

ACORNews

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Rochester NY - Corsa Chapter 148

May 2018 Newsletter

PRES SAYS...

Greetings ACORNS,

I think I can safely say "happy spring." After the worst winter in years, we can get our Corvairs out and driving again. Both of mine are on the road. I took the blue 66 to get inspected last week, just in time. My newly re-acquired 64 sedan is running great! The 66 needs some attention to be 100%.

Something of interest to us all regarding tires. The Maxis P185 80R 13 whitewalls are getting easier to find. I just bought a set on EBay for 84.00 each. (Thanks to Dave Pulhamus for mounting and balancing them for me) there were several listings on EBay for them. Not long ago they were impossible to find. The Maxis is a very nice riding and handling tire.

Our April tech session went off without a glitch. Jean Marc Urbain drove down from Montreal to have an oil leak fixed. I worked on the chokes of my 64. Thanks to George Conboy for the use of his great facility in Rush.

Don't forget our May 12th session. See the announcement later in the newsletter.

All for now,
Paul.

2018

CORSA International Convention

July 23rd through July 28th

Pittsburgh, PA

see www.corvairpittsburgh.com for details

April 21st, 2018 ACORN Tech Session GEORGE CONBOY'S RUSH ROD AND PISTON CLUB

ACORNers attending:

Paul Abel

Brandon Carmo

Jean Marc Urbain

Dave Pulhamus

Tom Zimmerman [guest]

Steve Smith

Jim Bartasevich



Jean Marc drove his '65 Monza from Montreal and Paul drove his '64 700, recently acquired from Dave Pulhamus who acquired it from Dave Ellis.

This was a tech session at the Rush Rod & Piston Club, courtesy of George Conboy. Not much was done; there were only two Corvairs.:

Jean Marc's '65: We put it up on the lift to change the shift shaft seal on the transmission and noticed some leakage around the oil pan. I tightened the bolts [some were about a half-turn loose], found one to be stripped and one missing. I pointed out to Jean Marc some of the critical drain holes to keep clear to prevent rust. The car is in really great shape body-wise. The suspension has been rebuilt as well.

Paul's '64: Dave and Paul did some diagnostic work on the brake/tail lights. It couldn't be solved during this visit. Some of the lights worked; some didn't. He'll have to check with Dave Ellis who added additional stop lights in place of the brake lights.

MEETING MINUTES

Old Business

None. We didn't have a business meeting.

New Business

None. We didn't have a business meeting.



Details for the May 12 Greenbrier Evaluation from Dean

The club will meet for breakfast (optional) at 9AM at Denny's (see address below) and then head over to our place.

If you want to have breakfast "out that way" I would suggest Denny's in Geneseo on Rt. 20A. Its easily accessed from the 390. And our place is about 10-15 minutes further down the road right on 20A. [Note: If you DON'T want breakfast, you can meet us at their address below at around 10 AM. - Jim B.]

This is important: the address everyone needs to put in their GPS is 2261 Leicester Rd., Leicester, NY, 14481. It's a good sized white colonial on the right side of road with a couple of big barns behind it. There is a beat up sign out in front with Beards Creek on it.

You can park on the road but it's tight. Traffic is not heavy but is fast moving. Everyone is welcome to pull in and drive back to the barn area. Anyone driving one of their beauties should know the driveway is dirt and as you pull back to the barn area its grass. If it has been raining you will get mud on your car if its been dry you won't.

If anyone also likes antiques that don't have four wheels they are welcome to look around and pick the pickers! Lisa and I love going to antique stores, auctions and estate sales. Some of it we collect and the rest we sell when we can. What we can't fit at our house in Mumford we store in the barns in Leicester.

Please let me know when and where the club is meeting beforehand, what time you plan on visiting in Leicester and if you have any questions.

We are excited about hosting the club's visit and look forward to getting input on the Greenbrier from the Old Pro's!

Regards,

Dean
899-0867 Mobile

See you at Lisa and Dean's in May!

Submitted by Jim Bartasevich, Secretary

From our good friends at the DMV...

RECYCLING Used Oil & Vehicle Batteries

CHANGING/RECYCLING YOUR USED OIL

- * Drain oil pans, containers and filters completely.
- * Store used oil in a clean, rigid, screw-capped plastic container.
- * Don't mix used oil with other materials and never dump oil into the environment.
- * Take used oil (up to 5 gallons per day) to a service station or retail store, during normal business hours, that sells oil (they are required by law to accept it at no charge, unless their holding tanks are temporarily full) or check with your local recycling center.

BUYING/RECYCLING LEAD-ACID BATTERIES

- * It is illegal to dispose of lead-acid (vehicle) batteries in the trash.
- * You will be charged a \$5 "return incentive payment" if a used battery is not returned at the time of purchase. The "return incentive payment" is refundable within 30 days from the date of purchase, upon return of a used battery.
- * Stores selling lead-acid batteries must accept, free of charge, up to two used batteries per month from any individual and must post a sign stating they accept batteries for recycling.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON RECYCLING USED OIL AND LEAD-ACID BATTERIES OR FOR OTHER RECYCLING QUESTIONS, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL RECYCLING COORDINATOR OR CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT:

www.nyrecycles.org

Bureau of Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-7253

If you're able to collect your Corvair's oil before it "self-changes", here's how to recycle it... and batteries too!

While trying to repair my horn and some looseness in the steering column, there was some confusion on which steering column was in the car. This chart found on Corvair Forum helped clear things up. Turns out my 67 does have the correct collapsible steering column and mast cover, the mesh was just broken!

Steering Box Identification

APPLICATION	TYPE of BOX	LENGTH of SHAFT out of BOX (approx.)
1960-63 CARS	aluminum	1 1/4"
1964 CARS	cast iron	49"
1965 CARS (MOST) (exc. Tel.)	cast iron	47 1/2"
1965 CARS (LATE) (including Tel.)	cast iron	15 1/2"
1965 CARS (EARLY) TELESCOPIC	cast iron	14 1/2"
1966 CARS (including Tel.)	cast iron	15 1/2"
1967-69 CARS (including Tel.)	cast iron	1 1/2"

Quick Ratio Boxes - These will appear the same as indicated above for the appropriate year **BUT** while the regular box has about 5 1/4 turns - lock to lock (with the steering arms **NOT** attached). The quick ratio is about 3 3/4 turns. From the factory this was matched with special steering arms to decrease the total turns to about 3 1/4.

1961-65 FC - These are a massive cast iron box with a shaft sticking out of the box approx. 27".

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 or new acquisitions you may want to share.

Submissions can be sent to bwcarmo@gmail.com

Thanks,
Brandon Carmo

2018 ACORN EVENT CALENDAR

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 in **THIS** issue 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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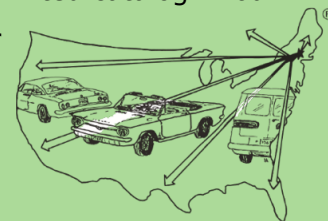
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WANTED TO BUY

* 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

* '65 driver's bucket seat in blue. [I think a passenger seat can also be used and the seat adjuster and chrome trim on the seat back moved to the other side. I did this for my Spyder. - Jim B.] Contact Jean Marc at: jmurbain@videotron.ca 514-266-3035

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.
- 1966 Corsa Convertible. 140 Hp, 4 speed. Needs TLC. \$1,000.

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