

West Florida Corvair Club



The Chronic Corvair January 2018 – Happy New Year

West Florida Corvair Club #325

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1. MINUTES OF OUR LAST MEETING:

There were no minutes of our last meeting. We held our Christmas Party at the Shrimp Basket on Hwy 90 in Milton FL on Dec. 3, 2018. Several members waited outside the Shrimp Basket while other members arrived. Howard Furr and Lee Oxford & Mary Anne Hanley are sitting outside the Shrimp basket as Kris and Jo Ann Verwey were just arriving.



Nineteen members were present. Ed & June Lindsay attended and Ed wore his traditional Christmas Hat and “Vairy Merry Christmas” shirt. Other members attending were Howard & Lynn Ruble, Gary & Mary Mierzwa, Lee Oxford & Mary Anne Hanley, Doug & Terry Stienhelfer, Mike

DeLapp & friend, Howard Furr, Butch & Brenda Sluschewski, Kris & Jo Ann Verwey, and new members, Mark and Donna Kerr. Everyone was in the Holiday Spirit and seemed to have a joyous time.



Mark Kerr a new/old member of our club is waving above
2a. Welcome New Members:

Remember Mark and Donna Kerr? We are glad to let everyone know that they have rejoined our club. Mark works with Gary Mierzwa at E.C.U.A. and Donna works for Sacred Heart Hospital. Mark and Donna like the social gatherings of our club. They may be interested in

purchasing another Corvair in the future. Welcome Donna and Mark!

2. WHAT IS EXPECTED OF OUR MEMBERS?

Members are expected to come to our Productions Meeting on January 21st. Bring all the door prizes that you have gathered all year long. What? You have not gathered door prizes all year long? Bring that unwanted Christmas present or freebie from Harbor Freight.

3. THE WONDERS OF TECHNOLOGY:

To Email the newsletter editor: wfcc@mediacombb.net

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CorvairForum.com

Facebook: [West Florida Corvair Club](#). Send a Friend request!

Chevy Truck Ad: Go to YouTube at the address below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KKhCzZa38I> (Note: the last letter after A38 is not the number 1, it is the letter I)

4. HOW CORVAIR LOVERS CELEBRATE LIFE:



Ed and I went on a cruise out of Mobile AL on the Carnival Fantasy from December 11th through 16th. We thought it was funny when we noticed that the towel rack was installed in front of the toilet seat. We could never put the lid down.



5. DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that we took nominations for new officers at our November meeting and it was proposed to keep the same officers next year? No other nominations

have been made as of our January Newsletter. Nominations will be finalized at our January Production Meeting

The following Officers were Nominated:

President: Ed Lindsay

Vice President: Gary Mierzwa

Sec./Treas.: Mary Mierzwa

Newsletter Editor: June Lindsay

Activities: Kat Carter

Our next meeting will be our Production Meeting for our Car Show in February to be held at Ed and June Lindsay's home on January 21st, 2018 at 2:30pm.

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.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

John McAtee	01-05
Susan Schemmer	01-07
Mike Goehring	01-09
Vivian Dudak	01-14
Anthony Ruble	01-16
Kat Carter	01-19
David Lagerton	01-20
Cat Avallone	01-26
Donna Kerr	01-31

ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Barbara Goehring	01-18-70
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7. TECH TIPS OR ARTICLE:

Steering Box Rebuilding

By Bill Reider

CORSA TECH GUIDE SUPPLEMENT – 1996

Suspension page 14 continued

The pitman shaft bushing is pressed into the box. You can get the old one out with a hammer, socket, and extension but you're best using a press or vise to ease the new one back in; it's thin brass and can distort easily. Check the fit of the pitman bushing a bit for a proper fit. The top cover bushing will probably be okay, but if you decide to replace it, you may have to split the old one to get it out. Now let's clean up and reassemble everything. Follow the instructions in the shop manual. The only tricky part in putting the box back together is getting the ball bearings into the ball nut block. You shouldn't have trouble if you follow the manual. Don't forget while you're reassembling to put grease in the ball nut block holes before you put the ball bearings in. Then pack the box with grease before you put the ball nut block and shaft back in the box and install the worm shaft bearing. Synthetic grease will offer better protection, and not become so stiff in cold temperatures.

The ball nut block should be centered on the worm shaft before you install the pitman arm shaft with the teeth

centered on the ball nut. You'll have to put the gasket on a little silicone on the top cover, because you install the pitman arm shaft and top cover as a unit. If your style box had a coupler, be sure to align the shaft splines correctly or the steering wheel won't be centered. After it's all back together and back in the car you can make the final adjustments. Before you reinstall the pitman arm, adjust the steering box according to specs. You'll find them on page 4-2 in the 1961 manual or page 9-2 in the 1965 manual.

Enjoy your easy and positive steering! (3/96)

Note from the Editor: This concludes our article on Steering Box Rebuilding.

8. CHIT CHAT BY JUNE LINDSAY:

2017 in Review



January: Tom Dudak is bringing his Door Prizes at our January Production Meeting for our Car Show!



FEBRUARY: At our Corvair Lovers Holiday & Car Show, we welcomed Paul and Nancy Hietanen. Paul and Nancy are from Bear Lake, Michigan and Paul had many stories to tell about when he worked on the Corvair assembly line.



MARCH: Howard Furr sold his Model T Truck to make room in his garage for his new Rampside.



APRIL: On April 8th Ed and June Lindsay and a few other members attended Lee Oxford and Mary Anne Hanley's "Tour de Garage" at Lee's country "Super Garage" near Hartford, AL



MAY: Everyone was surprised to hear that June Bug was stripped and headed for the body shop. Ha! Ha!



JUNE: Ed & June Lindsay, Brenda & Butch Sluschewski, Danielle Avallone & her grandmother Margarette & Rob Myers had lunch at Dan Avallone's Bow Tie BBQ & Catering in Navarre.



JULY: Mike Goehring wins a trophy at the Milton July 4th Celebration!



AUGUST: Howard Furr builds a Park across the street from Ed and June's and his house. We can have club Spring picnics here in the future.



SEPTEMBER: Hurricane Irma dampened our plans to go to the Central FL Car Show. However, Ed and June did take a cruise to the Bahamas.



OCTOBER: We held our fall picnic and camping trip at the Blue Angel Naval Recreational Area.



NOVEMBER: We talked about Kat Carter's Dog Rescue House and how it is painted like her "Pink" Hello Kitty Corvair that she inherited from her father.



DECEMBER: That brings us back to our Christmas Party on Dec. 3rd at the Shrimp Basket.

What a year!

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 ragtopsrunningboards@hotmail.com Ragtops and Running Boards. If you have any information on Cruise In's let us know.

First Friday Cruise In: at a Strip Mall in Pace/Pea Ridge on Hwy 90?

Second Friday: no longer at Dillard's I-10, Exit 38?

Third Friday Cruise in: at Sandy and Bubba's Chevrolet in Milton

Last Friday Cruise In: at Pensacola Home Depot on 9 Mile Road

Jan. 21: WFCC Production Meeting, at 2:30 pm at the home of Ed and June Lindsay, bring all door prizes, etc. to the meeting to be loaded up on Feb. 23 and taken to the Days Inn on Pensacola Beach, all chairpersons are to report on any problems that we need to address before the show.

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; hopefully, in the January Communique. Clarks Corvair Parts will be there!

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!

- ** Club T-Shirts various colors, sizes L-XXL, \$15.00
- ** Plug Wires: \$45
- ** Club Hat @ \$8 Sale!
- ** Club Pins @ \$2
- ** 30th Anniversary Cup @ \$4
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- ** Club Decals @ \$2
- ** Clark's Catalogue sets @ \$3
- ** Club Patches @ \$8
- ** Old Dash Plaques @ \$.25
- ** Club Mug @ \$6
- ** Pen Set @ \$10
- ** Stickers @ \$1
- ** Car Life Magazine @ \$1

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Decals: 3" and 6" Inside and Outside \$2.00 & \$2.50, CORSA Hat Pins \$5.00, CORSA 3" Patches \$5.00, CORSA FC T-Shirts \$10.00. (We can place a CORSA order for you.)

Contact the Club Historian and Storekeeper:

Ed Lindsay at wfcc@mediacombb.net or 850-994-2161.

11. FOR SALE:

New! For Sale: 1963 Convertible, 1966 500 coupe, contact Ken Falls for details at kenfallsmovement@yahoo.com or call 251-402-8460.

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

Sold! It pays to advertise in the Chronic Corvair: 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 Sold to new Member Charlie Kelsen.

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



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.

Wanted: We know a guy who is looking for a good Late Model coupe body. Call Ed and he will get in touch with him for you. 850-287-3576.

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Thanks, Jeffrey Williams, CCPI

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