

ACORNews

ACORNS - Association of CORvair NutS

Rochester NY - Corsa Chapter 148

February 2018 Newsletter

PRES SAYS...

Greetings ACORNS and happy February!

Here we are at about mid winter. February is the shortest month of the year, then comes March and the coming of the 2018 Corvair season. How's that for being positive? Since it is mid winter, I would suggest, if possible, go out to the garage and check on your Corvairs. I went out today and found that my 66 coupe had an almost flat left front tire. I whipped out my handy inflator and in 2 minutes things were right again. Everything else was in place, so cover back on and back to sleep till April.

In January, we had our annual planning meeting. Many thanks to Dave Pulhamus for securing the use of his church's fellowship hall for our meeting. ACORNS provided pizza and pop to those in attendance. Thanks to Dave's wife for the fast friendly delivery. The calendar was filled in for the year. Please check for events that you can attend. Also, if anyone needs help with a project, impromptu tech sessions are encouraged.

Till next month,
Paul.

2018
CORSA International Convention

July 23rd through July 28th

Pittsburgh, PA

see www.corvairpittsburgh.com for details

2018 PLANNING MEETING NOTES

January 14, 2018

ACORNers attending

Paul Abel

Lisa Wasson & Dean LoBrutto

Sam & Marissa Andolino

Dave Pulhamus

George Conboy

Dave Shoemaker

Dave Shaffer

Jim Bartasevich

No Corvairs were in attendance. [Hey; it's winter. We just received over a foot of snow thanks to global warming!]

MEETING MINUTES

Old Business

None

New Business

Planning Meeting Site:

Thanks to Dave Pulhamus for arranging for us to use the meeting room at his church for our meeting. The ACORNs provided pizza and pop [a/k/a soda for those members from Eastern NY].

Treasurer's Report:

Dave Ellis reported via e-mail that as of January 5, 2018, the treasury balance was \$317.70. This amount is after the expenses for the year-end dinner and dues received from 17 members. There were still about 15 members who had not sent their dues yet. After the outstanding dues are paid, he expects the treasury to have about \$500 in it. Dave was unable to attend the planning meeting because of a case of cellulitis in his left leg. He's on the mend, but couldn't get out and about. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Dave! It could have been worse; it could have happened during "car season!"

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TREASURER'S REMINDER...DUES ARE DUE

By-Laws state that if folks have not paid for their annual membership by the end of Feb., they are supposed to be dropped. If you already have paid and are listed in error **OR** are not planning to continue your membership in 2018, please contact Dave Ellis.

2018 dues are still outstanding from the following:

-- Boudways -- Clark/Doran -- Celso -- Gilbert -- Greco -- Littman --

-- Marsh -- McElhatten -- Meyers -- Mruk -- Urbain -- Webster --

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Minimum Amount for the Treasury?

Jim Bartasevich brought up the question about having a minimum amount in the treasury. Is it necessary? After a brief discussion, it was agreed that there was no need for it because we have very few expenses we have to cover. [See? This is what happens when you're retired and have "time" to "think."]

Checking Account

Dave Shoemaker [I think] asked if we needed a checking account. Previously, he was our treasurer, and we had a checking account. Subsequently, this [not Dave, but the checking account] caught the attention of the IRS, and we had to start completing tax exemption forms at the end of the year. We decided to close the account because of our small size and hassle of doing the IRS reports. Treasurer Ellis is keeping records of the income and expenditures, and we decided that was adequate for our needs.

CORSA International Convention - Pittsburgh

I mentioned the upcoming convention. A summary was included in the December issue of ACORNews as well as on-going updates will be in the CORSA Communiqué. So far, Brandon and I are planning on going. Anyone else thinking about it? If you've never been to one, it's a fantastic experience. If you are thinking about it, I suggest that you make your reservations at the host hotel now. The host hotels always fill up quickly. If you find that you can't make it after all, you can always cancel your reservation.

As the date draws nearer, I'll be contacting the CNYCC and NFCC to see if they have anyone who might be "Coravanning" to the convention so we can travel in a group. It's about a five-hour drive.

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Dave Ellis recently came across some charts that may be useful to members regarding powertrains and differential codes. For more info on this, drop him a line!

1966									
Turbo-Air 164	CORVAIR	164	8.25	3-7/16"	2-15/16"	95 @ 3600 RPM	78 @ 3600 RPM	2 Single Barrel	3-SPD., 4-SPD., PG
Turbo-Air 164 Hi-Per.	CORVAIR	164	9.25	3-7/16"	2-15/16"	110 @ 4400 RPM	90 @ 4000 RPM	2 Single Barrel	3-SPD., 4-SPD., PG
Turbo-Air 164 Sp. Hi-Per.	CORVAIR	164	9.25	3-7/16"	2-15/16"	140 @ 5200 RPM	—	4 Single Barrel	3-SPD., 4-SPD., PG
Turbo-Charged 164	CORSA	164	8.25	3-7/16"	2-15/16"	180 @ 4000 RPM	—	Single Side Draft	3-SPD., 4-SPD.



Dean LoBrutto noted that the November 2017 issue of Hemmings Classic Car featured the restoration of a Greenbrier Van. Back issues are available on the Hemmings website, www.hemmings.com, then select "purchase back issues" under the "publications" drop down.

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Valentine Dinner

In the past, we've had a dinner [not subsidized by the club] at a local restaurant [Keenan's]. The restaurant has closed. If there is interest and you know of a place we can visit, please let the officers know so we can set it up. We didn't develop any plans at the meeting.

Activities with Other Car Clubs

Dave Pulhamus reported that the Model A club has events that we might be able to attend. He'll send the information to Brandon for inclusion in the ACORNews.

Event Calendar Development

The primary purpose of our meeting was to develop an event/activity calendar for 2018. For the most part, we continued some events from 2017 and added some new ones. See the schedule below.

New Members:

We welcomed Lisa Wasson and Dean LoBrutto. Lisa bought a '64 Greenbrier at an estate sale. The engine was rebuilt, but when it was first started, there was no oil pressure, so it was taken apart again [and is still apart]. It will need to be checked and reassembled. We're planning a May activity to visit the Greenbrier which is located in Leicester, while the engine is in Mumford. Welcome Lisa and Dean!

Membership Roster:

This will be updated by Treasurer Dave Ellis after he receives the remaining dues.

Website Update:

Marissa Andolino, our webmaster, will be updating our site. Thanks, Marissa!

From the editor...

I'm excited to have the opportunity to work on the ACORNews! I am looking for tech article suggestions, as well as listings for parts or cars for sale. I am also interested in photos of member cars, ACORN outings, or photos and descriptions of any project car updates you may want to share.

Submissions can be sent to bwcarmo@gmail.com

Thanks,
Brandon Carmo

2018 ACORN EVENT CALENDAR

February 17, 10 AM: Winter Blah Relief [Winter Warm-up if you're optimistic] - Informal meeting of various car people who have cars in storage at George Conboy's Rush Rod & Piston Club. He'll fire up the wood stove and people with cars in storage can start them if it's not too cold. The rest of the time will be car talk. Anyone who's ever been to the RR & PC knows that there are some interesting cars there. NO RSVP is needed. 540 Woodruff Rd., Rush.

March 10, 10 AM: Informal brunch, story-swapping, problem-solving, whatever. Peppermint's on West Henrietta Rd.

April 21, 10 AM: Tech Session at George Conboy's Rush Rod & Piston Club. What do you need done to your Corvair? Plan ahead to get the parts you need to let us know what we'll be doing. You can work on your own car or take advantage of the chapter's tech knowledge. The RR & PC has lifts and large air compressors. Coffee & donuts will be provided.

May 12: Tech Session to evaluate and offer suggestions for the Lisa Wasson and Dean LoBrutto Greenbrier located in Leicester. We'll probably meet somewhere for breakfast first. Details will appear in future issues of the ACORNews.

June 8 - 10: Recall hosted by Central NY Corvair Club. We've caravanned over in the past, so keep that in mind. cnycorvair.com; Dave 315-656-9639, kb2hba@twcny.rr.com

June 16, 9 AM: Tech Session RR & PC; What do you need done? Get your Corvair ready for the trip to Pittsburgh?

July 4 [Wednesday]: Canandaigua July 4th Parade?

July 13-15: National Warplane Museum air show, Geneseo; includes a classic car display which allows close-up parking;

<https://nwmairshow.com/> [Not an official ACORN event unless we make it one.]

July 15, 9 AM - 4 PM: MG Car Club Sports Car Festival; Elks Club, Webster

July 23-28: CORSA International Convention, Pittsburgh;

<http://corvairpittsburgh.com/>

August 12: Summer Picnic & Auction so bring "stuff" [car and non-car] you want to donate to the auction to benefit our chapter. For new members, this is a great opportunity to, uh, "unload" stuff you don't want or need anymore, car and non-car. Details in a future issue of the ACORNews. This is a fun event: People, food, and Corvairs; does it get any better?

September 16: Corvairs On the Hills, hosted by Fred and Sue Marsh. Details will be in a future issue. If you've never visited Fred and Sue, you'll be in for a treat! They have a very eclectic collection, not only of Corvairs but other vehicles, everything from a DeLorean to a '58 Ford retractable convertible and relics in the woods.

October 14: Fall Tour?

November 11 [Sunday]: Holiday Dinner; TBA; any suggestions?

There were some suggestions for a tour to the Pierce-Arrow Museum in Buffalo which could be scheduled any time.

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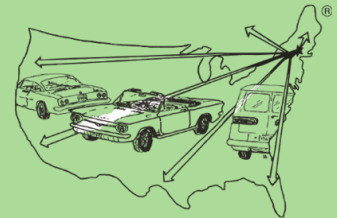
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WANTED TO BUY

* Looking to buy an Early Model Bench Seat AND a Late Model Rear Seat Bottom, any condition, as well as a late model front (67) belly pan, contact Brandon Carmo, if available, bwcarmo@gmail.com

PARTS SALES POLICY

We all know that there are Corvairs "out there" that are owned by people who do not belong to CORSA or ACORN. It was agreed and voted on to make our parts supply available only to our members.

Here are the specifics:

If a non-member contacts us for parts, we'll politely explain our policy and ask if he or she would like to become a member.

NOS parts will be sold at a 50% discount from Clark's prices.

Used parts will be sold cheaply!

FOR SALE

- **New items to the ACORN STASH:**

Corvair Parts now owned by ACORN that are available to the ACORN Membership

(Source is the Andolino stash that was purchased by the club
to make them available to the membership)

Stash is currently at Dave Ellis home, 1460 Long Pond

Call Me at 227-2439 or email at dellis1@rochester.rr.com

Item Description	Number Available	Members Price Per item
Dale Mfg Rebuilt 110 HP Distrib	1	\$60
HD Universal Joints, C3463	4	\$6
SII,OEM Style,Volt.Regul.,C860C	1	\$50
SII, SolidState Style, Volt. Regul., C2264	1	\$10
SI, OEM, Delco, Throwout Brng., C1141	1	\$25
'66-'69. Saginaw, Delco, NOS, Reverse Switch	1	\$62
NOS,SII, FRONT,TS,Orange Lenses, CX1396	2	\$8
'63, Rear,TL Lens, NOS, C220RG	2	\$15
'63, Rear,TL Lens, Like New, Used	2	\$5
SII, Rear TL, Chrome Rings, almost perfect	15	\$3
SII, 66?, HL Bezels, almost perfect, L & R	1 pair	\$25
Shop Manuals, Corvair Specialty Books	8	\$5
SI , dual pot, Air Cleaner system,Restored	1	\$20

- **Offenhauser aluminum valve covers.**

◦ Contact Paul Abel abelbrass@gmail.com

From the Bartasevich Collection

Wheel covers NOS: 1 - '62-'63 hubcap; 1 - '63 wheel cover; 2 - '61 wheel covers

Wheel covers & hubcaps, used: 4 - '60-'61 hubcaps; 4 - '61 wheel covers; 4 - '64 hubcaps; 5 - '65 wheel covers; a number of '66-'69 wheel covers; all are in decent shape but not concours quality

Headlight bezels: a number of ones for '60 cars and FC; a number of ones for '61 through '69; all are in decent shape but not concours quality

FC rear axles and brake backing plates: 2, need to be thoroughly cleaned and bearings replaced

From the Bartasevich Collection (cont.)

Torque converter: 1

Engine block: TO408XXZ, block and studs only, '60-63. The "XXZ" means it was a replacement and not initially installed in a car or FC. It has the knockout plug in the block for the wagon or FC dipstick/oil fill tube.

Engine block: TO308ZH, Block with crank, cam, oil pan, 3 pistons & cylinders; '60-63 car

Flywheel & pressure plate: '60-63

Vent window assy: 2 for early convertible

"Grille bars": 2 - '60; not in great shape

Interior door handles, window cranks: various

Can of a variety of screws, bolts, etc.

Probably some other small parts [I didn't itemize *everything!*]

● 1962 SPYDER COUPE

- **Black with red interior, 4-speed, new tires. Car is in very good condition. Motor has no oil leaks, all extra parts and car cover go with car.**
- **Asking \$8500.**
- **Special price for first time buyer.**
- **Dave Shoemaker, Canandaigua, NY 14424**
- **585-393-1912, cell 585-773-0168**



- **1962 Corvair 700**
 - **54k miles**
 - **Rebuilt engine**
 - **Lots of extras- 4 sets of hubs and new side mirrors**
 - **Was going to ask 6k**
 - **Let me know what u think**
 - **Thanks - Roger Broeker, located in Grand Island**
 - **716-308-2675**



From the Pulhamus Collection

Too many toys and must sell a few. One of the Corvairs has to go!

- 1966 Corsa Coupe, 4 speed, 140 Hp. Very good shape. \$6,000.
- 1964 700 4 door. 4 speed. Rebuilt engine and almost everything else (by Dave Ellis). A fun driving car! \$2,800.
- 1966 Corsa Convertible. 140 Hp, 4 speed. Needs TLC. \$1,000.

Contact Dave Pulhamus at 585-352-0149 or dmpul80@gmail.com