



Fanbelt

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New Jersey Association of Corvair Enthusiasts

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**Breakfast Meeting August 7th
9 AM at the Pronto Deli**

Time to pack up the Corvair and head back to a familiar picnic gathering - Ashley's backyard. Yep, we're reliving previous history thanks to the graciousness of Donna and Larry.

Two weeks later it's baseball and apple pie [if you bring your own pie] at the Montclair Yogi Berra stadium to see the Jersey Jackels in action.

An active month of fun and frolic for our NJACE members. Hope you all can make it out to what should be an enjoyable month before Labor Day kicks in.

Our free breakfast giveaway is still going on at the Pronto Deli - make a point to join us and you may be the next winner!

Greg Gorski

NJACE Picnic Celebration

at the

Ashley's Home



and Jersey Jackels BaseBall

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The View Through the Windshield by Bob Marlow
As usual, I am looking back and looking ahead.

Looking back, during July a good number of NJACers enjoyed the Hemmings New England Concours in Vermont, where the Corvair was one of the featured cars this year. The event consisted of three distinct components: A Friday gathering at Hemmings' headquarters in Bennington with a 45-mile vintage-car tour to Stratton Mountain, a Saturday all-makes car show at Stratton Mountain, and the Sunday Concours for invited cars, only. NJACE was well-represented in all three areas.

So too were other Corvair clubs from the region, as there were cars from all the New England states plus New York, Pennsylvania, and Maryland.

A big part of the fun at an event such as this is that it is about more than just the cars. Groups of NJACE members enjoyed shopping in the Stratton Village, dinner at several distinctive restaurants (ask Ken Schiffner and myself about the lobster salad), and even an outdoor concert at the base of the ski slopes.

Still, there were a few bumps. The hotel rooms certainly left something to be desired, my wife took a tumble while walking at the road's edge and injured her foot, and Frank Hunter's Corvair gasped its last on the trip home. But, there will be other hotels, Sue foot is on the mend, and Frank's car will ride again with a rebuilt engine.

Even with these hiccups, no complaints were heard. All in all, it was a most enjoyable weekend.

Looking ahead, August is a busy month! We have our regular **breakfast meeting on Saturday, August 7**, and annual **summer picnic on Sunday, August 15**, and our trip to a **Jersey Jackals baseball game on Saturday, August 28**.

The breakfast meeting takes place as always at the Pronto Deli on Ridgedale Avenue in Cedar Knolls, at 9 AM. It is informal, coffee and breakfast and conversation.

The picnic takes place on Sunday, yes, Sunday, August 15, at the home of Donna and Larry Ashley in Succasunna. This is a change from the Saturday date first announced; there was a conflict on the Ashley's calendar. So Sunday it is. This picnic begins at 1:00 PM and has no defined end point. It ends when the last person goes home or the cops show up, whichever happens first.

As per our usual practice in recent years, the club will provide the soft drinks, chips and pretzels, and each member is asked to bring their favorite grillables for grilling on Larry's outsized Weber grille. Bring something to share, too. You can help by coordinating what you are bringing with **Donna**, just give her a call at **(973) 219-9903**.

The Ashley's home is located at 3 Radcliffe Drive, in Succasunna. If you have been to Ashley's Auto Body in the past for one of our tech sessions or auctions, this is just one block away from the body shop. If you need directions (today, with online maps and in-car GSP, it seems that few people need directions) just send an e-mail message to me (vairtec@optonline.net) or call Donna.

The baseball outing on August 28 includes not only a baseball game, but also an opportunity to visit the Yogi Berra Museum, and fireworks as well after the conclusion of the game. **[See page 5 for details]**

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The ballpark, named Yogi Berra Stadium, is located on the Montclair State University campus at the intersection of Valley Road and Normal Avenue, one mile south of the junction of Routes 3 & 46. The Valley Road entrance to the University is the best access point to the Stadium.

Similarly, the Yogi Berra Museum & Learning Center is on the Montclair State University campus, and here, too, the Valley Road entrance to the University is the best access to the Museum.

When using online or GPS mapping systems, set your destination to 1 Normal Avenue, Montclair, New Jersey. This will bring you to the campus of Montclair State University. Once on campus, follow the signs.

Play ball!



NJACE Breakfast Give Away

NJACE is continuing our FREE breakfast policy, with a new wrinkle. In order to win you need to be at our monthly breakfast meeting at the Pronto Deli, but where previously we drew only one name, now we will continue to draw names until we have a winner! So, while you still have to be there to win, your chances of winning just went up!

If your name is the one we draw from our unspeakably valuable Tupperware chalice, your breakfast check will be paid for by the club. (Sorry, we aren't paying for your entire family, just you, but still it's a great deal.)

So, get out on the first Saturday of the month to the "deli" and enjoy a hearty breakfast and meeting with many NJACE members.

See you on the 7th !!!!!!!

NJACE Calendar of Events

- * **August 7th, 2010 [Saturday]** - Monthly breakfast meeting at the Pronto Deli, **Cedar Knolls**, NJ at 9am.
Directions: Ridgedale Ave intersects NJ Rte 10 just west of I-287 and just east of US Rte 202. From I-287 take the exit for Rte 10 west. Proceed through the traffic light at Ridgedale Ave to the U-turn at Dryden Way. Return east on Rte 10, turn right on to Ridgedale Road and continue on it south past Prospect Place - the Pronto Deli is on the left.
- * **August 15th, 2010 [Sunday]** - NJACE Picnic at Ashley's home. See details on page 2 & 3.
- * **August 28th, 2010 [Saturday]** - NJACE baseball game at Yogi Berra stadium in Montclair, NJ. Details on page 5.
- * **September 4th, 2010 [Saturday]** - Monthly breakfast meeting at the Pronto Deli, **Cedar Knolls**, NJ at 9am.
- * **September 13th, 2010 [Monday]** - NECC Time Trials at Monticello. See page 5 - contact Brian O'Neill for other details.
- * **September 17-19, 2010 [Friday-Sunday]** - NJACE camping at the Pioneer Campground, Laporte, Pa. Details next month.

Events marked with an [*] count towards the **NJACE** Mary Paxton & Bill Ableson Awards.

TWO ENGINES AND A FOOT

by Joe the Mechanic

Yep, that was the price extracted from NJACE for participating in the Hemming's Motor News Car Show and Concours recently held in Vermont. The first payment was in the form of a seized engine in David "Mr. Clean" Main's 1968 coupe. David's car had been selected to participate in the formal Concours part of the weekend and he wanted a trouble free trip up to the green mountain state. So, he took the car down to Tony G.'s for new front brakes. On the way home while cruising sedately at 75 MPH, his forty plus year old engine said 'the hell with this' and welded the number six rod bearing to the crank.

In spite of heroic efforts on the part of yours truly, club members Ken Shiftner, Bill Cohen, Greg Gorski, Bob Marlow, Steve Calandra—have I forgotten anyone?—and David's neighbor Crazy Bob with the cell phone; the car just wasn't ready for the trip to Vermont. Problems included a weird starter reaction and a bad Powerglide cable. Causes offered included a bad starter, a mis-wired distributor, wrong firing order and the most outrageous of all from crazy Bob the neighbor with the cell phone version of Car Talk call-in was that the engine was trying to run backwards!!!! (Joe sez —"engines don't run backwards less ya put a reverse direction cam".)

The probable cause of the seizure was a frozen (a pun?) oil pressure regulator spring and plunger in the rear engine housing. The starting problem of the newly rebuilt engine turned out to be a fried electronic igniton that was back feeding voltage to the starter. When an engine seizes the heat is HOT! A nnew ignition module solved the problem and Joe's handiwork fired right up. But there just wasn't enough time to put sufficient local miles on it before a four hour road trip at sustained speed.

You would have thought that all that hard work in brutal heat over two weeks would have appeased the gods of car shows but no, there was still more to pay. Frank Hunter brought his late model sedan to the event. It ran well on the way and around the Stratton Mountain area. Maybe the excitement was just too much for the car. On the way home, while beating down the New York Thurway, this, the second engine be sacrificed for NJACE participation in this unique outing, billowed smoke, make loud banging noises and quit. The car made it home on a flat bed truck. The cause isn't yet know cause Joe ain't yet looked at it.

These engine failures give some food for thought. NJACERs take pride in maintaining their cars or so they think. Joe's here ta tell ya these engines need more than new fan belts, plugs and caps. Unless ya want to be driving around in a time bomb; deflash those heads; while the top cover is off get rid of all that grease and dirt insulating the engine; replace those crummy three and eight plate oil coolers with either a folded fin or twelve plate one; and use oil cooler side block off plates like the AC cars had. If ya think all this is too much work or your car don't need it, ask David to show you the big pile of flashing that Joe took off the heads now on his engine. Blocked air flow over the heads spells disaster. If ya ain't willing to do these things then Joes sez — 'don't take it on no long trip'.

Well, in spite of these blown engines; the weekend was great. Some rain on the caravan from Hemming's garage in Bennington up to the car show site on Friday. A little hot at the car show on Saturday and hair style destroying wind Saturday and Sunday. Fabulous cars, great company and an all around fun time. Joe had a blast.

Oh, the foot thing? You'll have to ask **Sue "Hopalong" Marlow**. It was another part of the price NJACE payed.

For Sale:

1965 Monza bucket seats. re-done in economy heat pleated black vinyl. includes floor brackets.
Asking \$75.00

Steve Calandra 201-836-6621

NECC Upcoming Schedule of Event

Monday, September 13, 2010. Northeast Corvair Council (NECC)

Time Trials at Monticello.

Mark your calendars! This NECC track event will be held at exclusive Monticello Motor Club, located in the Catskill mountains only about 80 miles north west of New York City. The event consists of high-speed open-track sessions in the morning. Individual timed laps in the afternoon. We will be driving Monticello's south course. All makes and models - especially Corvairs - are welcome, subject to NECC's usual tech rules. For current information, visit the NECC website at: <http://www.neccmotorsports.com>

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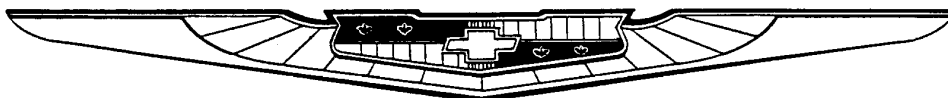
NJACE has ordered twenty (20) Reserved Seat tickets that will be held at *Will Call...section B3 (along the third base line)*. The cost for the Reserved ticket is \$10.00. The *first* twenty [20] NJACE folks just pay me [Ken] back. After that, the seating may be limited to standing room only so *bring a folding chair*. I suggest bringing a folding chair anyway. Food will be available at the stadium.

If a family is going, they may want to contact the jackals to see if they can get an individual box seat section ticket. Contact information for the Jackals: <http://www.jackals.com/home.asp> or call (973) 746-7434

My suggestion is to go to the Berra at 4:00 pm since we have reserved seats. However the Museum hours are Wednesday through Sunday from noon [12pm] to 5pm. If you are interested in that event feel free to do so. The website information is: <http://www.yogiberramuseum.org/> or call (973) 655-2378
The cost for attending the museum and other appropriate details are listed there.

If this is a problem, please let me know.

Ken Schiffner



Pictures from Tim Schwartz: participation in the July 4th celebration.....

