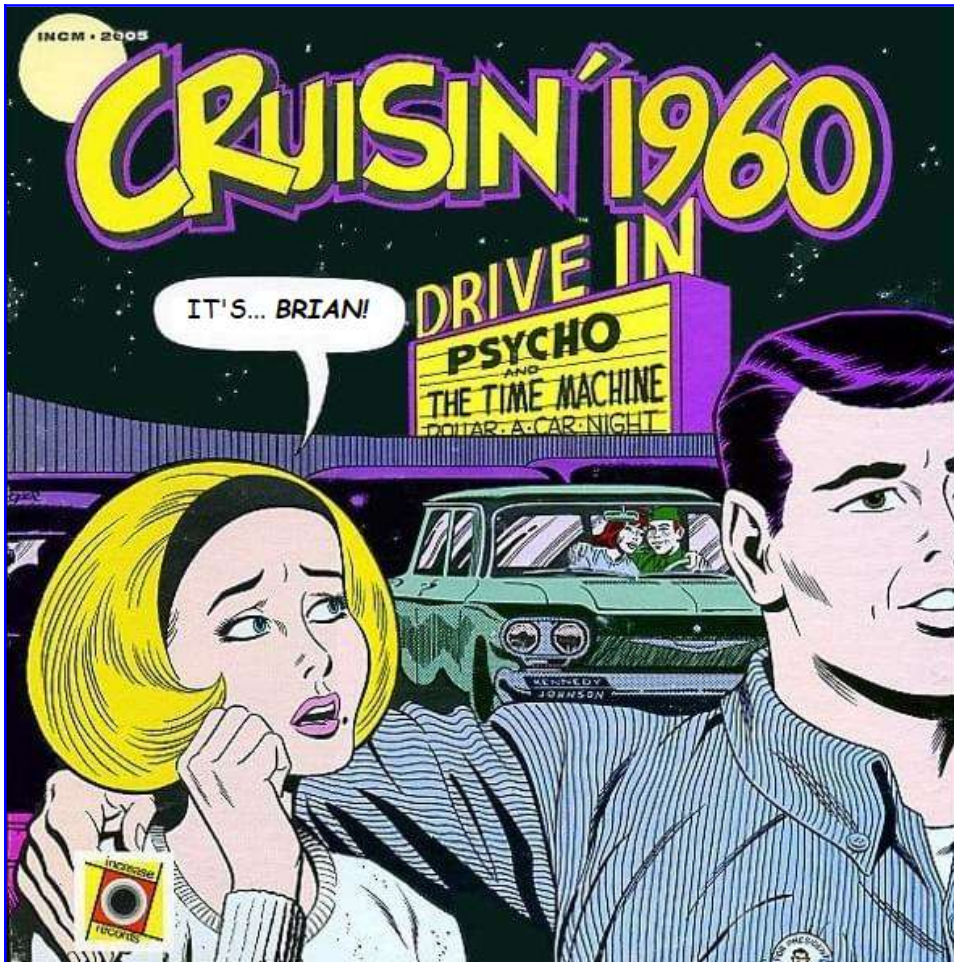


See You In September?



Wherever you may have been in September, 1960, in September, 2022 you should be with us!

Saturday, September 3, our regular monthly breakfast at the Empire Diner in Parsippany

Sunday, September 25, our own Brian heads up the big Sparta Historical Society Car Show, where this year the Corvair is the Feature Car (see page 2).

But Wait, There's More!

Air Cooled Nationals on Sunday, September 4 (see page 7). Central Pennsylvania Corvair Club's Annual **Corvair Day** on Saturday, September 17 (see page 3).

September's a big month! Be a part of it!

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Free Entry, Free Lunch, and Corvairs are Featured

by *Brian O'Neill*

The Sparta Historical Society is holding its 7th annual car show on Sunday, September 25th, at the Van Kirk Homestead Museum. The show will run from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.



Musical entertainment is also presented and food is available for purchase, with *free lunch going to the owners of show cars.*

Every year the show highlights a particular make of car. This year, it's the Corvair! Let's all us 'Vair owners turn out to help bring attention to our favorite vehicle. Anyone bringing a car for the show gets a free lunch. (Oh, I already mentioned that.)

A registration form is included with this newsletter, or you can send an email to Spartacarshow@gmail.com and details and a registration form will be sent to you. Or come to the September NJACE breakfast, where registration forms also will be available.

This is a non-judged show with *no registration fee*. It has been an overwhelming success each year with well over 100 classic, special interest and antique cars on the show field.

The location of the show is beautiful. Attendees can visit the Van Kirk Homestead Museum at no charge. The museum features many interesting displays illuminating the history of Sparta.

Also open to the public at no charge is our transportation display highlighted by the Society's 1913 Ford Model T.



The show location is the Sparta Historical Society at 366 Main Street (Route 517) in Sparta. You can't miss it. Signs will be out and police will be there to guide you. Hope to see you there.

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Picture-Perfect Picnic

Here are some of the NJACERs who enjoyed our club picnic on August 13:



After enduring a two-week heat wave we were all grateful to have simply splendid weather for the picnic. The temperature was so perfect, and the humidity so ideal, that nobody went in the pool!

Once again our gratitude goes to Donna (back row, far left) and Larry (front row, left, with Buddy) Ashley for being our hosts, with a special tip of the cap to Larry for being the grillmeister for the day.

There were several rear-engine, air-cooled cars on hand, but not all of them were Corvairs! Eddie and Kathi Garfield rolled up in their handsome 1972 VW Beetle.

Food and drink were enjoyed, stories were shared, lies were told, and Ray Coker regaled us with Tales From The Boat Ramp (be sure to ask him about his extended tongue), and old and new friends enjoyed the day.



A Mere 178 Miles, or Just Three Hours ... each way... by Bob Marlow



Okay, I admit, this isn't for everyone. On Saturday, September 17, the Central Pennsylvania Corvair Club is holding their 43rd Annual Corvair Day Car Show, at the Eastern Museum of Motor Racing in York Springs, Pennsylvania.

Even for me, now living in Allentown, Pennsylvania, this is not a short trip. It's more than 100 miles each way from Allentown, and for reference, it's 178 miles from the Empire Diner.

But this is a worthwhile show. Typically, upwards of 40 Corvairs attend, and there is a modest-sized swap meet. But the real draw may be the EMMR itself, a fabulous museum of East Coast racing history.

The Eastern Museum of Motor Racing houses one of the most extensive collections of racing memorabilia in the United States and has on display some of the most historic race cars of racing's "Golden Era." It is also the only museum in the East to maintain a complete reference and research library devoted to preserving the history of motor racing.

Both the museum and the research library are open to the public, and there is no admission charge.

The Corvair show will include a Silent Auction, a 50/50 drawing, door prizes, dash plaques, and available hamburgers, hot dogs, soups, drinks and more.

As I noted, it's a long trip but if you like Corvair shows and have even a passing interest in racing history, it's worth it. More information, and the registration form, can be found by going to the CPCC web site:

<http://www.centralpacorvairclub.org>
and clicking on the link for "Upcoming Events."

The Eastern Museum of Motor Racing is located at 100 Baltimore Road, York Springs, PA 17372.

A Tour of a Brewery along with Food, Fun and Laughter

by Ray Coker

On Saturday, October 8th, NJACE will visit the High Point Brewing Company, brewers of the award-winning Ramstein Beer, in Butler, NJ, for some fun in the sun.



There will be room for us to park our Corvairs so the other patrons of the brewery will have a chance to see them, plus room to set up our pop-up awnings, tables and chairs and a grill in the parking lot.

This the second time NJACE has visited the brewery. The first visit was over 20 years ago and that was fun and informative due to the fact we got a guided tour of the brewery and their brewing process. This is another opportunity for our car club to enjoy a day of fun, food, laughter, photo opportunities, car talk and a chance to taste some award-winning brews along with another brewery tour.

What can you do, you ask, to help your car club? Drive your Corvair to the brewery on Saturday Oct 8th and join the fun. There will be hot food & cold beer plus the more club members who show up will result in more fun for all.

This event is not only for us, we'll have a chance to showcase our Corvairs to other people and explain the joys of driving them, working on them and being members of the best Corvair club anywhere.

What should you bring, you ask? You'll need to bring your own lawn chairs and your choice of beverages if tasting the beers on hand is not your cup of tea. Bring anything you may think you'll need to enjoy an autumn afternoon in a parking lot. Think sunshine & warm weather.



The brewery officially opens at 2:00 PM on Saturdays. The owner of the brewery has suggested we arrive at 1:00 PM to secure the amount of parking spaces we'll need to park our cars together, set up a grill, a food service area, tables to eat our food on and pop-up awnings to provide shade.

We cannot take over all the parking spaces, we'll need to leave room for the other patrons visiting the brewery that same day. If you want to showcase your Corvair it will be first come first served with the parking spaces.

For those of you coming in non-Corvairs there is parking o'plenty at adjoining parking areas within the complex. But to make sure your clean shiny Corvair is up front, plan on getting there early.

The High Point Brewing Company is located at 22 Park Place, Building #7, Butler, NJ 07405.

In order to purchase the correct amount of food we would appreciate an RSVP to our club's Vice-President, Nick Ford, by phone at 201-572-5797 or by email at mb05203-64110@yahoo.com. Nick will be standing in for President Brian O'Neill while he and Roberta are on a trip to Croatia.

If by chance you have an opportunity to attend and you didn't get a chance to RSVP, please come there anyway. There will be dishes to be cleaned!

Please, we want you there, we need you there, you should be there, if you're not there you'll hear about it later and "wish you were there!"

President's Message

by *Brian O'Neill*



NJACE is a car club. We all have an affinity for the Chevrolet Corvair. We spend a lot of time talking about, working on, and in general thinking about our Corvairs. But if you think about it we are more than a car club. In many ways we are a family.

Doubt it? Well, there is no doubt. Just look at the way we are willing to help each other. Need a part and need it now? Call around probably somebody in the club has one. Need a third hand? Club members will come and help you.

I get so many club members willing to come up to my house to help that my wife thinks we're running a diner. She always makes sure there are some goodies out to eat with the coffee.

In addition to our formal organization, we also have quite a number of friendships among members. In many ways these friendships are stronger than the relationship between other members. We have groups within the membership that socialize among themselves and keep up with family situations. Absolutely none of this is bad. In my opinion it is one of the main reasons to belong to NJACE.

Our family ties are deeper than that. I have seen many examples over the years of how we

care about each other. If we find out that one of our members has a health problem for example we are all concerned and want to know the latest. It is this need for information that concerns me a little bit. Recently two of our longtime members have had health issues. One was more serious than the other. I didn't find out about either situation until there was a mention of it at one of our monthly breakfast meetings.

Upon hearing this news I felt that I needed to contact these two members to see how they were doing. I did feel bad that it had been quite some time that they had been under the weather but nobody had contacted them. Now we all know that if we don't feel good (and I don't mean just a normal cold I mean really don't feel good), we like hearing from our friends.

I guess what I'm trying to say is we need to make sure that if we know one of our members is not doing well that this news gets to the club membership and especially to the club officers. Once we know that someone might need some help we can spring into action.

Now I'm not advocating that we poke into our members' private lives when we shouldn't. What I am saying is that let's make sure that our members know that the other members really care about them.

I hope the message I'm trying to send gets out there. I struggled a little bit to try to put my thoughts down on paper. I hope I succeeded.

NJACE Calendar of Events

- * **Saturday, September 3:** Monthly breakfast meeting, at the Empire Diner on Route 46 eastbound in Parsippany, 9:00 AM.
- Sunday, September 4:** Air Cooled Nationals, Mahwah. See details on Page 7.
- * **Sunday, September 25:** Sparta Historical Society Car Show. See all the details on Page 2.
- * **Saturday, October 1:** Monthly breakfast meeting, at the Empire Diner on Route 46 eastbound in Parsippany, 9:00 AM.
- * **Saturday, October 8:** OctoVairFest at the High Point Brewing Company. Complete details on Page 4.
- * **Saturday, November 5:** Monthly breakfast meeting, at the Empire Diner on Route 46 eastbound in Parsippany, 9:00 AM.

*Items marked with * are official club events.*

Battery Sizes for 1965-69 Corvairs

by *Allan Lacki*

Everybody talks about those oblong batteries for early Corvair cars and trucks. But what about the more conventional batteries for second-series Corvair cars, the ones built from 1965 to 1969? Size is important for them, too!



The original specification called for a Type 22F battery, which measured 9.5" long x 6.9375" wide x 8.3125" tall. But it's unlikely you will find one on the shelf at your friendly local auto parts store.

An optional deep-cycle battery was also offered during those years, namely the Type 24T. Again, a rare bird today.

A good alternative that's widely available is a Type 26R battery. It measures 8.1875" long x 6.8125" wide x 7.75" tall. They work perfectly fine in Corvairs. If you buy one for your Corvair, be sure it has that "R" suffix. A plain Type 26 will put the battery posts in the wrong positions!

Another widely-available alternative is a Type 35 which I installed in my own 1966 Corvair. Type 35 batteries measure 9.0625" long x 6.9375" wide x 8.875" tall.



Cocktail Shakers!

by *Rick Norris*

posted on Facebook

Anyone ever cut open a cocktail shaker? These are in all four corners of 1965-69 Corvair convertibles and cancel out certain vibrations present in convertibles. This is because convertibles have no top to help stiffen the body.



They consist of a very heavy steel slug supported on both ends by a short spring. All this is suspended in a viscous oil-like fluid.

This one was at the convention, shown by Jeff Stonesifer owner of the famous Corvair Ranch in Gettysburg, PA. He got it from a completely burned out Vair and cut it open.



Shameless Commerce NJACE Member Advertising

For Sale – 1969 Monza coupe, 110-hp, Powerglide, I have really enjoyed the car as a driver and most of the work done was with a goal of making things more enjoyable and safer. David "Scotty" Malcolm, phone 201-635-9696. See photos and full details on our club's "Garage Key" page, linked below.

For Sale – Deande steel dual axle open car trailer. Tilt fender, concealed ramps, spare tire, sway control, weight distributing hitch, 10,000 lb., tie downs, New silver paint in 2021. Photos now posted on our club's "Garage Key" page, linked below. \$3,500.00 Ron Peles, 908-479-1218.

Your Ad Here. Send your Corvair-related classified-style ad to rmalow4040@gmail.com. No charge for NJACE members! You can also have Corvair-related items listed on our online "Garage Key" web pages. Visit the "Garage Key" at <http://garagekey.blogspot.com/>

👉 Labor Day Extra! 👈

Air-Cooled Nationals

As part of the “Dead Man’s Curve Wild Hot Rod Weekend” at the Mahwah Sheraton hotel September 1-4, an all air-cooled event will be taking place on Sunday, September 4. **Corvairs are specifically invited!**

The “Dead Man’s Curve Wild Hot Rod Weekend” is a very large event and very different from your average car show. In addition to a wide assortment of vehicles (few of which are stock) there are personal appearances by people such as Dennis Gage of My Classic Car and Dean Torrance of Jan & Dean.

Plus there are bands and food trucks and a tiki attire contest and a swap meet and a muffler rapping contest and pinstripers & air brush artists and a vintage bicycle parade and tricycle racing, yes, tricycle racing.

You can find more information at <https://deadmanscurveusa.com/> and on Facebook. Let’s see a nice turnout of Corvairs on September 4!



Someone has been cleaning out the basement!

← There’s an NJACE member in this old photo! Can you guess which member? Can you guess which person in the photo? (Answer below)

(Front row, 2nd from right)
A: David "Clean Dave" Main

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