plumb & Carson Sharp	

Please contact Nancy Cusick
513-225-0569 if you have any

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome back Brent & Christy Nibert

WANT TO BE A MEMBER?

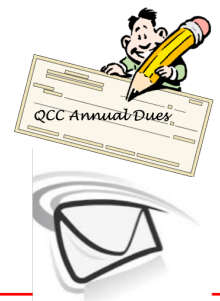
Now is the time! Pay your Annual Dues to gain Full Access to ALL that Queen City Coopers has to Offer!



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QCC SWAG AT RP DIAMOND—KAREN



QR Code

On the glowing recommendations from our friends from the Ohio Valley Austin Healy Club, Queen City Coopers has partnered with RP Diamond Printing and Embroidery to offer our membership our FIRST TRUE ONLINE SWAG CATALOG!! The QR code above will take you directly to the QCC Page RP Dia-

mond Printing!

For the time being, we've curated a limited selection of quality embroidered items including, men's and women's polos, half-zip sweatshirts, long-sleeve button-down shirts, hats and even sublimation printed travel tumblers (perfect for MINI cupholders that will be available for online purchase directly from the vendor! This is going to be great.

So, here's how it works. I'll have samples of each item available at our monthly Motor-Ins for everyone to 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 Queen City Coopers logo, or use the QR code at the top, and it will take you directly to our QCC site.

Once you've chosen your items, size, and color, you can order and pay online, then choose to have it deliv-

ered 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 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 am hoping to have samples at the next Motor-In. I'm hoping to see you there to share more details in person.

Until then, CHEERS!!

And GET YOUR QCC SWAG ON!!

Karen



QCC MEMBER NAME TAGS—NOW

Hello Queen City Coopers Members.

We are now taking orders for the new name tags. The QCC Board voted to make new nametags available upon request made **in person** at a motor-in (meeting) or an event. Provide an officer with the spelling(s) you wish to use, or use order form. They are free of charge, but we are asking that you order them with the intent of wearing them at future activities. When they come in, you should pick them up, since we do **not plan** to mail them. Thank you.





QCC NAME BADGE ORDER FORM

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"All Who Wander Are Not Lost"



Revised: 2/10/2024

Forward Badge Order Form to Queen City Coopers Membership Coordinator:
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5227 Mississippi Dr.
Fairfield, Ohio
Email: nancy.cusick@fuse.net

Member's Name(s) & Phone

COLOR COMBOS	
BACKGROUND	TEXT
Black	White
Green	White
Yellow	Black
Brush Gold	Black
White	Blue
Blue	White
Brush Silver	Black
Red	White

1 Badge Color Combo(s):
Choose from Combos on left

2 Name on Badge(s):

Attachment Method will be Magnetic



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Lease a 2024 MINI Cooper Electric. \$299/month for 36 months. \$3,599 cash due at signing. Includes \$9,900 Lease Credit.

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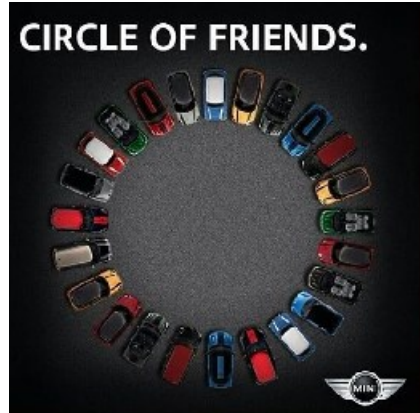
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QCC Resources

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

Ronnie Price
9341 Seward Rd.
Fairfield, OH 45014
Phone: 513-368-9462



WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

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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.

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Monday 9am - 4pm

Wednesday 9am - 4pm

Saturday 8am - 4pm



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MEMBERSHIP FORM

Revised March 28, 2024

MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES

- Club Name Tags
- Full access, Online Event Registration and Access to 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 OCC sponsored events.
- 15% off Cincinnati Mini Accessories, Parts, and Labor
- Member pricing on all new Mini purchases

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 1 thru December 31
- \$20 Special 20th Anniversary Dues
- Renewals Due by December 31
- Make Checks Payable to:
"Queen City Coopers"

MEMBERSHIP DEFINED

- Member, and up to one associate member



Pay Online Option: Use Link (<https://square.link/u/dddCjilW>) or scan the QR Code to make payment online. There is a \$1 convenience fee for online processing.

payment

DATE: _____

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PRIMARY PHONE: _____

MOBILE PHONE: _____

MEMBER'S EMAIL: _____

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS EMAIL: _____

MEMBER'S BIRTHDAY _____ (YEAR IS OPTIONAL)
(MM/DD/YYYY)

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS BIRTHDAY: _____ (YEAR IS OPTIONAL)
(MM/DD/YYYY)

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____
(SHOULD NOT BE MEMBER OR ASSOCIATE)

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE: _____

Your information will be included in our online Member Directory viewed by other members for communications purposes on our Secure Site unless indicated by an "X" in the box

MINI MODEL _____

MINI YEAR _____

BODY COLOR: _____

ROOF COLOR: _____

LICENSE#: _____

LICENSE PLATE STATE: _____

MINI'S NICK NAME : _____

PURCHASE DATE OF MINE: _____

WAS MINI PURCHASED AT CINCINNATI MINI? Yes NO

ALLOW OTHER MEMBERS TO EMAIL YOU THROUGH THE WEBSITE? ? Yes NO

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE CLUB? _____

