

ACORNNEWS

ASSOCIATION OF CORVAIR NUTS

Rochester, New York
CORSA Chapter 148



August 2008



R.I.T. Show

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Parade

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 Historian - Dave and Edie Ellis
 Tech Session Coordinator - Open

Newsletter input date is the 24th of each month

Prez Says by *Paul Masters*

Just a reminder, we will hold a "white elephant sale" and picnic on August 10th. Please bring anything saleable (auto items and whatnots), as proceeds will benefit our Club. Lots of good food as everyone will bring a dish to pass. Location - Greece Town Park, Towpath Shelter, noon. See you there.

August 3rd, the Volkswagen Club will be holding their "Bug Fest" car show at Webster High School, 9:00am-3:00pm.

I have been contacted through our website regarding Corvairs and parts for sale: 1962 Monza (believe it or not, being sold through an antique shop in Dansville); 1964 Corvair 2 door Monza convertible with 25,000 original miles, runs well? Parts - a large number of NOS parts available, very inexpensively. Give me a call at 334-9333 for further details and contacts.

Don't forget to sign-up for the 4 Clubs mini Convention - contact Dave Ellis.



ACORN Calendar of Events

July	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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Next Events

**Bug Bust VW Show,
Sunday, August 3rd Webster
Schroeder High School.
See Page #7.**

**Picnic and White Elephant
Sale, Sunday August 10th.
Elmgrove Road same as last
year, see page # 3.**

March 16 th	Sat.	Meeting, Game Day	D. Ellis
April 12 th	Sat.	Tech Session, carb re-building	D. Ellis
April 19 th	Sat.	Harwood Enterprise Tour And Breakfast	J. Cleveland G. Renz
May 10 th	Sat.	Tech Session, Brake Repair	J. Clark & D. Doran
May 18 th	Sun	Driving Tour, Fingerlakes	J. Bartasevich
May 31 st	Sat.	CNYCC Recall (6/29-7/1)	Open
June 1 st	Sun	Meeting + MGCC Show	Farmington, NY
June 21 st	Sat	Bishops Farm for parts	Canceled
July 4 th	Fri	Parade/Lunch/Meeting	C. Littman
July 12 th	Sat.	Tech Session	P. Masters
July 13 th	Sun	GVACS Auto Show	RIT Campus
July 17 th	Thru.	Perry Drive In Super Cruise	Perry NY
Aug. 3 rd	Sun	Bug Bust VW Show	J. Bartasevich
Aug. 10 th	Sun	Picnic/White Elephant	D. Ellis
Sept. 13 th	Sat.	Tech Session - open	Available
Sept. 19-21	Fri.	4-Clubs Mini-Convention	Batavia
Oct. 5 th	Sun	Drive & Wine Tour	J. Clark & D. Doran
Oct. 18 th	Sat.	Tech Session - open	Available
Nov. 9 th	Sun	Year-end dinner & Officers	D. Shoemaker

Auto Enthusiasts Events of Special Interest

- Cruise Night at Fairport Village, Tuesday
- Cruise Night at The Log Cabin, Wednesday
- Cruise Night at Tom Wahal's, Webster, Thursdays
- Cruise Night at Wegman's. Canandaigua, Thursday
- GM Power train Anniversary Show at St. Catharines, Ontario, Aug. 8th (Fri.)
- Balloon Festival & Classic Car Show, Dansville Airport, Aug 31st. Spectator judging

**Year End Dinner
Your Input is Required**

Dave Shoemaker has made Christmas Party reservations at Schooners Restaurant in Canandaigua, located on the corner of Route 364 and Lake Shore Drive. The ACORN Year End Dinner will be held on November 9th.

Anyone who has not signed up please give let Dave know so he can give the headcount numbers to the restaurant.

Additional information and directions will follow, as we get closer to the big event.

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585-393-1912

Picnic & White Elephant Sale

By *Dave Ellis*

Wow...time flies when you're awaiting the passing of your kidney stone...

Location is on west side of Elmgrove Rd.,,just 3/4 of a mile north ofthe Erie Canal overpass...we are in the TOWPATH Shelter as previous

OK.....Folks can start showing up as early as noon...Fire and soda provided by ACORNs, Attendees need to RSVP so I can plan to get enough soda...

The attendees are to provide a dish to pass,,, acorns to provide hots and hamburgers,,,paper plates, table service, napkinsThose who want to lop their own meat on the fire are welcome to do so... Please bring your "stuff" to auction off during the White Elephant sale.... Hopefully we can cajole George Conboy to again provide the auctioneer services... One feature of event, folks are encouraged to offer their vehicles to others for a drive around the park... to get familiar with a 4 speed if all you have ever experienced is a PG,,etc...We will have a meeting and dessert/goodies should be consumed by 5 pm or so....most everyone leaves before 6 pm..but we have the shelter until dusk..

Forth of July Parade by

Jim Bartasevich

Here's who attended today:

Sam & Marissa Andolino - '65 Monza convertible

Dave & Edie Ellis – '64 Monza convertible

Paul Masters – '65 Monza coupe

Paul Ables & friend Diane [e] Lamendola – '65 500 coupe

Chuck & Flo Littman – '63 Spyder convertible

Me – '64 Spyder convertible

The weather was perfect for a change after the past several years either being in the 90s or rainy. I was the last car in our group, which was followed by a fire department that frequently used its sirens and air horns. The next time, I'm bringing earplugs!

Here are a few photos of the line up before the parade and at Bill Gray's at Sea Breeze after the parade. Dave & Edie couldn't join us after, but Ron Butera showed up with his Corv-8 just as





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MEMBERSHIP

August 2008

The summer is moving past us very quickly...as you all know...it has been extremely humid...way too early for that kind of weather.

The two cruise nights I usually attend, Log Cabin and Fairport have been attended very well...the Log Cabin cruise just keeps getting bigger and bigger.

On the 4th of July, the ACORN's participated in the parade in Irondequoit's. Six vehicles, attended...the article is elsewhere in this issue.

If any of the club members know anyone with one of the following, try to encourage them to join. The club lacks having an Ultravan, Loadside and Corvan to make a complete set of vehicles that wore the Corvair marquee.

We now have 38 members in our club. Of the 38, 33 of them are on the Internet and are receiving their newsletters electronically, saving the club postage each and every month.

Be proud to be an **ACORN** member and tell other Corvair owners about us.

Regards,

George (GFrenzie@aol.com) 585-425-2279

Membership Chairperson

Membership information: If you have an address, phone number, or E-mail address change, please notify the current **Membership Chairperson**.

Membership Dues

January to December.....\$15.00

July to December \$7.50

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Please see the attached registration form for the 2008 4Clubs Fall Classic to be held in Batavia,

Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) powered cars are becoming more popular with the increasing cost of gasoline. New York and California are the only states in which individuals can now buy CNG cars. The most popular is the Honda Civic. The price of CNG ranges from \$.99 to \$2.50 per gallon depending on your locations. Utah is the cheapest at \$.99 per gallon.

These cars get an equivalent of 36 miles per gallon and have the lowest emissions of any internal combustion powered automobile. CNG cars qualify as "SuperUltra-Low Emission vehicles. As such they carry a 15-year/150,000 mile warranty on emission systems.

On the downside these cars only carry the equivalent of 8 gallons of gas because of the large special high-pressure storage tank. That gives them a range of 220 to 250 mile range. The number of refueling stations is also limited.

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GVACS Show at R.I.T. by *Jim Bartasevich*

I attended the show today. Because of the on/off showers, there was a very low turnout, but George Conboy kept the banter going on the PA system to keep everyone entertained. The ACORNs had the greatest marque representation, like we did at the MGCC/Victory Lions Club Show. Here are the attendees and results:

Class 9 [Production 1960-63]

Chuck Littman – 1st place, '63 Spyder convertible
Dave & Sandy Shoemaker – 2nd place, '63 Monza convertible

Class10 [Production 1964-65]

Paul & Pat Masters – 1st place, '65 Monza coupe [in spite of the smooching and hugs given to the judges by the female owner of his competition, a nice '65 Rambler Marlin during judging; Paul was too modest to do the same when the judges reached his car, or was it because Pat was there?]

Class21 Foreign Sports 1966-83]

Chuck Littman – 1st place, Ferrari Mondial [Sorry; I forgot the year]

Also attending and showing a car:

Grant Conboy – '68 Monza coupe
Me – '61 Lakewood

And a possible new ACORner:

Bill Boudway – '64 A/C Monza coupe [He and his car have been to several events, but he was never interested in our club. He's a member of GVACS. Prez Masters gave him membership info.]

I had an interesting conversation with a professor from RIT who was at the show and has an early convertible that he plans on getting on the road some day. He's a member of CORSA but is not ready to get active locally yet. He has a few Honda motorcycles to get going [including a turbocharged one!] before he's too old to ride them!

The weather kept the number of vendors low as well. I found a GM postcard for the '67 Corvaire which I bought for \$4 and saw two '61 wheel covers and two pretty nice 13", '64-'66 wire wheel covers [asking price: \$60] which I did not buy.



Jim B's Two New Corvairs *by Jim Bartasevich*

Web-sites

The Spyder turned 100,000 just after I got home. I was somewhat disappointed that it didn't become new again. I thought that's what happened when the odometer turned to all zeros!



Yesterday, the Corsa rolled over to 100,000 miles. Like the Spyder, it didn't change into a new car when it happened. I believe it has well over 100,000 on it though. The speedometer was changed some time before I bought the car in 1995 [it showed 53,000]. Based on the condition of the interior [I've replaced all the seats because they were falling apart] and replacing other things [ball joints], I think the car has around 125-150,000 miles on it. The Lakewood is next, but it will be a long while before it turns over. It has about 92,000. I don't think I'll be putting 8000 miles on it any time soon!



**Genesee Valley
Antique Car Society**
[http://www.gvacs.com/
GVACSHOMEPAGE/ta
bid/120/Default.aspx](http://www.gvacs.com/GVACSHOMEPAGE/ta/bid/120/Default.aspx)

**Watkins Glen
Historic Races June
12-15, Watkins Glen NY**
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**San Diego Corvair
Club,**
www.sdcorvair.com

Did You Know:

It takes 1.5 gallons of ethanol (E-85) to drive as many miles as one gallon of gasoline.

The Chevy "Volt" hybrid car will have a range of about 360 miles. GM's study show that consumers rarely drive form than 40 miles a day. The Volt recharges from an on-board gasoline engine and can be charged from a 110-volt outlet. Battery technology, or lack there of, is the roadblock for an all-electric car. Or you can buy a Tesla electric sports car for \$100,000!

Volkswagen Car Show & Swap Meet Sunday, August 3, 2008

- ◆ REGISTRATION FROM 8:00 TO 11:00
 - ◆ SHOW HOURS FROM 9:00 TO 3:00 (AWARDS @ 2:30)
 - ◆ \$7 CAR PRE-REGISTRATION/\$10 DAY OF SHOW
 - ◆ \$15 SWAP AREA REGISTRATION
 - ◆ 1ST, 2ND & 3RD PLACE AWARDS
 - ◆ BEST OF SHOW FOR BOTH STOCK & MODIFIED
 - ◆ FREE ADMISSION FOR SPECTATORS
 - ◆ DASH PLAQUES FOR ALL ENTRANTS
 - ◆ DOOR PRIZES, RAFFLES AND GAMES
 - ◆ FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS
- ◆ SPECIAL GUEST CLASS FOR REAR ENGINE CORVAIRS WELCOME ACORNS
[Association of Corvair Nuts] No registration fee required— display only.

Directions

Exit Route 104 at Five Mile Line Road. Proceed South to Ridge Road and then East to the School.
(Just follow the VW Show signs.)



CROWN V8 Conversion

For Sale

'67 Monza Convertible

Running well, recently licensed, can be driven as-is or restore. \$1499 firm. Tom Nasman, 293-3717, or tnasman@rochester.rr.com

Parts you need or think you need.

Call Tom Nasman 293-3717 or tnasman@rochester.rr.com

'65 Monza Convertible

Complete body restoration, new tires, and lots of extras. Will sell for have its worth, \$5K. Larry Kessler, 732-8249 or lkessler6@tampabay.rr.com

Parts For Sale

I have lost my storage space and would like to get rid of some of the Corvair parts I have. Doors, hoods, windshield, backlight, seats etc.

Frank J. Leonardo - 1650 Hanshaw Road Ithaca, NY 607-257-3865 800-382-6348 607-266-8303, and cell 607-279-4707

'68 Monza Convertible

Old Cars Class 5, solid undercarriage and rockers, not running, 110/PG, all there, much body work done, must sell, towable, 1st \$600. Car is inside in a garage in Bergen, NY Tom Nasman, 293-7083 or tnasman@rochester.rr.com

'65 Corsa Convertible

140, 4-speed, AM/FM Radio, Luggage rack, new interior, front suspension, universals, four rebuilt carbs, Top has only been down twice.

Jeff Sisson jsisson1@rochester.rr.com

One of the best driving Corvairs you will find. Editor



Picture of the Month



Why has this recently rebuilt motor been placed in front of a row of trashcans?

'63 4-Door

White with an aqua interior, 4-door, auto, 110 hp, and has over 68,000 original miles. It has an oil leak, which can be fixed; it also needs a tune-up and some bodywork. Linda Wheatfield, New York (not far from Niagara Falls) (716) 694-2878, then press 5 after answering machine begins.

