

THE VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

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Meeting: Tuesday, August 24

NOTICE: Parts from Club car will be auctioned off at Meeting.



Cover: Tiger I, driven by Jim Artzberger, snakes through the slalom course at convention '82, Syracuse, N.Y.

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 todays plastic and cardboard cars. Isn't it great not spending money on antifreeze 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. Like all automobile marque clubs of international stature, CORSA requires all chapter members to also belong to CORSA, 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 sponsors 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 twelve page monthly newsletter, and CORSA provides a beautiful monthly magazine named "The CORSA 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 Corvaire, 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 \$9 per calendar year, of 75¢ for each remaining month of the current year. Half price for immediate family. Payable to: WPCC.

CORSA Our charter requires that all WPCC members, also belong to CORSA, our national organization. New members must enclose a completed CORSA application and a check payable to CORSA, Inc. for \$14. If you already belong to CORSA, then send only WPCC information.

MAIL TO: W.P.C.C. c/o Al Friend, 3677 Forbes Trail Dr.
Murrysville, PA 15668 (412)325-2588

NAME _____ AGE _____ OCCUPATION _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____ DATE _____

CORSA MEMBER? YES NO CORVAIRES OWNED, YR.: MODEL _____

RECOMMENDED BY _____ AMOUNT PAID _____ OTHER CAR CLUBS _____

OTHER INFORMATION: _____

Notes on the Convention by Al Friend More on p. 4

The following WPCC members provided labor for the 140 engine we raffled off at the National:

Bill Ferrari Bob Ashworth
Wayne Jones Walt Matenkosky
John Sweet Vaun Hamlin
Tom Kress Dick Breir

The Engine was won by a gentlemen from New Jersey. (WPCC members were not eligible for the raffle).

WPCC provided 5 judges for the concours:

- Unit 1 - Paint and Body Work
- Unit 5 - Engine and Exhaust
- Unit 8 - Interior
- Unit Leader - Interior
- Al Friend

Bill Artzberger and Vaun Hamlin

Bob Martzo

Carol Friend

Jim Artzberger won an award for his model 4-wheel drive Corvaire. He also came in third place in the Edward Cole Award Competition.

John Graf's first entry in national competition won him a judges choice trophy for the best exterior of any car that did not otherwise win a trophy.

The Thousand Island tour was super - 135 Corvaire or so in the two hour caravan. The moderator on the boat announced that the craft was powered by a 180 HP Turbocharged Corvaire Engine (not true of course, but very funny at the time).

The WPCC banner looked great on the wall at the banquet. Thanks again to Jean Brill for making it.

When I got to the pool between the Thousand Island tour and the Banquet, I thought I was at Sea World since there were three whales in the pool... Bill Artzberger, Bill Brill and Isadore Krause.

Gettysburg -- September 11 and 12

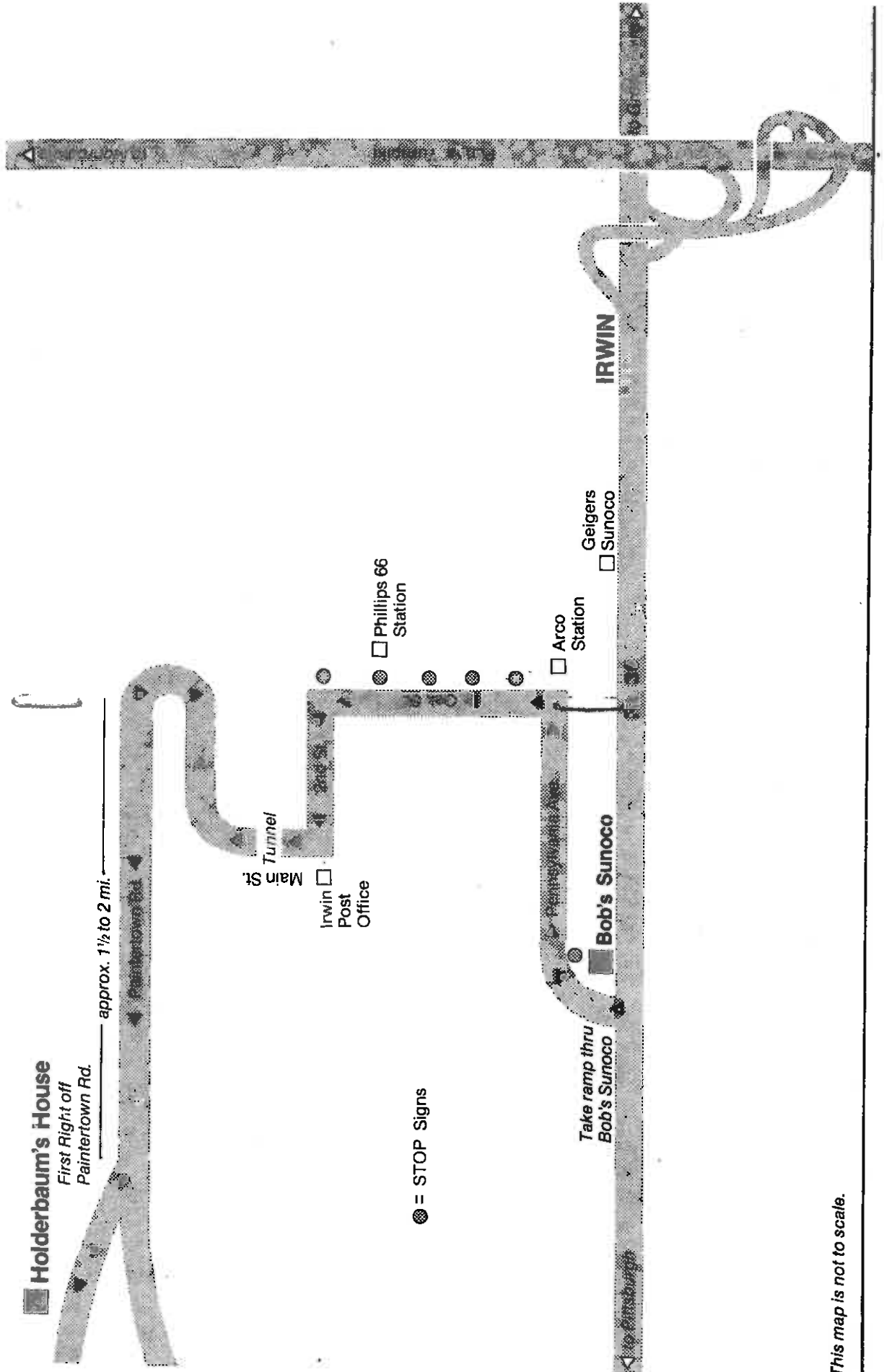
WPCC members, Bill Artzberger, Wayne Jones, Tom "Terrific" Kress and John Sweet and their families are planning to attend the Central Pennsylvania Corvaire Club Swap Meet and Concours. If you'd like to join them, please call Bill (364-6842) or Wayne (882-2109) for details.

July Event — Pool Party & Picnic at Holderbaum's

Bob and Lamoine Holderbaum will be hosting their second WPCC pool party and picnic. Members and families are invited. Although the club will be providing most of the goodies, you're asked to bring a covered dish or dessert. So that we'll know how many people to expect, please call

Lamoine at 863-9954 (between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.) or at 863-6928 (after 1:00 p.m.). Or you may call Carol Breir at 563-4591.

Don't forget your bathing suits and all the other stuff that goes with picnics. Although we've ordered a hot sunny day for the 29th, should it dare to rain, the picnic's still on.



400 Miles to Go by Charles "Luke" Lucas, Editor

For those of us who attended Convention '82 in Syracuse, most I'm sure will agree, it was great! Having never been to a convention before, I was impressed with just about everything, especially the Corvairs. It was inspiring to see the concours cars; to think that one day my Corvair could look like one of those beauties.

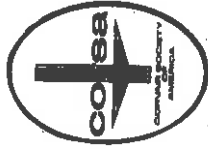
But I was a nervous wreck the day I left for the 400 mile drive to Syracuse. Since acquiring my '64 Corvair convertible back in March, it had only made two trips of any length...both of which were unnerving for me. The first was the very day I brought it home from its former owner in Fombell (near Zelienople). The trip south from Fombell on I-79 went fine, but as I exited the Parkway East at Oakland, the oil pressure idiot light brought me to a halt. With the engine running I opened the deck lid to find the engine showered in a bath of hot oil from the cracked oil sending unit. Three quarts of oil from a service station, near where I had stopped, got me home.

Then in April as I exited I-79 at Zelienople, on the way to John Sweets outing, I discovered I had no brakes. My family and I were pretty shook-up, but we made it to Sweets. John diagnosed the problem, and in ten minutes he and Wayne Jones had another master cylinder tucked under the hood.

With a track record like that, you'll have to admit, I had every right to be nervous. But I had no choice you see, because my wife threatened me with death or worse if I took our water pumper. And my neighbor, Chuck Gonda, threatened not to go with me if we went in anything but a Corvair.

Well, there we were on the road to Syracuse behind Wayne Rockhill and his family. Behind Chuck and I were Jean and Bill Brill, followed by Shirley and Isadore Krause. To my surprise the trip up was uneventful, except for rain that made my windows steam up because the defrosters wouldn't work. But the worst could still be ahead of us since I planned to leave for home on Saturday morning while everyone else stayed for the Thousand Island tour and Saturday night banquet. The security of traveling in the caravan on the return trip was not there. It was just me, Chuck, the convertible and 400 miles to go.

We left at 7:45 a.m., stopped for lunch at 1:00 p.m. and pulled up to my garage at 3:50 p.m. Not bad, huh? But I knew that Corvair could do it all along. No problems! Just a great trip to and from Convention '82. And we averaged 26 mpg to boot.



Corvair Society of America

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

CORSA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

CHECK ONE: NEW RENEWAL

RENEWALS

My name and address are correct as printed

Make the following corrections to my name and address:

(Please Print) Last Name _____ First _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Chapter _____ Chapter No. _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Reason for joining CORSA _____

The following fee schedule includes your subscription to CORSA COMMUNIQUES, our monthly publication, for the number of months paid.

- 1 year U.S. membership - \$14
- 26 month U.S. membership - \$28
- 1 year Canadian membership - \$17
- 26 month Canadian membership - \$34
- 1 year Overseas membership - \$19
- 26 month Overseas membership - \$38
- Museum Fund Donation - \$1
- Racing Fund Donation - \$1
- Family membership - \$1

TOTAL: _____

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.

DO NOT WRITE IN BOX

Rec'd	_____
Amount	_____
Months	_____
Acct. No.	_____
Expires	_____

SURVEY OF CARS OWNED AND INTERESTS

- I own _____ running Corvairs.
- I own _____ restorable Corvairs.
- I own _____ parts Corvairs.
- I use my Corvairs for:
 - Concours - How Many? _____
 - Daily Use
 - Racing
 - Other _____

5. My main reason for joining CORSA is:

- Support my hobby
- Fellowship
- Increase the value of my investment
- Magazine - "CORSA COMMUNIQUE"
- To take part in () local/() national doings

6. What I like to read most in my magazine is:

- Technical Tips
- Open Forum
- Feature Articles
- Chapter News
- Convention information
- Local meet information
- CORSA governmental action



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MEETING HELD
4TH TUESDAY
EACH MONTH
8:00 P.M.

GOOD SHEPHERD
LUTHERAN
CHURCH



OLD WM. PENN HWY.

RT. 48

SCHOOL

PGH.

PARKWAY BY-PASS

MONROEVILLE
EXIT

MURRYSVILLE

BUICK

PLUM EXIT

PGH.

BUS. RT. 22

MURRYSVILLE

HOWARD
JOHNSON'S

TURNPIKE
EXIT