

THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB WANTS YOU!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

That sure is a great little car you're driving. In fact the Corvaire is probably the most courageous, creative, and potentially the best engineered automobile to come out of Detroit in modern times. As you may already know, a two year study conducted by the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, and suggested by Mr. Ralph Nader, concluded: "The Corvaire quantitatively meets or exceeds standards set by contemporary automobiles in stability, cornering, and roll-over tests." It is also the only car ever proven safe in a court of law!!!

Next time a fellow Corvaire driver waves to you, hold your head high and wave back, since you have something in common. "The Vaire" however, is far from a common car. They are now quite rare, gaining in value, and have so many sensible features when compared to todays plastic and cardboard cars. Isn't it great *not* spending money on antifreeze and snowtires for example!

We are a chartered chapter of "The Corvaire Society of America" (CORSA), a rapidly growing international organization now boasting over 8,000 members. Like all automobile marque clubs of international stature, CORSA requires all chapter members to also belong to CORSA, the international Corvaire club.

The long range goals of both clubs is simply to increase the enjoyment and preservation of the Corvaire automobile. We provide - technical and historic information, parts procurement, professional publications, and an international classified ad service. We sponsor and participate in - Corvaire shows, rallies, time trials, autocross events, mini conventions, and national conventions. We love driving to local points of interest, touring style, in Corvaire convoys. We have parties, picnics, and dinners, there's always plenty of Corvaire talk, and all of our events are family affairs. Our membership includes people from every imaginable age group, background, and profession. Our chapter provides a twelve page monthly newsletter, and CORSA provides a beautiful monthly magazine named "The CORSA Communiques".

We would love to welcome you, your family, and your Corvaire into our club. Simply complete the attached application and mail it to Al Friend, WPCC Liaison. Remember, the nicest people drive Corvaire, and "You're Always Ahead With Your Engine Behind." Hope to see you soon.

MEETINGS: The 4th Tuesday of every month, 8 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Monroeville, Pennsylvania

DUES: LOCAL \$10 per calendar year or \$1 for each remaining month of the current year. \$1 each for two additional immediate family members. Payable to WPCC.

CORSA Our charter requires that all WPCC members, also belong to CORSA, our national organization. New members must enclose a completed CORSA application and a check payable to CORSA, Inc. for \$22. If you already belong to CORSA, then send only WPCC information.

MAIL TO: W.P.C.C. c/o Al Friend, 3677 Forbes Trail Dr. Murrysville, PA 15668 (412)325-2588

NAME _____ AGE _____ OCCUPATION _____ PHONE _____
ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____ DATE _____
CORSA MEMBER? YES NO CORVAIRES OWNED, YR.: MODEL _____
RECOMMENDED BY _____ AMOUNT PAID _____ OTHER CAR CLUBS _____
OTHER INFORMATION: _____

Terry Stankus

NEXT MEETING: June 26, 1984
Same time: 8:00 P.M.
Same place: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Monroeville

MINUTES OF WPCC MEETING APRIL 24, 1984

Present were President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board members A. Abramson, D. Baker, H. Horn, D. Smith.
Secretary's Report: Read and approved.
Treasurer's Report: Read and approved.
Balance \$563.16

Old Business:
Bill Artzberger hasn't made a trip to White Post yet. He suggested that tech sessions begin at 7:30 so club members could have a chance to socialize after the meeting. It was decided to give it a try.

New Business:
Jim Lane has offered the Club money to be in the "Anchors Away Parade" sponsored by the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation on May 5 at 9 a.m. from the Civic Arena to Station Square.

Al Friend gave a tentative schedule for the National Convention.
Armin Abramson spoke on the April event, a visit to Old Economy.

May 20 will be the picnic at the Sweet's. Vaun Hamlin suggested Club members who go on Club trips could split the cost of those who initially went on the trip.

Bob McCune will check prices of busses for an overnight trip to White Post.

On May 20 there will be a sports car autocross at Three Rivers Stadium.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m. 50/50 won by Hazel Moore.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The first event of my reign is under my belt along with pancakes and sausage and NO RAIN--a lot of sunshine, a little chill in the air--but NO RAIN.

Corvairs shown: George Flenniken - 3rd Place, Bud Tinstman, Isadore Krause, Bill Brill and Archie Miller.

John and Gayle Gundlach met us at Donegal but were driving an Eagle. I saw about four other members also. Met some prospective members and gave them applications and information.

Hope to see you at the next meeting to make attendance as good as last time and the April 29 event at Old Economy.

(Editor's Note: This report, like great wine and cheese, has been aged.)

SPEAKING OF THE EDITOR--

While not a WPCC founder, your new Journal editor was one of the early members, recruited as you might guess by Al Friend. This was back in the days when the meetings were held in the service bays at Devereaux Chevrolet.

As a Porsche owner, he immediately recognized the merit of GM's design when the Corvair was introduced and in 1963 bought a Monza sedan for his mother. His mother-in-law, however, had purchased a Monza coupe two years earlier. Both cars are still in service, the coupe having 20K miles and the sedan 50 K.

In and around their barn in Somerset there are (at latest count) 22 Corvairs--trucks, vans, coupes, sedans and convertibles with every year except '60 and '68 represented. He is attempting to organize the parts so that locating a specific piece is less time consuming.

For over 10 years he has been a technical consultant for CORSA, answering 8 to 12 inquiries per year on such diverse subjects as "Why do my wheels point in at the top?" to "What causes water to run out of the heater ducts?"

In spite of all this Corvair involvement, he isn't totally air-cooled. He still buys anti-freeze for a '63 LandRover, a '69 Chevy van, and a new Renault. Oh, well, 22 to 3 is an acceptable ratio.

MISCELLANEOUS OBSERVATIONS

In last month's issue there was an error on the road to John Sweet's house, but after all the error was less than 10%!

Credit for getting that issue produced really goes to Shirley Murphy, Hazel Moore, Al Friend and Dave Fabyonic.

John Sweet says Burnie Weddle should be our choice for CORSA Director.

Blind student navigator's comment on the rally when it was too dark to read the road signs: "See if they have raised letters and I'll read 'em for you."

When you look at the map in CORSA on all the Corvair traffic on I-80 enroute to the National, be sure to use your turn signals when you pull onto the Interstate.

In reading a book on old grain mills, they stated that wooden pegs were used as gear teeth to get the power from the water wheel to the millstone. They were frighteningly noisy when first installed but slowly were in and became silent with use. Not quite the same as our modern steel gears that get noisy with age.

COMING EVENTS

August 18	Kennywood
September	Date to be established
October 20	White Post. First 44
	who pay get on the bus. Approx.
	\$17 per head.

STATION SQUARE PARADE

The weather started off as if Al Friend had planned the parade. It was raining lightly and very "yucky." At 8 a.m. it didn't look as if there would be a parade; by 9 a.m. things were a bit brighter..enough to convince some Corvair owners that they should take their cars out of the garage; by 10 a.m. four hardy Corvair owners thought enough of their promise to keep their word and show up for the parade.

There were many high school bands and marchers. There were some water pumpers for the parade celebrities, but no other "old" cars or car clubs represented. Those who paraded were: The Smiths (entire family), the Rockhills (2 cars, family and friends), the Artzbergers (with granddaughter and Tiger 1.).

HILL BILLY HULABALOO

The Wild Wonderful Corvair Club held their second annual meet on June 9 and 10. The West Virginia Club had a fine meet last year and this year it was even better although there seemed to be less Corvair attendance. It was held at the Anthony Chevrolet dealership, where there was a short, but very challenging slalom course. Clark's Corvair Parts had a slide show with pictures of all the new parts now available for Corvairs, plus an excellent demonstration by Amzoil on a new oil filter system which will last for the life of your car...yes, the life!

Our club returned with lots of hardware! Walt Baldinger won 1st Place in Late Closed Stock with his newly restored '65 500 coupe. It didn't have a rug in it but guess what happened? Walt won a rug from Clark's in a drawing by the VW Club. He has one now!

Jack Bachman won both a Hard Luck Trophy and a Third Place for his '64 Early 4-door. The Hard Luck Trophy was for his stop to stop his heater.. had to Jack up his car and get under it to make some quick modifications before he and his wife had heat prostration. Who says Corvair heaters don't heat?

Wayne Jones drove Tiger I and after 7 years of autocross, driving to shows and just plain abuse, the car still managed to squeak through the judges and capture a First Place in the Late Modified Class. Tom Kress won a Second Place but took the People's Choice with his new Fitch Sprint Z27.

Tom also won fastest time of day in the slalom with Tiger I taking second by 3/10 sec. Tiger II won First Place in the Late Open Modified Class.

Artzbergers were honored with a Retirement Party Cake and a bouquet of roses for Irene.

MAY WPCC EVENT

John and Charlotte Sweet once again opened the doors to WPCC including a tour of Butler County, almost canceled by rain.

Dauntlessly, the Corvairs took off and as they arrived at the first stop, the rain subsided and the Club toured McConnell's Mills, now a park which provided what, buckwheat, cornmeal and flour for farmers in the area for nearly 50 years. The "Old Stone House" was the next stop. The house has been traced back to about 1750 and was a stage coach stop, hotel and tavern, before becoming a family home. Students from nearby Slippery Rock State University were guides. The final stop was Lake Arthur and then--to food. The day ended with a parts auction in John's Corvair stable.

NEW MEMBER

Ken Brown, Pittsburgh (412)241-1529
Ken is a 29-year-old sales clerk who is busy restoring a 1965 "500" Vair. Ken was introduced to WPCC by Bates, Shirley and Kathy Murphy, has also joined CORSA, and attended the May meeting.

FOR SALE

'65 Corsa Coupe Turbo, black, 60,000 miles, engine rebuilt 2500 miles alo, almost concours condition. Extra parts and manuals included in sale. \$5200 for entire package. Mark Rorem, R.D. 1, Box 153, Covington, PA 16917. Photos at last meeting.

'66 Corsa Coupe (The Silver Bullet) 140/4 sp. AM/FM, quad speakers, 14" T/A Radials on wide mags, custom interior, new metal and laquer, tuned exhaust, cast aluminum oil pan, most everything has been rebuilt. Over \$5000 invested. Asking \$3500. Al Friend, Murrysville, PA. (412)325-2588.

'66 Monza 4-door/110/PG. 65K original miles. This is one of two cars I bought in southern Virginia several years ago with plans to resture it for Concours. IT HAS NO RUST...NEVER HAD ANY. The interior is black with front bucket seats. There are no tears or rips in the upholstery. It needs a new rear shelf, it needs to be repainted (has original paint), it needs a new "y" pipe and maffler. I'll sell it for cost and expenses. It's cheap!!! You'll never find a better rust-free car for less. Call me only if you are serious and need this car. Bill Artzberger, (412)364-6842.

'69 "500" coupe, 95 h.p. Automatic, 19,000 actual miles. Polar Green, black vinyl interior, excellent condition throughout. Garage kept. Plus extra rims, tires and wheel covers. Best offer over \$2500. Larry Davis (412)823-1246.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Wayne Jones and Bill Artzberger have decided to abandon their adventure with CORVAIR STUFF. It simply was not worth the effort to try to supply parts for Corvairs to owners. Therefore: all parts which are not wanted by any WPCC members will be sold to other parts suppliers or otherwise disposed of.

If there are any parts you need, contact Wayne or Bill immediately as the venture will be entirely liquidated by the end of the summer.

Here's your last chance to get an extra engine or cross-member or some of those parts which will eventually become impossible to get. There will be no give-aways, but fair prices still prevail.

MORE PARTS NEWS

Inland Empire Corvair Club is producing three "unavailable" rubber products for Corvairs. The Powerglide Dipstick Boot (\$7.50), the late vent window gasket (\$58/pair) and convertible top side seals (\$215/set). Orders must be mailed by August 31, 1984 to D. H. Meyers, 3843 Paddmont Dr., Highland, CA 92346.

CAR SHOW

Antique Auto Club--antique cars, classic cars, rod and custom cars and flea market. Connellsville, PA June 23 and 24.

TECH TIP (by Al Friend)

If your early model adjustable voltage regulator is beginning to give you fits, get on over to your local NAPA dealer and buy Echlin #VR126 non-adjustable voltage regulator, use your old Delco dust cover, no one will know, and your problems will be over!!

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL (by Al Friend)

In June of '79 we were busy preparing for the upcoming CORSA National in nearby Detroit, a Corvair convoy to Falling Water and Fort Necessity was ready to roll, and Ivan Clever was having a clearance sale, including a 1952 Ford flathead V-8 cattle truck, half full of Corvair parts. The Breiers, Buffers, Krouses and Pezels represented WPCC in a local show, and for those switching to 14" wheels, a Bates Murphy Tech tip advised that Chevy wagons used wider wheels than Chevy passenger cars, perfect for Vairs. In the mean time, the Pirates were beginning their drive to the world championship, the Steelers had another Super Bowl, and WPCC was about to clean house at the National!! What a year!!

DEADLINE FOR JULY NEWSLETTER

Please try to have your articles, ads, reports, tech tips, complaints to the editor by July 12, 1984. Send them to: Bates Murphy, 4291 Jackson Road, Murrysville, PA 15668.



Corvair Society of America

Formed in 1969 by and for those who still appreciate the Corvair Automobile

CORSA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

CHECK ONE: NEW RENEWAL

RENEWALS

My name and address are correct as printed

(Please Print) Last Name _____ First _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Chapter _____ Chapter No. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Reason for joining CORSA _____

Activity Interest: _____

Age _____ Phone _____

Occupation _____

The following fee schedule includes your subscription to CORSA COMMUNIQUE, our monthly publication, for the number of months paid.

- 1 year U.S. membership - \$22
- 26 month U.S. membership - \$44
- 1 year Canadian membership - \$32
- 26 month Canadian membership - \$64
- 1 year Overseas membership - \$35
- 26 month Overseas membership - \$70
- Museum Fund Donation - \$1
- Racing Fund Donation - \$1
- Family membership - \$1

TOTAL _____

U.S. FUNDS ONLY
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO
CORSA, INC.

CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.
2506 Gross Point Road
Evanston, IL 60201
(312) 475-7630

MUSEUM FUND

A museum has been established to protect and preserve Corvair memorabilia. This fund has been established to perpetually finance the museum's growth and development.

RACING FUND

This fund provides cash prizes to winning Corvairs entered in national open class racing.

DO NOT WRITE IN BOX

Rec'd	_____
Amount	_____
Months	_____
Acct. No.	_____
Expires	_____

SURVEY OF CARS OWNED AND INTERESTS

- I own _____ running Corvairs.
- I own _____ restorable Corvairs.
- I own _____ parts Corvairs.

4. I use my Corvairs for:
- Concours - How Many? _____
 - Daily Use
 - Racing
 - Other _____

5. My main reason for joining CORSA is:
- Support my hobby
 - Fellowship
 - Increase the value of my investment
 - Magazine - "CORSA COMMUNIQUE"
 - To take part in () local/() national doings

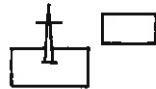
6. What I like to read most in my magazine is
- Technical Tips
 - Feature Articles
 - Convention information
 - CORSA governmental action
 - Open Forum
 - Chapter News
 - Local meet information



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MEETING HELD
4TH TUESDAY
EACH MONTH
8:00 P.M.

GOOD SHEPHERD
LUTHERAN
CHURCH



OLD WM. PENN HWY.

SCHOOL



RT. 48

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PARKWAY BY-PASS

MONROEVILLE
EXIT

MURRYSVILLE

BUICK

PLUM EXIT

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BUS. RT. 22

MURRYSVILLE

HOWARD
JOHNSON'S

TURNPIKE
EXIT