



# THE CONNECTING ROD

APRIL 2017 Newsletter

## CORVAIR ATLANTA, Inc.

### President's Corner

**By: Dan Terry**

Time flies. We are now approaching Springfest. If you haven't already registered, It's time to do it. And please volunteer to help wherever you can.

We had twelve members at the meeting at The GA racing Hall of Fame. Three Corvairs were present Two of them on display, Jerry Lamb's '67 Monza and my Corsa. It would have nice to have had more. The museum was interesting and the Moonshine was good too (106 proof). The only problem was that there was a Scout Pinewood Derby going on inside, making it difficult to see all the exhibits. Thanks to the Rudolph's, Wanda Cook and Robert Birkinbine for bringing the snacks.

During the meeting Robert mentioned that he and Mikey had attended the Caffeine and Octane show. There are usually over 2000 cars there. The show is on the first Sunday of each month at Northpointe Mall in Alpharetta. There was some discussion about trying to get enough Corvairs together to have a club display. That would give our cars some good exposure. Stay tuned.

As usual, get out and drive your cars. Let the uninformed public see what great cars they are.

Attendees:

Dan Terry	Jack Allison
Al and Paula Hilderbrand	Wayne Whitmire
Mikey Birkinbine	Bill and Jeanette Rudolph
Robert Birkinbine	Wanda Cook
Jerry Lamb	Kelly Parker

The March 2017 meeting was held at the Georgia Racing Hall of Fame Museum in Dawsonville, GA. Dan Terry and Jerry Lamb had their cars displayed on the checkerboard circle outside the museum. Several folks went to lunch, several toured the museum and Jack Allison stopped by to sample the Moonshine.

The meeting was called to order at 12:30pm by President, Dan Terry. Dan opened the meeting by thanking Bill and Jeannette Rudolph and Wanda Cook for the snacks and Robert and Mikey Birkinbine for providing the drinks.

**Old Business**

- Al Hilderbrand gave Treasurer's Report.
- Springfest was the main topic of discussion.
  - Everyone was reminded to bring:
    - CAI Men: One 12 or 24 pack of "name brand" Diet Pop
    - CAI Men: One large bag of "Ruffles" potato chips
    - CAI Ladies: 2 desserts in disposable containers
  - Everyone please bring door prizes; even 5 or 10 dollars in an envelope would be appreciated! So clean out those cabinets and bring as many items as you can!
  - If you have not already signed up for one of the committees, please do not hesitate to volunteer once you arrive in Helen. Everyone will need to take a break from their assigned tasks.
  - Al mentioned that Keith and Sharon Burkingstock along with helpers Paula and Al went up to Helen and layed out this years Rally. He also said the Rally would be free again this year.

***WE LOOK FORWARD TO ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SPRINGFEST!!***

- Bill, Jeanette and Wanda attended the "Corvair Lover's" show in Pensacola and had a great time. I believe Bill said there were 9 rampsides in attendance. Glad everyone had fun!









JANET AND WANDA SUBMITTED THE RECIPIES FOR THE DIP THAT WAS SERVED AT THE MEETING.

#### EASY VEGETABLE DIP

##### INGREDIENTS:

1 PACKAGE KORR VEGETABLE MIX  
½ CUP REAL MAYONNAISE  
1 CONTAINER (16OZ ) SOUR CREAM  
¼ CUP FINELY CHOPPED PECANS

DIRECTIONS : MIX ALL INGREDIENTS IN A BOWL .  
MIX WELL AND LET CHILL 2 HOURS BEFORE SERVING.  
SERVE WITH YOUR FAVORITE DIPPERS

#### MILLION DOLLAR DIP

##### INGREDIENTS :

5 GREEN ONIONS CHOPPED  
8 OZ CHEDDAR CHEESE SHREDDED  
1 ½ CUPS MAYONNAISE  
¼ CUP REAL BACON BITS  
¼ CUP FINELY CHOPPED PECANS OR ALMONDS

DIRECTIONS : MIX ONIONS , CHEESE ,MAYONNAISE, BACON BITS AND NUTS TOGETHER. CHILL FOR 2 HOURS SERVE WITH CRACKERS



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- ◇ Hospitality dinner Friday, Breakfast at Hotel Saturday morning then Drive your Corvair out to the track for Parade Laps around the 2.38 Mile course, Ladies shopping available, Outside vendors welcome
- ◇ Guided Tour of the Museum, Picnic Lunch, Awards Dinner Saturday evening.
- ◇ Door prizes, Raffle & 50/50 tickets
- ◇ Peoples Choice Awards:
  - ◇ Top Three in each class
  - ◇ Best in show
  - ◇ Longest distance
  - ◇ Hard Luck
  - ◇ Club Participation (Number of Corvairs in attendance)

*\*excluding Choo Choo & Vulcan*
- ◇ Host Hotel:
  - ◇ Hampton Inn-Birmingham  
310 Rex Lake Rd,  
Leeds, AL 35094  
(205) 702-4141 *mention 'Corvair' for special rate of \$92*

For details contact Vulcan Corvair @ 336-524-7611 or 256-839-1905

Email — gtochief@gmail.com



**CORVAIRS AT BARBER**  
 (4th ANNUAL Southeast Corvairs Picnic weekend)  
**Registration Form**  
 Hosted by Choo Choo Corvair and Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts  
 MAY 26-27, 2017 in Birmingham, Alabama

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**You must be registered to take part in any event.**

Registration Fees:  
 \$50 per person or \$100 per Family\* / Friday through Sunday (pre-registered) *Deadline: 15 May 2017* \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$60 per person or \$120 per Family\* / Friday through Sunday (On-site) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$30 per person or \$60 per Family\* / Saturday only (On-site registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \* Family = 2 adults and their children under 18  
 Parade Laps: \$15 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Please make checks payable to Vulcan Corvair*

**Pre-Order T-Shirt:** Mens Size \_\_\_\_\_ Womens Size \_\_\_\_\_ *(Options are being considered based on attendance)*

**People's Choice Information:** (Early means 1960 – 1964, Late means 1965 – 1969)

Vehicle description: Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check all that apply:  Early Closed  Early Open  Late Closed  Late Open  
 Forward Control  4-Door class (includes Lakewoods)  Specialty-modified  Ultravan

**Registration Includes:**

Friday evening hospitality dinner, Saturday picnic lunch and awards dinner. All drinks (water and soft drinks) included. The 3 parade laps around the Barber race track are \$15 per person (every person in the car must pay). A separate charge for the parade laps is shown so uninterested persons will not have to pay for services not wanted. Parade lap participants will also receive a picture of your car at the Barber Motor Sports Park. In the event of a rain out, (every attempt will be made to put the cars on the track) we will include a \$27 guided tour at no additional cost. **Catered banquet dinner (includes choice of 2 meats, 1 vegetable, salad, dessert and drink).** ONE (1) Door prize ticket for each guest will be in your registration packet (see event flyer for additional prizes).

**Liability Clause:** Entrants and participants by execution of this form release and hold harmless, Choo Choo Corvair Club (Members and Officers), Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts (Members and Officers) and anyone else connected with the management or presentation of this show, from any and all known damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and/or claims from any causes whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant or participant to his or her personal property (including family members or friends).

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Registered Guest

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Registered Guest

Mail this form to: Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts, C/O Howard Tutt  
 1945 Linden St.  
 Leeds, AL 35094

Administration Only Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
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Some 2017 CORVAIR SPRINGFEST Information:

The annual Corvair celebration known as Corvair Springfest will be in Helen, GA as in the past. This year's event will be sponsored by not 1 club, not 2 clubs, not even 3 clubs, but yes, four clubs. Corvair Atlanta, Heart of GA Corvair and Queen City Corvair Club will be joined by Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts of Alabama.

As in the past, it is strongly advised that you pre-register and make your hotel reservation As Soon As Possible. Realizing that "Stuff Happens", if for some reason you are not able to attend Springfest, you can request a refund if pre-registered.

Also as in the past, each person is asked to contribute to Springfest. Please bring one door prize or just putting money in an envelope will work. Ladies are asked to bring a dessert in a disposable container. Men are asked to bring a large bag of "original flavored RUFFLE potato chips" and a pack of name brand soft drinks\* (or whatever you call wherever yer from...cola, pop, soda, coke....).

\*Corvair Atlanta men should bring: diet cola

Heart of GA men should bring: non-diet cola

Queen City men should bring: bottled water

Vulcan Corvair men should bring: non-diet

cola

Thanks to all that Attend, Al H.



# SPRINGFEST 2017

## Celebrating 33 Years of Corvairs in Helen

HOSTED BY

Corvair Atlanta, Heart of Georgia Corvair Club,  
Queen City Corvair Club, and Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts at  
The Festhalle in Helen, Georgia  
April 28-29, 2017

To our Corvair friends please pre-register, save money, help us plan and have a chance  
to win \$35.00

Concours, people's choice, car display, tech session, ladies activities, rally, slow drags,  
50/50, raffle for prizes.

Valve cover races (Youth under 14 free)

Hospitality party Friday night

Friday Autocross, test and tune 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. Autocross (must register for show and pay \$15.00 entry fee) Car

Show and a banquet prepared by our famous cooks on Saturday

### **Festhalle open at 8:30 a.m. Friday & 7:30 a.m. Saturday**

Motel information (Ask for Corvair club rates): available April 27-29  
Helendorf River Inn: phone 1-706-878-2271 \$188 (\$238 for riverfront)  
for 2 nights (2 nights minimum).

Best Western: 1-706-878-2111, \$69.00 (\$89 for suites) per night  
Deluxe continental breakfast included.

Super 8: phone 1-706-878-2191, \$59 per night

Country Inn and Suites: phone 1-706-878-9000, 2 Queen Beds \$99.00

**Make reservations by March 30, 2017 to get Corvair rate**

Check [www.helengeorgialodging.com](http://www.helengeorgialodging.com) for other lodging

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This year you will be able to pre-order t-shirts. This will assure that you get your  
shirt even if you are late arriving. We will have some available on site. The men's shirt is  
antique sapphire and the ladies is hellconia. Pictures will be available on the Springfest  
website at [www.corvairspringfest.com](http://www.corvairspringfest.com).

Sizes: Men's – Small to 3XL \$15.00

Ladies – Small to 3XL \$15.00

We have planned a Rally this year, please pre-register so that we will have  
enough packets printed.

Outside spaces are limited, each space will be 2 parking spaces

For those arriving on Thursday, I have reserved a large dining room at Western Sizzler  
for Thursday night at 6:30 pm.

**Event check-in is at the Festhalle.**

**Information:** Lillian Law 1-229-883-4123 or 229-291-0567 [lawjandl@aol.com](mailto:lawjandl@aol.com)

**Autocross information:** Billy Cannon 256-404-5998 or 256-839-1905 [gtochief@gmail.com](mailto:gtochief@gmail.com)

**Tentative Schedule of Events**

**FRIDAY APRIL 28, 2017**

Registration	8:30 am - 7:00 pm	Festhalle
Auto-X Set-Up/Car Inspection Auto-X Test and Tune	8:30am - 10:00 am	City Parking Lot - Large
Vendors	10:00 am - 12:00 pm	City Parking Lot - Large
T-shirt Sales and Ticket Sales	10:00 am - 6:00 pm	Festhalle
Car Coral & Car Clean Up	10:00 am - 7:00 pm	Festhalle
Autocross	10:00 am - 6:00 pm	Helendorf Parking Lot
Concours Safety Inspection	1:00 pm - until	City Parking Lot - Small
Cash Bar	2:30 pm - 6:00 pm 6:00 pm	Helendorf Parking Lot
Hospitality Party	6:30 pm	Festhalle
Valve Cover Races	8:00 pm	Festhalle
50/50 drawing	8:00 pm 10:00	Festhalle
Hospitality - After hours	pm	Upstairs Best Western
Visit Helen Merchants	All Day	

**SATURDAY APRIL 29, 2017**

Registration	7:30 am - 12:00 pm	Festhalle
Car Clean Up	7:00 am - 9:00 am	Best Western/Helendorf parking lots
Vendors	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	Festhalle & Helendorf
Concours Safety Inspection	8:00 am - 9:00 pm	City Parking Lot - Small
Concours Participants Meeting	9:00 am - 9:15 am	City Parking Lot - Small
Judges Meeting	9:15 am - 9:30 am	City Parking Lot - Small
Concours	9:30 am - 1:30 pm	City Parking Lot - Small
People's Choice	9:30 am - 1:30 pm	City Parking Lot - Large
People's Choice Voting	9:30 am - 12:30 pm	City Parking Lot - Large
Staff & Judges only Lunch	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Festhalle
Participants Lunch	12:30 pm	Festhalle
<i>Until food is gone \$5.00</i>		
Slow Drags	1:45 pm	City Parking Lot - Large
Rally	2:00 pm	City Parking Lot - Small
Technical Session	2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Festhalle
Ladies Activity	2:30 pm	Festhalle
Entertainment & Cash Bar	6:00 pm (chips & dip)	Festhalle
Banquet and Awards	7:00 pm -10:00 pm	Festhalle
Hospitality - After hours	10:00 pm	Upstairs Best Western
Car Coral	All day	Helendorf Parking Lot
Visit Helen Merchants	All day	
Door Prizes & 50/50 Drawing	All day	Festhalle
Ticket and T-Shirt Sales	All day	Festhalle



**SPRINGFEST 2017 Registration Form**  
**Hosted by Corvair Atlanta, Heart of Georgia Corvairs,**  
**Queen City Corvair Club, and Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts**

**April 28-29, 2017 in Helen, Georgia**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Any young children in your group: \_\_\_\_\_

**You must be registered to take part in any event.**

Registration Fee: \$15 per person or \$30 per Family\* / Friday through Sunday (pre-registered) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$20 per person or \$35 per Family\* / Friday through Sunday (On-site) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$8 per person or \$16 per Family\* / Saturday only (pre-registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$10 per person or \$20 per Family\* / Saturday only (On-site registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\* Family = 2 adults and their children under 18

Vendor Fee: \$10 per table inside / \$12 per outside space \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Valve Cover Racing: \$5 per racer \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rally (no charge): We do need a head count (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_

Slow Drags (no charge): We do need a head count (yes or no) \_\_\_\_\_

Autocross: \$15 per driver with show registration \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(limit to 4 timed runs, Corvair only)

Corvair Display: \$5 per car (Displayed cars that are not in Concours or People's Choice) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Concours: \$12 per car (Show Division) (pre-registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$15 per car (Show Division) (On-site registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$8 per car (People's Choice) (pre-registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$10 per car (People's Choice) (On-site registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt: Mens Size \_\_\_\_\_ Womens Size \_\_\_\_\_ # shirts \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 per shirt \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Awards Banquet & Dinner Buffet (Saturday night) \$15 per Adult (pre-registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$20 per Adult (On-site registration) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$6 per Child under 12 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-registration deadline: Tuesday, April 7, 2017. **Please make checks payable to Springfest.**

Concours Information: (Early means 1960 – 1964, Late means 1965 – 1969)

Vehicle description: Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply:  Early Closed  Early Open  Late Closed  Late Open

Forward Control  4-Door class (includes Lakewoods)  Specialty-modified

Senior class  Ultravan

Show Division (Concours)  People's Choice

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**Check here if you wish to attend this dinner** \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Registered Guest

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Registered Guest

Mail this form to: SPRINGFEST 2017, c/o Lillian Law  
163 Laurelbrook Drive  
Leesburg, GA 31763

### March Birthdays

Maxine Allison  
Sharon Burkingstock  
Keith Burkingstock  
Michael Cobb  
Tom Constantine  
Nan Cook  
Mark Ligler  
Gary Moyses  
Beth Templeton

### March Anniversaries

Dan & Nan Cook

If it's yer Birthday or Anniversary and we missed it, we most likely don't have it on record. CAI doesn't record spouses B'day's or Annv's for Single or Student memberships.

### CAI Members and Friends, 2017 CAI Meeting Schedule

The below is a list of the proposed remaining CAI meetings schedule For 2017. Meeting are scheduled to start at 1PM.

If the host opts to serve lunch or regular scheduled Lunch meeting, Lunch will be at 12pm. Folks start to gather around 11AM for a lunch meeting. The club will pay up to \$100 to the host for lunch. Everyone should bring your own drink and chair.

Apr 28, 2017 Springfest in Helen, GA  
May 20, 2017 Monthly Meeting -Nolan & Anne Grant's, Cumming, GA  
Jun 27, 2017 CORSA Convention  
Jul 15, 2017 Monthly Meeting - TBD  
Aug 19, 2017 Monthly Meeting - TBD  
Sep 16, 2017 Annual Club Picnic -Indian Springs Park, Forsyth, GA  
Oct 21, 2017 None: due to Perry Fair and Maggie Valley  
Nov 18, 2017 Election Meeting - TBD  
Dec 10, 2017 Christmas Dinner - TBD

\*Wayne has decided not to have the AUG meeting so we will need a Volenteer for that month as well as JUL, NOV and DEC.

JACK ALLISON SUBMITTED SOME LINKS WITH SOME HELPFUL MAINTENANCE TIPS.  
Here are 3 sources for the members to go to for car stuff if you care to put it in the newsletter.

A repair method for windshield chips.

<http://www.ba-bamail.com/content.aspx?emailid=24367>

A repaint tip for scratches, etc.

<http://www.ba-bamail.com/content.aspx?emailid=24395>

A Classic Car Tour

<https://biggeekdad.com/2015/01/classic-car-tour/>

FOR THOSE WHO HAVEN'T BEEN THE CAFFENE AND OCTANE SHOW IS REALLY WORTH GOING TO MIKEY AND I HAVE BEEN TO THE LAST TWO AND THEY ARE A LOT OF FUN . THERE IS EVERTHING FROM OLD TO NEW THERE YOU MAY NOT BE INTO THE NEWER STUFF BUT IT IS NEAT TO LOOK AT THE DIFFERENT THINGS PEOPLE ARE DOING TO THEIR RIDES . THERE WAS ONE OTHER CORVAIR THERE IT WAS A 1962 4 DOOR WE GAVE THE MAN A CARD AND INFO ON THE CLUB . IT WOULD BE NICE TO TRY TO GET A GROUP TOGETHER TO GO TO THE SHOW IT WOULD BE GOOD EXPOSURE FOR THE CLUB.

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## The Drive Train

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Business Card	\$5.00	\$27.00
¼ Page	\$7.50	\$42.00
½ Page	\$12.00	\$60.00

## Advertising Policies

Classified advertisements should be sent to the Newsletter Editor by e-mail or US Mail. Please type or print legibly if sending by US Mail.

Classified advertising is always free to paid members of Corvair Atlanta, and \$5 per listing for non-members.

Corvairs and Corvair-related items will be listed for free at the discretion of Corvair Atlanta.

Classified advertisements will typically run in no more than two issues.

