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PREZ SEZ

Greetings fellow ACORN's!

First off, I'd like to thank those of you that attended the winter planning meeting at the Shoemaker's. It was well attended and ran very smoothly. Thank to Dave and Sande for hosting the meeting and providing hamburgers and hot dogs, and to those that brought food.

We have some fun and interesting events scheduled for the upcoming Corvair season. I encourage everyone to attend the shows and tech sessions we have planned. Also, if you have a project that could be completed in a few hours on your car, consider hosting or attending one of our scheduled tech sessions. Let me or Dave Ellis know if you are interested. Also I would like to see more of us at the scheduled shows and the 4th of July parade. In addition, I will be attending cruise nights whenever possible this summer and would love to see some you out there in your Corvairs. So lets all resolve to drive and show our cars as much as possible this year, help to keep the Corvair in the public eye.

Paul

Did You Know:

Motor Trend magazine's Car of the year for 1960, Corvair had GM's first all-independent suspension. To use an existing manual transmission, the engine rotation had to be reversed so as not to have one low forward gear and four reverse.

ACORN OFFICERS

President – Paul Abel Vice President – Jeff Clark Secretary – Jim Bartasevich Treasurer – Dave Shoemaker

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Newsletter Editor – Steve Dietrick Web Master – Marissa Andolino Membership – Dave shoemaker Historian – Dave Ellis Tech Session Coordinator - Open

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Minutes of the January 20, 2013, Meeting of the ACORNs

Attendees

- Dave & Sande Shoemaker [hosts of our winter "picnic" at their home in Canandaigua]
- Jim Cleveland
- Paul Able
- Dave & Edie Ellis
- Sam & Marissa Andolino
- Steve & Pat Dietrick
- Lew Gurley
- Jerry & Betsy Fling,
- Jeff Clark
- Jim & Marlene Bartasevich

Pre-meeting Announcements, etc.

- Marissa Andolino agreed to continue as our webmaster, mostly by default. No one else in the chapter knows how to maintain it.
- Dave Shoemaker announced that he has been in contact with the CNYCC who are having the Recall on Friday, May 31 and Saturday June 1. There will be no Sunday activities. He also seem to have changed his mind and may be next year's treasurer. [Of course, I could be wrong.]
- Dave Shoemaker also announced that the Syracuse chapter wants to get together for a no-frills show on our own or part of another car show.
- President Paul Able mentioned that he talked to a man in Geneva who has a number of Corvairs but who is not interested in joining a club. However, he has two California Corvairs for sale that would be used to make one. The first is a'65 Corsa coupe that was hit in the rear end. The second is a '65 Monza shell that can be used to make a "new" car. Contact Paul if you're interested in a project

Old Business

- Dave Ellis reported that the barn in Spencerport that belonged to former member Vito Amorese hasn't been opened yet for inspection and sale. There are a number of engines and many small parts like starters, alternators, etc. After the ground dries this spring, we may be able to get a look-see.
- Tom Nasman's Parts: Yes, Virginia, there are still some small parts at Tom's place in Churchville. We'll check to see when a visit can be make to check out what's left.
- Valve Cover Racer Track: Tim Colson from CNY CC picked up the track. According to Dave Ellis, Tim was pretty impressed by it. The phrase used [According to Dave] is: "Holy S _ _ t!" Please check with Dave for the exact translation.
- Dave Shoemaker proposed a life-time membership for Ken Willard for his generosity in donating a lot of Corvair parts he accumulated over the years as a Corvair owner and from working at Rochester Products. It was voted on and passed.

New Business

- Jim Mruk, a long-time member and expert mechanic, is rebuilding two turbo engines this spring. One is a '64 and the other is a '65-'66. If you need a new engine and don't have time to do it yourself, this is your opportunity.
- Chapter Historian: President Paul Able volunteered for this position as well as handling that of president. This is a first for an ACORN president. This also means that YOU should feel ashamed for not volunteering as our chapter Tech Session Coordinator. Well? Are you going to volunteer?
- Jeff Clark reported that he has a potential new member. If anyone went on the Landmark Society home tour several years ago, there was an open "house" at a garage in the Mt. Hope area that was used for storage of a car collection by a member. As it turns out, they recently acquired Lakewood wagon for their collection [supposedly with 30,000 miles on the clock]. We might be able to finagle a tour of their car collection if they become ACORN members.
- MCC Scholarship Donation: It was voted upon to provide two, \$200 scholarships for two auto tech students at MCC.
- The 2013 activities calendar was mostly developed. If you'd like to do something on one of the open days, let us know.
 - ❖ February 17: Valentine Dinner [Fling]
 - ❖ March Tech [inside, please, unless global warming is involved]
 - ❖ March 10: Glen Curtiss Museum in Hammondsport including lunch in a village restaurant or catered at the museum; possible side trip to the Pleasant Valley Winery.
 - ❖ April 13: Clutch swap; Paul Able

- ❖ April 21: Tour somewhere and a meal [ACORNers will go anywhere there's a restaurant]
- ❖ May: MCC auto tech. center for working on your 'Vair [date TBA by Bill Boudway]
- ❖ May 31, June 1: CNYCC Recall
- ❖ June 16: Sonnenberg Gardens Father's Day car show
- ❖ June 15: Transmission replacement [4th time's the charm] for George Conboy [tentative]
- ❖ July 4: Canandaigua's centennial parade [Shoemaker] & stop at Schooner's restaurant afterward for lunch [What did I say about ACORNs and eating?]
- ❖ July 14: Tech session [What do you need done?] or Skaneatles Lake boat tour [Clark]
- ❖ August 11: ACORN picnic and white elephant sale [Dietrick]
- ❖ August 14: Tech session
- ❖ August 15: Perry Drive-in Super Cruise
- September 7: Tech
- September 21: Batavia Downs [Clark]
- October 13: Fall color tour to the Southern Tier to a restaurant for lunch [Morrell and/or Marsh]
- November 17: Holiday dinner

Respectfully submitted by Jim Bartasevich, Secretary





ACORN 2013 Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>HOST</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Jan. 20	Sun.	2013 Planning Meeting	Dave & Sande Shoemaker	Complete
Feb.10	Sun.	Valentine Diner	Betsy Fling	RSVP
Mar.10	Sun.	Glenn Curtiss Museum Tour Hammondsport, NY	Steve Dietrick	RSVP
Apr. 13	Sat.	Tech Session @ Paul Abel's Garage	Paul & Dave Ellis	
May 11	Sat.	Tech Session @ MCC	Bill Boadway	Date is ?
May 31 June 1	Fri. Sat	Syracuse Recall Event Central New York Corvair Club		
June 8	Sat.	Tech Session @ George Conboy's	Dave Ellis	Date is ?
June 16	Sun.	Sonnenberg Gardens Father's Day Car Show – Canandaigua, NY		
June 30	Sun.	Shriners Car Show – Webster, NY	Sam Andlino	
July 4	Thurs	4 th of July Parade – Canandaigua, NY	Dave Shoemaker	RSVP
July 14	Sun.	Skaneateles Dinner/Boat Cruise	Jeff Clark	
July 20	Sat.	Tech Session – Any Need Work?		
Aug. 11	Sun.	Annual Club Picnic And White Elephant Sale	Pat Dietrick	RSVP
Aug. 15	Thurs	Silver Lake Car Show – 600+ Cars		
Aug. 24	Sat.	Tech Session – Any Need Work?		
Sept 7	Sat.	Tech Session – Any Need Work?		
Sept. 21	Sat.	Batavia Race Track Get Together	Jeff Clark	RSVP
Oct.13	Sun.	Southern Tier Fall Tour Could Someone From the Southern Tier, Host this Tour?		
Nov. 17	Sun.	Year End Christmas Dinner	Edie Ellis	

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Next Event: Valentine's Day Dinner

Sunday, February 10, 2013 at 2:00pm (date has been changed) Kenan's Restaurant, 1010 E. Ridge Rd. (in the Georgetown Plaza) We will be ordering off of the Menu Please RSVP to Pat Dietrick (585) 742-8579 or sdietrick@frontier.com

Editor's Plea:, Last month, being my first newsletter, took me a total of 26 ½ hours to complete. This month the newsletter is not progressing as quickly as I had hoped. It seems that most of my problems appear to be my inexperience with Microsoft 'Word Starter'. I am unable to what seems like hours to place articles where I would like them to appear, I also have problems copying a photo or article and then placing them into the newsletter. The items that I am trying to place into a specific spot, seem to have a mind of their own and appear wherever. This is extremely frustrating! Work for me is very busy and requires me to work more than the normal 40 hours. What I ask is that someone from the club, experienced with Microsoft Word, spend an evening with me at my house, my computer and show me how to perform these, what should be simple task. Perhaps, Microsoft Power Point or Publisher would be a better choice. Or even another program all together. Any ideas?

Your frustrated Editor, Steve D.

Corvair Specific Web Sites:

corvaircenter.com This is where the 'experts' hang out. A lot of 'how to' here.
corvairforum.com lots of information here including photos, cars for sale.

corvairsforsale.com A short cut to all Corvairs for sale on ebay

corvair.org CORSA Corvair Society of America

<u>Reminder</u>, 2012 club membership expired on December 31. If you have not already renewed your membership for 2013 please do. Dues for the year is \$15.00, includes spouse (an additional \$3.00 if you are not a CORSA member.) Our membership chairman Dave Shoemaker asks that everyone complete a membership application so as his records can be kept up to date. Thanks

FOR SALE and MARKETPLACE

For Sale

Marina Blue 1966 Turbo Corvair Coupe - \$19,000

Full Concours restoration. CORSA Concours d'Elegance Winner. This head turning car is turn key and just needs to be loved and driven.

Sam & Marissa Andolino mandolin@rochester.rr.com

WANTED: NOS or show quality, rocker panel trim to fit 1963 Monza convertible. sdietrick@frontier.com

Looking to Sell or Buy a Corvair?

Perhaps you have parts to sell or you are looking for that one part that completes your restoration. Place an ad in our newsletter. This newsletter is seen by many other Corvair clubs around the country. Send your ad to sdietrick@frontier.com