

THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

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NEWSLETTER

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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. New WPCO members will receive a CORSA application from our treasurer. CORSA membership is mandatory. CORSA's new address is: CORSA, Inc., P.O. Box 2488, Pensacola, FL 32503.

OFFICERS: PRESIDENT - Wayne Jones, 882-2109 SECRETARY - Hazel Nooro, 327-4427
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WPCO MEMBERSHIP:

\$6 per calendar year. Everyone's renewal date is Jan. 1. If you join during the year, your initial dues is 50¢ for each remaining month of the current year. Half price for immediate family.

Bob Smith, Treasurer

PAYABLE TO WPCO

MAIL TO: 3258 37th. St. Ext.
 Beaverfalls, Pa. 15010

IF YOU HAVEN'T RETURNED YOUR RESERVATION CARD, BUT WOULD STILL LIKE TO COME TO THE GALA W.P.C.C. CHRISTMAS/HANUKKAH PARTY! DON'T FRET - CALL JUDY JONES NOW! 882-2109

DATE: This Sunday, Dec. 10.

PLACE: The South Park Inn - Just outside South Park, IT IS NOT ONE OF THE PARK BUILDINGS.

TIME: 1 to 5 PM. Dinner at 2:30 or so.

DINNER: A great buffet (\$6 adults, half price - under 12). Price includes tax & tip.

GIFTS: Bring one white elephant gift per adult in your party. (\$1.50 limit). Bring a \$3 limit gift for YOUR child. YOUR GIFT GOES TO YOUR CHILD.

BEVERAGES: Open cash bar. The club will provide appetizer trays. BE ON TIME!!!

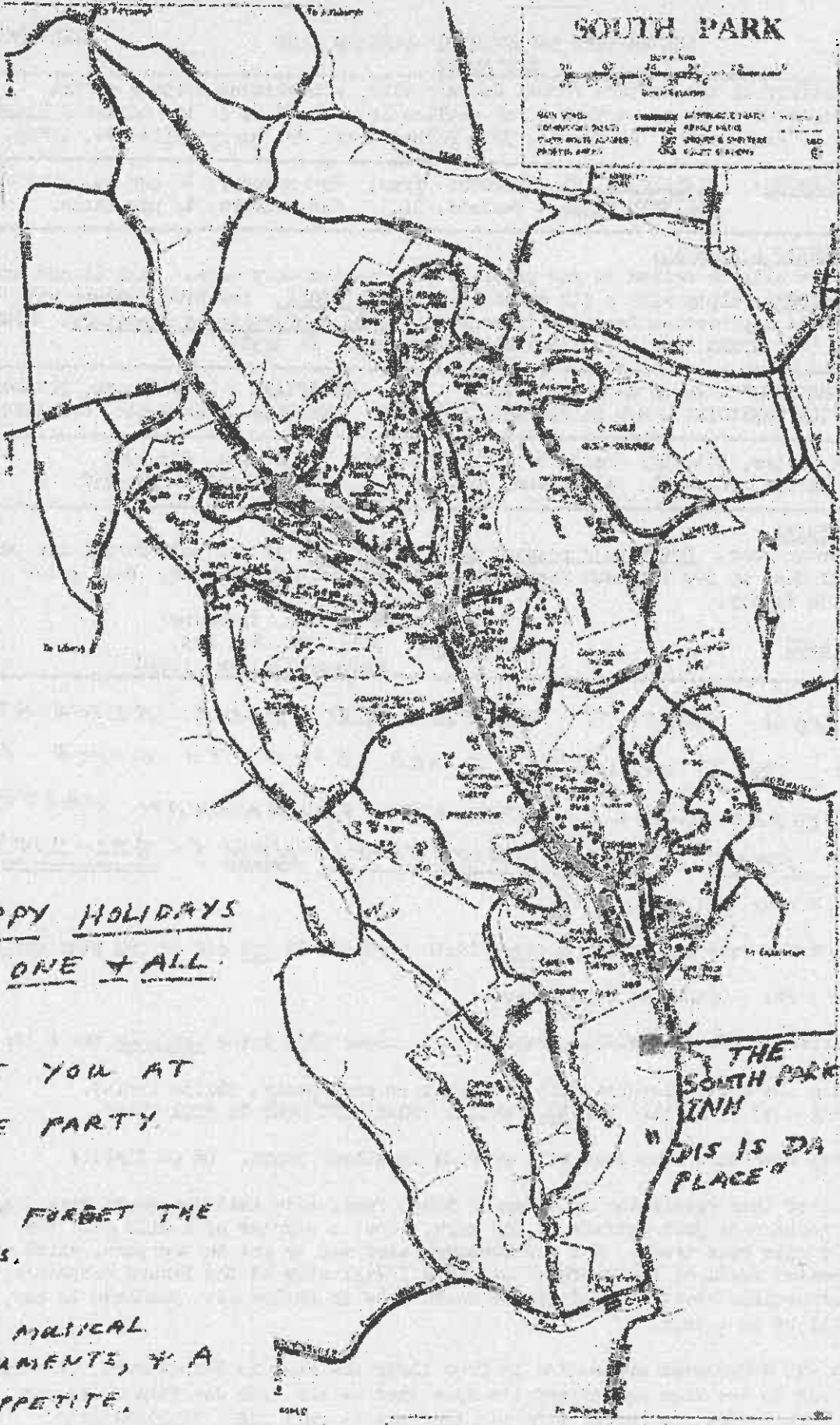
MAP: Page 2 of this newsletter is a map of South Park, note that the South Park Inn is a restaurant just outside of the park, about a quarter of a mile past the huge 1/2 mile race track. Use a Pittsburgh area map to get to the park, which is located south of Pittsburgh. Carole & I will stop at the Howard Johnson's in Monroeville about noon if anyone would like to follow us. Needless to say, we will be in a Vaio.

ALSO: Pis & Jan Schoeneman are coming in from their new home in Youngstown. It will be great to see them again, and I'm sure that we can talk Jan into a sale or two. Don't miss the party, it's not too late to call Judy: (412)882-2109.

DON'T FORGET TO THANK OUR PRESIDENT & FIRST LADY FOR PLANNING THIS FABER PARTY.

SOUTH PARK

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NOMINATIONS WILL BE OPEN DURING A SHORT MEETING.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS
TO ONE + ALL.

SEE YOU AT
THE PARTY.

DON'T FORGET THE
GIFTS.

BRING MEDICAL
INSTRUMENTS, + A
BIG APPETITE.

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"DIS IS DA
PLACE"

OUR LAST MEETING:

The November meeting was extremely well attended, including many new members. Some of the items discussed were:

A WFOC calendar - Wayne will put one together for each member, it will include a club roster and twelve member's Corvairs. SEND WAYNE A PICTURE OF YOUR VAIR IN A NICE SETTING. (BLACK & WHITE PHOTOS ARE BEST.) ALSO INCLUDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY OF YOUR CAR. (ESPECIALLY YEAR MODEL ETC.) If Wayne receives more than twelve pictures he will pick the twelve best for reproduction. MAIL TO: Wayne Jones, 3205 Delain Dr, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15217.

THE OCT. 12 - 14 WEEKEND AT AQUA MARINE LODGE: Lamoyne Holderbaum is in charge. If you plan to attend this great weekend with your Corvair friends you will need a \$30 deposit by July. Partial payments may be less painfull, but make sure that Lamoyne has your \$30 per couple by July. This should be a fun filled weekend with great food, recreation, friends, and relaxation. I can hardly wait to take away some of Dave Fabyonic's money on the golf course!!! Write to: Mrs. Lamoyne Holderbaum, 3200 Township Rd. W. Huntingdon, Pa. 15642.

INCORPORATING THE CLUB - We voted to incorporate the club and our attorney member, Dave Lovejoy is working on the details now. Don't forget to thank Dave for his efforts.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 1979 OFFICERS: Recommended so far: PRESIDENT - Archie Miller; VICE PRESIDENT - John Greenwald & Dick Breier; TREASURER - Jan Fabyonic; SECRETARY - Hazel Moore & Carole Friend. Several of these members were not present and may decline, so let me make a few observations: First of all this is going to be a really great year for WFOC and a relatively hassle free year. After all, the Oct. event is already planned, and the national convention is very close to us this year, we are well established, CORSA has been saved, and OH HAPPY DAYS - 10 STEEL CITY CORVAIRES THIS YEAR. Hey - if you haven't served as an officer yet - this is the year to do it!!! PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE - IF YOU CAN SERVE, LET ANOTHER MEMBER KNOW SO YOU CAN BE NOMINATED - WE NEED YOU!!! I sincerely hope that those nominated realize that the members have a lot of faith in them, and that they all accept their nomination.

SHOW & TELL went great. In fact, it went so well, and we all learned so much that we voted to make it part of every meeting. Wayne showed us a tool designed by our own John Greenwald for removing baked in push rod tubes. John Cosay showed us an ancient tool that came with each and every Model - T Ford, and he went over the Corvair Parts Manual with us. Your editor talked about & passed around the 1969 Corvair Shop Manual which is different than the others in that it even discusses proper driving methods for the "ALL NEW 1969 CORVAIR". I also discussed a very permanent method of sealing windshield with HEN strip caulk. If you would like to order your own shop or parts catalogs write to: HELM, INC. P.O. Box 07130, Detroit, Mich. 48207. Ask them to send you their order forms for Corvair shop & parts manuals. HEY - IF YOU MISSED THE MEETING YOU MISSED OUT ON A LOT OF VALUABLE INFORMATION. MAKE A NEW YEARS RESOLUTION TO GET OFF YOUR DUFF IN 79 AND GET TO THE MEETINGS.

50/50 DRAWING - Would you believe that our illustrious president won \$11 and of course the treasury picked up \$11. GEE - YOU CAN EVEN WIN MONEY AT THE WFOC MEETINGS, WHY WEREN'T YOU THERE! WIFE'S HOTEL ROOMS ARE IN CHARGE OF THE 50/50 DRAWING.

THE FUTURE AVAILABILITY OF LEADED PREMIUM GASOLINE - was discussed at length, with many views expressed as to the effect of the no lead garbage on the valves of older engines. If you have any views or ideas as to what to do in the future to combat this government rip off please send a letter to the editor. Let's share our knowledge on this one. Within a year or so leaded premium is going to only be a pleasant memory.

DELICIOUS COFFEE & BROWNIES - Emma Pezel makes the best coffee in the world, there is simply no doubt about it!!! Many thanks to Carol Graf for surprising us with a big plate of SUPER BROWNIES. This meeting was very well attended by our members from the fairer sex, come to think of it. ALL TOLD - IT WAS ONE OF OUR BEST MEETINGS.

LARRY CLAYPOLE'S VAIR SHOP

The following article was taken from the beautiful special 10th. anniversary edition of "The Airborn" the fine publication of the Chicago and Corvair Enthusiasts. Yes, you read right correctly - CCE is indeed older than even CORSA. CCE is, and always has been a strong Corvair club, who to this day dominate the sport of autocrossing in the Chicago area, and who annually sponsor huge auto shows in the Windy City, and are also the only chapter to have sponsored two CORSA national conventions.

Why has this club been so strong, and why do they continue to grow? I'm sure that the answer involves many devoted members, but I would be willing to bet that one of the most important people in this success story is Larry Claypole and his famous "Vair Shop". I might add that Larry is also a great guy.

THERE ARE MANY MEMBERS OF WFCC WITH A LOT OF CORVAIR MECHANICAL ABILITY, THAT COULD BE SETTING UP AN EXCLUSIVE CORVAIR OPERATION SIMILAR TO LARRY'S, IN THE PITTSBURGH AREA. THE STANDING FIRST QUESTION OF NEW MEMBERS IS, WHERE CAN I GET RELIABLE WORK DONE ON MY VAIR? THE ANSWER IS HERE! THINK ABOUT IT AS YOU READ LARRY'S SUCCESS STORY.

FROM THE VAIR SHOP BY LARRY CLAYPOLE

Several in the past I wrote a little real story on how I got interested in CCE. Probably your opinion on that is how I got a small reputation myself for a little.

Let us take back in time to 1971. I was at that time a junior in high school and during the night time I had my license, managed to acquire a Corvair

in the household. Well, I recall, there was my Lakewood, my brother's '66 Monza coupe, my '68 Corvair, and a '66 Corvair. Now as you might realize, all of these cars were in one area, in one instance or mechanical some of the cars, so I had almost nothing under one of them to keep it moving. At that time I was already involved in CCE, but had not learned much in the area with Corvairs. It wasn't uncommon to see my collection, equipped with Mike Drenowski's '66 Monza, Pete & Dave's daughter's '68 Monza coupe (which they have though it was so fast), Dave Nussler's '68 '6800, Greg Smith's '68 Monza coupe, or the several other Corvairs that belonged to the several. All of them led to one of the most strange but predictable Saturday afternoon traffic jams in my city. With all the cars around, it didn't take long before a local Corvair owners wanted me to fix their cars. At that time Corvair owners would go in to see me, regardless notwithstanding, I took on several responsibilities, such as oil changes and clutch adjustments with pretty fair success. Of course, by inventory of cars kept changing as it does in this city, so as more cars came and the relative number, more cars filled the tiny little car garage I got Dad - my "dad" '68 Chevy only saw the inside of the garage a few times while the Corvairs lay seemingly dead forever in the place. I expanded renting a garage from the neighbor's neighbor and filled that with parts too. All this time you get worried, however, as I learned more and more of the Corvair's quirks, I also began to adjust a fair number of "mechanical" pieces such as the '66 electronics, timing gears, and the like.

I had held other jobs such as a department counter clerk and now up here, as I happened every weekend does for a short, but that "the year one used" and "the year two" has turned pretty attractive. Besides, I really liked working, so I quit the 4 to 8 office behind house and managed to work on enough cars to support my needs (right & Corvairs). Well, as it worked for a while, somebody threw a rod into the works and complained to the city about me and my cars, to the order of the day was to cease and desist.

All of my Corvair experience was not to be in vain however, thanks to my folks and some remarkable timing. My Dad was due to retire in a month, and now had his eye out for a house outside of the city. While house shopping, a new consideration was for complete facilities for my "boy's" hobby. Location, power, location was selected that filled with the atmosphere and location requirements for him, an attractive price for Dad, and space, building, and many more for me. Thus, the "Vair Shop" was born in December of 1972.

The shop is still not as large as I would have it, but improvements take time, and as I grow faster, that's one thing I have little of anymore. As originally planned, I set up an appointment calendar to keep track of the necessary parts needed for an operating car. Currently, the calendar is more a guide for myself as open space customers are not only that they have 0 time or flipping status can be achieved in 10/15 minutes. The setup of such I have for beyond individual capabilities, which is both good and bad. Good in that it's independent expertise - hardly a week goes by without learning some amazing new fix or hidden fact. Good in that I have, well, job security. I guess you'd call it. Good in that people know they can get their Corvairs fixed when the corner gas station and Chevy garage just shake their heads or worse, send it on by attended repairs. It'd have to be all honesty, even the Tribune article on the Tribune didn't hurt one, either. But, bad in that it's almost impossible to have an entire fleet of cars that all run out, sometimes, when they can be checked only just so. It's a terrible need of more maintenance and I don't look back when I think the cars I put out all of which

comes from a sincere desire to get the customer happy, but rest assured, it's pretty depressing to have no parts that 50% of my every-day cars in the "line, I can drive anywhere in the" print, they would have to look at the

Anyway, although I don't have a lot of time, I do have a lot of parts. As was set earlier in my stock, the need to change stock is strong, so parts cars come and go, but the parts of those cars just keep on piling up. An entire volume of my parts building in a priority unit is rare on the order of what I need, but I think that might be more than a week or two off, whereas I need to keep it clutch disc or spindle large in stock, it's not necessary to keep 5 or 6 of the volume of carburetors, sparkplugs, old wirebrakes that to the local repairmen parts stores and I'll have to have Vair parts around. So, as their stock goes down, mine increases. In fact if all of those "old" you have a free deal and quiet around. I tried everywhere and... call at 5 P.M. on Saturday afternoon. Last year, the shop brought \$18,000 worth of new parts for stock and service alone!

So, it's been an interesting career, and I'm glad I did it. It's time to be closing, thank you for all the support and encouragement it's given me over the year, because if I weren't for all the great Corvair folks, I wouldn't be in business. So, have 10th. CCE, into the Vair Shop and I look forward to serving you during the next decade.

NEW MEMBERS

John Kalke, Springdale, 274-4817. John is a 31 yr. old welder, foreman who owns a 68 "300" coupe. John has moved to Western Penna. from Conn. and is already a member of CORSA.

Frank Schreckengost, New Bethlehem, (814)275-3813. Frank is a 57 yr. old butcher who owns three Corvairs. As you all guessed, Frank was introduced to WFCC by Issy Krouse.

Joseph Scars, W. Millin, 466-0735. Joe is a 61 yr. old retiree who owns a 67 Monza coupe. Joe was introduced to WFCC by Ed & Ed Pazel.

Dorothy Marozzi, McKeesport, 751-9395. Dorothy is a 60 yr. young homemaker who drives a 65 Monza coupe. Dorothy was also recommended by the Pazel's.

For Sale

63 Monza conv. 110/4sp. New paint, carpet, back window, battery, via Rametta, Vandergrif, 567-7381

INDOOR STORAGE FOR TWO VAIRS - \$10 per month for WFCC members. Dave Fabynick, Flux Boro 227-7361

"VAIR TIPS" The 76 edition was passed around at Show & Tell - I highly recommend purchase.

** TECH TIPS ** STRIPS OF FELT FROM THE "N. TEXAS CORVAIR CLUB"

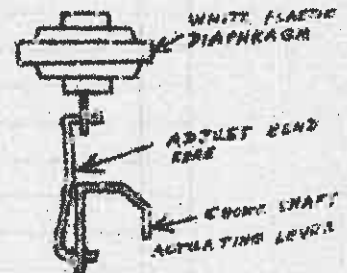
San Diego Corvair Club would like to introduce you to their annual technical booklet, "Vair Tips". These booklets consist of technical tips for the serious restorer and for the persons that use their Corvairs daily. These booklets are printed on quality material with the cover in color. They are guaranteed to save you money, time and heartache. The 1974, 75, 76, and 77 issues are available now. Prices are as follows: \$2 each, \$7 for a set of four, or \$20 a dozen in any combination.

Strips of felt saturated with strong baking soda water can be dried and then placed under the battery to neutralize any acid spills before they can cause corrosion of the compartment. --Fred Johnson, Transaxle Telegraph, N.T.C.A.

Make checks payable to: San Diego Corvair Club and mail to San Diego Corvair Club, P.O. Box 23172, San Diego, CA 92123, Attn. Vair Tips.

***** Before attempting to adjust the play out of the steering box, make sure the play is in the box. A bad Pittman arm bushing or idler arm (or both) will exhibit the same characteristics as a worn steering box. (If it is the steering box, these are easily accessible and rebuildable.) --Kirk Wilson, Transaxle Telegraph, N.T.C.A.

If your engine shakes & shudders between starting & warm up, the vacuum diaphragms are probably opening the choke plate too much. Try lengthening the rod between the diaphragm and the choke shaft actuating lever. Lengthen it by decreasing the bend in the rod slightly.



If your car won't start after sitting for awhile, try clearing out the small hole in the venturi with a piece of fine wire. Remove the air cleaner assembly & look straight down into the carburetor with the choke plate open, you will see the small hole. If it is plugged up, atmospheric pressure will siphon the fuel out of the bowls every time.

THE ABOVE TIPS WERE PICKED UP DURING MEL NEVIN'S TECH. SESSION AT THE FREESTATE CORVAIR AFFAIR IN SEPT.

Looking for a new Chevy? Well remember our fine sponsor's and "GET A CHEVY FROM DAVIE". Parts manager, John Cossy is tops in Vair parts. Call WFCC's own John Cossy at 295-2171, he'll bring your parts to the next meeting.



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ANNUAL DUES

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- 20 month U.S. membership - \$24
- 1 year Canadian membership - \$13
- 20 month Canadian membership - \$26
- 1 year Overseas membership - \$17
- 20 month Overseas membership - \$34
- Museum Fund Donation - \$1
- Racing Fund Donation - \$1
- Family membership - \$2

TOTAL: _____

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PENSACOLA, FLA. 32503

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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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