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THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB
NEWSLETTER

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38 Sierra Drive
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15239

CORSA MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL:

CORSA renewals will be mailed to you prior to your anniversary date. Fill it out and return it to CORSA, along with a \$12 check, payable to CORSA, Inc. New WPCG members will receive a CORSA application from our treasurer. CORSA MEMBERSHIP IS MANDATORY. CORSA's address is: P.O. Box 2488, Pensacola, FL 32503.

DID YOU PAY YOUR WPCG DUES YET????? IF NOT YOU ARE OVERDUE BY ALMOST TWO MONTHS!!

FOR INSTRUCTIONS, SEE WPCG MEMBERSHIP BLOCK ABOVE. PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT NOW!!

OUR NEXT MEETING TUES. APR 24 8 PM 2nd. FEDERAL S & L MONROEVILLE, PA.

Our regular monthly meeting will again be fairly important regarding the club's future. We need the ideas and thoughts of as many members as possible. Dave Lovejoy will be on hand to advise us regarding some important changes that must be made to the by-laws, since we are now incorporated. Dave will also fill us in on any additional records that must be kept.

In conjunction to CORSA, president Walt Moore will fill us in on the CORSA regional meeting that he & Hazel attended in March. We have been asked by CORSA to plan, set up, and operate the gymkahna at the national convention. Bill Artzberger's gymkahnas are becoming legendary!! We will have to appoint a committee and chairman at this meeting. Obviously, we want to further WPCG's reputation of doing things right. If you are planning to attend the national, plan on helping with the Gymkahna. I'm sure that we will all have as much fun doing our thing for all CORSA members as we've had with our local gymkahnas. Bring your ideas to the meeting.

Don't forget to bring along something automotive and interesting for our monthly show & tell, which seems to get better each month. As usual, bring any Corvaair related questions along so they can be answered during tech. topics.

Wayne Jones asks that you bring pictures of your Vairs to the meetings. Wayne is going to start work on a WPCG calander for next year, featuring members cars. You can also mail photos to Wayne at 3205 Belair Dr. Pgh. Pa. 15227.

OUR NEXT EVENT SCIO POTTERY & MUSEUM TOUR, THEN DINNER AT THE TAPPAN LAKE MARINA
SUNDAY APRIL 29 SCIO, OHIO.

There will be two meeting places for this Corvair convoy. Our usual starting point at Howard Johnson's in Monroeville; and across from Tonydale Restaurant on Rt. 22 & 30 right off the Parkway West. The convoy will depart Howard Johnson's lot at 12:45 and rendezvous with other members at 1:15 across from Tonydale Restaurant.

Scio Pottery is located about 30 miles west of Steubenville and is a beautiful drive through Ohio farmland. The Pottery has quite a history that dates back before the days of the Depression.

Due to present cutback, the Pottery starts opening at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, so we plan to arrive about 2:30, at which time we can tour the Museum that Mr. Reeves (the Pottery owner) has established. The Museum was started when the Founder of the Pottery & some of his employees brought back several specimens of wild game while on a Canadian hunting trip. The collection continued to grow until a building was constructed to house not only the mounted animals, but antique, classic and sports cars along with other memorabilia, including cut glass, pistols and rifles. There are over fifty (50) motor vehicles including Model A, Fords, Chevroletes, Packards, Indy Racers, Kaiser-Darrins, Thunderbirds, Corvettes and the recent addition of a '65 Vair. A huge gift shop featuring super prices on dinnerware is also in this same building.

A guide will then take us through the Pottery where we can observe the design and manufacturing process of Pottery and dinnerware.

We will then drive a short distance to the Tappan Lake Marina for dinner in the Marina Restaurant which is a three sided glass structure overlooking Tappan Lake. The restaurant offers a wide selection menu at reasonable prices along with a children's menu and ample parking for our Vairs.

This should be an interesting trip so try to attend. **DICK BREIER**



DICK & CAROLE HAVE PUT A LOT OF PLANNING INTO THIS FINE EVENT. LET'S SHOW OUR THANKS WITH A NICE TURNOUT.

OUR LAST MEETING

The March meeting was well attended and very interesting, as usual. Treasurer, Jan Fabyonic reported that only 70 members had paid 1979 dues, as of meeting night. Joe Buffer is checking into a source for new jacket patches. WFCC, Inc. is now a member of The Penna. Legislative Council of Motor Vehicle Clubs. Our first representatives will be: President Walt Moore, Al Friend, & Bill Artzberger. Jim Stokes is working on the Corvair Survival Kit to go along on all Corvair convoys. Jim asks that all members look through their spare parts, and consider donating a fan belt, fuel pump, sender switch, etc. etc. to the cause. Bring all donations to the meeting or to the event. (At this point Hazel suggested that a Corvair survival kit consists of a fan belt and a 9/16 inch wrench!!!). Von Hamlin kept the membership in stitches with a true story about his dad and an old Franklin, & how he coped with sparse gasoline supplies during the war. During show & Tell, Joe Buffer passed around a 1938 Pontiac mural & a Stewart truck cowl plate, and BILL ARTZBERGER BROUGHT THE HUGE FIRST IN CLASS TROPHY WON BY "THE TIGER" AT THE RECENT ROD & CUSTOM SHOW AT THE CIVIC ARENA. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ARTZBERGERS FOR DEFEATING A HOST OF CARS IN THE SUB-COMPACT CUSTOM CLASS. All of this while sipping freshly brewed FREE coffee.

OUR LAST EVENT

What a fabulous afternoon we all had at the Myersdale Maple Sugar Festival, thanks to good planning by Joe & Fran Buffer. Joe even talked the local law enforcement officer into parking the entire caravan (except the Stokes' water pumper) in the show area. The entire town was full of beautiful old cars, the shops and exhibits in the park area were a real education, and Oh those delicious hot cakes & sawage!!! The drive from Somerset to the festival was as beautiful as expected.

The turnout was great for so early in the year, a real tribute to a great event, Joe & Fran. The only sad note was that we missed the Jones' and Breiers' along the Turnpike, but they did join us later at Meyersdale.

CORSA REGIONAL MEETING AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

Our first family, Walt & Hazel Moore attended the mid-western regional meeting called by CORSA director Bill Klotz on March 31.

Walt reports that the meeting was opened by bringing everyone up to date on CORSA happenings: Allen Martin has resigned as president due to a heavy workload at the hospital, and an illness by his wife. Herb Berkman will now be acting president until elections at the national. The board renewed the Marcus contract.

CORSA's insurance was discussed at length. Please understand that for \$2.73 of your \$12 dues we get \$500,000 insurance coverage for events. Our policy covers us during all events & meetings. (If one of our members drives through someones window on the way to the meeting, the window will be paid for, under CORSA's policy). Only moving events require additional coverage & payment. THE INSURANCE COMPANY HAS FOUND OUT THAT NOT ALL LOCAL MEMBERS BELONG TO CORSA. THEY WERE MORE THAN A LITTLE UPSET WITH THIS DISCOVERY. THERE IS A FULL MEMBERSHIP CLAUSE IN OUR CHAPTER PLAN THAT IS GOING TO BE ENFORCED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT IF YOU BELONG TO WFCC BUT NOT CORSA, YOU ARE IN ESSENCE JEOPARDIZING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR OUR ENTIRE CHAPTER. I HAVE REPRODUCED A CORSA APPLICATION FORM IN THIS NEWSLETTER. IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY A MEMBER, PLEASE GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO JOINING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Jerry Moon, the Detroit National Convention Chairman told the meeting about the recent CORSA board meeting in California, and gave a report on the progress being made for the 79 National. We have been asked to plan, organize, and run the gymkhana at the Detroit national. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE MAKE YOUR VACATION PLANS NOW FOR THE AUG. 23 - 26 NATIONAL CONVENTION. YOU WILL SEE THE BEST CORVAIRS IN THE LAND WHILE HAVING THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE.

Looking for a new Chevy? Well remember our fine sponsor's and "Get a Chevy from Devie". Parts manager, John Cossy is tops in Vair parts. Call John at 295-2171. He'll bring your parts to the next meeting.



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THERE ARE STILL RESERVATIONS OPEN FOR 14 MORE COUPLES FOR:
CUR OCT. 12 - 14 WEEKEND AT THE AGUA MARINE LODGE NEAR AVON LAKE OHIO

Sign up now for our upcoming relaxing weekend with your Corvair friends. No car events or kids. This event is planned as a good time only and a great way to get to know each other better.

The lodge is a 63 acre recreational center, that is about a threehour drive from Pittsburgh. We have a package deal set up, which includes EVERYTHING; room, mountains of delicious food, swimming, sauna, whirlpool, steam room, tennis, golf, etc. etc. It is a beautiful resort, and the price is right. Everything for \$129.90 per couple. We have only reserved 25 rooms, and they are filling up. A \$30 deposite will be required in June to hold your room. We will have our own meeting (party) room.

Mrs. Lamoyne Holderbaum
TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM CALL OR WRITE: 3200 Township Rd. (412)863-6928
N. Huntingdon, Pa. 15642

NEW MEMBERS

Stephen Vajda, Minhall 461-1523. Steve is a 41 yr. old teacher who drives a 64 Corvair convertible. Steve heard about WFCC at a car show.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- APR 28 - 29 Tri State Corvair Club's Annual Swap & Concours. Brian, Ohio.
Write: Tri State C.C. 504 W. High St. Brian, Ohio 43506
- May 19 - 20 Vacationland Corvair's May Meet IV. Write: Joe Leto, 2903 Hinde Lane, Sandusky, Ohio 44870.
- May 20 Versailles Boro Lions Auto Show. Olympia Shopping Ctr. Rt. 48, McKeesport
Registration 10 AM - 1 PM (Rain date May 27)
- May 28 Uniontown Collector Car-Truck Auction. Start selling at 11 AM. Uniontown Auto Auction grounds, rt. 51. Call (412)437-3511 for info.
- Jun 2 - 3 Fifth Annual Cincinnati Corvair Revival. Covered dish picnic with many, many activities; swap meet; and the world famous C.C.C. FUN*KANA.
Reservations through: Larry Thomas, Box 4 Goshen, Ohio.
- Jun 1 - 3 Central N.Y. Corvair Club's 2d Annual Corvair Recall. \$1 to: Central N.Y. C.C. P.O. Box 256, Syracuse, N.Y. 13215.
- Jun 16 - 17 Friend's of Corvair Club's Fun Fest II. Scheeff Chevrolet, Coshocton, O. 80 miles E. of Columbus. Swap meet; Tour of historic Roscoe Villiage; horse-drawn canal boat ride on a section of the Erie Canal; Banquet; breakfast; concours; and a lot of fun with good old friends. TRY TO ATTEND. Room reservations: Park Hotel (614) 622 4846 (Mention Corvairs) Banquet Reservations: \$8 per person, Don Schneider (216)893-2302.
- Jun 17 Rillton, Pa. Antique Car Show (Near Irwin). Registration 11 AM - 1PM. Trophies & parade at 4 PM. Jim Heatherington 664-9218 (1967 & older).

FOR SALE

MUST SELL(ONE ONLY) OF THE FOLLOWING TO MAKE ROOM FOR ADDITION & PRESERVE MARRIAGE!!

66 Corsa Cp. 140/4sp. Silver/black, Rebuilt by aircraft mechanic 5,000 mi. ago. NO OIL LEAKS. 14" E/T white ctr. mags. NEW: wide T/A radials, IECCO tuned extractors, quick shift kit, brass shifter bushings, hoses, boots, manifolds, etc. etc. Also: flaired wheel wells, custom interior, AM/FM, 4 speakers, & fast! \$1950.

OR

65 Monza Cp. 110/auto, red/black. Completely original, exc. condition, (Concours scores in the 80s). NEW: Pirelli radials, windshield, Gabriel adjustables, exhaust. Extremely reliable & the best riding late model I've ever been in. \$2200.
A1 Friend, 325-2588 eve. & weekends.

Ivan Clever is back from Florida, but his health has not been up to par. Ivan will now be selling the Vairs that he has had in storage. Call (412)353-2656 for appointment. After 6. Some of the cars are listed on the next page.

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FOR SALE (CONTINUED).

Ivan Clever's Vairs for sale continued. 67 Monza with 11,000 miles on it. 62 Lakewood parts car. 69 Monza cp. auto. with new laquer, runs good, could be a show piece. 63 Greenbrier, restorable. 62 Monza cp. no rust. \$700. Again call Ivan at (412)353-2656. after 6 PM.

FROM "NEGATIVE CAMBER" OF "THE CORVAIR CLUB OF CINCINNATI"

Pinpointing Fuel Gauge Troubles

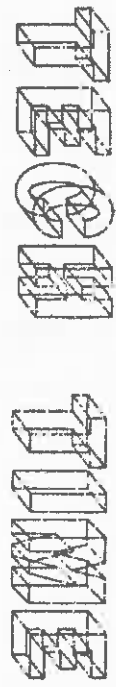
Testing and inspection of fuel gauges and fuel tank sending units returned from the field reveals that a large percentage are good units. It is suspected that fuel gauge circuit failures are not being properly identified before replacing one of the units. It should be noted here that although the following conditions may occur, they should not be considered as failures.

1. The pointer does not always return to "E" when the ignition is turned off.
2. Often, considerable distance can be driven before pointer moves below "F" after fill-up.

3. Gauge does not always register full after fill-up. (This usually occurs when the vehicle is not level during fill-up).
4. Tank is not empty when pointer is on "E." (Tank contains 2-3 gallons reserve when gauge reads empty).

The following checks of the fuel gauge circuit will permit you to quickly determine whether incorrect fuel gauge readings are the result of an improperly operating gauge, fuel tank sending unit or circuit wiring.

Following is courtesy of Chevrolet Service News, December 1968. Two things they didn't mention: you have to read sideways, and be able to pay for gas to go in the tank.



ERRATIC FUEL GAUGE READINGS

Inspect all circuit wiring for damage to insulation and conductor, also carefully check to assure good electrical connections are provided at the following locations:

1. Ground connectors at dash unit mounting.
2. Harness connector to dash unit.
3. Body harness connector to chassis harness.
4. Ground connection from tank unit to trunk floor pan.
5. Feed wire connection at tank unit.

GAUGE ALWAYS READS EMPTY
(With Ignition Switch On)

Disconnected tank unit feed wire and do not allow wire terminal to ground. Dash unit should now read full.

Gauge Reads Empty

1. Remotely connect a spare dash unit into the dash unit harness connector and provide ground for unit. If both readings show, dash unit is defective.
2. If still reads empty, check in harness between tank unit and dash unit.

Gauge Now Reads Full

1. Connect a spare tank unit to tank for 3 wire and the ground lead.
2. Raise and lower float while operating dash unit. If dash unit follows float movement, replace tank unit.

GAUGE ALWAYS READS FULL
(With Ignition Switch On)

1. Check for proper electrical connections at the dash unit, the body harness connector to chassis harness connector or tank unit connector in the trunk.
2. Check ground wire from tank to trunk floor pan for continuity.
3. Connect a spare tank unit to the tank lead wire and the ground lead. Raise and lower float while operating dash unit. If dash unit follows float movement, replace tank unit.

GAUGE NEEDLE NEVER REACHES FULL MARK

Disconnected feed wire to tank unit and connect the wire to ground thru a variable resistor in steps. If needle drops or then a spare tank unit. The fuel unit should read full when resistor is connected to approximately 20 ohms. If needle does not fully respond to resistor unit, if the above check shows it does not to be operating properly, then the trouble is either that the tank unit float is heavier or the float is binding or arch is bent, or the tank itself may have been deformed. Inspect and correct as necessary.

*Prior to 1967 Models maximum resistance is approximately 20 to 32 ohms.

Did you ever come close to losing your marbles while trying to figure out where that noise is coming from in your engine compartment? I know that the answer is yes, so here's a secret that I just found out about: Find yourself a long skinny piece of wood, such as a piece of corner trim or a dowel. Now, place one end of your magic stick on the suspected bearing housing or whatever, and your ear on the other end. You will be amazed how the stick will transmit the noise to your ear!

Are mice getting into your stored cars? Well, I understand that the little critters don't like moth balls. However, vinyl does not like moth balls either, so put them in your car, but not on the seats.

What all those numbers on your whitewalls mean

FROM, OF ALL PLACES - THE DEC. 11, 78 ISSUE OF "BUSINESS WEEK"

No need for confusion over the new size designations on the tires of many 1978 and 1979 cars. If you're riding on a size marked P205/75R14, for instance, "P" is passenger, "205" is the millimeter through the tire at its widest point, "75" is the aspect ratio (height from bead to tread as a percent of tread width), "R" is radial ("B" is bias-belted, "D" is diagonal ply), and "14" is wheel diameter, which is in inches.

"82" is also used to designate load tires with a maximum inflation pressure of 82 pounds per square inch (psi), or 560 kilopascals (kPa), a metric pressure measurement. The "82" also takes an extra load—47 psi or 320 kPa.



Corvair Society of America

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Formed in 1969 by and for those who still appreciate the Corvair Automobile

IF YOU BELONG TO W.P.C.C. YOU SHOULD ALSO BELONG TO CORSA. YOU WON'T REGRET IT.

CORSA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Chapter _____ Chapter # _____

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Reason For Joining _____ Activity Interests _____
 CORSA _____

Age _____ Occupation _____ Phone _____

ANNUAL DUES

- 1 year U.S. membership - \$12
- 26 month U.S. membership - \$24
- 1 year Canadian membership - \$15
- 26 month Canadian membership - \$30
- 1 year Overseas membership - \$17
- 26 month Overseas membership - \$34
- Museum Fund Donation - \$1
- Racing Fund Donation - \$1
- Family membership - \$3

TOTAL: _____

CARS OWNED

YEAR	MODEL & BODY STYLE	SERIAL NUMBER

U.S. FUNDS ONLY

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: CORSA, INC.

CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA, INC.
 P. O. Box 2488
 PENSACOLA, FLA. 32503

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.

RENEWALS

My name and address are correct as printed
 Make the following corrections to my name and address:

Corva Publications I missed during the past year:

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