

THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

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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 Vair" 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 antireze 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. We encourage all WPCC members to maintain membership in CORSAs—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 monthly newsletter, and CORSAs provides a beautiful monthly magazine named "The CORSAs 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 Corvaires, 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 Shephard Lutheran Church, Monroeville, Pennsylvania.

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

J. DALE SMITH
MAIL TO: W.P.C.C. c/o
634 ARDEN LANE
PITTSBURGH, PA
15241

Name _____ Age _____ Occupation _____ Phone _____
Address _____ Zip _____ Date _____
CORSAs Member? Yes No. # Corvaires owned, yr. model _____
Recommended by _____ Amount paid _____ Other car clubs _____
Other information: _____

MINUTES OF WPCC MEETING
OCTOBER 25, 1988

1988 OFFICERS PRESENT: PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY.
1988 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: JOHN GUNDLACH AND JON SMITH

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ.
THERE WAS NO TREASURER'S REPORT.

THERE WERE NO VISITORS OR GUESTS AT THIS SPARCELY ATTENDED MEETING. GET WELL CARDS WERE AVAILABLE TO SIGN FOR JEAN LARISON AND WYME ROCKHILL.

OLD BUSINESS

THE AUTOCROSS THAT HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR EARLY OCTOBER HAD BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST AND MANPOWER IN THE CORVETTE CLUB. BOB HIEBER REPORTED THAT THEY FELT TOO FEW PEOPLE WOULD PARTICIPATE TO WARRANT THE FULL CREW IT TAKES TO RUN SUCH AN EVENT.

THE CORVAIR DISPLAY AT THE NORMAN SHOPPING CENTER WAS THE NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS. THE 10 am to 4 pm EVENT WILL EARN \$75 FOR THE CLUB IF 12 CARS ATTEND. THE NUMBER OF CARS ALREADY SIGNED UP WAS SHORT OF THAT NUMBER, SO THERE WAS DISCUSSION OF MEMBERS TO CONTACT SO WE COULD FILL THE REQUIREMENT AND EARN OUR FEE.

NEW BUSINESS

BOB HIEBER MENTIONED OUR UP-COMING HOLIDAY PARTY SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 14. HE HAD TRIED TO CONTACT WAUN HURLIN TO FINALIZE PLANS BUT DETAILS WERE NOT YET AVAILABLE. WATCH THE NEXT JOURNAL FOR THE PARTY PLANS.

BOB HIEBER ALSO MENTIONED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO EVENT IN NOVEMBER AS HE IS MOVING (CHOPEFULLY) AND WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DO AN EVENT.

BOB ALSO REPORTED ON A WEEKEND TRIP THROUGH THE POORHOS AND SEEING ONLY ONE CORVAIR, A DAILY DRIVER, THE ENTIRE WEEKEND. OTHER CLASSICS WERE ON THE ROAD BUT ONLY ONE CORVAIR.

BILL BRILL REPORTED ON HIS TRIP TO THE HERSHEY CAR SHOW. IT WAS COLD, BUT BILL TOOK GLOVES AND WAS WARMER THAN HIS FRIENDS. THERE WERE NEARLY 1700 CARS IN THE SHOW BUT ONLY 4 CORVAIRES. THE FLIRT PRICES EXPERIENCED RECENTLY IN CORVAIR SALES REMAINED AT HERSHEY, WHILE OTHER

CLASSICS CONTINUE TO CLIMB. THERE WERE NOT MANY PARTS AVAILABLE EITHER, BUT BILL DID EXCHANGE, WITHOUT A PROBLEM, A PART PURCHASED LAST YEAR FROM BILL COTTRFELD AND PURCHASED SEAT COVERS. HE WAS AMAZED AT THE PARTS PEOPLE WERE CARRYING HOME, SOME EVEN WITH RUST THROUGH SPOTS.

A DISCUSSION OF THE PRICING OF COVRAIRS WAS THE NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS. VARIOUS SOURCES AND REFERENCES FOR CAR PRICES WERE DISCUSSED, AS WERE THE PRICES CURRENTLY ASKED BY SELLERS. WHETHER OR NOT THESE PRICES WERE MET REMAINED OPEN FOR CONSIDERATION.

CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE OR WANTED WAS OPENED TO THE FLOOR. DON BRAKER MENTIONED THAT BOB HOLLERBRUM WAS FOR SALE A RAMPSIDE, A LAKEWOOD, AND POSSIBLY HIS 64 CONVERTIBLE.

BOB HIEBER REPORTED THAT THE TECH SESSION FOR THE EVENING WAS THE 1988 VIDEOTAPE OF EVENTS OF THE YEAR.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

ELLEN SMITH
SECRETARY

NEXT MEETING-NOVEMBER 22

PROVIDING SNACKS: Carole Friend
Anyone else who would like to help out is welcome.

PREZ SEZ

FALL IS MAKING ITSELF KNOWN AS THE MOST CHANGEABLE SEASON. SNOW ONE DAY, BRIGHT SUN AND WARM WEATHER ANOTHER. IT'S A REAL DECISION-SHOULD THE WHIR STAY READY FOR ANOTHER WEEKEND OR SHOULD THE OIL BE CHANGED, THE BATTERY DISCONNECTED AND THE BODY PUT UP ON BLOCKS UNTIL NEXT YEAR?

LAST WEEKEND, OCTOBER 29, WAS A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF OUR FALL CHANGES. THE NORMAN COVRAIR EXHIBIT WAS TO BE HELD FROM 10 to 4, BUT IT LOOKED LIKE A COLD GREY DAY WAS IN STORE. ELEVEN CARS SHOWED UP AND SURE ENOUGH, ABOUT NOON, THE SUN SHOWED IT'S FACE AND THE DRY COULD NOT HAVE BEEN NICER. THERE WAS A LOT OF COMPLMENTS ABOUT HOW WELL-KEPT THESE 20 YEAR OR OLDER CARS LOOKED.

MAKE SURE TO ATTEND THE NOVEMBER MEETING. DETAILS OF THE AFTER-THE-HOLIDAYS HOLIDAY PARTY

WILL BE REVEALED AND BILL ARTZBERGER IS PLANNING A TECH SESSION WHICH IS TITLED "STUMP THE EXPERTS". WHAT WILL HAPPEN IS ANYONE'S GUESS. THIS WILL BE THE LAST MEETING OF 1988 AND SHOULD PROVE TO BE MOST INTERESTING.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF WPOC FOR THEIR SUPPORT DURING THE YEAR. THERE WERE TIMES WHEN I WONDERED IF I WOULD MAKE IT BUT WITH EVERYONE'S HELP, EVERYTHING WORKED OUT FOR THE BEST.

BOB HIEBER

HOLIDAY PARTY PLANS REVEALED

THE ANNUAL PARTY FOR THE CLUB WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 14, 1989, AT

DOMATI'S RESTAURANT
1100 WASHINGTON AVENUE
CRANEGIE, PA (279-2200)

THIS SATURDAY EVENT WILL BEGIN AT 3:30 PM, DINNER BEING SERVED AT 5:00 SHARP. FOR SOME GOOD FELLOWSHIP AND FINE FOOD, PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHECK FOR \$6.00 PER PERSON TO

VAUN HAMLIN, JR.
564 SOMERVILLE DRIVE
PITTSBURGH, PA 15243

CHILDREN FIVE OR YOUNGER ARE FREE; SIX TO TWELVE YEARS OF AGE ARE \$4.50. RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY JANUARY 7, 1989. PLEASE MARK YOUR CHOICE OF

Broiled Cod English Style
Chopped Sirloin with Mushroom Gravy

ANYONE WISHING TO TAKE PART IN OUR HILARIOUS GIFT EXCHANGE, PLEASE BRING ONE (\$5.00 approximate value)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION OR COMMENT, 221-2100 or 276-6965 for Vaun.

WHAT'S MOVING

THE FOURTH AND FINAL EVENT SPONSORED BY YOUR MOVING EVENTS COMMITTEE NETTED THE CLUB TREASURY \$75. THE MONEY WAS A SMALL THING TO THE MANY WPOC MEMBERS WHO THOROUGHLY ENJOYED A DAY OF FELLOWSHIP WHILE EXTOLLING TO THE PUBLIC THE VIRTUES OF OUR BELOVED WAIRS.

WHAT'S "SHE" WORTH

These are as they were listed in "Old Cars" through June, 1988. Remember, a "1" is the best condition, and a "5" is the poorest.

<u>Barstow, CA</u>			
66 Corvair Convertible	3+	\$3000	
<u>San Mateo, CA</u>			
60 Corvair Coupe	3	900	
<u>Miami Beach, FL (Kruse)</u>			
66 Corvair 500	1	7100	
<u>Zephyrhills, FL</u>			
64 Rampside	3	1600	
<u>Santa Barbara, CA</u>			
61 Corvair 4-door	3	1500	
<u>Phoenix, AZ</u>			
64 Monza Convertible	2	8400	
<u>Houston, TX</u>			
64 Corvair 2S	3	400	
65 Corvair 4H	4	400	
<u>Ocala, FL</u>			
62 Corvair 2-door	3	2900	
62 Corvair Wagon	4	1000	
<u>Atlantic City, NJ</u>			
64 Monza 2-door HT	3	1400	
<u>Los Angeles, CA</u>			
62 Spyder	2	4100	
<u>Oklahoma City, OK (Kruse)</u>			
63 Monza Convertible	-	4100	
<u>Palm Springs, CA</u>			
64 Corvair Convertible	2	3950	
<u>Tulsa, OK</u>			
63 Corvair Convertible	3	3600	
<u>Hot Springs, AR</u>			
65 Corvair	-	3000	
<u>Scottsdale, AZ (Kruse)</u>			
63 Corvair Convertible	4	1350	
64 Corvair Convertible	4	4100	

<u>Fort Worth, TX</u>			
64 Corvair 4-door	3	\$2700	
65 Monza 2-door HT	-	2000	
<u>New Braunfels, TX</u>			
63 Corvair 2-door	3	2150	
65 Corvair 2-door	3	1450	
<u>Carson City, CO</u>			
63 Monza 2-door	2	1700	
64 Corvair Spyder	3	2500	
65 Monza 4-door	3	1750	
<u>Rockford, IL</u>			
66 Corvair Convertible	-	2650	
65 Corvair	-	2100	
64 Corvair	-	2100	
<u>Tampa, FL</u>			
67 Corvair Convertible	4	3600	
65 Corvair 2-door HT	3	2100	
67 Corvair Convertible	3	4200	
<u>Scottsdale, AZ</u>			
64 Monza Convertible	3	3400	
64 Corvair Convertible	3	3500	
63 Monza Convertible	3	2400	
64 Monza 4-door	4	2300	
<u>San Jose, CA</u>			
62 Corvair Convertible	3	6000	
66 Corvair Corsa	1	4500	
<u>Uolo, IL</u>			
64 Spyder 2-door	3	4250	
65 Corsa Convertible	3	3000	
65 Monza Convertible	4	3900	
<u>Austin, TX</u>			
64 Corvair 4-door	4	3600	
65 Corvair Convertible	3	3250	
65 Monza 2-door	2	2900	
<u>Los Angeles, CA</u>			
62 Corvair Convertible	2	2000	
63 Spyder Convertible	2	3950	
64 Spyder Convertible	2	8200	
<u>Lewisville, TX</u>			
60 Corvair 4-door	3	650	

ELEVEN SHINY CORVAIRS WERE IN SEMI-CIRCLE FORMATION AROUND THE BANK AT MORRIS SHOPPING CENTER PRODUCING A STROGERING HERBY OF FORM AND MOTIONLESS BEAUTY. AMONG THE CARS WE DISPLAYED WERE HOLDERBAUM'S MAGNIFICENT RAMPSIDE, A '64 COUPE WITH 6,000 ORIGINAL MILES, AND A LAKEWOOD.

THERE WAS A PRONOUNCED CHILL IN THE AIR, BUT THE SKY WAS A CLEAR BLUE WITHOUT EVEN A HINT OF PRECIPITATION. THE WEATHER PROVIDED THE PERFECT BACKDROP FOR THE CARS; THE CENTER PROVIDED SUFFICIENT PLACES OF INTEREST TO PROTECT US WHEN WE WERE CHILLED THROUGH.

A BIG THANKS TO THOSE PRESENT; THEIR EFFORTS PAY THE TAB FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF ALL WITHOUT HAVING TO RAISE DUES. THANKS: Don Baker, the Brills, the Friends, Bob Hieber, Bob Holderbaum, Bob McDune, the Rapps, the Ross' and Dale Smith. A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO THE BRILLS AND FRIENDS WHO EACH BROUGHT TWO (2) CARS TO SUPPORT THE CLUB. LASTLY, THANKS TO BOB DONNELLY WHO BURNED THE MIDNIGHT OIL TO GET THE BALLJOINTS IN THE LAKEWOOD SO IT COULD BE THERE.

MAKES YOU WONDER THOUGH, CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING AND MAKE YOUR OWN DECISION: 80 Plus members: 11 cars (4 provided by 2 families). INTERESTINGLY, EXCEPT FOR A COUPLE OF VACATIONS AND TWO OR THREE WHO HAD TO WORK, THIS IS THE SAME LIST AS SUPPORTS OUR TWO (2) YEARLY FUND RAISING PARADES. MAYBE THE REST SHOULD PAY HIGHER DUES. I'M OUTTA GAS AND THE BATTERY IS DYING.

DALE SMITH

WANTED

Newsletter editor, no experience necessary, to publish an efficient, timely Journal. Immediate opening (No more newsletters till filled) See Al Friend or Ellen Smith (563-4047) for information.

NEW MEMBERS

J. EDWARD JORDAN, LEECHBURG, PA 845-6790. Ed is a 54 Year old supervisor who owns a 65 Monza and belongs to Corsa. Hope to meet you and your Monza at a meeting or event soon.

BOB AND LAMDYNE HOLDERBAUM, IRWIN, PA 863-6928 Bob and Lamdyne are former members who own a 64 Monza convertible, a Rampside and a Lakewood. They were nice enough to bring our their rampside for the October 29 mall show. They are nice folks, but also very busy folks, so we are delighted to have them back.

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE JOURNAL

ED CLAPPER SHOWED OFF HIS FIRST TROPHY, A PEOPLE'S CHOICE AT THAT! WE RECAPPED OUR TOUR TO THE COMPASS INN, AS PER AL AND CAROLE FRIEND EVENTS-PLENTY OF RHINI! WE WERE UNSUCCESSFUL IN OUR ATTEMPT TO "GREET" A MR. RALPH WADER AT A SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT AT THE BOYCE CAMPUS. FLAMING LIBERAL EDUCATORS!!!

ON A HAPPIER NOTE, BILL ARTZBERGER'S BOOK WAS FINALLY IN PRINT and JOHN SWEET WAS HAVING A PRE-CHRISTMAS CORVAIR PARTS SALE. EDITOR CHUCK LUCAS REPRINTED AN ARTICLE FROM "OLD CARS WEEKLY" TITLED "CHEVROLET CORVAIR-PROVEN SAFE IN OBSCURE GOVERNMENT REPORT".

AL FRIEND

CORVAIR CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE: 1963 MONZA COUPE 95 hp, automatic, Green with beige interior. Engine resealed, blower bearing replaced. Second Owner, 36,000 miles. Lots of parts, engines, transmissions, wheelcovers. Many unknown parts taking up too much space. Trade for Bass Boat? Car \$1250. Parts-Let's talk. LOU RAGO 561-7907

THE LAST WORD

EDITORSHIP HAS IT'S PRIVILEGES AND HAVING THE LAST WORD IS ONE OF THEM. AS WAS ANNOUNCED AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING AND ALLUDED TO IN THIS ISSUE OF THE WHIR STREET JOURNAL, "THAT'S ALL FOLKS" FROM ELLEN SMITH AS EDITOR. IN THE THREE PLUS YEARS I'VE BEEN PLUNKING AWAY, GOOD HELP HAS COME AND GONE. MY FAMILY HAS PUT UP WITH ONE WEEKEND A MONTH WHEN MERLS ARE SIMPLE AND SLAPPED DOWN. THEY HAVE BEEN MOST HELPFUL AS PINCH-HITTERS WHEN COVERS DIDN'T MAKE IT OR SPACE WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE BEEN BLANK. TO THEM I GIVE MY THANKS.

TO THOSE YOU WHO CONTRIBUTED ARTICLES AND REPORTS (ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO WERE TIMELY ALSO) I ALSO GIVE MY THANKS. THERE HAS BEEN LOTS OF SWEAT POURED OUT OVER THIS PERIODICAL. EVERY SUMMER ISSUE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY THE HIGHEST TEMPERATURES AND HUMIDITY OF EACH MONTH. IN THE WINTERS I HAVE SRT IN BLANKETS BECAUSE I WRSN'T FINISHED WHEN THE HEAT TURNED DOWN FOR THE NIGHT. THIS HAS BEEN A GOOD EXPERIENCE FOR ME AND I HAVE LEARNED MUCH FROM IT.

NOW IT IS TIME TO TURN THE JOB OVER TO SOMEONE ELSE. I HOPE SOMEONE WILL COME FORWARD TO TAKE OVER THE RESPONSIBILITY. THAT'S WHAT COMPRISES THE JOB FOR THE MOST PART. THE DISCIPLINE TO SET ASIDE THE TIME AND "DO IT" IS WHAT WAS THE HARDEST PART TO GET STARTED. I HAVE HEARD FROM MANY PEOPLE IN THE CLUB THAT THE NEWSLETTER IS THE MOST IMPORTANT WAY WE COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER, SO WE NEED TO CONTINUE THE WAIR STREET JOURNAL AS A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP. WE HAVE MANY MEMBERS ON THE ROSTER THAT I HAVE NEVER MET OR SEEN AT A MEETING OR EVENT, BUT FOR SOME REASON THE MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS KEEP COMING, SO THE JOURNAL IS OUR LINK WITH THEM.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR NEW EDITOR AND KEEP ON WRITING.

ELLEN SMITH

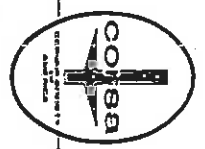
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Membership Application

Last Name _____ First Name _____
 Street Address _____
 City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip Code _____ County _____
 Telephone Number _____ Occupation _____

- Fee Schedule**
- 1 year membership \$25
 - 26 month membership 50
 - 1 year Canadian membership 28
 - 26 month Canadian membership 56
 - 1 year overseas membership 38
 - 26 month overseas membership 76
 - Museum Fund Donation min. \$1
 - Racing Fund Donation min \$1
- *Must be paid in U.S. funds.
- Museum Fund**
 A museum fund is established to protect and preserve Corvair memorabilia.
- Racing Fund**
 This fund provides cash prizes to winning Corvairs entered in national open class racing.

Please make check or money order payable to CORSA, Inc. and mail to: CORSA, Inc., P.O. Box 550, Middleton, IL 60445-0550. There may be a four to six week delay before you receive your first CORSA Communicator.

CORSA's Board of Directors welcomes you to the Corvair Society of America. To help us better understand your needs and desires, and to aid in charting the direction of future CORSA growth, we request that you take a few moments to answer the following questions.

1. How did you hear about CORSA? _____
 2. What is your primary interest in Corvairs? (Transportation, restoration, etc.) _____
 3. How many Corvairs do you have? Running _____ Restorable _____ Parts cars _____
 4. Are you a long time owner? _____ First time owner? _____ Previous owner who has reacquired a Corvair? _____
 5. Approximately how many Corvair-miles do you drive in a year? _____
 6. Do you do your own mechanical work? _____ Body work? _____ Major _____ Minor _____
 7. What other cars do you own or use for daily transportation? _____
 8. What do you hope to gain from membership in CORSA? (Technical information, parts availability, competition information, social information, etc.) _____
- Enclosed is a current list of the CORSA chapters (over 120 throughout the world). If you would like further information on the CORSA chapter nearest you, please check the box and write the number of the closest chapter. If you already belong to a CORSA chapter, please indicate the chapter number so that we can add it to our records.
- I would like to be contacted by the closest CORSA chapter. I belong to # _____ CORSA chapter.
- Sponsor _____ CORSA ID # _____
- Thank you for your cooperation and, again, welcome to CORSA. Please feel free to contact us or any of our Directors if you have additional questions or suggestions.



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MEETING HELD
1TH TUESDAY
EACH MONTH
8:30 P. M.

GOOD SHEPHERD
LUTHERAN
CHURCH

