



ACORN News

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Greetings All,

As I sit here typing this, it is 4 degrees outside and my Corvairs are asleep in the garage. It seems as though Corvair season will never arrive. As far off as that seems, the warm days of Spring will be here before we know it, so lets all hang in there.

We held our annual planning meeting in January at the Home of Jeff Clark. Thanks to Jeff for his hospitality (and his excellent Chili). We had a good turnout. We have what I think is a good schedule of events for the coming year. Not a terribly busy one, but there is something for everyone. There are tech sessions scheduled for each month. We don't have specific sessions planned, but we have the dates set aside. If anyone has repairs or projects that they would like a hand with, check the calendar for a date that looks good and let myself or Dave Ellis know and we will put you on the calendar.

Of particular note, we will be having two driving tours this year. First will be our drive to Presho, NY to Fred Marsh's place for our second annual? Corvairs On The Hill picnic. We all had such a good time last year that Fred wants to do it again. All of us who went would like to see it become an annual event. Also, we will have our Fall Color Tour back after a one year hiatus. This year we plan on a different route than the usual "Southern" route. Perhaps to the East this time. More info on that to come.

That is just a couple of the events planned. Please check the new calendar and pick out the events you would like to participate in. Again, I am asking everyone to participate in the club as much as you can. The future of ACORN depends on all of our participation.

Stay Warm! *Paul*

ACORN OFFICERS

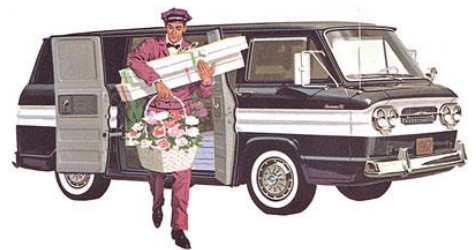
President – Paul Abel
Vice President – Dave Shoemaker
Secretary – Event Host
Treasurer – Jeff Clark

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Newsletter Editor – Steve Dietrick
Web Master – Marissa Andolino
Membership – Jeff Clark
Historian – Paul Abel
Tech Session Cordinator – Open

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ACORN 2014 CALENDAR

DATE	DAY	EVENT	HOST	STATUS
Jan. 12	Sun.	2014 Planning Meeting	Jeff Clark	Complete
Feb.16	Sun.	Valentine Diner	Sande & Dave Shoemaker	RSVP
Mar.16	Sun.	NY Museum of Transportation Rochester	Lew Gurley	RSVP
April 12	Sat.	Strong Museum of Play	Dave Ellis	RSVP
May 03	Sat.	Tech Session @ MCC	Bill Boadway	Tentative
May 17	Sat.	Riter Restoration Shop Tour	Jim Cleveland	RSVP
May 25	Sat.	Tech Session	Paul Abel	TBD
May 30 June 1	Fri.- Sun.	Syracuse Recall Event Central New York Corvair Club		Complete
June 15	Sun.	Sonnenberg Gardens Father's Day Car Show – Canandaigua, NY	Dave Shoemaker	RSVP
June 21	Sat.	Tech Session	Dave Ellis	RSVP
July 4	Fri.	4 th of July Parade – Canandaigua		
July 13	Sun.	Archectural Tour - Buffalo	Jeff Clark	RSVP
July 26	Sun.	Tech Session – need work?		
Aug 10	Sun.	Annual Club Picnic And White Elephant Sale	Pat Dietrick	RSVP
Aug.23	Sat.	Tech Session – need work?		
Sept.06	Sun.	Tech Session – need work?		
Sept.14	Sun.	Corvairs on the Hill	Fred Marsh	RSVP
Oct.12	Sun.	Fall Color Tour	TBD	
Nov.16	Sun.	Holiday/Year End Dinner	Sande & Dave Shoemaker	RSVP

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[Other Events, Cruise Nites, etc.](#)

July 13 MG Car Club of Western NY sports car Festival, Elks Club, Webster
 July 18 – 20 Syracuse Nationals.....State Fairgrounds
 August 21 Silver Lake Super Cruise...Silver Lake Drive-in, Perry
 Tuesday Evenings: Burgundy Basin Inn, Burgundy Basin
 Wednesday Evenings: Log Cabin Restaurant, Macedon
 Thursday Evenings: Wegmans, Canandaigua

- Steve Smith.....Can you tell the editor what VanBortel has planed?
- Other events, cruise nites.....Let your editor know.

A short note about RSVP
 The subject of RSVP was brought up at the planning meeting. Much time and effort is expended by the host of our various club events. Proper planning for many of the events is required. Have we enough food, etc. Please let the host know if (or if not) you will be attending. This will help to insure a successful event.
 Thank You

Valentine's Dinner – February 16, 2014

This year's Valentine's Dinner will be hosted by Sande & Dave Shoemaker. The Festive event will be held at Keenan's Restaurant, 1010 East Ridge Road, Rochester (in the Georgetown Plaza)

We will be meeting at 1:30 and lunch at 2:00. Bring your Valentine for a wonderful Dinner and a good time with your ACORN friends.

Please RSVP to Sande or Dave at (585) 393-1912, dshoemaker001@rochester.rr.com no later than Feb.13th as Keenan's needs a head count.

2014 Planning Meeting

On January the 12, members of ACORNS met at the home of Jeff Clark to set the new years events.

The day began with socializing among friends before moving on to Jeff's mighty fine Chili and many other delicious treats brought by those in attendance. After the eats, a club meeting was held.

2014 Membership is Due

Please fill out and send the Application for membership (page 5) to our new Membership Chair Jeff Clark

Minutes for the January 12th Planning Meeting of ACORNS

In attendance were:

- President Paul Abel
- Vice-President and Treasurer Jeff Clark
- Membership Chair Dave Shoemaker and Sande shoemaker
- Newsletter Editor Steve Dietrick and Pat Dietrick
- Jim Cleveland
- Dave and Edie Ellis
- Lew and Judy Gurley

The meeting was opened with an announcement by Dave Shoemaker that Jeff Clark has agreed to assume the duties of Membership Chair. In return, Dave offered to assume the position of Vice-President. A motion was made and the vote was unanimous, with the stipulation that the club's by-laws need to be reviewed, as no one could recall a vote for office other than the one held during the annual meeting in November.

A motion was made that annual dues be increased to \$20.00 per year, a vote was held and the motion passed. In later conversations it was agreed that the dues change would not be effective until April 1st, allowing all members to renew their memberships at the current rate of \$15.00 until March 31st.

A discussion ensued about advertising in the ACORN Newsletter, which led to the following motion to establish the following guidelines:

- All current ACORN members will be able to place classified ads
- Non-ACORN members may place a classified ad at the rate of \$5.00 for a 3-month period
- Commercial enterprises may place a business-card sized ad at the rate of \$25.00 per year
- Commercial ads will not exceed 10, for a 1-page limit to total advertising

The motion was voted upon and passed unanimously.

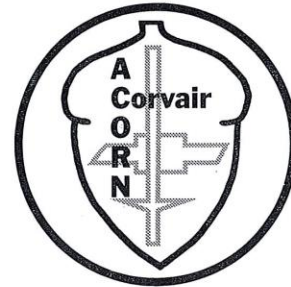
The following calendar was established and voted unanimously to be adopted:

- March 16th: A tour of the NY Museum of Transportation in Rush, hosted by Lew & Judy Gurley
- April 12th: A trip to the Strong Museum of Play, hosted by Dave & Edie Ellis
- May 3rd: A tech session at MCC on West Henrietta Rd., subject to MCC approval
- May 17th: A trip to Riter Restoration, hosted by Jim Cleveland
- May 25th: A tech session hosted by Paul Abel
- June 15th: The Father's Day auto show at Sonnenberg Gardens in Canandaigua
- June 21st: A tech session hosted by Dave Ellis
- July 13th: A tour of the Darwin Martin House in Buffalo, hosted by Jeff Clark & Dave Doran
- July 26th: A tech session, with host and location to be announced
- August 10th: Our annual picnic, hosted by Steve and Pat Dietrick
- August 21st: The Super Cruise at the Silver Lake Drive-In in Perry, NY
- August 23rd: A tech session with host and location to be announced
- September 6th: A tech session with host and location to be announced
- September 14th: A get-together at the Painted Post home of Fred and Sue Marsh, subject to their approval of the date selected
- October 12th: A Fall Tour of Northern Wayne County, hosted by Dave & Edie Ellis
- November 16th: Annual holiday dinner And election of officers, location to be announced

(PLEASE NOTE: dates and times are subject to change, and ACORN members should check each Newsletter throughout the year for any updates. Events are subject to cancellation if the host for that event feels there's insufficient interest on the part of club members.)

Upon completion of the calendar the meeting was adjourned. Respectively Submitted, Jeff Clark

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 Application for Membership
 Chapter 148 of the Corvair Society of America (CORSA)
<http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter148/>



Date: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____
 auxiliary member(s) - spouse, children, etc.

Address: _____


E-mail: _____

Phone: home _____ work _____

The annual dues for ACORN membership (family included) is \$20.00. After July 1st, membership fee is \$10.00

Please make your check payable to **ACORN** and send it with this application to:

Jeff Clark
 6726 Chili Riga Ctr. Rd.
 Churchville, NY 14428



Note: To be an ongoing member of the ACORNs, you must be a member of CORSA. Are you a CORSA member? Yes _____ No _____
 Would you like information about CORSA? Yes _____ No _____

Tell Us About You and Your Corvairs

Year	Model	Body Style	Engine HP & Trans.
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What are your Corvair interests? _____

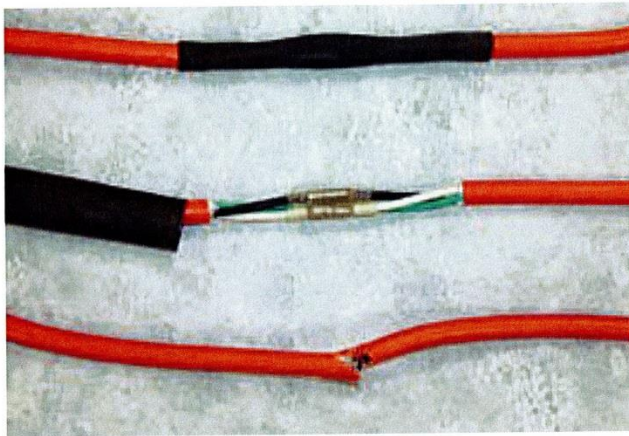
Bad Connections

By Steve Silvia



Many times at car shows or just poking around looking at other people's cars I am often amazed at how people wire things up and make electrical connections. While I am not an electrical engineer, I am able to read a wiring diagram, while working neatly and safely, this is very important when working with any electrical system.

The Corvair, unlike modern cars is very simple to work



on and this tends to be the case with the wiring on the car as well. The simple glass fuses and open access to the wiring makes things easy to service and troubleshoot. Take the coil connections for example, easy to see connect and disconnect makes servicing very easy. It also makes for a connection that is often broken and replaced poorly as many Corvairs I see have open colored crimped terminals replacing the factory ends. While these terminal lugs are fine, if

they are to be used on an environment such as an engine compartment they should not be used alone as they are prone to corrosion if the connections are made properly. Simply by using heat shrink tubing after replacing the terminals not only makes the finished repair look nice, it keeps the exposed end of the elements.



Another nice product is to use black zip ties to keep wiring neat and together. Make sure you line up the ends and have them all facing in the same position, as this small detail will make your finished repair look professional. Almost any auto parts supply store will also house the black plastic wire shield, this is a great product to run wires through and neaten areas up. Many of the Corvair vendors sell replacement connectors or you can also use many late model GM connectors which are far superior to the original GM styles, providing a great weather proof seal. Most any junkyard will let these factory harnesses go for next to nothing and they can be a great source of connectors and extra high quality wiring that can be reused for many projects.

Most automotive wiring repairs can be done with a few simple tools and I suggest that all connections be soldered if possible, this is easy to do and with a little practice can even be fun. Another great tool is a professional wire stripper that holds the wire as you use it, this is far superior than the typical set with wire crimpers built in. Remember to play it safe and always disconnect that battery as well before performing any electrical service. See, working on that old wiring system is easy and cheap, plus if you work neatly, can make a big difference in your engine appearance.



FOR SALE and MARKETPLACE

For Sale – Price Reduced

Marina Blue 1966 Turbo Corvair Coupe -
\$17,000

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

YOUR AD HERE

Car broke down? Need to get a car to the
shop/ home?
Call Dave Shoemaker (585) 393-1912. Dave has
a trailer with winch.

AM Radio repairs : Retired Electrical
Engineer, repairs , cleans, and tunes AM car
radios, for a little extra cash and as a hobby.
Located just south of Canandaigua. Call Len at
(585) 396-3454

FOR SALE

1964 Corvair exterior trim, NORS in original packing and cartons.

NORS in original packing and cartons, Clark's Corvair catalog numbers.

C7709L&R or C7709CL&CR Pr. Of door sills. Don't know if for coupe or convertible

C7708 Pr. of rocker panel trim

C7708R.Pr. Of rocker trim retainers

C279A Set of 4 fender trim pieces

C276AX Set of 4 "Dog Legs"

C10016 Pr. Of rear floor mats for 4-door

Will sell only as a lot:

\$600.00 FOB Canandaigua, NY

Contact Bill Boudway @ (585) 394-6172