



Chapter Chatter
By Rory Clark

Hi all. Hopefully everyone had a happy and safe Thanksgiving. Ours was great and we were still enjoying the left-overs for a few days. The holiday season is upon us.

Now that we are almost in December, Mother Nature is letting us know that winter is just around the corner. We have had a few frosts already and the temperatures have dropped.

That; however, did not stop us from taking a cruise in Corvy on Friday afternoon (27th). The weather was perfect. We took it out on the ICC (Route 200) to 95N, 32E to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. We were making a propane tank exchange in Laurel and I thought it would be good to get Corvy on the open road and cruise about 65/70 mph for a while.

Luckily, traffic was light making our hour long high speed run a welcoming change from our typical drive on back country roads.

Andy's Garage

Mother Nature was kind to us on Saturday 11/21/20 for our tech session at Andy Normand's garage. Doug was the first to show but it appeared he was lost...he kept driving by the house. We later found out he had lived in the neighborhood eons ago and was doing a bit of sightseeing. Bill, Bryan and Stan rolled in a bit later. Interestingly enough, Stan had also lived in the same housing complex a number of years back as well.

The issues at hand were starting/carburetor problems, electrical anomalies and overheating. That's a tall order to tackle in one session so we concentrated on the carburation issues. Bryan was able to provide an in depth list of trouble shooting procedures in an attempt to clean the carbs and get it to start and run smoothly. Everyone else also poked their respective

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heads under the hood to observe and suggest repairs.

We had several earlies in the driveway that we could use as "this is what it's supposed to look like" comparison which was a nice luxury. We checked the timing and adjusted the point dwell then readjusted the timing. Between each step there was a lot of discussion as to the benefits of the test/adjustment so it certainly wasn't a 30 minute exercise. After all the adjustments were made and the driver (Andy) was provided with detailed instructions on the proper starting procedures, things seemed to be working much better.

Folks started drifting out with Doug being the last to leave. Andy tried starting the car and the same issues seemed to resurface. Doug heard the engine cranking and turned off his engine to return to readjust everything again. It was midafternoon before he finally left with instructions to keep him posted on the status. His final guidance was to clean the carbs, use some SeaFoam additive to the gas and run the car for a bit before tackling a complete carb rebuild effort. Also check the plugs to ensure the correct ones were installed. "Keep me posted" were his final parting words. Next month we will get a report on the success or failure of the repairs.



This Month's Featured Corvair

This month's featured Corvair is Fred's Spyder. It's been on the road for a while now and it looks like Fred is enjoying it. What a great looking car. If you would like to showcase your Corvair, send me a picture and I will feature it in an upcoming issue.



Local Car shows throughout the DMV for 2020 Spring, Summer & Fall

Car shows around the DMV

There is a show close to you so get out and have fun. <http://www.cruisein.us>

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2 new EM dipstick boots \$4.00ea

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All for 1963 Rampside (FC)* – prices are all negotiable and/or barter or trade (Someone must need some of these parts. Please make me an offer so these parts can be put to use again)

Front backing plates

Front and rear wheel cylinders – needs rebuilding

Single master cylinder – needs rebuilding

Front wheel hubs

Various other brake related parts

2 – 14" steel wheels for Rampside (FC)

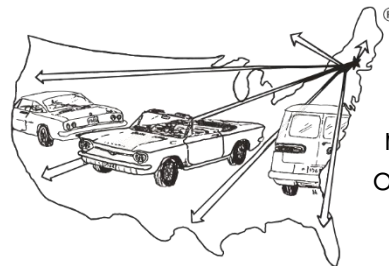
Set of 4 early carburetors (no vent on the base). These look to be set up for a 140 as primary/secondary with some linkage.

Contact Rory at royinmd@gmail.com for more information and pictures.

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2020 Meeting Schedule

December 19th

NVCC Holiday Party is typically held in December (TBD).

Treasurer's Report

Balance 10/31/20 \$3883.80

Balance 11/30/20 \$3883.80

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2020 Expired Dues	
Name	Expiration
Baker, Darryll	12/20
Birks, Al	12/19
Brent, L. D.	12/20
Clark, Rory, Rita Murphy	12/20
Cramp, Lee	12/19
Darke, Stan	12/20
Dealey, Bill	12/20
DuVal, Frank	12/20
Erickson, John	12/20
Ghee, Howard, E. Jr	12/20
Hardie, Rick	12/20
Harris, Al & Peggy	12/20
Hartzler, Darrin	12/20
Holmlund, Mark	12/20
Jones, Doug	12/20
Kolakowski, Ron	12/20
Marx, Fred	12/20
Mills, Ronald	12/20
Moore, Jason	12/20
Nelson, Charles H. III	12/20
Normand, Andy	12/20
Persinger, John D.	12/20

Pralle, Darren	12/20
Walker, Robert & Monica	12/20
Walters, Mark	12/20
Walthour, Greg & Virginia	12/20
Weber, Gary L.	12/20
Welsted, Jr Vernon C.	12/20

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Remember, we have been given a special Corvair power. With that power comes responsibility. That responsibility is 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. Let's keep on driving them, fixing them and promoting them everywhere we go.