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the *Fanbelt*

new jersey association of CORVAIR enthusiasts

That New Car Smell!



← Curt & Michael Stone pick up a 1969 Monza coupe

Brian O'Neill picks up a 1961 Monza sedan →



What new Corvair have you picked up lately?

Our Monthly Breakfast is July 1st
Our 47th Annual Summer Picnic is July 8th
Details inside!

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Summer Picnic Time!

Saturday, July 8

It's an annual tradition: Every summer NJACE has a picnic. And we mean every summer – this will be the 47th annual picnic!

It began in 1971 as a "4th of July Picnic" but soon moved off the July 4 holiday and later moved to August. But last year we moved back to July, and this year we're sticking with it. The date is Saturday, July 8.



This year's picnic will kick off with a Road Rally, a rally which was planned for last year but which was scuttled when a storm knocked down trees and power lines along the route! So, this year, drive your Corvair to the Picnic, and embark on a brief and scenic Road Rally put together by "Pennsylvania Joe"

The fun will begin officially at 2 PM with the Road Rally, and following that we will start grilling and swilling. The club will provide hot dogs and buns, burgers and rolls, soft drinks, water and fixins. You are welcome to bring other items for the grill if you wish, and you are invited to bring a side dish, munchie, or dessert.

Please RSVP to Donna to tell her that you are coming, how many of you are coming, and what comestibles you may be bringing. Contact Donna by e-mail at dashley726@optonline.net or by telephone at 973-219-9903.

All club members, families and friends are welcomed! The yard is spacious, the pool is clear and cool, and we will have canopies for shade. There is plenty of off-street parking.

What: NJACE Summer Picnic

When: Saturday, July 9, rain or shine

Where: 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 Donna before the day of the picnic.

Time: 2 PM

2 PM for the road rally. But if you don't want to do the road rally plan to arrive around 4 PM, this is a laid-back event. (But come for the road rally.)

Don't forget to RSVP to Donna
e-mail dashley726@optonline.net
telephone 973-219-9903.

Why a Road Rally B4 the Picnic?

by Joe Maurella

We love to express our passion for the Corvair and what better way of doing that than to parade them in beautiful Succasunna and Flanders.

All will participate in the same rally but not all will experience it the same way. This fun event brings camaraderie to the group by later sharing your personal encounters at the picnic table. It is a enjoyable activity. No prior experience is needed and actually that may make your participation a bit more rewarding.

Each car will have one driver and one navigator and if you have kids, bring them too! I will then give the driver a set of directions and questions. The cars will leave a minute or two apart. As you travel down the road, the objective is to "answer" the questions "correctly" while following the written directions.

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Picnic Road Rally, continued

The answers to the questions will be seen on the side of the road. Driving slower is to your advantage. This is not a speed rally so please obey the law. This is a great way to participate in an enjoyable family/club event. It is also a great ice breaker by sharing your experiences with new members and their family.

I also foresee that you may have some happy or even some unhappy thoughts about me as you take part in your quest. You can share that too! (lol). We will end up back at the Ashley's house for the picnic and rally answers.

A brief rally orientation meeting will begin at 2 o'clock in Donna and Larry's backyard. There I will hand out the directions, questions and answer any questions that you may have. Again, the date is Saturday, July 8th, and the Ashleys' address is 3 Radcliffe Drive, Succasunna NJ.

Put this one on your calendar and please bring a pen or pencil.

See you there!

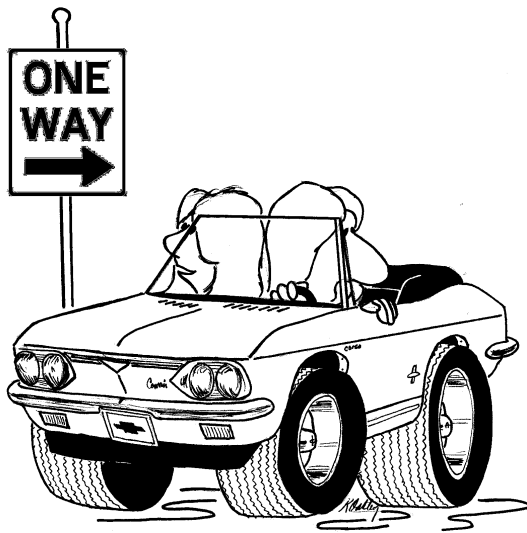


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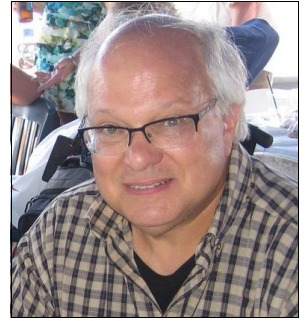
Editor's Note: Want to enjoy the road rally more fully? In addition to the pen or pencil that Joe asks you to have with you, bring a clipboard, too. Having a hard writing surface and a way to keep the papers organized will make the rally an even more enjoyable ride.

NECC Updates

by Al Lacki

Get a Taste of the Track with NECC!

You probably have read and heard about the Northeast Corvair Council Time Trials. Have you ever wanted to know what time trials are all about? Put off by the thought of having to buy a helmet and new seat belts?



Well, here's your opportunity to get a full view of the day's driving experience. The NECC team will lead you through all the facets of what the driver does. No need to buy helmets and belts. All you need is the desire to have an interesting and fun filled day.

You'll sit in on our drivers meeting, learn about corner workers and flags, and have an opportunity to be a pit marshal if you so desire. During the day, you'll see the track from all the corners and the start finish. You'll learn how we time the cars and post results. In fact, we encourage you to help with timing and scoring.

The best part will be the opportunity to see the track from a driver's view. We'll send you out on the track with your own car. Following a pace car, you'll be able to experience the thrill of cornering and the experience of the long straightaways. It may even be possible for you to get a ride with one of our qualified drivers.

So join us and get a Taste of the Track. (All participants must be either eighteen+ years old or sixteen with written parent/guardian permission.)

How Do You Sign Up?

We'll be offering our next "Taste of the Track" at Pocono Raceway on Sunday, July 16. Visit our website at www.neccmotorsports.com and click on "Registration." And for more information, you can call or contact Brian O'Neill at 973-729-5586 or email bmoneill@juno.com.

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NECC Updates, continued

OR, Spend a day at Pocono Raceway with us for free!

Are you interested in fast cars and high-speed action? Then this is for you! The Northeast Corvair Council (NECC) is looking for corner workers for its upcoming track day at Pocono Raceway. You'll get to spend the day with us performing a valuable service while watching Corvairs and other makes run hot laps on Pocono's South Course. And of course, there is no admission charge. The date is Sunday July 16.

What's a Corner Worker?

Corner Workers are stationed at various points around the race track and are responsible for observing and monitoring track conditions and communicating with drivers by using flags to warn of track conditions and provide assistance in case of any collisions, accidents or track problems. Duties include:

- Observe and assess track surface conditions.
- Provide information to drivers using racing flags and signals. (We'll teach you).
- Observe competitors for driving behavior and their cars mechanical condition.
- Help drivers and others in an incident.
- Communicate information to radio tower, stewards, and emergency medical responders. (We'll lend the walkie-talkies to you).

Interested? We thought so! Send an email to Brian O'Neill or give him a call to let him know you're coming. We anticipate a sunny day, so bring your sun-tan lotion and a floppy hat!

Brian's email address: bmoneill@juno.com
 Brian's phone number: (973) 729 5586



NJACE Calendar of Events

Saturday, July 1

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9 AM.

Saturday, July 8

Our 47th Annual Summer Picnic, including the Road Rally that Mother Nature forced us to scuttle last year. Complete details are in this issue.

Saturday, August 5

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9 AM.

Saturday, September 2

Monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner, Rt. 46, Parsippany, 9 AM.

Saturday, September 16

The every-other-year Corvair Car Show at Clark's Corvair Parts in Massachusetts. Two years ago we had a club caravan to this show and this year we plan to do it again. A flyer with more information is being sent along with this newsletter.

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President's Message

by *Brian O'Neill*

He wants a Corvair!

My youngest grandson, going into his second year in college, just told me that he wants to buy a Corvair. I guess all those trips over the years to the Corvair national convention finally got to him.



So I am interested in purchasing a running Corvair for him. As usual with Corvairs the condition of the body is the most important. Anything that's mechanical can be fixed to the point that I would even take one with a blown engine. He's more of an early model guy than I but he told me that's what most important is to get a good deal on one that runs. He's not looking for a restoration project.

Obviously, being a college student he has neither the time, the tools nor the facilities. So if anybody's got a Corvair for sale, let's talk.

Minutes

of the General Membership Meeting

June 3, 2017
Picatinny Arsenal, NJ

The meeting was called to order by President Brian O'Neill at 9:59 AM. On behalf of those in attendance he offered thanks to the staff of Bucky's for the breakfast.

The minutes of the March 4 meeting were published in the April issue of The Fanbelt newsletter.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Treasurer's Report was approved as presented by Treasurer Tim Schwartz. [The Treasurer's Report is included as part of this newsletter.]

Activities: The officers held a meeting recently and discussed upcoming activities and potential

activities. Among these were the summer picnic, a trip to a drive-in movie, and a caravan to the Clark's show. Additional ideas were solicited and suggestions included a trip to the Culinary Institute of American, to Bear Mountain, and the Mohonk Mountain House.

Old Business: None was brought forward.

New Business: None was brought forward.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the business meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM, and followed by a guided tour of the Picatinny Arsenal.

Treasurer's Report

May 31, 2017

Checking Balance		
as of February 28, 2017		\$3,973.14
INCOME:		
Dues	\$456.00	
Bank fee reimbursement	10.00	
Checking Interest	<u>1.08</u>	
		+ \$ 467.08
EXPENSES:		
Food & Parties	<u>\$103.67</u>	
		- \$ 103.67
Checking Balance		
as of May 31, 2017		\$4,336.55
CD balance		
as of February 28, 2017		\$4,644.06
CD Interest		24.40
CD balance		
as of May 31, 2017		\$4,668.46
Grand Total		
as of May 31, 2017		<u>\$9,005.01</u>

On the same day as our picnic is the Third Annual Great Phillipsburg Car Show, organized in part by longtime NJACE member Ron Peles on behalf of the Knights of Columbus. The show hours are 9 AM - 3 PM so you can do both the show and the picnic. A flyer with complete show information is included with this newsletter.

PHOTOS

*from our tour of the Picatinny Arsenal
Saturday, June 3, 2017*

More than 44 people attended our June breakfast at Bucky's at Picatinny Arsenal, on a day that dawned dreary but soon cleared into a beautiful day. Here are just a couple of shots taken during our guided tour of the Arsenal grounds:



*Look! Up in the sky!
It's a bird! It's a plane!
Oh, it's a bird...*

