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September 2016



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CONVENTION**

 **JULY 23-28, 2018** 

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THIS ISSUE:

WPCC awarded 2018 CORSA Convention!
Member Summer Activities
Article: Corvair Bargain Hunting In Monterey?

NEXT MEETING REMINDER:

Tuesday, September 27th
Kings Restaurant, Harmarville, PA
"Arrive near 5", Dinner 6pm, Meeting 7:30pm

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BOD contact information is available in our Membership Roster.

Our Website: <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/wpcc/>

(Or Just Google "WPCC Corvair")

WANTED (3RD ISSUE NOW):

VSJ Member Article Writer...To put together a 1-2 page article with photo(s) about a member of his/her choice for each Vair Street Journal (6x/year).

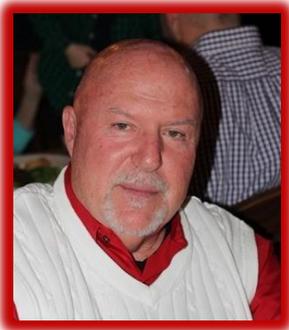
VSJ Tech Article Writer...To put together a few Tech Tips for each Vair Street Journal (6x/year). w/ photos is great.

Don't overthink it! Contact the VSJ Editor if interested. Thx!



ON THE COVER...

The CORSA Executive Board recently approved WPCC's bid to host the 2018 International Corvair Convention in Pittsburgh! Congratulations to Jimmy ALL CAPS and his Convention Task Force for their bid prep efforts. And congratulations to the WPCC for this exciting, and challenging, opportunity to showcase our beautiful city to the rest of the Corvair world.



the Prez Sez...

Well WPC, "Congratulations", we are now officially the Home to the 2018 CORSA National Convention, to be held at the Doubletree Hotel, just off the

Parkway West. Probably more important right now, is the gratitude we should garner and give to our Convention Chair, Jimmy "ALL CAPS" Weppelman. Without your tireless efforts, I do not believe, we would have pulled this feat off. Our hats are off to you.

----- THANKS -----

Later in this Journal, you will find the numerous "Chairmanships" available, and needed to be filled. Now is the time to step up to the plate, Please do not let us down. It's just 5 days out of your life. I know it's just a little under 2 years away, and you have NEVER planned that far ahead, but WE have too. So why not join us, in helping to put on the BEST CORSA Convention ever.

Update --- Incorporation

Well hopefully, by the time you read this we will have put all our papers in order, but not without numerous problems. First, they lost our check and papers. So then, I had to re-file the papers and send in a check for \$70.00. This time I sent it certified mail, return receipt requested. They got it, and so did I. But, they sent it back, not just once but twice for different corrections. I spoke on the phone before I submitted it for a third time to a clerk, who was familiar with type of incorporation. Hopefully, she set me straight, as they will have received the papers, as we speak – Thursday, Sept. 1st.

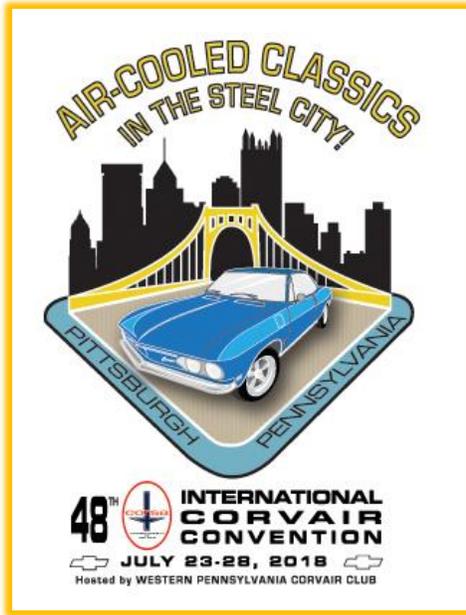
Hopefully, you have enjoyed the summer, the Air Force Museum, the party at Steve's, and whatever else you attended or tried to do.

Meeting at Kings, in Harmarville, on Tuesday, Sept. 27th, hope to see you there.

Happy Vairing,

- *Jim*





WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB 2018 CONVENTION UPDATE, 9/1/16

Fellow Corvair enthusiasts,

That day has finally come. If you haven't heard, Pittsburgh and the WPCC have been awarded the 2018 National Corvair Convention. June 23-28, 2018, with the host hotel as the DoubleTree Hotel, Greentree, PA.

I do apologize for the lack of updates, I had stated that they would be bi-monthly. But really there has been nothing to report. We sent out our proposal to CORSA the beginning of May. Since then their main concern was this past year's convention at Springfield, and 2017 in Independence, Missouri. My wife, Jonnie, I, and Jim Steigerwaldt met with the CORSA

board in Springfield this year. We presented our convention proposal and answered any questions they had. We were there for over 1 ½ hours. Seems the biggest sticking point was the extra day (we are going to have it all week, 5 days, not 4) the price of the hotel, and the sports dome.(to be used for vendors and hospitality room). A big thanks to Michelle at the DoubleTree, she and the hotel are behind us 100%.

So now the real work begins. I believe that the majority of our club membership will help in any way they can. But if that is not possible, I will be willing to fill these vacancies no matter what. Although it wouldn't take much for any non WPCC member, to become a WPCC member. It's just \$15.00 a year per family. I really need people to fulfill the Committee chairs. Most of the things we are asking for is just to follow up on items and to organize what needs to be done for that committee. If there are any ideas that you would like to initiate in your committee, would certainly would entertain that.

Here's what the committees look like as of now;

1) parking/security.

Jim Steigerwaldt

2) tech sessions/mechanics hospital.

3) tours/family activities.

4) welcome party/awards banquet.

5) concours/car display.

Dave Bucklew

6) autocross/funkana.

Lew Halstead

7) economy run.

8) road rally.

Rick Beattie

9) vendors/swap meet.

10) hospitality.

11) valve cover race/ model car show.

Bill Clapper

12) trophies/merchandise.

Jim Weppelman

13) registration/banners.

14) publicity/program book/logo design.

Rod Murray

I know there are a few of you that had told me that you will help in certain committees, I have your names. As you can see some of the committees are being staffed by non WPCC members for various reasons. I sure would like to fill the rest with WPCC members, and they will get the first crack at it. As time gets closer to the convention I will fulfill the chairs as needed with anyone. Keep in mind most committees will have direction and help from CORSA themselves. We just need to help them out. Keep in mind that to participate in any convention activities you must be a CORSA member also.

As always if you don't want any of these e-mails, or correspondence, please contact me and I will take you off the list.

Hope to see you at the next WPCC meeting, in Harmarville, at the Kings restaurant on Sept.27. Good as place as any to start your involvement with the club as we move forward to 2018.

Vairly yours,

Jim Weppelman, secretary WPCC, 2018 CORSA convention chairman.

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Are you IN?

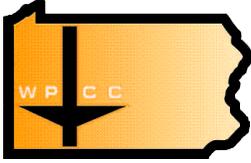
WPCC encourages all Corvair enthusiasts to support our parent chapter, The Corvair Society of America (CORSA).

CORSA is the #1 Corvair group in the world, boasting over 5,500 registered members worldwide as well as 130 regional chapters. In addition to their ongoing dedication to Corvair preservation, CORSA supports all sanctioned Corvair

clubs and their events with a wealth of benefits, including event insurance, the national convention, and their award-winning monthly newsletter "The Communique". For more information visit

CORSA's website at... www.corvair.org





UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

(Look for more event details in the latest Vair Street Journal)

September	17 th	WPCC Wine Tour, Geneva-On-The-Lake, OH
	27 th	WPCC Meeting, Kings Restaurant, Harmarville, 6pm
October	2 nd	Corvair "First Day" (1959), "Corvair Heritage Day" - WPCC Rally & Picnic, North Park
November	22 nd	WPCC Meeting, North Park Clubhouse, Hampton, 6pm

If you have an event you'd like to see added to the calendar, just drop us a note via our website email.

This Fall...

Members like:

- Fall Foliage Drives
- Covered Bridge Tours
- Weekend Donut Runs
- There's always time for Ice Cream!

Just Get Out There:

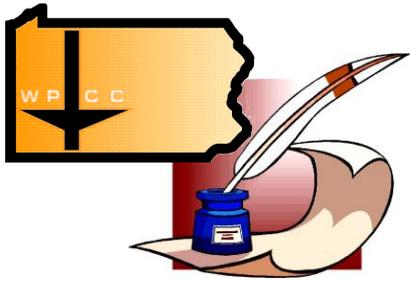
Grab some Corvair friends and put together a casual outing! Represent WPCC!



This Date In Corvair History...

08/12/72...**Better late than never...**In one of their first official public safety statements, the newly-formed National Highway Traffic Safety Administration sends a letter to all Corvair owners of record stating the results of their findings that allegations of Corvair safety by Ralph Nadar proved to be "without merit".

10/2/59...**Amid Great Anticipation...**General Motors rolls out the 1st Chevrolet Corvair, a 4-door, 80HP sedan designed specifically to compete against the Volkswagen Beetle. Base price of the Corvair was right around \$2,000.00. The Corvair era begins.



WPCC Meeting Minutes

Call to order

A meeting of **Western Pennsylvania Corvair Club** was held at **North Park Clubhouse, Gibsonia, PA.** on **July, 26, 2016.** Officers present included; **President, Jim Steigerwaldt; Vice President, Don Cekus; Secretary, JIM WEPPELMAN; Treasurer, Darlene Kady.** Officers present included; **Les Walter, Jim Heatherington, Pat Greenwald, Al Friend, Bob Hieber, Don Baker, Jim Madden, and Rod Murray.**

28 members present, with 6 Corvairs in the parking lot.

Approval of minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Steigerwaldt. Don cekus called for motion to accept last meetings minutes. Kurt Foltz seconded the motion.

Announcements

Jim Steigerwaldt reported that 16 members of the club where at the 2016 CORSA National Convention, that was held in Springfield, Illinois. Jim also relayed a story of a friend of his that lives in that area, that he invited to join him there but couldn't. His friend had told him he was seeing all these Corvairs going past his place. Here it was the Corvairs from the convention doing the Rally!

Don Cekus told of a potential arrest of him and Jim at a Springfield Walmart. Seems Don had lost a screw from his eyeglasses. All he had was a spare set of prescription sunglasses. Don and Jim go to a Walmart to get screws to fix his glasses. They go to the jewelry counter and proceed to fix them with a kit from the store. On their way out the door they

got some strange looks from the clerks. They finally realized that they were being watched the whole time! After all a couple of guys, one wearing sunglasses, huddled over a jewelry counter, doing something on the glass surface, isn't suspicious at all!

Jim told the crowd of some Pittsburghs "firsts". Like the Big Mac, gas station, ferris wheel, etc. Jim asked Al friend to write down a brief history of the WPCC, with intentions of adding it to our convention program.

Gayle Gundlach had mentioned to Pat Greenwald, at the convention that she would be available to help with the hospitality room for our convention.

Jim Steigerwaldt mentioned the Air Force Tour Aug, 19-21. Also a picnic at Steve Puskas house on Aug 20, for those not going to Air Force tour.

Terri and Jim Madden updated the wine tour of Sept, 17. Two wineries, besides the winery at the hotel, where chosen. Along with at least one covered bridge. Lunch will be at the Laurello winery. At this time ten people are going, if you want to attend, please contact Terri as soon as possible.

Treasurer Darlene Kady had brought up the question of roster changes. To include the roster all the time in the VSJ, or three times a year. Membership said to leave it up to the VSJ editors decision, mostly based on the size of the roster list, and the VSJ starting to get a lot of pages. Darlene with the agreement of Jim Steigerwaldt prefer that all dues be paid by check from now on. Darlene says that the earliest she can receive dues would be at the November meeting for the following year.

Jim Steigerwaldt mentioned again polo shirts for the workers of the convention in 2018. Black with yellow or gold was discussed. Les Walter has a connection for wicking style t-shirts probably for under \$10.

Les Walter reported that he seen two Yenke Stinger Corvairs at the recent Pittsburgh Grand Prix.

Don Baker was a little under the weather, but said he seen #50, and #501 stingers at the Pittsburgh Grand Prix.

Al Friend thanked Jim and Sandy Artzberger for the A/V equipment for the Air Force tour. Al updated everyone that he, Don Cekus, and Bob Heiber had scouted the Air force base in July and said not to use google maps, etc. to get to the Bob Hope hotel. That will take you into a security section lot. Please follow road signage to hotel. Al told of some of the different speakers they will be having at this event. Bob Hieber is your supply host, and was asking to let him know if you are bringing any food items.

JIM WEPPELMAN had no update on the convention for 2018. JIM stated that he was in front of the CORSA board for about a 1 ½ hours answering questions on the proposal at Springfield. The CORSA board told him that WPCC would know by July 26th. That didn't happen. JIM had meet Jeff, the owner of the Corvaair Ranch at the convention. Jeff told the story of how he got into Corvaairs at all. When he was younger he had read Bill Artzberger's book about restoring Corvaairs. People would bring him projects to do, he would think about it, research the

book, and tell them he would try it. Today he runs a Corvaair business with close to 600 Corvaair parts cars in Gettysburg.

Reports

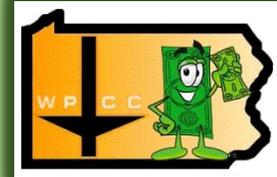
Darlene Kady's Treasurer's report is as follows:

Checkbook balance: **\$1854.30**

Income:
2016 dues - \$32.00

Expenses:
NONE

Final Balance:
\$1886.30

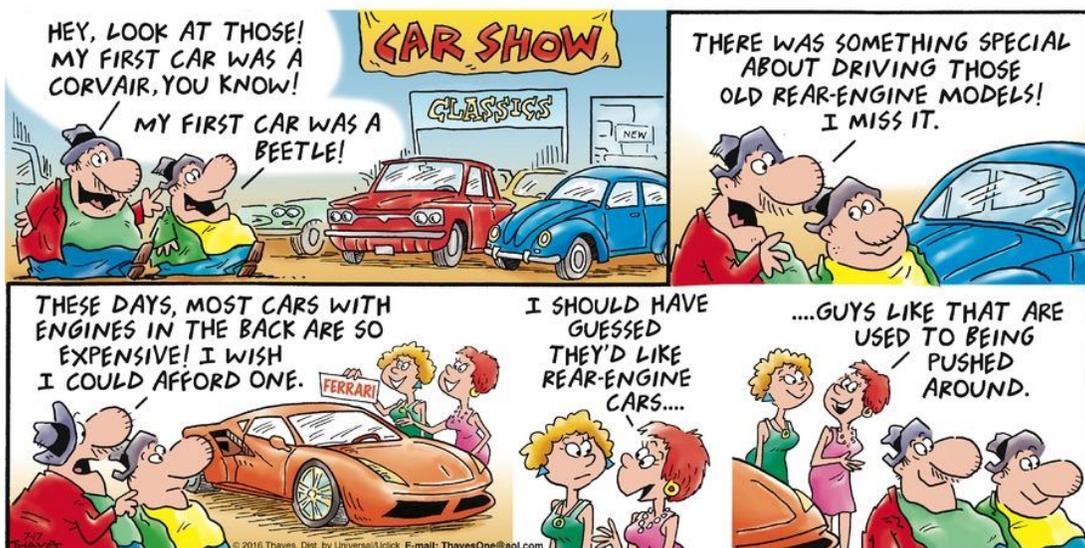


Motion to accept Treasurers Report, Bob Hieber;
Al Friend seconded.

Motion to adjourn meeting raised by Terri Madden,
seconded by Jack Schlarman.

Respectively submitted,
Jim Weppelman
2016 Secretary

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Corvair Spotting...

We know you're out there...

...and now we have proof!!!

- Check out these recent local sightings -



<<<< This pre-'64 Greenbrier was spotted at a used car lot just over the Ohio state line on Hwy 51. Sign says "\$2,800 FIRM", and why not? Although the body is a bit rough, this model is equipped with rare bucket seats and a sweet chain steering wheel! Jeff Grahovac spotted a chopped Rampy at this same location a few months back, so seems safe

to assume this owner may have a thing for jacked FC's. - Rod

From Jimmy ALL CAPS..."Lookey what I found! It's a coincidence that it's the same guy that Dan Butchko bought his 69 from in Reno PA"

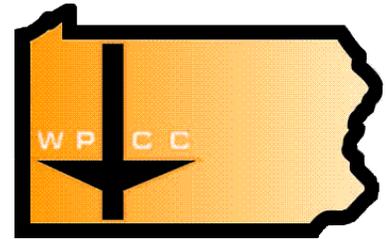
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<<<<< Returning WPCC member Laurie Maglietta spied this mystery? Corvair cruising Route 8 in Gibsonia...alas, consensus response seems to think this is our own WPCC VP Don Cekus. You can't hide from us Don!



REMEMBER...anytime YOU see a mystery Corvair, snap a picture and send it our way...and if we happen to spot YOUR Corvair, give us a shout !



CAR RALLY AND PICNIC AT NORTH PARK.

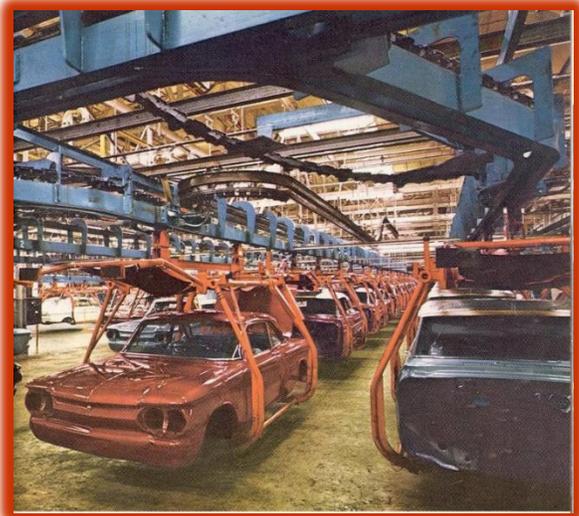
Come celebrate the birthday of the Corvair!

On October 2, 2016 WPCCC will hold a car rally starting and ending at North Park. We have reserved the Devil's Elbow 1, and Devil's Elbow 2 groves, across from the swimming pool. The car rally is approximately 1 ½ hrs long. This rally will take you through North Park, Hampton Township, Glenshaw, and surrounding areas. Very little bit will be on major highway (route 8). Along the way you will be asked to write down attractions that you see. Should be a nice scenic drive and maybe some fall foliage. We will conclude

the rally at the picnic pavilions with a cookout/lunch. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided. If coming please bring a side dish. This is a Sunday, and the Steelers don't play till 8:30 at night. Pre rally meeting is scheduled for 11:00.

Contact Jonnie or Jim Weppelman if coming, so we can plan accordingly. Hope to see you there.

Jim Weppelman, 412-491-3849
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CORVAIR ROLLOUT DATES...It's that time of year again. If you are into Corvair history at all, then you already know October 2, 1959 is the date the 1960 Corvair was officially introduced to the buying public in dealer showrooms. Well, just in case you needed another excuse to celebrate YOUR Corvair's birthday, here are the introduction dates for the Corvair by each model year.

Find your Corvair's date, and head out for a drive!

1960: October 2, 1959

1961: October 7, 1960

1962: September 29, 1961

1963: September 28, 1962

1964: September 26, 1963

1965: September 24, 1964

1966: October 7, 1965

1967: September 29th, 1966

1968: September 21, 1967

1969: September 26, 1968





...random editorialisms n'at...

Time Sure Flies...

So for a variety of reasons, many related to the Penguins deep playoff run, I'm hereby dropping the proverbial "I don't know where the summer went". It's just come and gone so fast. I spent most of my time knocking out some domestic projects, but also made a couple of short roadtrip getaways, hit a few estate sales, and managed a little wrenching on the Vairs, but only got the convertible out a few times – the latter certainly not for a lack of ALL CAPS' and Kurt's constant "encouragement" (I thank you guys for your persistence). Hopefully there's still a few more opportunities for Corvair fun before the cold weather sets in.

2018 Convention Is Ours...Now What?

Holy cow, ALL CAPS actually did it! While the first word I can think of is "thanks" to Jimmy for his time and effort to bring the 2018 Corvair Convention to Pittsburgh, my next word is "yikes"! as in this is really happening. Now the real work begins, and I sure hope our chapter and surrounding area Corvair enthusiasts are up to the challenge of putting on a fantastic convention for the rest of the Corvair world. Pittsburgh has so much to show off and so much to be proud of. Please jump in and take on a role. BTW, I also want to add that my favorite email reply from a member of the CORSA BOD while going back and forth with Jimmy during the bid review process was "Please please please stop typing in all caps!" LOL.

WPCC Website...With our recently-announced ownership of the 2018 CORSA Convention, I'll be adding some Convention-focused images/links/tbd over the next few months. Among other things, ALL CAPS is hoping for a convention countdown ticker but that may be beyond my skillset - we shall see...

Thx for Submitting...Your pics, updates, and tidbits for the VSJ are always appreciated. Keep em coming! That said.....

VSJ Delivery...This issue of the VSJ is running about a week behind delivery deadline - my apologies for the tardiness. Time management has me re-thinking the newsletter process for a better solution.

WPCC Member Roster...Just a heads up that our Member Roster has been removed from this issue of the VSJ. Members can now find a full roster on our website's "About Our Club" page.

WPCC Facebook...As noted elsewhere in the VSJ, our Facebook page seems to be healthy and active – that's obviously a good thing as it's a great way to share updates on your Corvair activities in between our bi-monthly meetings and bi-monthly newsletter. If you haven't done so yet, be sure to check it out. And if want to post something to Facebook but are unfamiliar with how it works, never fear, just ask your kids (or grand kids)! ☺

Editorially Yours, Rod



PRECIOUS CARGO...One of my closest Corvair buddies is relocating from Southern California to Spokane, WA. Here's what the auto transport looked like when it left Orange County – it's enough to make any Corvair enthusiast drool.
- Rod



WELCOME

...to new WPCC Member Steve Spilatro! Steve joins us from Marietta, OH and he is already well-known by many in the Corvair community for his excellent efforts with the Corvanatics website, reproduction of original Corvair CAD illustrations, and a variety of

repro and/or improved Corvair parts shown here. Steve, we are excited to have you in our chapter and look forward to seeing you at an upcoming event and/or meeting!

Primary Carburetor Throttle Linkages

for 2 and 4-carb engines - \$19



FC Door Hinge Grommets

for side or rear doors

4 (one door) \$ 25 8 (two doors) \$ 48

16 (6-door van) \$100 24 (8-door van) \$150



FC Battery Compartment Lid Catch

Holds open battery compartment lid of FC vans

One: \$18 Additional: \$15



AC Mounting Bracket Bushings

Set of 3 \$19



DragFree Cross Shafts

Available for all 2 and 4-carb engines - From just \$89



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Hey, it's nice to know people are paying attention, even if they don't always agree! Here's a sampling of member (and non-member) correspondence since the last newsletter...don't worry, I can take it. Just remember, opinions are like _____, everybody has one! 😊 - Rod

RE: Newsletter Value...“What's the Point?”

What an awesome cover photo. Great job on the whole newsletter. - luke

A "correction", in the beginning, I open the meeting, not W#EPELMAN, and WEPPELMAN, made the motion to adjourn. - Jim St

Jim and I feel that a newsletter is important. Many folks don't have much luck with social media and need that printed document to check on upcoming events. It's also nice to have the current roster at one's fingertips. Thanks, Suzanne Heatherington

Not being physically able to attend all WPCC functions, I really appreciate the VSJ. (Any Corvair club would be extremely happy to have this publication). The journal keeps me up-to-date on club activities and also contains enjoyable articles and photos. As editor you have fantastically improved an already good publication. I do plan on submitting some articles on the restoration of my 65 Monza coupe sometime in the future.

You and everybody involved keep up the excellent work !!!! - Best regards, Jack Schlarman

I enjoy reading the newsletter. Keep it going. You could turn it into a quarterly newsletter if too much work. I used to be the editor of a quarterly newsletter at work called the gypsy moth news. We used to laugh when things were hectic and only did it twice a year. It was the only quarterly newsletter you read twice a year. Lol - Helen

Another excellent VSJ - John

Hi Jim and Jonnie, Thanks for the newsletter. You weren't kidding - it's massive! And it's a good read, too. Thanks for the blurb about me in the minutes - much appreciated. Joanie & I enjoyed your company at the Convention banquet. Al Lackl (Lehigh Valley Corvair Club)



If you have a comment, suggestion, or just need to vent, drop an email to rmurray8996@gmail.com.

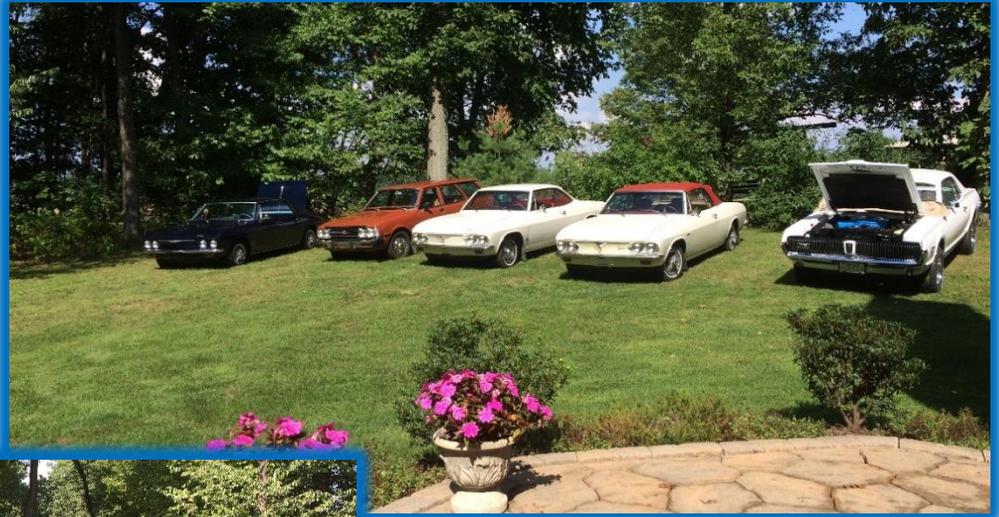


Member updates...Who's up to what...

The VSJ has received a few updates from members on summer activities. Seems like members are out having fun. Here's what we heard about...

PUSKAS PICNIC...WPCCC

Members Dan & Celena Butchko and Jimmy & Jonnie Weppelman were among approx. 15 other car enthusiasts who made it to Steve Puskas' Car Club picnic in Butler. Beautiful home, beautiful day, beautiful cars!



DETROIT AREA HOMECOMING...WPCCC members who made the trip to the Motor City for this terrific annual Corvair event included Jimmy & Jonnie Weppelman, Dan & Celena Butchko, Bill & Audrey Clapper, Darlene Kady & Jeff Grahovac, and John Sweet.. John reported the beer was cold and plentiful, the Clappers were strong in the Rally event, and word is the ALL CAPS Patina Bomb drew an appreciative crowd - Jimmy also gets an extra credit for his excellent vehicle sign, well done!

OUR SUMMER WITH STANLEY... Penguins hockey fans have enjoyed some quality time with the Stanley Cup. Here's WPCC members John & Charlotte Sweet and Rod & Michelle Murray with the Silver Chalice.



2016 CORSA CONVENTION... WPCC was well represented in Springfield...





Somehow ALL CAPS found time to make a run over to Albany NY, where he came home with a FREE Corvair!....Have we mentioned...Jimmy Gets Around!

A couple of years ago I purchased a used people shelter thinking of using it as protecting one from the hot sun at a car cruise. I tried it at a K of C cruise held in St Terisia's church parking lot in July. I did get an ok to use a parking slot. I definitely will use it again if needed.



Use the attached photos as you see fit. The woman in one of the photos is my daughter Kimberle.

Happy Vairing...Jack Schlarman



AL'S OUR PAL ...Al Friend is always generous with his time...He shared memories and stories at the Dayton Air Museum tour as well as at the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix.





Tidbits from WPCC's Facebook page...

The best place to share and see updates on what members are up to!

While the Butalla's El Corvair holds down WPCC's FB cover shot, Franz's '63 Monza gets hand-picked by government officials for its awesomeness!...



The Clappers win in Detroit!...

See the ALLCAPS video of the Patina

Bomb's Rockabilly spin on a dirt flat track...



The Hieber's niece has Corvairitis!...

Baron Von Yinzer (what a



nickname!) brings home a '62 500 last registered in 1979...

Catch a rare glimpse of the beautiful vehicles inside GM's Heritage Museum, including several Corvairs and/or Corvair-based concepts...

Priscilla owned a Corvair! Thank you, thank you very much...

...and Corvairs are still looking good at Starlight...



Check our Facebook page for these posts and more!



MEMBER'S GARAGE FORUM

*Here's this month's VSJ update on who's doing what with their Corvairs...
Hey, if these folks can do it, than maybe there's hope for all of us!*

This issue's garage spotlight falls on WPCC member Kurt Foltz, who provided this update...

"I purchased and installed new 80/20 molded carpet and new door sills with the riveted on Fisher emblems, from Clark's. Carpet installation requires removal of seats, shifter, door sills, gas pedal. Took me, w/the great help of JoLynn approximately 2- 10hr. days to complete. The door sills come without the rivets installed. This gives you the choice of either just sticking them on, or riveting them on, which is how they came on our cars from the factory.



This is how I got the rivets installed: Set up work at the dining room table with towels down. It takes A LOT of patience. After drilling thru the new door sill w/a 1/16" drill bit (they call for a #52, 1/16" is close enough) I then took about 3 center punches I have, one of which I broke the tip off of long ago. That one worked great at getting them thru. Oh, also, very important-take some sand paper or a file & clean up the back side where you drilled thru the sill, making it flush/flat, all the burs off. Then tapped the rivet thru. (Put some clear tape on it to hold the rivet in place while you drive it thru. Another important thing is get a piece of hard wood to work on so



you don't ding up the dining room table!) Then turn it over and take a good sharp center punch and place 'hole' of the rivet and tap on side of the rivet starts to I took my bad/broken center it out flat, completing the process probably took me a Slow and steady wins this was patient because I'm into which if anyone knows about



it in the center it until the back mushroom. Then punch and tapped mushroom. This half our each. race. I think I model trains, the scales- I love



N-scale. I did lose the one rivet so I'm now waiting for a replacement emblem and will have to remove the sill that's missing it.

Also went to a car collector's estate sale off Mt. Royal Blvd and picked up an old Industrial compressor pump setup he used for air tools. For \$20 I got the pump, a 1/4HP motor & a small 3 gal. tank. I also found a 30 gal tank on Craigslist for \$10. I went down to Krumen's Compressor's in the Strip District to pick up a Check valve & pressure switch to complete my Frankenstein setup. When I showed the guys down there what I had planned, they told me it should be a fantastic garage set up once I get it all piped in. I already have a 26 gal setup I got from JoLynn for my birthday, along with just about any air tool I would ever need. Krumen's guys told me that the



\$20 pump I got is going to well outperform the Harbor Freight one, and should provide me years of trouble free operation. I am going to T them together for almost 60 gals of air, which should sufficiently provide enough PSI for my tools & painting. Since the pump uses oil, I'll also be installing a couple oil and desiccant air filters inline. (I prefer to use clean air and just oil my air tools every time I use one.)" - Kurt Foltz

Editors Add Note: Kurt also kept busy replacing tie rods, re-krinkling his dash, upgrading his stereo, and installing LED dash lights. You can find details on these projects on our Facebook page.



You can boost another Corvair owner's confidence by sharing your Garage Forum updates. In the meantime, keep on wrenching!

(Fun Auto Mechanics Shop Sign courtesy of Kurt Foltz)



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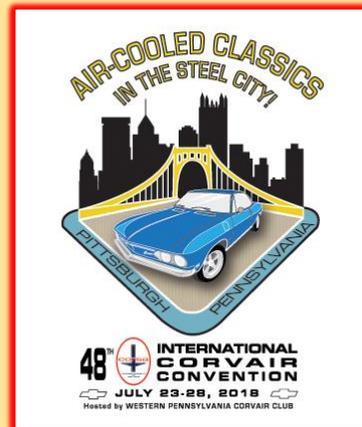
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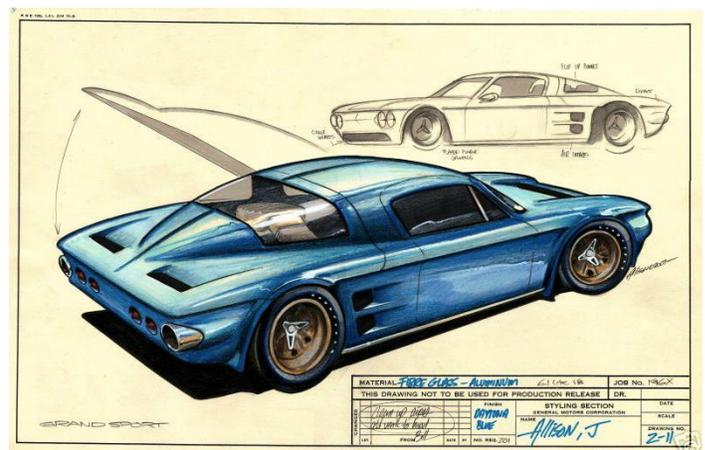
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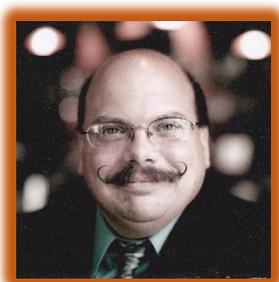
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Photo taken from
The OWL, University of Pittsburgh
1964, pg. 18

Pitt University recently mailed out this vintage Pittsburgh postcard out as part of their annual Gift Annuity drive. – Thx to Al Friend for sharing.





aka JIMMY <<< all caps!...

"PRECONCEIVED NOTIONS"

HELLO WPCC MEMBERS!

I HOPE EVERYONE'S SUMMER IS GOING WELL.

I, LIKE MANY PEOPLE, (ESPECIALLY AS WE GET OLDER) I BELIEVE, HAVE THE TENDENCY TO HAVE PRECONCEIVED NOTIONS OF THINGS AS WE GO THROUGH LIFE. MOST OF THESE COME OR ARE FORMULATED FROM THE YEARS OF EXPERIENCES WE HAVE BEEN THROUGH.

RECENTLY A LOT OF WPCC MEMBERS MADE THE TREK TO THE CORSA NATIONAL CONVENTION IN SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. I BEING ONE OF THEM, AND FAIRLY NEW TO THE CLUB, HAD SOME PRECONCEIVED NOTIONS OF SOME OF THE MEMBERSHIP. MY WIFE, JONNIE, AND I WERE INVITED TO JOIN SOME OF THE MEMBERSHIP ON A COUPLE OF NIGHTS TO DINNER AT LOCAL RESTAURANTS. I SHOULD OF ORDERED THE "CROW" CAUSE AFTER THE NIGHT WAS OVER THAT'S HOW BAD I FELT.

NOT REALLY KNOWING THAT WELL SOME OF THE MEMBERS THAT CAME I LONG, ALL I CAN SAY WAS WHAT A *BLAST!!* POLLY AND BOB TEDESCO WERE A DELIGHT TO BE WITH. NEVER REALLY MEETING EITHER ONE BEFORE, WE HAD A GOOD LAUGH TOGETHER. I JUST HOPE DOLLY FIGURES OUT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A GIRAFFE AND A ZEBRA!

ON ANOTHER NIGHT WE HAD THE PLEASURE OF JOINING GAYLE AND JOHN GUNDLACH. I HAD TALKED BRIEFLY TO JOHN AT SOME CAR SHOWS, BUT NEVER MET HIS LOVELY WIFE GAYLE. I CAN ONLY HOPE TO HAVE THE ENERGY THAT THESE

TWO HAVE! THE PASSION THAT JOHN HAS FOR HIS CORVAIRS IS AMAZING.

ANOTHER PRECONCEIVED NOTION I HAD WAS WITH KURT FOLTZ. I WAS TOLD THAT HE PLAYED IN A BAND AND WAS INTO MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, AMPS ETC. BUT NEVER GAVE MORE THAN AN OFF THOUGHT ABOUT IT. MAINLY BECAUSE KURT AND I SEE EACH OTHER JUST ABOUT EVERY FRIDAY AT THE WEXFORD CAR CRUISE IN THE SUMMER. HE WAS NEVER ONE TO TOOT HIS HORN ABOUT IT. AGAIN MY WIFE JONNIE AND I DECIDED TO GO SEE HIM PLAY AT A LOCAL BAR IN MILLVALE ON NIGHT. KURT'S BAND "HARD KARMA" WITH KURT PLAYING BASS, AND SOME LEAD SINGING WAS AWESOME!! I GUESS I HAD HOPED THEY WERE GOOD, BUT WOW!! THESE GUYS(4 OF THEM) PLAYED OVER 40 SONGS THAT NIGHT. THE MUSIC FROM THE LATE TO EARLY SEVENTIES MOSTLY WERE HARD MUSICAL SONGS TO MASTER. THEY HIT THEM ALL!! CHECK OUT SOME OF THEIR YOUTUBE VIDEOS IF INTERESTED.

I HAVE TO SAY I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO SOME MORE OF MY PRECONCEIVED NOTIONS BEING DASHED BY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THIS CLUB!!

VAIRILY YOURS,

JIM WEPELMA

SECRETARY, W.P.C.C.



[This month's VSJ Feature Article...](#) This piece recently appeared in Hagerty Magazine. The original article listed several vehicles, but has been edited for space with the Corvair specific sections intact as written. Following the article is the consignment description of the Corvair.

Bargain hunting at the Monterey car auctions

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Generally, one's chances of snagging a bargain at the Pebble Beach auctions during Monterey Car Week are up there with finding a payday loan storefront on Rodeo Drive. With a cooling market though, this year might be a bit different. Here are a few cars that may sell reasonably this weekend:

1. [1965 Chevrolet Corvair Spyder Corsa Convertible](#) - Corvairs get a bad rap.

Especially the second generation 1965-69 cars. With gorgeous Bill Mitchell-supervised styling and an improved fully independent rear suspension, coupe, convertible and sedan were all lovely to behold. Lot [#F432 at Russo and Steele](#) is a rare 180 hp turbocharged Corvair, the first production car with an exhaust-driven blower. Its flat-six was making a full twenty more horsepower than a 911S would two years later. This one benefits from a pricey full restoration and great colors. Even with all this going for it, there's a good chance it won't break thirty grand, and this friend is the textbook definition of a bargain.

MONTEREY 2016 CONSIGNMENTS



Vehicle Listing:

1965 Chevrolet Corvair Convertible

Consignment # 7192

Vehicle to be offered for Auction sale WITHOUT RESERVE and SOLD to the highest bidder August 18th – 20th, 2016 at Russo and Steele's 16th Annual Monterey, California Auction. Please contact us for more information.

Handsomely restyled for 1965 with clean, European-influenced bodylines that mark a triumph of Bill Mitchell's GM design studios, the second-generation Chevrolet Corvair impressed road testers in period and continues to attra



loyal collector following today. A truly unique automobile and a daring leap for Chevrolet, the Corvair was in fact quite successful and provided loyal American buyers with a technically sophisticated, nimble, roomier, and better-equipped alternative to the Volkswagens and other smaller European cars being imported to North America in the 1960s.

In addition to its striking body design, including two- and four-door closed models offered in hardtop-only form and convertibles blessed with impeccable purity of line, the Corvair lineup was streamlined for '65. Models and trim levels progressed from the basic 500 to the upscale Monza, and the new top-of-the-line Corsa. Powered by a newly uprated air-cooled, naturally-aspirated 'flat-6' engine with 164 cubic inches and 140 horsepower, the Corsa provided brisk performance, bettered by the optional 180-horsepower turbocharged unit delivering a world-class 1.1 horsepower per cubic inch. Built with high-strength internal components and carefully tuned intake and exhaust systems, the Corvair Turbo's engine was a true tour de force of engineering

Featuring the extremely rare from the factory black-over-red livery and the top available 180-hp Turbocharged engine/4-speed powertrain, this 1965 Corvair Corsa Convertible is a wonderful example of this rare, low-production model. Continuing to benefit from an outstanding restoration, further highlights include a black top cover, chrome wire-basket wheel covers, a radio, red carpeting, and matching floor mats

proress that only a small slice of automobile buyers could fully appreciate and exploit.

Handling was vastly improved for '65, with the front suspension refined and the former rear swing-axle setup replaced by a truly independent setup influenced by that of the Corvette Sting Ray. Now featuring double-jointed rear axles, coil springs, and control arms, the new Corvair's handling was praised by the era's top magazine road testers for its sophisticated design and excellent response.

Offered only for 1965 and 1966, the Corsa – in both levels of tune – fell victim to the competitive onslaught of Ford's conventional but wildly successful Mustang and the upcoming debut of GM's own front engine/rear drive Camaro and Firebird to come in late 1966. However, noted historian Richard M. Langworth provided the most fitting summary of the short-lived Corvair Corsa, stating that it "...was perhaps the most sophisticated (certainly one of the most ambitious) cars ever to come from Detroit: gobs of power, world-class handling, and looks that simply couldn't be better."

with "Corvair" embroidery. Manuals and a receipt binder also accompany the sale of this exceptional, top-of-the-line Turbocharged 1965 Chevrolet Corvair Corsa. Beautifully restored and clearly benefiting from proper storage in a climate-controlled warehouse, this Turbocharged Corsa has also garnered top honors from the Corvair Society of America, with a judging sheet on file. Long the favorite of true driving

enthusiasts, this striking Turbocharged Corvair Corsa convertible is now available for you to collect and enjoy!

Editor's Note: This vehicle ended up selling for \$33K.



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Ed Note: Remember, our newsletter lives on the internet and Facebook, so these listings are available to the world. Let's keep these local! And don't forget to check out Pittsburgh's Craigslist for more!





1. Corvair Lakewood 500 Station Wagon



2. Greenbrier Sports Wagon



3. Corvair Monza Four-Door Sedan

Game for any trail you've got in mind!

You've probably heard how Corvair is practically a teetotaler where gas is concerned, and how it doesn't cost a mountain to buy one, but do you know how superbly this machine handles? Of course, this you've got to experience. And what an experience it is to sample its precise steering, its superior rear-engine traction, its Full Coil suspension that takes the starch out of the grumpiest road. If you need more convincing (and that's a reasonable position), your Chevrolet dealer's got a Corvair you can try. But watch out, one ride is pretty persuasive!... Chevrolet Division of General Motors, Detroit 2, Mich.

1. *Lakewood 500 Station Wagon*—up to 68 cubic feet for piling in and packing up, with 10 of it under its lockable hood.

2. *Greenbrier Sports Wagon*—(shown with optional-at-extra-cost third seat) is ideal for outdoorsmen and family men.

3. *Monza 4-Door Sedan*—fashionable newcomer to the Corvair family (bucket-type front seats optional at extra cost in this model).

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