



Corvair Chatter

Quick Facts

NEXT MEETING

October 23, 2019, 6pm – 8pm

Denny's Restaurant
8841 Greenback Lane
Orangevale, CA 95662
916-987-6119
(Corner of Greenback & Hazel)

Features

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Firing Order

President	John Heiser
Vice President	Carl Funk
Activities	Position Open
Secretary	Tabitha Heiser
Membership	Position Open
Treasurer	Wes Nicholas
Editor	Position Open
Historian	Christy Barden

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Message From the President:

Greetings everyone! Just an update on club activities and events. Ironstone Concours d'Elegance was a success! Nine members attended. 4 Corvairs entered! Ted Lechner's 1964 Monza Coupe, Rich and Linda Eastburn's 1966 Corsa Convertible, Wes Nicholas's 1966 Corsa Coupe and my 1965 Corsa Coupe. We met in Jackson, caravanned to the event, parked, and enjoyed the cool weather. Congratulations Wes for receiving an Award of Merit!

The 2nd annual Air Cooled engine vehicle tour was well attended. Which was held on September 29, 2019. A very nice event that ended up at the Coloma Club for Lunch. A little mini Corvair meet up at the Hess's with Chocolate cake was just perfect for an ending to the tour! Thank you Mike and Ginger Hess for hosting the Corvair club members at your place!

The Club voted unanimously to make an offer on the Corvairs, Corvair parts to Mrs. Hubbert. If accepted, a work party is planned for the week in October/November 2019 to start the process.

Note, November Club meeting will be on the 20th due to Thanksgiving on November 28th.

Carl, a big thank you for planning, organizing and getting the flyer out for the Christmas Party! Please register and pay for the Christmas Party no later than November 20th.

The Club also sold three engines recently, two to Mike's Corvair Parts and one to David Gray.

Please provide an update on your current email address if you would like to receive emails such as event information and newsletter.

The club is here to support! In order to get more cars on the road, the club leadership is offering assistance to members that have Corvairs that need help to get them running. This help will be in the form of technical expertise, mechanic labor and financial assistance.

Items up for discussion at the next club meeting:

Club Position Openings: Newsletter Editor, Membership, Activities. Corvair tech sessions.

Events: Autorama and Spring Fling

Membership: Yearly Dues
Newsletter advertisement fees



Latest CCRC News

Ongoing Events:

Bel Air Second Saturday Cars and Coffee. 4320 Arden Way near the corner of Eastern. Time: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Coffee, donuts, pastries, fruit to be provided. No entrance fees.

Folsom Cars and Coffee at the Palladio, every Saturday morning 7 to 9.

Car Shows:

October 12, 2019: Sacramento Smaller Vintage Auto Show. 3.0 Liter Engines or less, manufactured before 1973. Presented by the California Capital Mets at the California Auto Museum. Park between 9am - 10am. \$25 Pre registration fee includes 2 pancake breakfast served between 8 am and 10am. 2 tickets to tour the Auto Museum. Contact Larry Forman or Rosie Walker at (916) 421-2130, calcapmets@gmail.com

October 19, 2019 – NorCal Cruisers and Budget Buckets, Howl-O-Ween, Rusch Park, Citrus Heights. Registration 8am to 10:30am; no early birds. Wally Schnierle 916-947-0689 or sharkey1948@yahoo.com

Great Western Fan Belt Toss: October 25-27, 2019

SAVE THE DATE! Yes, it's early, but save the date, Sunday, December 8th, for CCRC's Xmas Party! The Flyer has been mailed out. Please pay by November 20th, if attending this Party!

2020 CORSA – National Convention: San Diego. July 6th weekend.

Message from Vice President:

We are on the home stretch of our car activities, and have we been busy. We have been to Autorama, Ironstone, Auto Museum, Auburn car shows, State fair, Fulton Auto cruise, Saturday morning cars and coffee in Folsom. We have been represented at the Air Cooled car cruise. That was a great time, covering all the back roads of our great state. After that cruise, Mike Hess hosted some of our members at his estate in Cool to see his award winning classic wooden boat.

I am looking forward to our next meeting to hear about Bonnie and Howard's trip to the Ultra Van National convention and their trip along the way. I am looking forward to hearing about Bill McDonalds cross country trips to all the National Parks. I hope that any of our members who have been on any exciting trips, that they will share their experiences. In this newsletter, the Christmas Party flyer is included. I hope you will get your check to the treasurer as soon as possible for the Christmas Party. The flyer said entertainment. Please check it out at, Sisterswing.com. I have taken on the responsibility of putting on the Christmas parties in the last few years, two at the Elks Lodge, three at the Spaghetti Factory, one at the Claim Jumper, and last year at Sun City Roseville.

At all these parties, we have had everything from disc jockeys for dancing, Santa coming for pictures three times. Large screen movies of our past Events. Personal pictures to all that came. I think this party will be the best ever. John, our president, at the last few meetings, has been asking for members to step to fill the open positions on the board. If you enjoy having a good active club, people need to step up and take part. Our president will probably bring up the opportunity to help our club financially with buying the car parts inventory of our past member, Gary Hubbert. These parts can help get a lot of Corvairs to get back on the road, and be a big help to Mrs. Hubberts. Our President will probably ask for a work party, please step forward. Sorry to hear about the passing of one of my favorite members, Bill Moore. He and Kris were a great support to every activity we had.

Meeting Minutes

By Tabitha Heiser

The meeting was called to order at 6:53 pm, by club president, John Heiser.

13 members were in attendance.

Discussion regarding the Estate of Gary Hubbert and reaching out to Ms. Hubbert regarding Corvair parts, cars, motorcycles and tools. The Club voted and approved an initial offer for the Cars and Parts. If accepted, a work party is planned during the week of October X 2019.

Discussions on the upcoming Christmas Party, see flyer in this newsletter.

Discussions for Vendors who would like to advertise in the Newsletter. The club is considering \$5.00 per month.

Spring fling recap and discussion including the pre-planning meeting to be held on July 26, 2019 at the State Fair during the CCRC club showing.

Other topics included the California Automobile Museum schedule and request for five Corvairs to be on display during the month of September. The **Entry date is: Sunday September 1st - 9am.** The existing cars will be vacating the space between 8 - 8:30 - we will then need to sweep the floor and clean up any oil drips and should be ready for your club members by 9 am. Your Exit date will be Sunday, October 6th - 8 - 8:30 am.

Other items up for discussion included the Museums Cruise Fest and the Ironstone Concours d'Elegance. The Club will reimburse \$40.00 for the Saturday registration fee at the Ironstone event, so please consider attending this very nice event!

The treasures report was presented, including another mention regarding club assistance to get members Corvairs running and the Clubs recent acquisition of a 1962-63 145 cubic inch turbo charge engine that is up for sale. David Gray has already inspected the heads, no dropped seats indicated the head part numbers are correct and minimal wear on the cylinders. David Gray purchased the engine.

Discussion of the club attend a Drive In Movie soon with their Corvairs. The West Wind Cinema located off Highway 50 in Sacramento, 9616 Oats Drive. General Admission is \$8.00, Kids admission 5-11 years is \$1.75, 4 and under are free. Tuesday is family fun night. \$5.50 per person and \$1.75 per child ages 5-11 years with 4 and under free.

Cal Expo State Fair Corvair showing, pre-planning of next years Spring Fling. The club is in search of volunteers to help with this event. My conversations with the Corvair Community is when is the next Corvair event! It appears these folks would like to see more Corvair events! The only Corvair event is the Spring Fling. Without club volunteers, there may not be a spring fling next year. So, please consider volunteering to help out!

Meting Adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Birthdays

September 8 Gary Gloor

September 9 Adam Bonuff

September 21 Howard Pilon

September 27 Dan Kramer



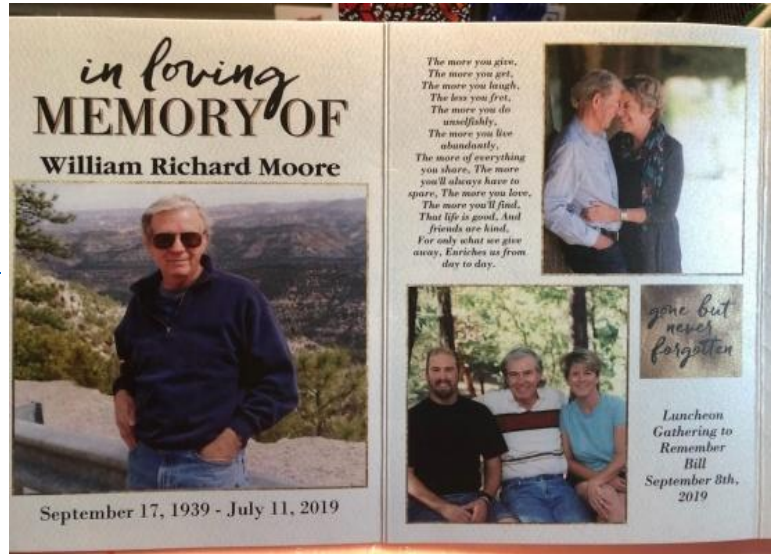
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www.corvairster.com

Parts - www.corvair.com (Clark's)
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www.corvairsterunderground.com
www.mikescorvairster.com
www.rockauto.com

Sale - www.jaxed.com
www.corvairstertrader.com (Parts & Sales)

Fun - www.youtube.com/user/davemotohead1
www.deansgarage.com



CCRC Club Member Assistance:

CLASSIC CORVAIRS of RIVER CITY CLUB MEMBERS

In the last year, our club has lost at least six members with cars that participated in club outings. It is getting more difficult to get a respectable number of cars at club-sanctioned events. Car shows, concours, the Autorama and State Fair participation require strong showings. We may not be invited back to the State Fair this year due to our poor showing last year.

In order to get more cars on the road, the club leadership is offering assistance to members that have Corvairs that need help to get them running. This help will be in the form of technical expertise, mechanic labor and financial assistance.

If you have a Corvair that is in need of work, contact John Heiser and give him the details on what you require in the way of help. A committee will review the requests and select those we think are the best candidates. Remember the goal is to get more Corvairs at our club events. Those chosen will be expected to participate and help the club increase the number of cars that we put on display.

Your Comments

CORVAIR CHATTER Newsletter - Let us know if there is something that you'd like to see in our monthly newsletter. Email your thoughts to John, Johnh1@thegrid.net

Club Activities - You may have some great ideas for club activities. We want to hear them! Better yet, we'd like you to participate in the planning of your activity idea. Email your ideas to Carl Funk at: edieboopboop@yahoo.com

Club participation at the 2019 Ironstone Concours d'Elegance. Cars are left to right, Ted Lechner, Wes Nicholas, Rich and Linda Eastburn and John Heiser



Clubs participation at the 2nd Air Cooled Vehicle Tour. Participants, Carl Funk, Jon & Evan Larsen and John & Tabitha Heiser.

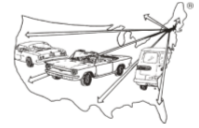


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Bob Hooker would like to trade his '64 daily-driver Spyder for a Greenbrier. Please contact Bob for details at roberth89@surewest.net, 916-772-6097.

Call John at 916-631-9407. '66 COVAIR MONZA--NICE PAINT, CLEAN INTERIOR NO RIPS, RUNS AND DRIVES REAL GOOD--- \$8,400. See the email blast of 3/6/19 for photos.

Jim Messick in Stockton has a '64 Spyder convertible for sale. Similar in appearance to Bonnie Howard's car. May need engine parts, has a ding near left tail light, and upholstery needs replacement. Asking \$1500. Contact Jim at 209-969-2069.

1961 Corvair Monza in South Sacramento. Please contact Gevaugh Cole at (916) 256-6240. She needs to sell and move this car fast!



1968 Monza. 95-HP, automatic transmission, AM radio, shoulder-belt seatbelts, F41 front and rear special performance suspension. Chris Medeiros, cmedeiros@mac.com, 916-992-3198.

1961 Rampside with rebuilt rear suspension and related parts for sale. Contact Anthony Martinez, 209-507-2544.



Wanted: In search of a 1966 Corsa Convertible turbo, 4 speed car, either a #2 or a 3 if its original, straight, complete and running. Chester Keeton: (832) 281-8009

Corvaire History – “Poor Man’s Porsche” Part 2.

If the Corvaire in the early '60s could be semi-plausibly seen as a budget alternative to the Porsche 356, it was perhaps only because the 356, dating in its most basic form to the late 1940s, had been around long enough to seem a little quaint in spite of its performance credentials. Just as there was a radically improved Corvaire for 1965, however, there was a new breed of Porsche hitting the streets that year: the now-legendary 911.



Porsche worried that the jump in price from the four cylinder 356 to the new flat six 911—an increase of nearly 42% from the 356SC coupe to the 911—would be too great, and as an interim measure until its consumer base could adjust to the new regime, or a suitable entry-level model could be developed, the 356's 1600cc flat four was transplanted into the new body to create the 912.

Between 1965 and 1969, when it was replaced by the 914, Porsche built more than 32,000 of the 102HP 912s in coupe and Targa form. While skyrocketing prices for early 911s have recently pushed 912 values up significantly, for years the 912 was itself a kind of poor man's Porsche.

So does the Corvaire truly belong in Porsche's shadow? Is the 912 a poor cousin to the 911? Or can we finally declare that each of these cars is worthy to stand on its own?

Short answer: neither of these cars deserves to remain in the shadows.

~ Stay tuned for Part 3.....



1963 Monza SS Concept Car: GM Heritage Center documents.

The 1963 Chevrolet Corvair Monza SS concept car made its public debut at the 1963 New York Auto Show. [Larry Shinoda](#) and [Tony Lapine](#), working under [Bill Mitchell's](#) directions at the GM Design Studio, designed the SS roadster.

The SS was based on a shortened Corvair platform with a fiberglass body. The engine, left in its stock location, behind the transaxle was a six cylinder, air cooled Corvair engine that featured a unique intake manifold fitted with six carburetors (GM castings with Weber carburetor parts), and a modified exhaust system that exited through special side outlets. With a wheelbase of just 88-inches, the rear mounted engine helped give this short wheelbase roadster a comfortable cockpit, featuring fixed seats with adjustable pedals and the added benefit of a small luggage compartment.

The "U"-shaped windshield was five inches high and swept around the entire passenger compartment to the rear of the doors. Headlights were concealed and the rear fin behind the driver included a built-in roll bar. The SS was equipped with four-wheel disc brakes, magnesium wheels and was only 30-inches tall.