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STEEL CITY CORVAIR CONCOURS - A SUCCESS

Pittsburgh, PA - Nearly 1,000 auto enthusiasts proved, in Pittsburgh, that you can't keep a good car down. The Western Pennsylvania Corvair Club held its first Steel City Concours on June 13 in Monroeville near Pittsburgh, and some 60 enthusiastic Corvair fans brought their cars to the event. Most of whom are planning to attend the CORSA National Convention at Valley Forge, PA, July 15-18.

The WFGC Concours proves that auto enthusiasts will pay to see a rainbow of Corvairs in show condition. This is believed to be the first all Corvair event where a nominal donation was requested for admittance. Nearly 700 people donated \$1 apiece.

Corvair enthusiasts came from as far away as Michigan and New England for the show. Adding a note of colorful sparkle to the Concours was the appearance of The Northwest Shrine Club of Zenobia Temple, Toledo, Ohio who appeared in a fleet of eleven identical, red, white, and blue Corvair convertibles. The Shriners kicked off the festivities with a full regalia parade through Monroeville.

The big winner was Don Schneider of Dundee, Ohio who captured three top awards with his 1965 Corsa convertible which was judged to be flawless. Schneider's "Black Widow" is one of 40 Corvairs owned by the Ohio enthusiast.

Adding a note of irony to the first Steel City Concours was the fact that Corvair nemesis Ralph Nader was in Pittsburgh the night before the show. A member of the club made certain that a bright orange poster advertising the Concours was displayed conspicuously in the room where Nader spoke. Despite a personal invitation to attend the event, Mr. Nader headed back to Washington to fight still more consumer battles.

1. Our next meeting will be on July 8 at the G.M. Training Center. As a reminder, the Jan, Apr., July, and Oct. meetings are held at the Training Center. All others are held in the Community Room at the Monroeville Mall. Meetings are always held at 8 P.M. sharp on the second Thursday of each month. Bring the showpiece if the weather is good and try to arrive early for our usual parking lot bull session.

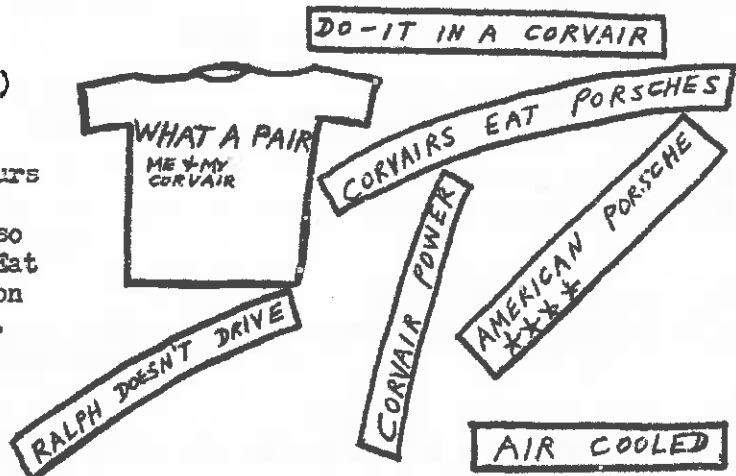
The highlight of this meeting will be a long talk by Al Thomas, manager of the Training Center. He will speak on G.M.'s defense of the Corvair, its exoneration in the courts, findings of the government study, and a review of the actual truth behind the bad press concerning the whole incident. Don't miss this one! In Al's words: "You might want to know."

2. Our July event is the Corsa National Convention at Valley Forge, Pa. July 15-18. There are quite a few members going, so let's discuss convoy departure times at the meeting. Denny Hamill will also need some help on getting the tee-shirts and bumper stickers out there. If you are interested but haven't made reservations yet, rush \$1 for a packet to : The Philadelphia Corvair Association, 145 Ivywook, Radnor, Pa. 19087. I understand that the Sheridan is full, but they are looking next door at Stouffers.

3. ***** IMPORTANT *****

Denny Hamill has requested that everyone bring any and all articles on the Concours that you have seen. Pre or post show. We need copies of these for Al Thomas and for us to make up a how-you-do-it packet. Al will use the info to hopefully open up more Training Centers to Corvair Clubs.

4. Our fabulous WPC tee shirts (\$4) and bumper stickers (50¢) will be available at this meeting for those members who were too busy at the Concours to buy them. Since we did not purchase any children's shirt sizes, we will also have the vinyl transfers of "Corvairs Eat Porsches". These can be easily ironed on to any shirt and will sell for \$2 each. If you love your Corvair you certainly will want some of these items. You had better buy them at this meeting, since they will certainly sell out at the national convention.



The club has a lot at stake here. We could more than double the size of the treasury if all of these items sell. Do your part, wear the shirts and display the stickers on your bumper or in your back window, especially at the convention. It should also be understood that everyone is expected to spend some time selling these items at Valley Forge.

5. FOR SALE

64 Spyder conv. 62,000 miles. Very good condition. \$1000. Harold Sinsley, Scottdale, Pa. 887-6709

67 4-door, auto. good running condition \$175 279-0811

65 Monza cp. body, good condition, maroon, black int. taking offers. Pete Meshanko work 731-1900 home 963-9190

69 Corvair 500 cp. 0 miles, last one produced. Merollis Chev. E. Detroit. \$12,500 (313) 775-8300

69 Corvair Sports cp. One of the last. 53 miles, sticker still on window, never licensed, \$16,000 (305) 259-0237

6. NEW MEMBERS: PLEASE ADD THESE NAMES & NUMBERS TO THE ROSTER

- Gene Walther (814)676-8104 Gene is a 55 year old manager and owns two 67 Corvairs. You may want to contact Pete Calabrese, 828 Brown Ave. Erie, Pa. 16502. (Starting an Erie chapter)
- Ralph W. Paul 835-8202 Ralph is a 20 yr. old student who owns a 69 Monza & a 65 Corsa.
- Isadore Krouse (814)275-3958 Isadore is self employed, 59 yrs. old and drives that beautiful first place winning 65 Monza conv.
- Allen D. Garland 295-2450 Allen is a 19 yr. old student who owns a 65 - 500 and a 65 Monza conv.
- RD#2, Box 164, Leechburg, Pa. 15656
- Don W. Kerr 327-3897 Don is a 61 yr. old part time bee keeper & a heck of a nice guy. He presently owns 3 Vairs.
- 3603 School Rd. Murrysville, Pa. 15668
- Wayne N. Rockhill 941-9214 Wayne is a 37 yr. old architect who owns two 68 convertibles.
- 167 Ny. Lane Rd.#2, Venetia Pa. 15367
- June Holzschuer 823-5297 June owns a 64 Corvair.
- 1628 Larch St. Turtle Creek, Pa. 15145
- John W. Cooper 279-6368 John is a 46 yr. old steamfitter and drives a Corvair
- 1725 Norsen Dr. Pgh. Pa. 15243
- John L. Sebbens 751-7771 John is a 47 yr old advertising Mgr. for the Daily News & a part time sign painter. John was a life saver with his paint brush.
- 3081 Coulterville Rd. McKeesport, Pa 15131
- Bill Schmiedlin 375-5464 Bill is a 33 yr. old body man who owns a 66 Monza and a Vair powered Avenger.
- 3119 Bradbury Dr. Aliquippa, Pa. 15001
- William M. Aufrecht 243-1893 Bill is a 24 yr. old retailing gen. mgr. who owns a 66 Corsa conv.
- 1601 Penn Ave. Apt. 515, West Pgh. Pa. 15221
- Judy R. Scarpaci 431-8452 Judy is a clerk for U.S.S. and drives a low mileage 61. Judy is 36 years old.
- 71 So. 16th St. Pgh. Pa. 15203
- Mr. C. Wilbert 661-8443 Mr. Wilbert is a 41 yr. old truck driver who owns a 61 Monza.
- 1139 Mellon St. Pgh. Pa. 15206
- Robert A. Martzo 837-2889 Bob is a 40 yr. old systems mgr. who owns a 66 Corsa.
- 118 Franklin Dr. Greensburg, Pa. 15601
- Walt J. Reczynski 863-8988 Walt is 41 yrs. old and owns a 63 Monza, 65 Monza Conv., and a 66 Monza San.
- 108 Narragansett Dr. McKeesport, Pa. 15135
- Cyril Ristoff 884-0731 Cyril is a 21 yr. old baker and has a 63 Monza Conv.
- 1567 Cathell Rd. Apt. B-10 Pgh. Pa. 15236

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Joe is a 46 yr. old rubber worker who owns 25 Corvairs and drives 2 of them.

Clarence is a 44 yr. old machine shop forman who owns a 66 Monza Conv.

Ed is a mechanic who does Corvair work, and is the creator of that beautiful 400 H.P. 62 V.- 8 Powered Vair.

Daniel is a 49 yr. old custodian who owns a 67 Monza Conv. & 64 Greenbriar

Joe is a 56 yr. old meat cutter who has a 65.

Fred is a 44 yr. old engineer who presently doesn't own a Corvair. (Why don't you consider that \$16,000 one, Fred!)

Julia owns a 69 Monza cp.

Ralph owns a 68 Monza cp.

John owns a 69 Monza

John owns a 62 Monza Conv. He is a 30 yr. old appliance repairman.

Jean is a 48 yr. old bookkeeper who owns a 66 Monza cp.

Anthony is a 28 yr. old painter who owns 3 Vairs. (2- 65 cps. & 1- 65 sdn)

John is 48 yrs. old and is in the welding supply business. He has 4 Vairs.

Fred is a 56 yr. old waiter who owned one of the first but sold it. He now owns a 69 Monza.

Murry is a 57 yr. old C.P.A. who owns 2 Corvairs.

Steel City Concours Results:

EARLY MODEL STOCK

1. A.M. Minton, 60 sedan, Jackson, Mich.
2. Cyril Ristoff, 63 conv. Pittsburgh, Pa.
3. Al Friend, 64 coupe (red) Murrysville, Pa.

EARLY MODEL MODIFIED

1. Ron Van Voorhis, 62 Spyder conv. Reading, Mich.
2. John Greenwald, 64 conv. Pittsburgh, Pa.
3. Rich Elyler, 63 conv. Hollidaysburg, Pa.

LATE MODEL STOCK

1. Isadore Krouse, 65 conv. New Bethlehem, Pa.
2. Bob Miller, 66 coupe, Penn Hills, Pa.
3. Jim Stokes, 68 coupe, Pittsburgh, Pa.

LATE MODEL MODIFIED

1. Don Schneider, 65 Corsa conv. Dundee, Chic
2. Sandy Burrows, 68 coupe, Pittsburgh, Pa.
3. Joel Gemberling, 65 coupe, Hamburg, New York

VANS AND TRUCKS

1. Wait Matenkosky, 62 Van, Greensburg, Pa.
2. Bates Murphy, 65 Greenbrier, Murrysville, Pa.
3. Tom Watt, Vair powered 69 VW Van, Apollo, Pa.

SPECIAL

1. Ed Wieland Jr. 400 horse-power 62 Corvair, North Huntingdon, Pa.

THE FOLLOWING CARS WERE FOR DISPLAY ONLY

Jim Artzberger's Vair powered Avenger
Keith Lageman's 66 Yenke Stinger
John Getz's mid-engined Vair
Bernie Weier's 60 coupe
Carole Friend's 64 coupe
Ivan Clever's 65 Corsa coupe
John Loyd's 69 coupe

BEST OF SHOW

Don Schneider, Dundee, O.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Don Schneider, Dundee, C.

LIFE OF THE PARTY

Those wild and wonderful
Shriners and their ladies.
From northwest Ohio.

Congratulations to all of you who worked so hard to make the Concours a truly fantasti: happening. What an experience! I cannot help but feel that the club came of age on June 13. The show was a big, big event in Pittsburgh, it was promoted nationally, and was very well accepted & attended by the public. Many participants have called or sent letters of thanks and congratulations to you, the members

of WPCG, and to Al and Peg Thomas of the G.M. Training Center.

The best measure of success, however, is the list of new members that appears later in this newsletter. Our membership increased by 40% in one afternoon! Please go out of your way at the meeting to meet these new members, and wear those nametags if you still have them. Welcome aboard, all of you, and please feel free to express your ideas and views at the meetings and events.

A big note of thanks to our sister Corsa Chapters who supported our first Concours. Where would we have been without the folks from "Friends of Corvair" and "Tri-State Corvairs"? THINK ABOUT IT! But above all, remember this fact when these fine clubs hold future events; we owe them a lot of support!

It is impossible to mention or even remember everyone who worked so hard before and during the show, but here are a few who exerted extreme personal effort and time: Committee members, Den Hamill, Dave Fabyonic, and Bates Murphy. Head judge, Mark Corbin and the other judges. Jim Stokes and Wayne Jones on car registrations. Keith, Norma, Shirley, and Kathy Murphy on admissions and other things. Judy Jones and Paul Schoeneman's girl friend on new member recruitment. John Sebbens- what a sign painter! Hazel Moore - People's Choice, Chris and Curt- movies and displays. The Sullivan's on keeping track of all that money. Bob Smith, Judy Mihalek, Ben Rawson on the tour. John Lloyd's priceless help in promotions. John Greenwald, and Dave Fabyonic worked particularly hard on the initial set-up. The list is endless: The Clevers, Artzbergers, Stitelers, Ristoffs, Ron McNeish, Bob Miller, Hermy, John Cossy, Tom watt, Sandy Burrows, and of course our host and his charming wife, Al and Peg Thomas.