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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF MID MARYLAND CORVAIR CLUB

CORSA CHAPTER 217

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NOTES FROM THE JULY MEETING

President Tom Rahochik called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the dealership with 19 members present. We discussed the upcoming Pittsburgh Convention at length and made some final arrangements for those attending the entire event to caravan out on Sunday July 22. Tom showed a video clip from the movie <u>The Thomas Crown Affair</u> featuring Steve McQueen and Faye Dunaway blasting around sandy beaches in Massachusetts in a highly modifed Meyer Manx dune buggy powered by a Corvair engine reportedly putting out 230 hp?? That special buggy

has been re-discovered and is being restored: a story much like the famous Bullitt Mustang.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Bob Millard reported a corrected balance of \$1,172.51 after our contribution to the CPF was made Bob wants to remind everyone that annual Club dues are now payable. Our dues are \$15.00 per year for individual or family membership. Julia Glendenning suggested that we send out a separate email reminding members of the dues and I will follow up on that. We currently have 51 names on our roster and Bob will report on how many are current on dues at the next meeting.



NEW BUSINESS

Your secretary suggested that in the Club make a \$50.00 donation to the FSK Antique Car Club at the Rose Hill Show. The donation will be made in honor of Ellen Frazier for her assistance in designing our new club logo and banner (she would not accept payment). Ellen and her husband Lee are faithful and active members of the FSK club and the donation would go to the 3 Non Profits benefitting from the Rose Hill Show-Frederick County Hospice, The Alzheimers Association, and the Rose Hill Children's Museum. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Our Club Picnic will be held Sunday, September 16, at the Middletown Memorial Park, on South Church Street in Middletown just past LDS Convenience Store. We will start gathering at 1:00 to 1:30 with the meal at 2:00. The club will provide chicken and members will bring side dishes, dessert, drinks and supplies. A sign up sheet was circulated and your secretary will email one to the membership with the instruction to reply with a count and the item being brought.

OTHER TOPICS

We went around the room to learn about everyone's Corvair happenings since the last meeting. Bruce Culp, Ray Bruning, DeWitt Powell, Frank Schleigh, and Bob McNamara report that they have had their cars in various shows and cruise ins. Dale Graves said he attended a car show in Wisconsin and there were only 2 Corvairs entered. Jeff Ostroff's got his convertible back from the Corvair Ranch after the engine rebuild, Julia Glendenning told of a flying hubcap and how she introduced her teenage son to the joys of retrieving one from the roadside. Russ Martin says he hasn't run his Convertible for 2 months and Bob Martin's are still sealed in their tents. Rick Newman will have his camper at Rose Hill, Mike Coraggio has his shoulder belts working at last and Dick Kaetzel says he's driving his Turbo about 500 miles a week. Dale Aldridge looked at a Corvair said to have 170,000 miles on it. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

2018 CAR SHOW/EVENT CALENDAR:

<u>August 4</u> Pleasant Valley Car Show at Rohrersville Station 8, See the flyer I emailed to everyone last week. There will be 3 Corvair Classes with 1st and 2nd Place Trophies for Early, Late and Forward Control

<u>August 5</u> Car Truck Motorcycle and Tractor Show, Brunswick VFD, 1500 Volunteer Drive, Brunswick. 9 to 4 Rain or shine, Registration fee \$10.00 Dash plaques/goody bags to first 75 www.bvfd5.org. Chuck 301-834-7435

August 5 Dynamic Automotive Car Show at Dynamic Automotive in Urbana

<u>August 11</u> All GM Show 9 to 3 Montgomery College 51 Mannakee St. Rockville, Md. NOTE: this normally a nice small show with a lot of nice cars, plenty of shade and good catered food. Contact: Cory 240-686-0229 Franklin 703-896-8434

<u>August 12</u> Road Knights Car Show, Petersville Farmers Club, 3816 Petersville, Rd. Knoxville, MD 10 to 4 Registration \$10. Contact Gary Rollins 301-638-2012 www.roadknightsfrederick.com

<u>August 18</u> FSK AAC Rose Hill Show – We will have a Corvair Class at this show, see details in July 19 email.

<u>September 22</u> Central PA's Corvair Day AACA Museum, Hershey PA so save the date and details will be forthcoming. We do know that there will not be any moving events.

<u>September 30</u> Boyle Buick 3015 Emmorton Rd. Abington, Md. Contact: Raymond Price 410-666-3905 rice@netzero.net



August 10 Dick Kaetzel August 22 Terry Glendenning



August 2 Robb & Lucinda Jones August 31 Frank & Ruby Schleigh

CORVAIR TRIVIA Last month's question: What was the name of the air cooled rear engine/rear wheel drive Automobile produced by an Eastern European Country that was behind the "Iron Curtain" during the Soviet Era? This was a well engineered make that pre-dates WWII and has many characteristics similar to Corvairs. Part II - Can you name the country? Vehicle - Tatra Country - Czechoslovakia (now Czech Republic)



pictured at left, a new car built from a Tatra design teams' concept from mid 1960's - resembles a Corvair at right, 1947 Tatra Type 87over its 1936-1950 production run, just 3,023 examples of the T87 were produced-All alloy air-cooled, SOHC V-8 four wheel independent suspension with transverse leaf springs. These were



very advanced and quite expensive vehicles that were far beyond the reach of the average Czech citizen. Mostly used by Government bureaucrats and Communist Party leaders. Tatra can trace its origin to around 1850 with the manufacture of horse drawn wagons and carriages and it is still in business producing Tatra Trucks

This Month's Corvair Trivia Question????

What vehicle specification is the same for all Corvair cars and also for First and Second Generation Camaros?

CORVAIRS IN THE MEDIA

From Bob Hall of Group Corvair --I would recommend Bob Lutz's monthly column describing his "all time favorite" car in the August "Road and Track" magazine. He calls it "My all time favorite car. Not the best, but my favorite." Any guesses which car? Dale Graves sends us this link to a Hagerty Magazine article on Turbo=charged collector cars

https://www.hagerty.com/articles-videos/articles/2018/07/16/5-carbureted-turbocharged-classics?utm_source=SFM C&utm_medium=email&utm_content=18_July_18_HagertyNews

MID MARYLAND CORVAIR APPAREL

Your secretary has been working with John Grimes at Grimes Graphics to provide our club with items featuring our new logo. The embroidered logo (see photo) can be placed on just about any object but John recommends that we chose 5 or 6 items to produce. So we want you to think about the kinds of apparel items you may like to have available. Things like polo shirts, tee shirts, windbreaker jackets, and hats are the most likely items, but tell me about other items you may want. John is also revamping our old silk screened design from about 20-25 years ago for those would like tee shirts with that image. There is no minimum amount to order embroidered items, but we will need to order a minimum of 12 silk screened tee shirts. Pricing will be forthcoming but should be quite reasonable, I bought a nice quality FSK club logo embroidered tee shirt for \$10.



on light colored items the word Corvair and the Monza emblem would be black



this is the old design that will be updated for silk screened tee shirts, for those who prefer the larger (full front) retro look. John says improved processes will make this look much sharper

NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday August 8, 2018 at 7:00 in the Conference Room adjacent to the Service Customer Waiting Area at Fitzgerald's Auto Mall, 114 Baughmans Lane, Frederick, Maryland

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