



# Corvair Chatter

## Quick Facts

### **NEXT MEETING**

November 20, 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

## Finding Us

Website:  
[www.northern-california-covairs.com](http://www.northern-california-covairs.com)  
Facebook: [Classic Corvairs of River City](#)

## Message From the President:

Greetings everyone! Thanksgiving is right around the corner as well as the Clubs Christmas party! I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving and would love to see everyone attend the upcoming Christmas party!

Just an update on club activities and events. I want to reach out to Wes, Leo and other club members that have been assisting fellow club members with getting their Corvairs back on the road. A major Thank you!

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 December 2019 to start the process.

Folks have been contacting me regarding Corvairs for sale and Corvair Parts. Something the club may want to consider on acquisition, storage and selling these cars and parts on a larger scale since finding suitable locations for these items is becoming a bit scarce.

I am looking forward to hearing from Christy on attending the recent Great Western Fan Belt Toss!

**Note, November Club meeting will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> due to Thanksgiving on November 28<sup>th</sup>.**

**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 20<sup>th</sup>.**

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 Elections: Newsletter Editor, Membership, Activities.  
Corvair tech sessions.

**Events: Autorama and Spring Fling, Tours**

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:**

***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 20<sup>th</sup>, if attending this Party!***

2020 CORSA – National Convention: San Diego, July 6<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. Please check out [www.sandiego.com](http://www.sandiego.com) for registration information and location. The San Francisco club would like to caravan down to the National Convention.

## **Message from Vice President:**

Just a few reminders for this month. Our weekly club meeting this month will be the 3rd Wednesday, Nov 20, not the 4th Wednesday because of Thanksgiving..

If you have forgotten your reservations for the Christmas party, please do it now. \$20 per person for a delicious catered buffet dinner.

Send your check to our treasurer, Wes Nicholas 132 Southcreek Circle, Folsom, Ca 95630...Check made out to CCRC

I joined John and Wes last Saturday for Cars and Coffee in Folsom. That is like no other car show in the area. High end cars that don't show up at other car shows. It's one of the largest car shows I've seen. The air cooled car cruise is really getting popular now. It is for any car that is air cooled. This next spring, there is a planned trip around Lake Tahoe. We should plan to support that trip with our Corvairs.

At our next meeting, I hope Christy Barden will give us a report on the Fan belt convention in Palm Springs. Christy has been doing a great job on representing our club for years. There have been some years in the past that we have had as many as eight members there. Speaking of trips, we would like to hear from Rich Eastburn on his two weeks in Hawaii. Also hear from George Augustine on his trip to Las Vegas to buy his lady a new car.

P.S. Along with your check for the Christmas party, please send a check for your club dues. \$20 a year for the hard copy of the newsletter \$10 a year for the online copy.

P.S.S. With the quality of our entertainment, you are welcome to invite family and friends to our Christmas party.

P.S.S.S. Don't forget the optional gift exchange.

# **Meeting Minutes**

By John Heiser

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, by club president, John Heiser.

17 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 including additional funds for the Cars and Parts. If accepted, a work party is planned during the week of November 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 requesting \$5.00 per month or \$60.00 per year.

Spring fling discussion and approved. Date: April 25, 2020. Location: Fry's Electronics in Roseville. Spring Fling Committee to meet in November to start planning. Thank you for volunteering!

Other topics included the California Automobile Museum Corvairs on display during the month of September. Positive response from the museum staff and visitors. Lets plan on having more Corvairs on Display next year. Perhaps during November-December.

The treasures report was presented, including another mention regarding club assistance to get members Corvairs running. Club assistance has been approved to help Laurie Daniels with her Corvair with battery and flushing out the fuel tank.

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 8:05 p.m.

## Birthdays

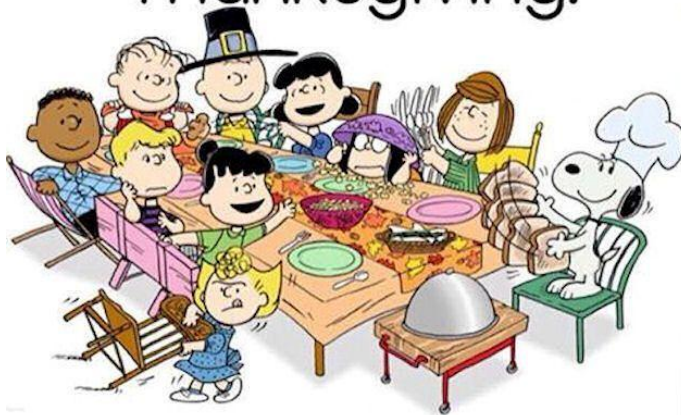
**November 7: Karen Kramer**

### **Corvair Resources (Online)**

- Q&A - [www.corvaircenter.com](http://www.corvaircenter.com)  
[www.corvairforum.com](http://www.corvairforum.com)
- Parts - [www.corvair.com](http://www.corvair.com) (Clark's)  
[www.californiacorvairparts.com](http://www.californiacorvairparts.com)  
[www.corvairunderground.com](http://www.corvairunderground.com)  
[www.mikescorvairparts.com](http://www.mikescorvairparts.com)  
[www.rockauto.com](http://www.rockauto.com)
- Sale - [www.jaxed.com](http://www.jaxed.com)  
[www.corvairtrader.com](http://www.corvairtrader.com) (Parts & Sales)
- Fun - [www.youtube.com/user/davemotohead1](https://www.youtube.com/user/davemotohead1)  
[www.deansgarage.com](http://www.deansgarage.com)



# Happy Thanksgiving!



## **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](mailto: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](mailto:edieboopboop@yahoo.com)



Wes, Carl and John  
Folsom Cars and Coffee,  
October 2019

Spotted at Folsom Cars  
and Coffee



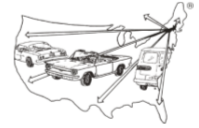
Bel Air Cars and Coffee  
January 2019

# Classified Section



## Clark's Corvair Parts®

Our catalog lists over 15,000 parts for your Corvair. We carry engine parts, body panels, upholstery and much more! There are 1,000's of reproduced items available, pages of technical information and lots of other helpful hints.



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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](mailto: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.

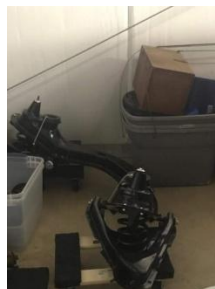
Jim Messick in Stockton has a '64 Spyder convertible for sale. Similar in appearance to Bonnie Howard's car. May need engine parts, has a ding near left tail light, and upholstery needs replacement. Asking \$1500. Contact Jim at 209-969-2069.

George Morales is selling his 1960's Corvair



1968 Monza. 95-HP, automatic transmission, AM radio, shoulder-belt seatbelts, F41 front and rear special performance suspension. Chris Medeiros, [cmedeiros@mac.com](mailto: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

## Corvair History – “Poor Man’s Porsche” Part 4.

The Corvair’s added size means more interior space, especially for rear seat passengers—the Porsche’s rear jump seats are a cruel joke for anyone over the age of five—but it’s telling that the prototype for the Corvair’s bucket seats was made by cutting a bench seat in half; there’s no lateral support, and the cushions are broad, flat, and marshmallow-squishy. Seat belts are a must in even low speed cornering maneuvers. The Porsche, true to its mission, has a much sportier driving position and far more supportive seats, at least for the front passengers. Those rear jump seats do fold down to create a generous parcel shelf—but, surprisingly, so does the Corvair’s rear bench. So, it wins on space and practicality, if not comfort.

### How Much?

**Corvair Corsa: \$2,519 Original price in 1966 dollars**

**Corvair Corsa: \$19,090 Original price adjusted to 2016 dollars**

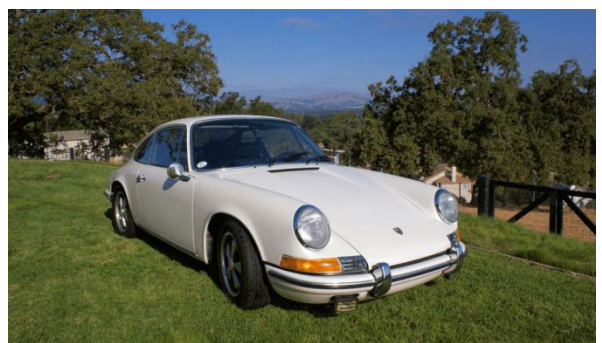
**Porsche 912: \$5,095 Original price in 1969 dollars**

**Porsche 912: \$34,170 Original price adjusted to 2016 dollars**

Styling is, of course, purely subjective. Fortunately, the Corvair and 912 are distinct enough that each can be appreciated on its own merits, without drawing direct comparison. The 912 is a member of a family that has demonstrated remarkably long stylistic legs; its influence is clearly visible in the 911 you can buy from your Porsche dealer today. The integral body-color bumpers were a particularly unique feature in 1965 that helps the car look fresh to modern eyes. If the Corvair is more clearly of its time, it represents perhaps the cleanest, most elegant design, especially in coupe form, to emerge from Bill Mitchell’s GM Design studio, an era already known for crisp, elegant shapes. The Porsche presents as a pure sports car, while the Corvair Corsa looks more like a sophisticated grand tourer.

In character, they are perhaps a bit closer, hewing more to the touring side. Both are extremely satisfying cars to use in real-world conditions; how much driving do you actually do at 10/10ths?

Poor man or no, the Corvair can clearly hold its own in this company. As for the 912, well, this is very fine company, indeed; who cares about the 911? Leave that one to the deep-pocketed purists and enjoy the balance and sweetness that makes the 912 special in its own right.



*~ Special thanks to Roger Emmett for sharing his amazing 1969 Porsche 912 and Jamie Torres for sharing his stunning 1966 Chevrolet Corsa.*

“Vairy” nice article on Wes’s Corvair in the November 2019 Cruisin’ News. Congratulations Wes! Can’t wait for the next one!



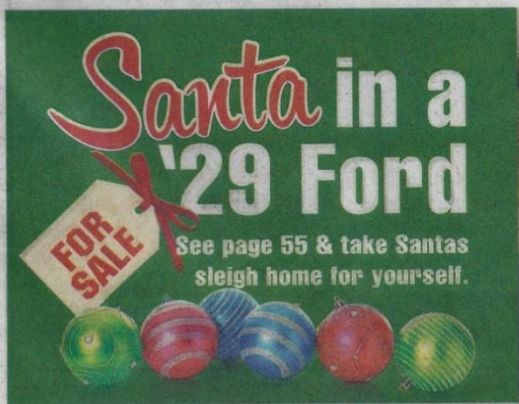
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*Air Cooled Cruiser*

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**Santa in a '29 Ford**

**FOR SALE**

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