

The Chronic Corvair



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West Florida Corvair Club #325

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1. MINUTES OF OUR LAST MEETING:

MINUTES

AUGUST 20, 2017

WELCOME: 10 members and 1 cat were present.

MINUTES: Minutes were read from the May 21st meeting. Minutes were accepted as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report was given and accepted.

CLUB STORES: Same stuff. T-shirts, plug wires, etc.

OLD BUSINESS:

CORSA Chapter Plaques: These are not available to the clubs at this time.

<u>Camping:</u> It was decided to do our club camp-out on October 20-22. As usual, we will camp at the Blue Angel Naval Recreation Area. If you are military, you need to make your reservations on line. We need to get a list of those attending the camping portion of outing. If you are not military, we need to find someone to sponsor you at the campground. Please let us know early if you are planning to attend. Also, if you cancel less than a month from the camp date, they will charge you a fee. We are seeking sponsors for the non-military club members. Please let us know if you can help.

<u>Club picnic</u>: The club picnic will be held on October 21 at Blue Angel Naval Recreation Area. We will eat at 1pm. Come early, stay late. We will also hold our October meeting at the picnic. Club members are asked to bring a dish to share. We chose this date because Dan had this weekend open. If he can't make it, the backup plan is Sonny's. Again, let one of the club officers know if you are attending so that we can give Dan a head count.

There was no other Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Corvair Lovers Holiday</u>: It's time to start planning for the show in February.

REGISTRATION: June Lindsay with the help of others. PEOPLES CHOICE: June Lindsay and Howard Ruble

HOSPITALITY: Mary Mierzwa with lots of helping hands. DOOR PRIZES: Ed Lindsay PARKING LOT: Gary Mierzwa

LADIES GET-TOGETHER: June Lindsay

VALVE COVER RACES: Gary Mierzwa

CORN HOLE GAME: Karl Stelzer

TROPHIES & Dash Plaques: ?????

HELPERS: We need lots of hands to make the show a success. Butch & Brenda Sluschewski and Howard Ruble stepped up at the meeting to help where needed.

Club members were asked if there was anything different that we can add to our show. Fan belt toss was suggested. A short rally.

Activities: It was asked if the club would like to do any activities as a group this coming year. Possibly a Hockey game, Baseball game (Gary was going to check on that), trip to the Bagdad Train Museum, Casino trip... Any suggestions? Let us know.

There was no other New Business.

<u>Next meeting</u> is September 24th @ Butch & Brenda Sluschewski's home, 756 Toness Way, Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32547, 850-865-1350. This is a week later as your officers will be at Daytona Beach for Central Florida Corvair club's show.

Ed brought up that PJ Martin is selling his 1965 4-door Corvair. Contact Ed for the info on the car.

Mary Mierzwa/Secretary



2017 Corvair Lovers Holiday



Jo & Chris Verwey's Corvair is our "Car of the Month" for September on our Facebook Page.

2. WHAT IS EXPECTED OF OUR MEMBERS?

All of our members are expected to attend our car show in February of 2018. Any and all help would be appreciated. If you want to help with any of the activities, let any chairperson know.

3. THE WONDERS OF TECHNOLOGY:

To Email the newsletter editor: wfcc@mediacombb.net CORSA @ www.corvair.org Clarks Corvair Parts@ www.corvair.com Corvair Ranch @ http://www.corvairranch.com Visit www.oldcarsweekly.com and <Speak your piece in forums at Oldcarsweekly.com> Facebook: West Florida Corvair Club. Send a Friend request!

4. How Corvair Lovers Celebrate Life:

Howard Furr, Ed's step-father, has been building a "Park" on the new lot he bought between his log cabin and our house on the bayou. Howard, Ed and I and a few of our neighbors have a good time sitting around a fire and talking in the evenings. Howard has a swing, a picnic table, several lawn chairs, a water fountain, a plant stand, a lamp post and several solar lights in his park. Also in the park is a big flag pole with the American Flag and the Navy flag on it. Last week Howard put sod down on a large area of the park. (I like sitting in the swing in the park or sitting on Howard's front porch and having a little sip of wine with him.)



Howard is on his tractor in the background working on trenches.



5. DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that nobody volunteered to do the trophies for our car show in Feb. 2018? If you have any suggestions for trophies or want to volunteer to do the trophies please let us know at our September meeting. Remember, the person who does the Trophies also does the dash plaques.

6. HAPPY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY:

If your birthday is not listed below it is because you don't have a Birthday listed on your personal profile or because you did not pay your dues. (Or, I goofed!) If you would like to be on the Birthday List, pay your dues, contact June Lindsay at 850-994-2161 or email June at wfcc@mediacombb.net.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Lorie Lyvers	09/07
Tommy Carter	09/10
Billy Jean Andrews-Griswold	09/20
Judi Cannon	09/15
Skinny Lindsay	09/15
Ken Falls	09/22
Bill Clemens	09/29

ANNIVERSERIES

John & Barbara McAtee	09/06/1968
Jack and Dottie Wilkins	09/14/1968
Perry & Donna Martin	09/28/2013

7. TECH TIPS OR ARTICLE

Improve PCV Orifice

by Lew Rishel Engine-Mechanical page 37 of the 1996 Supplement of the Corvair Technical Guide

An impossible place to clean on the Vair engine is that short tee pipe on the crankcase vent tube, the one with the tiny PCV orifice. The tube itself is hard enough to clean; getting into the tee area, well, forget it. If it becomes blocked, engine operation suffers. That orifice is supposed to be about .062", and smaller is better, within reason, I'm told. I drilled out the end cap with the orifice in it, and flowed some brazing material into the hole, then drilled and tapped ¼-28 threads into this tee end. This lets me screw a carburetor jet into it. I had an old #49, so I used that. This will allow you to easily clean out this formerly inaccessible place (use your wife's coffee percolator tube cleaning brush) during your annual (?) tune-up, and also experiment with various orifice sizes to achieve best engine operation. Other engines with the wide open tee end can also be fitted with this device, doing away with the need for the PCV valve. (2/96) Editors note: Percolator brush? LOL

8. CHIT CHAT BY JUNE LINDSAY: Hurricane Harvey

by June Lindsay

Our hearts go out to our Corvair friends in Houston and the surrounding areas. We so hope that you were able to move some of your precious belongings as well as your Corvairs to higher ground before Hurricane Harvey hit. We hope that you are all safe and can return to your homes soon. Several of our club members went through the same thing during Ivan in 2004; however, we never went through what those in Texas have to endure at this difficult time.

Ed and I went through having our house flooded during Hurricane Ivan. Ed and I were able to stay in our house while we did our repairs. Mary Mierzwa brought us a plastic sheet to put on our bed, dry towels, bleach and washed our clothes for us. Dan Avallone helped remove our carpeting and later helped put up new sheet rock. Another Corvair member loaned us his Ford Aerostar to use until we got new transportation. We lost all of our furniture and every Corvair we had. We really appreciated our Corvair family during this horrific time. We had big fans to dry out our house and we bleached all walls everyday for several months after. We could lie in bed at one end of our house and look between the 2 by 4's and see our living area at the other end of the house. We were lucky to have several weeks of sunny weather in order to dry out some of our belongings and put them in storage.

Those in Texas will not have sunny weather to dry things out. Repairs will take a long time because everybody else will be having the same problems and many may not be able to get much help. Things will get better when the water goes away and you can begin your repairs. You might get a FEMA trailer while you do your repairs. However, Ed and I think staying in your home and going on with your life is much better and makes you feel more normal. Open the windows; get a plastic sheet for your bed and Good Luck!

9. EVENTS:

Every Saturday Night: Panhandle Cruisers "Show N Shine" held from 5 pm to 8 pm at the Virginia College on 9 Mile Road every Saturday but November and December. For more local car shows visit the Panhandle Cruisers Face book page or website, Panhandlecruisers.com. Sorry we can't list all car shows in the area. The Panhandle Cruisers get many of their car show listings from <u>ragtopsrunningboards@hotmail.com</u> Ragtops and Running Boards. If you have any information on Cruise In's let us know. <u>First Friday Cruise In:</u> at a Strip Mall in Pace/Pea Ridge on Hwy 90? <u>Second Friday:</u> no longer at Dillard's I-10, Exit 38? <u>Third Friday Cruise in: at</u> Sandy and Bubba's Chevrolet in Milton Last Friday Cruise In: at Pensacola Home Depot on 9 Mile Road

Sept. 15-17: Corvair Affair * Daytona Beach Shores FL, Central Florida Corvair Club, Friday night welcome party/dinner and valve cover race, Saturday people's choice car display, fun rally through the countryside, awards dinner and 60's style sock hop with live band, Unique door prizes and raffle items, Host Hotel is Oceanside Inn, 1909 S. Atlantic Ave., Daytona Shores FL 32118, 800-224-5056, \$69, covered garage area for car show and swap, also indoor sales, contact Eddie Meadows, 407-366-0974 or eddiem62@bellsouth.net.

<u>Sept. 15-16</u>: All Corvair Show, Indianapolis IN, Circle City Corvairs, Friday Hospitality dinner, bingo and movie, Saturday car show at Ray Skillman Classic Car Museum, activities for ladies, banquet 6pm with awards and prizes, Registration \$30 for car and driver \$20 for each additional guest, Hotel LaQuinta, I-465 and Emerson Ave., 317-783-7751, mention Corvair for \$81 rate, Carlton Smith 317-697-0318, <u>carlton55@comcast.net</u>.

<u>Sept. 24</u>: West Florida Corvair Club meeting at the home of Butch and Brenda Sluschewski, 756 Tones WY, Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32547, , 850-865-1350, <u>tslusche@centurylink.net</u>.

Sept. 22-23: Corvair Show, Kingsport, East Tennessee Corvair Club, LaQuinta Inn of Kingsport, 423-323-0500, 10150 Airport Parkway, (I-81 Exit 63), Kingsport TN, Howard Hudson, 423-288-3296, ETCC, P.O. Box 928, Kingsport TN 37660.

<u>Sept. 23-24</u>: Fall Autofair * Charlotte NC, Queen City Corvair Club, Giant Flea Market, Manufacturer displays, car show, surprises from Charlotte Motor Speedway, Peoples Choice, Tickets and parking passes provided as well as dash plaques, Spence Shepard, <u>sshepard3@hotmaili.com</u>, 704-554-6769.

<u>Oct. 6-7</u>: Vairs at the Fair-Warner Robins, GA, sponsored by Heart of Georgia Corvairs, Friday night hospitality, Saturday we lead the parade into the Georgia National Fair

and display our Corvairs, Saturday night dinner, Host Hotel is Quality Inn and Suites, 215 Margie Dr., Warner Robins, GA, More information at a later date. Contact Lillian Law at 229 883 4123 or lawjandl@aol.com.

Oct. 13-14: Vairs in the Valley, Maggie Valley NC, CORSA/NC show in the mountains, Friday rally, autocross, parade, celebration dinner, and valve cover races, Saturday people's choice show, model cars door prizes, 50/50, awards ceremony evening, Hotel Smoky Falls Lodge, 2550 Soco Rd., Maggie Valley NC, 877-926-7740, registration forms at ncmountiancorvairs.com, John Nickel, fvcent@rsnet.org, 828-6726-3617.

Oct. 21: Rare Air Car Show at Five Flags Speedway, more info to come.

Feb. 23-24, 2018: 33rd Annual Corvair Lovers Holiday & Car Show sponsored by the West FL Corvairs, Days Inn Pensacola Beachfront, Pensacola, FL, 16 Via De Luna Drive, Pensacola Beach, FL 32561, 850-934-3300 or 800-934-3301, Friday night Hospitality Dinner, out to dinner Saturday night, Dottie Furr Ladies Tea, Valve Cover Races, Corn Hole tournament, Door Prizes, 50/50, vendors welcome outside but must register for the show, Peoples Choice "Top Three", awards given out Saturday afternoon, Special Awards: Best of Show, Longest Distance, Hard Luck, Sarah White Ladies choice. Contact June Lindsay at 850-994-2161.

April 27-28,2018: "Springfest 2018" 34 years of Corvairs in Helen, Georgia, sponsored by Corvair Atlanta, Heart of Georgia, Queen City Corvair, and Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts. More details as they become available.

July 23-28, 2018: 2018 CORSA National Corvair Convention Pittsburgh PA, Western Pennsylvania Corvair Club, Host Hotel DoubleTree Pittsburgh-Green Tree, 500 Mansfield Ave., Pittsburgh PA 15205, 412-922-8400, Group Code CCA,corvair.org/2018hotelreg.html. For more information, see: corvairpittsburgh.com.

10: CLUB STORES: SALE!

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Contact the Club Historian and Storekeeper: Ed Lindsay at wfcc@mediacombb.net or 850-994-2161.

11. FOR SALE:

New! For Sale: 1966 Monza 140, 4-sp for sale on Craig's List, ID#6280937621, good mostly solid all-there car, not running (don't have keys). Asking \$1500 but will consider reasonable offers. I don't have time, etc., to do this one and I just need to recover what I paid for it. Located in Saraland, AL, (Mobile County), contact Bill Andrews at 251-656-4876 or monzaboy@yahoo.com. 8/17

For Sale: 1964 4dr White/w Red Stripe, 4 new tires, new battery and brake work done recently, Some usual small issues for a car this age but really runs great, \$5000 Email Dale Hunt at Dale.Hunt@JBTC.com. See more pictures at: http://okaloosa.craigslist.org/cto/5914986014.html 8/17

For Sale: 1965 sports sedan, daily driver, Blue, Semmes, AL. \$2500 Call June at 850-994-2161 for more information. 8/17



For Sale: 1964 Azure Aqua convertible with black top in Mobile, AL. contact Lee Clark, 251-259-0627 or 251-623-5918 or email him at mrh.clark@gmail.com. Ed can tell you all about this car! 8/17

For Sale: One late model and one Rampside Parts Cars for sale. Ed Lindsay 994-2161 or 287-3568. 8/17

For Sale: Early & late model Corvair parts: including FC parts. What do you need? I might have it! Contact Ed Lindsay at wfcc@mediacombb.net or call him at 850-994-2161 or 850-287-3576.

For Sale: Cargo Trailer, 6.5' x 12" Tandem Axle with trailer brakes, spare tire, and removable counter-balanced tailgate, \$1000, OBO, Lee Oxford 334-379-6792. 8/17



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