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Chapter Chatter  
By Rory Clark

The Corsa Convention held in Pittsburgh took place of our monthly meeting. According to reports and pictures, it looked to be a great week of events, cars and Corvair centric people.

Ron Tumolo and his wife Karen attended the convention and he provided the following summary along with some pictures. Thanks Ron.

Karen and I arrived at the convention on Sunday the 22nd and we stayed the entire week. We had family join us from Northern Ohio, so I didn't sign up for many of the events so we could spend some time checking out the sights in Pittsburgh. We did participate in the rally at the last minute, which included a stop at the original Yenka dealership in Canonsburg. That was the highlight of the week for me.

We also participated in the car display at Heinz field which was a total blast and it was one of the nicest days of the year in Pittsburgh.

There was also a bunch of private vendors and of course Clarks was there and I spent way too much money. There were a lot of NOS parts available and I scored a nice set of NOS door handles for the Rampside. This was my first convention and I thought the Western PA club did a great job of hosting the event. I now have a greater appreciation for what it takes to host a successful convention. I would also suggest checking out Corvairwild on YouTube. He took a bunch of cool videos at all the events including some good footage at the auto cross.



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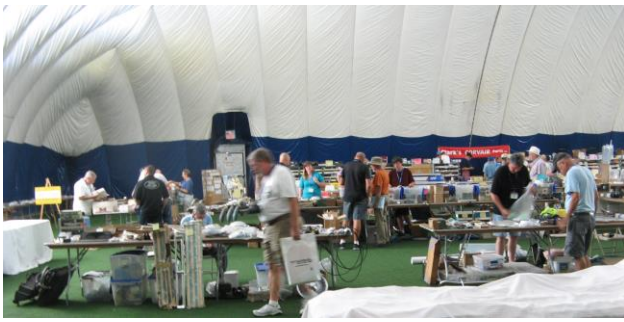




Mark Holmiund took these great shots of the convention. He has a good eye for all things Corvair.

Mark has a lot more pictures of the convention that he will hopefully share at the next meeting, which is being held at our house (RnR).









### Articles of Interest

This article, [Compression Testing](#), is the eighth in the series. This Rob Siegel article is from Hagerty's (April 16, 2018) that discusses how to check compression in our Corvairs.



## Local Car Shows and Cruises

Corvair season is now. In-between the rain showers, drive your Corvair, talk to people, take some pictures, and send me something for inclusion in the newsletter. Rita and I can't be the only ones driving our car.

A few weekends ago, Rita and I attended a local car show being held at the Wheaton moose Lodge in Aspen Hill, MD. This was a first time event that was promoted one week earlier at "The Donut" show in Burtonsville. We headed over around noon on perhaps one of the hottest days on the summer (at the time). We managed to get a semi-shady spot, which we appreciated. The show ran from 11-4 pm but it was so hot that most of us were leaving by 2:00. Despite the heat, a lot of really cool cars were on display including a convertible Corvair. I tried to get a picture of it when the owner was leaving not realizing the exit was different from the entrance. I have seen the car before as the front plate is a picture of Betty Bop.



### **The Donut aka Cars & Coffee**

Burtonsville Town Square  
15650 Old Columbia Pike Burtonsville, MD 20866  
Burtonsville, MD 20866  
Every Sunday @ 8:00am

### **43<sup>rd</sup> Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Meet**

Manassas Museum  
9101 Prince William Street Manassas, VA  
Saturday September 15, 2018

### **Cars 'N Coffee**

Corner Bakery  
10327 Westlake Drive  
Bethesda, MD 20817  
8-10am every Saturday

### **Car shows around the DMV and Beyond**

There is a show close to you so get out and have fun.

<http://www.cruisein.us/cruise-ins-car-events>

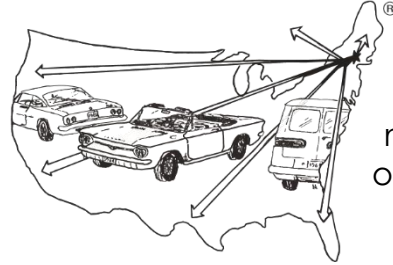
## Cars and Parts for Sale/Wanted

Anything for a Rampside including (2) 15" wheels and a windshield - Rory and Rita

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#### **Original Parts Group, INC. - Coming in May**

<https://www.opgi.com/restoration-parts-catalog-corvair.asp>

## 2018 Meeting Schedule

### All meetings begin at 9AM

#### August 18<sup>th</sup>

Rory and Rita

Rampside – Start engine, evaluate the brakes, and maybe drop the gas tank. I have a new battery and fresh gas for it.

#### September 15<sup>th</sup>

OPEN

#### October 20<sup>th</sup>

OPEN

## **Treasurers Report**

Balance 6/30/18	\$2914.05
Dues Received	----
Balance 7/31/18	\$2914.05

**For Pictures of last month's meeting click here [NVCC Facebook](#)**

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## **Summer Tips**

Make sure you check out the tips below on how to prepare your car for spring and beyond.

Do a thorough visual inspection by checking your:

Lights

Wipers

Belts

Brakes, including the brake test

Tires, including the proper front/rear air pressure

Wiring

Battery

Fluids, including brake fluid and motor oil

Once you give your Corvair a once over it's time to take it out for a good long spin to get everything up to operating temperature. Enjoy the drive.

Remember, we are responsible for keeping this marque alive and viable for future generations. We still have the most affordable classic 60's cars in existence but we as a club need to be a part of promoting the Corvair as a really unique and cool collectable car. Drive em, fix em and promote them everywhere you go.