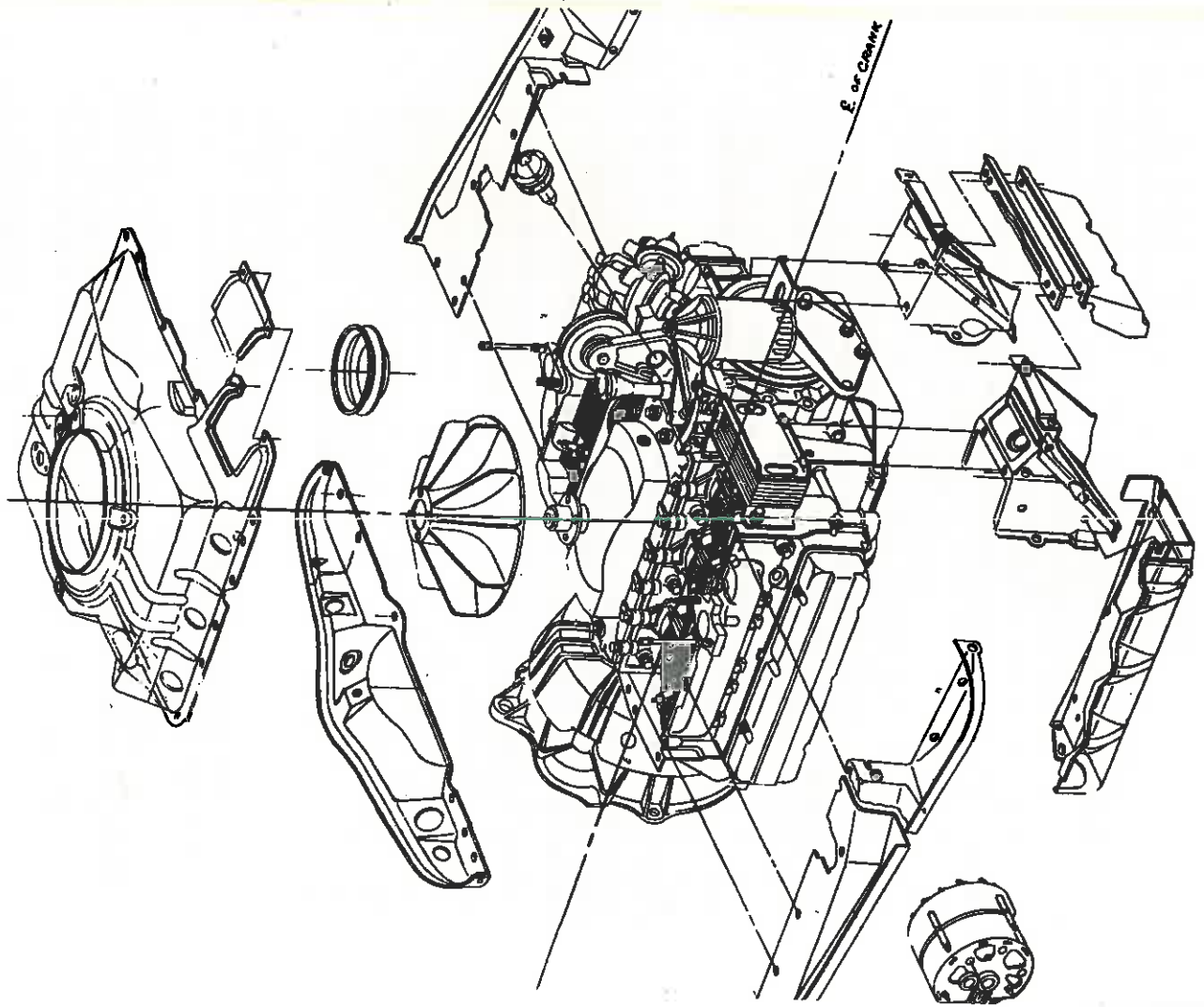


THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

SEPTEMBER, 1984



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 today's plastic and cardboard cars. Isn't it great not spending money on antifreeze and snow tires 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 Communiqués".

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." Hopeto 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: _____

NEXT MEETING:
 Same time:
 Same place:

September 25, 1984
 8:00 p.m.
 Good Shepherd
 Lutheran Church,
 Monroeville

MINUTES OF WPCC MEETING August 28, 1984

Present were President, Vice President, Secretary, Board members D. Baker, D. Smith. Secretary's Report: Read and approved. Treasurer's Report: Read and approved. Balance \$828.30

OLD BUSINESS

Bill Artzberger reported on the Grand Prix Car Show. A videotape was made of the car show and will be shown at a future meeting. He also talked about the National Convention. There was an excellent autocross in which Jim Artzberger took first place. Bill said the rally was good, covering a lot of New Jersey but everyone objected to the trivia questions. The bus to White Post is full. Bob McGune would like to have the \$16 ticket money by the next meeting. Checks should be made to WPCC and sent to Bob McCune, 4185 Ivanhoe Dr., Monroeville, PA 15146.

NEW BUSINESS

Dale Smith went over details for the September 15 Mt. Summit Inn trip and thanked Jones' and Artzberger's for the Kennywood event. Convertibles are needed for the Carnegie Mellon University Homecoming on October 13. Contact Dale Smith at 563-4047.

Wayne Jones proposed that next year's Kennywood event be made a two-day affair. A committee was appointed to check into details. Several suggestions for activities were made and cost should be kept to under \$100 per couple. Club members extended condolences to Bill Brill and his family on the death of his mother. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. 50/50 was won by Jim Stokes.

Terry Stankus

NEW MEMBERS

Pete Shanley, Pittsburgh, (412)521-7749. Pete was a member of WPCC a few years ago, but he dropped out to continue his education up in "Happy Valley"!! Welcome back Pete, we missed you.

FOR SALE

Two wide whitewall ^{SOLD} snow tires, proper for the earlies, like new, deep tread. Dale Smith, 563-4047.

THIS & THAT by Al Friend

★ Corvair Convertibles Needed: ★ Oct. 13

For Carnegie Mellon homecoming. This is a truly fun day with hot air balloon rides and two free lunch tickets to all participants. Please call Dale Smith for details if you can help out. Hm. 563-4047

Wk. 561-5050

Hey gang, this is a great chance for some terrific exposure for WPCC and the Corvair automobile. Let those high tech. folks see "Tomorrow's Car Built Yesterday"!!! Dale mentioned to me that, if we can line up enough Corvairs (Show type, that is) it will be an all Corvair parade! Also, Dale assures us that the Pretty young things will sit on the seats, not on your top boots. Also you can have passengers of your choice in the other front seat. See you there.

ERMA & JOHN GETZ ARE O.K.

The heavy rains that we had in early August (REMEMBER KENNYWOOD) practically washed away Hyndman, Pa. The phones were out for a long time, but I finally got through to Erma, who informed me that they live about two miles from the flooded valley. The nice folks that they are - they have taken in a family who's home was washed away.

THIS & THAT continued

John & Gayle Gundlach were nice enough to mail me an article that appeared in the Butler Eagle newspaper on Aug. 17, 84, about a Corvair powered hovercraft. The craft was built and is owned by Dr. Raymond Miller, a physics professor at Slippery Rock University. After reading that, I really became interested, since I took a couple of Dr. Miller's courses back in 1961 or 62. (I started college when I was ten years old)!!!

At any rate, the craft weighs 1700 pounds, is powered by a 110 H.P. Vair engine, has a 400 mile range, and seats 5. Needless to say, our last "Vair Street Journal" and a long letter are already in the mail to Dr. Miller. Carole and I plan to recruit Dr. Miller in person as soon as we get up that way. I wonder how the folks at Carnegie Mellon U. would take that high tech Corvair convertible in their parade??? Thank you John & Gayle, I'll pass the article around at the next meeting.

★ WRITE A LETTER TO THE EPA RIGHT NOW!!! ★

A headline in the Sept. 13, 84 "Old Cars Weekly" reads "EPA Surprised at Old Car Owners' Opposition to Lead Ban". Obviously, the letters have been pouring in, but more are needed to stop this nonsense. I wrote them one accusing them of cheap politics - making it look like the EPA is doing something. Unless you want to run that unleaded garbage in your Vair till the valves wear out, you had better write that letter!!!

We are lucky in this area, since we have Amoco stations. The gold pump, if you don't mind the price, will not harm your valve seats. However, as you know, it isn't available everywhere. Also, a leaded gas ban will definitely drop the value of that little rear engined investment in your garage!!

WRITTEN COMMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY OCT. 1.

MAIL TO: Docket No. EN-84-05
Central Docket Section (LE-31)
Environmental Protection Agency
401 M Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20460

MISCELLANEOUS OBSERVATIONS

If you have read the September issue of CORSA Tech Topics, you are already aware of the two articles concerning lead in gasoline. According to engineering publications which have been published recently, the second one is more technically correct.

EPA's proposal is to reduce the lead content to 0.1 g/gal., not eliminate it altogether. If the engine has ever been run on leaded this level is enough to lubricate the valve stems, which is the most vulnerable area. This means that Corvairs will not die from valve wear. However, it seems strange that EPA has not yet published a valid study relating lead in gasoline with harm to humans. Their original announcement stated that they were phasing out lead to prohibit no-lead car owners from buying leaded and fouling their catalyts. If that's the reason, I like the idea of leaving the lead and raising the price to make it more than no-lead. It isn't a great idea, but it's better than their present plan.

Speaking of The September CORSA, did you see who is at the top of the centerfold this month???

COMING UP

White Post Bus Tour - October 20, 1984



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

Make the following corrections to my name and address:

(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

1. I own _____ running Corvairs.
2. I own _____ restorable Corvairs.
3. 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 Open Forum
 Feature Articles Chapter News
 Convention information Local meet information
 CORSA governmental action



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Western PA. Corvaair Club
3677 Forbes Trail Dr.
Murrysville, PA 15668

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

GOOD SHEPHERD
LUTHERAN
CHURCH



OLD WM. PENN HWY.

SCHOOL



RT. 48

PGH.

PARKWAY BY-PASS

MONROEVILLE
EXIT

MURRYSVILLE

BUICK

PLUM EXIT

PGH.

BUS. RT. 22

MURRYSVILLE

HOWARD
JOHNSON'S

TURNPIKE
EXIT