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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
MID MARYLAND CORVAIR CLUB
CORSA CHAPTER 217

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The February meeting of the Mid Maryland Corvair Club will be held February 13, 2019 at Fitzgerald's Auto Mall, 114 Baughman's Lane, Frederick, Maryland beginning at 7:00 pm. We will follow the Frederick County Public Schools cancellation of evening activities in the event of inclement weather. Club meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. Since this will be "Valentine's Day Eve," do you have a special story about you and your Valentine involving a Corvair? Let us hear about it but remember we do run a family friendly meeting!



NOTES FROM THE JANUARY MEETING

President Tom Rahochik called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with 14 members and 1 guest present. There were no corrections to the financial report or minutes of the previous meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Bob Millard reports no financial activity in the past month so the current balance is still \$1,403.18.

OLD BUSINESS None to report

NEW BUSINESS

We discussed the possibility of planning a spring drive event to a car collector's residence or business. President Tom spoke with Jeff at the Ranch who mentioned a customer in Lititz, Pa who has a car collection which includes the purchase of a 1964 Spyder convertible from the Ranch recently. Jeff is working with that person to make arrangements for our club and possibly the Central PA club to take a tour of his collection.

Tom talked about joining the Central Virginia Corvair Club in a visit to the Flying Circus Aerodrome and Air Show at Bealeton, Virginia on August 12. This venue features vintage biplanes doing aerobatics and wing walking demonstrations. Bealeton, Virginia is located on US Route 17 11 miles south of Warrenton. We will find out if this is a Wings and Wheels type of show or just a visit to watch the planes.

Dick Kaetzel reported that there were 187 vehicles present for the Indoor Car Show at the Valley Mall in Hagerstown. He and Dale Auldridge had the only 2 Corvairs on display. The Valley Mall Cruise Ins will begin on the second Saturday in April this year. Dick also says that The Pleasant Valley Car Show at Rohrsersville will be held on August 3 and will again have Corvair Classes.

OTHER TOPICS

As we went around the room to share our latest Corvair stories, we heard about Dale Graves father's electric car that he converted many years ago. It seems that the controller he developed to operate the vehicle was a clever and effective device that garnered attention from large manufacturers. Dale believes the drivetrain of that vehicle is now installed in a vehicle in a museum in Talladega, Alabama. Mike Coraggio discussed Vintage TV Shows on Cable featuring cars, Route 66 was one example. He also talked about his family's Full Service Filling Station and his memories of cleaning windshields, checking the oil, and pumping up tires. Your secretary also shared some of his experiences working part time in a Marathon Oil Service Station (in Marathon's home town) while attending college there back in the 60's. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40.

2019 CAR SHOW/EVENT CALENDAR:

- March 9 46th Chesapeake AACA Collector Car Swap Meet, rain or shine, Howard Co Fairgrounds, free, 7 a.m. – 3p.m., call 443-744-6338
- March 22-23 Sugarloaf Mountain Region-AACA 49th annual Parts & Swap Meet, 8 a.m. -? \$2 admission Carroll County Ag Center, Westminster
- April 4-7 Spring AutoFair located at the Charlotte Motor Speedway. Corvair Section by NC Corvair Clubs
- April 24-28 Spring Carlisle – Carlisle PA fairgrounds
- May 17-19, Corvair Museum Second Annual Open House in Decatur, IL
- June 8 Main Street Middletown's 2nd Annual "Vintage Vehicles in the Valley" on Green Street. Regist 9 – 11:30. Dash plaques 1st 75 entries Fee
- June 16 Sully Plantation Show across from Dulles Airport, Sunday, Father's Day
- June 29 Golden Gears Show, Lewistown VFD
- June 26-29 AACA Eastern Spring National, Parsippany NJ 609-240-1561
- July 23-27, 2019 CORSA Convention Pheasant Run Resort 4051 E Main Street St. Charles, IL 60174
- Aug 3 Pleasant Valley Car Show at the Rohrsersville Road Fire Station
Corvair Classes
- Aug 17 Rose Hill Manor Benefit Show (Rain date Aug 18th)
Corvair Class if 10 registered just like last year.
- Aug 17 9th Annual Car Show to benefit Middletown Vol Fire Co Auxiliary. Registration before Noon, awards 3 p.m., fee \$10
- Sept 14 All GM Show, Howard Community College
- Sept 15 Farewell Alzheimer's Show, Frederick MVA, 10-4, gates open at 8, rain date 9/29
- Oct 2 – 6 Fall Carlisle
- Oct. 9 – 12 AACA Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA
- Oct. 19 Rockville Antique/Classic Car Show, Rockville Civic Ctr Park, 603 Edmonston Dr., Rockville, 11–3:30



- February 4 Jeannette Ostroff
- February 13 Molly Millard
- February 13 Dave Maynard
- February 27 Robb Jones

I have less than half of the birthday/anniversary dates for club members. If you would like to have your special days recognized, please send me a reply or see me at the meeting.

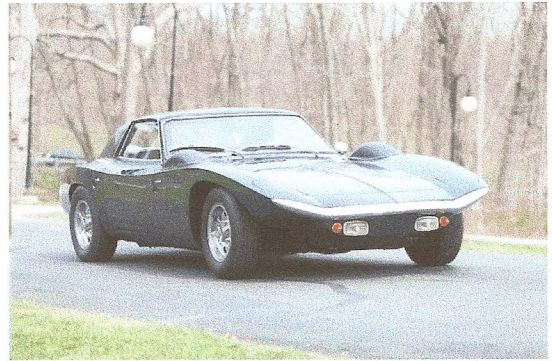


CORVAIRS - SOLD -

Some of us were following the Mecum Auctions Kissimmee Collector Car Auction to see the results of a 66 Yenko Stinger being offered for sale as Lot # F237. It crossed the block on Friday, January 11 and had a pre-sale estimate of \$65,000. To \$100,000. Identified as #074 of 100 Yenko Stingers, it was equipped with a Stage III setup, 2 Weber 3 barrel downdraft carbs with a rating of 220 hp.

HAMMER PRICE WAS \$220,000.00 including buyers premium

There was also discussion about the sale of the Fitch Phoenix a few years ago but no one could recall the dollar amount. I found that Bonhams sold it at the Greenwich CT Concours Auction in June 2014 for John Fitch's estate for \$253,000.00.



Auctioneers Footnote - The Fitch Phoenix is titled by its base identity of a 1965 Corvair. (The serial # shows that it was a model 700 at that. - Ed.)

CORVAIRS IN THE MEDIA

Chevrolet's Corvair was included in a list of "17 cars that were killed before they could succeed" found on the MSN website on January 14. Also on the list were Tucker, DeLorean, Porsche 914/6, Bugatti EB110, Pontiac G8, AMC's AMX, Saturn Sky, Honda Insight (1st gen.), 3 Saab Models, and others.

CORVAIR TRIVIA What American auto was named Motor Trend Magazine's Car of the Year for 1960?

AUTOMOTIVE HISTORY The English village of East Peckham, Kent issues what may be the first speeding ticket to a motorist going 8 mph in a 2 mph zone - January 28, 1896

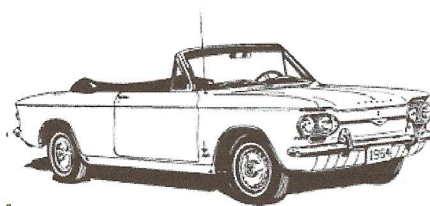
CLUB APPAREL

We will proceed with an order for our Club Apparel. I have received enough interest to reduce the pricing on the embroidered items to the 12+ listing but we are still short of the number required for screen printed shirts. I have one paid order in hand. Please submit your orders with a check payable to Grimes Graphics now using the 12+ price and I will hand carry them to John Grimes. I should have the finished items by the following meeting. We will also have a long sleeved polo shirt for \$22.00 same colors as short sleeve. Please use the order form attached.

UPCOMING MEETINGS Second Wednesday of each month at Fitzgerald's Auto Mall

- March 13 We will have a Guest Speaker, Jose Bueso of Dynamic Auto will present a talk on Carburetion
- April 10 - Pizza Night, at the dealership
- May 8 - Tentative Speaker on Collector Auto Topic
- June 12 - Open Air Meeting/Mini Car Show on the parking lot at the dealership, weather permitting
- September - Club Picnic Date and location TBD
- December Holiday Dinner Date and location TBD

We have learned that Doris Utz has suffered a fall and is using a wheel chair to get around. Our thoughts and prayers for a speedy and complete recovery go out to Doris



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MID MARYLAND CORVAIR CLUB APPAREL ORDER



EMBROIDERED OVAL LOGO

Item Description	6+	12+	24+	Add for 2XL
UltraClub Pique Polos	\$18.00	\$17.00	\$16.40	\$1.00
Ultra Club Long Sleeve Polos	\$22.00			
Alternative Twill Caps	\$13.20	\$12.20	\$11.60	
Hanes Beefy Tees	\$11.60	\$10.60	\$10.00	\$2.80
Tri-Mountain Windbreakers	\$37.40	\$36.40	\$35.80	\$1.60
Hanes 9.7oz Crew-Neck Sweatshirts	\$19.00	\$18.00	\$17.40	\$5.40

Pricing would be for total of all embroidered items

HERITAGE DESIGN SILKSCREEN TEE

Hanes Beefy Tee-Shirts

1-color front imprint (Screen)

12 or more - \$10.60 each 18 or more - \$9.80 each

24 or more - \$9.00 each 36 or more - \$8.40 each

we need to order a minimum of 12 of this design



NAME _____

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