

Corvair Chatter



Classic Corvairs of River City

Harry Spence, Editor

Newsletter - July, 2014

Editors Comments

By Harry Spence

I probably don't need to but I'm going to do it anyway and call your attention to the announcement in the adjacent column that the July 2014 version of the CCRC Roster is now available. **PLEASE** look at your entry and be sure it is correct. I use a program with a template for label printing to create this and whenever someone is added or dropped I have to shift everyone's entry on that page to fit the new entry in. This some times results in one or two dropped digits from a zip code or other pieces disappearing like the four digits of Chris Medeiros' address so please check your entry for accuracy and let me know if there are problems.

The report on our disappointing participation in the Fourth-of-July Parade is on page three. The cars were all very nice but there were only three of them. We apparently assumed that the usual eight or ten cars would magically appear but this year they didn't.

You will find two flyers for future events in this month's issue. The first is the tour to Jamestown and the Rail Museum. Please note that the event is this coming weekend on Saturday the 26th so hurry and clear your calendar on that date and prepare to be there. The second flyer announces the sixth annual California Auto Museum Car Cruise on August ninth. Instead of rewriting and/or paraphrasing all of the details their flyer, I just copied both sides and sent you the whole thing, entry blank included.

I'D LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO POINT OUT THAT THIS MONTH HAS FIVE WEDNESDAYS AND OUR MEETING IS ON THE FOURTH ONE – NEXT WEEK ON JULY 23RD

The mid-year update of the CCRC Roster is in this issue.

I have assembled the July 2014 version of the club roster and you will find it among the flyers announcing coming events inside. It shows that we have 51 members Over the past few years that I have been keeping score, the membership has fluctuated between 50 and 55 or 56 members. This year several of our long time members have failed to renew ("long time" being defined as those who were members when I joined in 2008). Those are :

Darrell Carter from Stockton

David and Laurelle Gatlin from Fair Oaks

Ben Mozzeti from Bethel Island

Heath and Laura Russell from Elk Grove

Newer members who have not renewed are:

Matt and Jennifer Crisman from Plumas Lake

Dick and Pat Hansen from Roseville

Duane and Maria McLaughlin from Folsom

I worry about both Darrell and Ben as I have been unable to contact either of them. If any of you know where they are or what happened to them I would appreciate being informed.

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June President's Column

By Larry Forman

Now that it is summer we are in the swing of classic cars. By the time you read this we will have attended the CA State Fair classic car showing and it looks like we will have at least ten cars in attendance. The week after that is the CORSA National Convention in Tacoma, WA.

From the show of hands at the last meeting there should be a good number of CCRC members making the trip up there. I will be at the regular club meeting this month for everyone that is still around Sacramento since Rosie and I will not be heading up there.

At the last meeting Bonnie and Howard Joseph mentioned they were planning to fly to Michigan to purchase an Ultravan and then drive it back to Sutter Creek. They did just that and had an uneventful trip relative to any vehicle issues. I talked to Bonnie each day and reported on the Ultravan email discussion site their daily progress. Bonnie and Howard had not seen this coach prior to arriving in Michigan, but Rosie and I recommended it to them. In fact, Rosie seems to be the Ultravan match maker for our group.

As I write this column, Rosie and I went to Sutter Creek after Bonnie and Howard returned home in their Ultravan. We had seen their Ultravan when we were in Mountain View, AR, at last September's National Ultravan Rally. It was then owned by Clyde and Kaye Stanton and we had no idea they would be putting it up for sale. After we looked at it in Sutter Creek, we can attest that they purchased a wonderful Ultravan. It is in great shape and one Ultravan guy said it was one of the top three Ultravans in the world today, in his opinion. No argument from me.

We had a discussion at the last meeting about the Christmas party for this year. A few people suggested some possible venues and Carl will report that he found a great place to hold our Christmas party, but I will let him tell everyone at the club meeting this month. I do not want to spoil the surprise.

I will look forward to seeing everyone at the next Denny's meeting that are not headed to Tacoma this month. —
Larry

Late Breaking News

Sacramento, July 17, 2014

President Larry Forman, reporting from the State Fair Grounds says that a total of 13 Corvairs have arrived and are positioned in the State Fair Car Show. 11 of the Corvairs are from CCRC with two visitors joining in. The cars from CCRC are:

Paul Bender with his Blue '65 sedan.

Carl Funk and Edie with Carl's white '63 conv.

Bill and Kris Moore with Kris' Red '63 conv.

Ted and Mary Lechner with their brown '63 coupe.

Rich and Linda Eastburn with their red '66 Corsa conv.

Howard and Bonnie Joseph with their yellow '64 Spyder coupe.

Chris Medeiros with his white '68 coupe.

Mike Barnes with his '64 Monza conv.

Wes Nicholas with his blue '65 Corsa coupe.

Leo and Jan Scopesi with their cream and gold Rampside.

Ben Cosyn with his '63 Monza coupe.

Our visitors were :

Tony Bucher who brought his blue and white '66 coupe from Lodi.

Bodie Migliore who brought his white '63 conv from the Bay Area.

It's clear that with this excellent club turnout along with two guests who weren't even in our target audience in contrast to the three car turnout that we had for the Fourth-of-July Parade that have to examine our what we are doing (and not doing). We clearly did something right for this event and didn't do the same for the Parade. Discussion of this issue should be an agenda item for next week's meeting.

June Meeting Minutes

Date June 25, 2014 at Denny's Restaurant,
Auburn Blvd. at Watt Ave, Sacramento, CA

Meeting called to order by President at 7:00pm

Officers present, Larry Forman, Carl Funk, Finn Halbo, Christy Barden and Bill Moore.

Minutes of previous meeting noted, no corrections, changes or additions: approved & 2nd..

Treasurer's report read by Treasurer, no corrections or changes, 1 new member added, approved and 2ndd.

Old Business: President commented that a Board Meeting should be convened in the Fall to discuss the Spring Fling Event in detail with the goal of determining what parts of the event, worked, what made money and how to improve for future event.

Activities: Christy Barden reported on the successful Barn Party. Carl Funk reported on the Club Tour to Rancho Seco. Larry Forman outlined the plans for having Club Corvairs at the CA State Fair on July 17, where and when to meet, what to bring and importance of committing to be there as planned.

New Business: Ted discussed the July 4th Parade in Carmichael, but had not had a lot of response to date. He outlined the usual meeting location and breakfast available at the Elks Lodge. Carl Funk has the Christmas Party on his agenda and will report back on this item. Finn Halbo reported on the upcoming National Convention in Tacoma. Howard and Bonnie Joseph were about to depart to the Midwest to pickup and drive their newly acquired UltraVan.

President Larry Forman indicated that there will be the normal meeting in July but many members would be at the National Convention so it might be a short meeting with fewer attendees.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

CCRC Fourth of July parade showing is underwhelming

It wasn't the cars, they were great. It was the number – only three! Participating in the 56th Annual Carmichael Elks Fourth-of-July parade were Leo Scopesi who brought his cream and gold Rampside, Rich Eastburn brought his light blue '60 four door and Ted Lechner brought his metallic brown '64 coupe – all really nice cars, just not enough support from the rest of the club. Roy Hall who has been organizing the Corvair in this event for many years and has led the club to numerous trophies managed to get CCRC a very low number 26 in the marching order of well over 100 entries. This meant that our entry finished the parade early enough to be inside the air conditioned Elks club by noon. Our media analyst, Mary Lechner sacrificed the opportunity to watch the parade in person so she could stay at home and watch the parade on Channel 17 Metro and report that the cars were immediately recognized by the "play-by-play" announcer who liked them and commented positively on their condition: the camera man, on the other hand apparently didn't recognize that Leo's Rampside was a Corvair and shot only Rich's and Ted's cars. It's clear to me that we (me) didn't get on the ball early enough and publicize the event and our participation. In recent years our average participation has been in the order of seven to ten cars and it seem that we, the leadership presumed that you would again appear magically with out us reminding you. We need to remember this next year.

Cars and Parts

'61 LAKEWOOD WAGON as seen at our 2011 Mini-Convention. Runs great; all original. Won second place at CCRC meet. \$4500. Also a '64 sedan. Very clean, runs great. New seat covers. Reworked in 2012. \$3500. Call

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Next Meeting...
Fourth Wednesday
February 26th
at 7:00 P.M.

Denny's at
Auburn and Watt
Come at 6 PM
for dinner.

Meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of each month.

CCRC Membership

Name Wesley Spouse _____
Street _____
City, State _____ Phone (____) _____
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