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The RMC Corvairs at the Schakel home for the 2019 Tri-State Tune Up



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Setting the stage at the Schakel's spread

The Tri-State Tune up has been a tradition in the Rocky Mountain Corsa club for many years to get the cars ready for the long and arduous trip to the Tri-State meet.

The last few years the Schakels, Eric and Linae have graciously agreed to host the event. Their place is a beautiful setting with enough room to park all the many cars that arrive. This year the attendance was down a bit. I counted 10 Corvairs, all though there were a few SUV's were parked off to the side. The weather this May has been a tad unpredictable and this day was a bit overcast. This may have damped the attendance. But those that missed this event really missed a phenomenal Mexican buffet spread that Linae provided as well as some great company.



The Corvairs that were there were impressive. It looked like a concours line. Steve Goodman drove his Amani coupe, Kory and Gail Levin were there with 65 Monza coupe, Larry and Lynn Yoder arrived in their 66 Corsa. Jerry and Nancy Gerteisen had their early Monza convertible. Dale Neilsen drove his 65 Monza coupe. Mike and Karen Piper came with their 65 convertible. Chris Kimberly brought her 62 Monza convertible and I had my 66 Corsa coupe. Oh yes, Ed Halpin arrived a bit late with his 67 Monza sedan.



President Letter for June 2019 Denvair News – RMC

Hello Fellow Members of the RMC!

Work on my wife's '63 Convertible has been going well, and she's excited about the upcoming cruise season, more so than the car shows. I've been pleasantly surprised to see how excited she gets, just to see the car start on the first turn of the key. Guess the little things go a long way. The car starts easy, runs great, is as safe as can be (for a car of that era), so I'm enjoying seeing her out driving.



For those in the Club who enjoy a good Cruise, a reminder that there are several local opportunities to get out and travel at 10mph with a 100 other like minded folks; "The Golden Super Cruise" is the first Saturday of each month, in the town of Golden. Cars are out and about as early as noon, so if you want a good spot to sit and watch, grab your lunch, grab a spot and enjoy the wide variety of vehicles passing by. Another fun run is the Littleton Cruise, which now runs out of the Pep Boys Speed Shop location at 5134 S Wadsworth Blvd @ Belleview on the second Saturday of each month, starting at 3pm.

A fun Show I just saw is on June 30th from 10am-2pm over at Shotgun Willies on Colorado Blvd. There are trophies, and I believe some of the prizes will be paid out in \$1 bills :)

Whatever you all device to do in June, just make sure you do it with the one who counts on you the most for their own enjoyment, your Corvair! Remember, without you, it's just a pile of parts sitting in the garage.

See you on the road! Drive Safe! Ed

Our new members

These 4 young gentlemen have joined RMC since the start of the year



Mike Timmons



Brad Bedwell



Chris Jackson



Peter Kula Jr.

2019 Tri-State

Ken Schiffner

Friendly Alamosa, CO, was the host city and Pikes Peak Corvair Club (PPCC) was the host Corvair Club for the 2019 Tri-State. This year's event was chaired by RMC Prez and PPCC member Ed Halpin with Diane Lawler organizing the raffle portions of the event.

PPCC arranged to send SeeMore to Alamosa using Tony Lawler's enclosed trailer with David and Mary Ellen Feasel in their tow vehicle. Various RMC and PPCC members pitched in where needed to support the event.



The layout of the host hotel (Best Western) provided an outdoors mini-park venue for the Friday night (May 17th) Welcoming Party. Ed arranged food, and live entertainment at the party with San Luis Valley Brewery providing kegs of a variety of craft beer. Though the weather was "cool", the people atmosphere was warm and friendly. Wind gusts up to about 40 mph occurred early during the Welcome Party but diminished as the event progressed.

Diane Lawler and contributors set out a variety of raffle items included things one could, eat, drink, display, and otherwise enjoy. The successful "gamblers" walked away smiling with their winnings.

A local band (Blue Skies) provided guitar-based music during the Welcome Party added to the fun.



Given the southern Colorado location, the New Mexico club was particularly well represented.



Keeping his word, Steve Goodman did wear a pink Tri-State shirt that did have the required pockets. (OK, the pockets were printed on, not sewn on).

Lube Lubert was “arrested” at the car show. His sedan was voted by the local sheriff and deputy for being the vehicle most likely to be stopped for defective equipment. The sheriff has a '64 Spyder that he is restoring. He may join the NM Club.

Hotly contested multiple team fan belt toss competition was held on the car show field. No one was injured.



Special awards and certificates were presented during the banquet. Of particular note was the award to John Dinsdale for decades of support of RMC as a member and as treasurer. John has missed only one Tri-State!



The 2020 Tri-State will be held in the Albuquerque area. Looking forward to it!

A few RMC members made the weekend a “Double Header”. Michael Timmons and Amanda, Tony and Diane, Mike Piper, and Rick Beets and this writer attended the Florence Car Show. Another great show!

The drive to Florence on unofficial “Corvair Road” (highway 50) from Salida to Route 115 was the highlight. Twists and turns with canyon scenery made for a fun and exciting added feature to the weekend!



EVENT ATTENDANCE / CLUB PARTICIPATION

99 individuals attended this event. Of those 99, the Clubs represented were:

Pikes Peak Corvair Club
 Corvairs of New Mexico
 Rocky Mountain CORSA Corvair Club
 Green Country Corvair Group (Tulsa)

CAR SHOW ATTENDANCE

40 Cars were registered for the Show and Shine event

NUMBER OF CARS IN THE CAR SHOW

BY YEAR

1960	1
1961	2
1962	2
1963	4
1964	9
1965	9
1966	6
1967	3
1968	2
1969	2

BY BODY TYPE

Early Open	8
Early Closed	7
Late Open	4
Late Closed	17
Forward Control	1
Wagon	2
Specialty	1

BANQUET ATTENDANCE AND AWARDS PRESENTED

99 individuals were projected to attend the banquet. Two individuals were unable to make the dinner, but their meals were sold to two same day registrants, so the numbers evened out.

Awards Presented Earlier in the day on the field at the Show & Shine:

- Push Rod Drop Competition – Champion - Mike Halpin (PPCC)
- Fan Belt Toss Team Competition – 2nd Place – “The Twins” (Erica and Jamie Anderson)
- Fan Belt Toss Team Competition – 1nd Place – “Straight Off The Couch” (Kyle Piper and Colton Hanratty)
- Alamosa County Sheriff’s Awards
 - “Corvair Most Likely to be Stopped by Law Enforcement for Material Defect” - Lube Lubert in his ’63 4 Door Sedan
 - “Sheriff’s Choice” - Phil Degroot in his ’62 4 Door Sedan

Show & Shine Awards Presented at the Banquet:

Best Early Open	Chris Kimberly (PPCC)	'64 Baby Blue Monza Convertible
Best Early Closed	Phil DeGroot (PPCC)	'62 Gold Monza 4 Door Sedan
Best Late Open	Mike Piper (PPCC)	'65 Red CORSA Convertible
Best Late Closed	Jim Williams (RMC)	'65 Dark Red CORSA Coupe
Best Wagon	William Pearce (PPCC)	'61 Seafoam Green Lakewood Wagon
Best Forward Control	Michael Timmons (PPCC)	'61 Patina White Corvair 95 Panel Van
Best Specialty	Pikes Peak Corvair Club	"SeeMore" '66 Blue Cutaway Car
Best in Show	Jim Williams (RMC)	'65 Dark Red CORSA Coupe
People's Choice	Kathy Green	'61 Green Lakewood Wagon

Other Awards Presented at the Banquet:

- **Long Distance Award** – Curtis Shimp out of Silver City, NM racked up 436 in his journey to the Tri-State this year.
- **Hard Luck Award** - Michael Timmons in in '61 Corvair 95 Panel Van for excessive overheating and electrical issues which were overcome along the journey to Alamosa
- **PPCC Tech Team Shirt Awards:** Chris Kimberly, Rick Beet, and Ken Schiffner
- **PPCC Tech Team Hat Awards:** Randy Karl, David Feasel, Ed Halpin
- **RMC President's Achievement Award** - John Dinsdale received an achievement award from the RMC for his 25+ years of service as their Treasurer

Awards Not Presented:

- Attendance Award (retired from this and future Tri-States by the Club Presidents)
- Boydston Award (retired from this and future Tri-States by the Club Presidents)

T-SHIRT SALES

A total of 68 event t-shirts were sold, and the addition of a pink shirt for the ladies was well received.

23 - Lady's Pink V-Neck t-shirts sold

45 - Men's Black Crew Neck t-shirts sold



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RMC Upcoming Events 2019

Saturday, June 1st—**Club meeting up North in Longmont.** Meet at the **Dougherty Museum** meeting at 10:30 a.m., in the museum parking lot. The address for the museum is for a brief 8306 N107th St., in Longmont. The museum opens at 11:00. After we check out the museum, those who are interested can gather at **Chicago Pizza** for a late lunch. Their address is 1805 Industrial Circle.

Saturday June 1st—Finish up your Corvair day by joining the **Golden Super Cruise Night** in Golden.

Saturday June 8th—The **Havanna Cruise.** This is a CCCC sponsored event. Rick Beets is the contact for this cruise.

Sunday June 9th—**Concours d' Elegance** at Arapahoe Community College. Twelve Corvairs will be participating in this event which is by invitation only to show your car. Contact Ken Schiffner for details.

Saturday June 15th—**Castle Rock Cruise In Car Show.** This is sponsored by the Vintage Car Club of Castle Rock. See their website to register.

Saturday June 22nd—**Road Trip to The Wild Animal Sanctuary** near Keenesburg. "Linner" (remember...late lunch/early dinner) to follow at a location TBA.

Sunday June 23rd—**Garage Tour**—Meet at the Cracker Barrel in Longmont for breakfast at 8:00 a.m. and tour begins at 9:00 after breakfast to the garages of John Drage, and Jim Reich. We will be checking out John's projects, and Jim also has a beautiful model car collection as well as his garage projects

Sunday June 30th—**Cheeseburgers and Corvairs** at the Westwood Inn.

July

Friday, July 5th—**Club Meeting** at John Elway Chevrolet, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday June 6th—**Golden Super Cruise Night** in Golden.

Saturday, July 13 or 14—**Auto Cross**—details to come. Rob B. is heading up this event.

July 23-27th —**CORSA International Convention**, St. Charles, Ill.

August

Friday, August 2nd—**Club Meeting** at John Elway Chevrolet, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 3rd—**Rocky Mt. Car Show and Swap Meet** at the Jeff Co Airport. This is sponsored by the CCCC; this is a class C car show with fly-bys.

Saturday August 3rd—**Golden Super Cruise Night** in Golden.

A change in the calendar of events* Sunday, August 4th—The Dale Wilshire Picnic at Cherry Creek Reservoir.** Time and the pavilion will be posted in the newsletter. (This was originally scheduled for a different date and was changed so we could support some of our club members at another event.)

August 10th-11th—2019 **Race Against Kids' Cancer**, sponsored by the Rocky Mt. Vintage Racing Club and the Morgan Adams Foundation. It will be held at the High Plains Raceway, Deertrail, CO. This event is held each year as a fundraiser to find a cure for kids' cancer by the Morgan Adams Foundation and the RMVR. This year, Eric Schakel and Jon Whiteley will be racing, and we are planning a club road trip to go to support them as well as this event that raises money for pediatric cancer research. All money raised, stays here locally.

Sunday, August 25th— **The Old Colorado City Car Show**; Register online for this show.

September

Saturday, Sept 7th—**Golden Super Cruise Night** in Golden.

Saturday, Sept 14th—**Club Meeting up North** at the Budweiser Beer Gardens in Ft. Collins. The meeting is at 11:30 and will be followed by a tour and lunch.

Saturday, Sept 28th—**RMC Fall Tour**. More details to come.

Sunday Sept 22 or 29—**Cheeseburgers and Corvairs**



The TuneUp crew are admiring Eric Schakel's latest project. It's got the wheels and the Recaro racing seats. Eric says it will be painted racing green (rear fender).

How to identify a '66 versus a '65 – Part 5

John Dawson

Changes to 1966 model year from 1965 model year

STEERING / SUSPENSION

110) New two-piece steering shaft with new type coupler (03/31/65)

111) Steering column mast jacket different

TRANSAXLE

112) Change to a new Saginaw transmission for both 3 and 4spds.

113) Front strut rod bracket to transmission crossmember changed

114) Axle half shaft u-joint to hub bolts size enlarged on both ends. (late '65 running change)

115) No longer have dipstick for transaxle

116) Backup light switch relocated on manual trans from bottom to the side

117) Shifter rear stabilizer bracket changed

118) Differential case changed (i.e. New mounting holes) to mount new style transmission.

119) On the shifter assembly, the receiver for the ball of the shifter is a welded on stamped version, replacing the 1965 style cast piece.

120) Throttle rod redesigned for new manual transmission.

121) Different longer (24 3/8" Vs 23 1/4") transmission input shaft

122) Rear transmission crossmember redesigned for use with the new "Saginaw" transmission.

123) Special flat metal locking piece attached to axle u-joint strap deleted. Bend up tang to lock.
(08/13/65)

124) Accelerator linkage crossbar pivot attached to transmission redesigned.

125) see part two, Body

That's it for now!



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Monthly Meeting

RMC typically holds meetings the 1st Friday of each month at our host dealership, Elway Chevrolet, 5200 South Broadway in Englewood. Join us at 7:00 PM in the upstairs meeting room.

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Rocky Mountain CORSA Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Date: May 3, 2019

Called to Order: 7:00 "let's get rolling"

Location: John Elway Chevrolet

Present: 25

- Guests, long distance, new members: One new member, Brad and Jessica Bedwell – just bought a 1968 140 stickshift found thru Michael and Tony– sinking into the ground, put in electric fuel pump and drove it out of there.
- Tim Shortle came and brought his brother Leo, brought card to sign for Mathew who is graduating UNC Greeley tomorrow.

Standard Business:

Minutes from past meeting: The April minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The end of April balance was \$6,055.05 Treasurer's report was accepted.

Mailbag: No mail received.

Old Business:

- Activities review:
 - Ken Schiffner made a motion to donate \$500 from the club to help with SeeMore Fund (Not part of PPCC general fund – specific line item in budget).
 - Tony suggested that amount was low, recommended \$1,000 as it is a display that benefits both clubs.
 - Tim Shortle suggested an offer to 'buy half the car' (Ed mentioned he doesn't think that is a likely possibility)
 - Amendment of the motion to donate \$500, change the donation to \$1,000
 - **Motion made to donate \$1,000 from RMC to the SeeMore Fund (Separate from PPCC's General fund) Initiated by Ken Schiffner, seconded and passed vote of membership.**
 - Discussion about benefits of SeeMore, and safety of Corvairs VS other period cars and the issue of "Unsafe at Any Speed"
- Upcoming Events
 - May 4, First Official Golden Supercriuse of the season
 - May 5, Tri-State Tune-Up & Cinco de Mayo at Schakel's. Taco meat provided, bring sides. Bring Corvair items to share.
 - Tri-State, May 17-19 in Alamosa. May 3 registration cut-off for banquet and shirts. Arrive Friday for Welcome Party & registration. Sat am show at Cole Park.
 - May 19 Florence Car show – Tony, Ken Rick, and Mike will be leaving really early from Alamosa and joining the show late.
 - June 1 Dougherty Museum \$5 for Adults and \$3 kids 6-12
 - June 8 Cruizin Havana, see below.
 - June 9th Concours At Arapahoe Community College
 - June 15th Castle Rock Cruisin car show, flyer placed on table up front.
 - June 22 Club trip to Keenesburg – Wild animal sanctuary and lunch – sanctuary is outside of town
 - June 30 Corvairs and Cheeseburgers event
 - Cruise in downtown Littleton? Now is Wadsworth and Belleview at the pep boys
 - Also about pep boys they will be having older car stuff for speed stuff 5:16
- CCCC update, Rick Beets:
 - June 8 Havana Cruise. Our role is to provide 5 volunteers for flaggers, Poker Run Table, and flyer handout, sharing the Havana Exchange Shopping Center, 2880 S Havana with the Denver Roadster Club. SeeMore will be there and volunteers needed for that in addition. The Stampede site has food + food trucks and is hosting facility for model car show.
 - Airport event is in planning with volunteers for parking needed.
 - State bill 1261 – bill about reduction of greenhouse gases. This is something to keep an eye on.

New Business:

- Marketing Tools - Business cards, Window Stickers, Feather Flag.
 - Facebook and Instagram focus discussed.
- Eric Schakel - Race at High Plains Racetrack -Race Against Cancer, August 10-11 – There was a suggestion to fundraise as club and possibly have a club Parade Lap! Eric will provide more detail as the event gets closer.
- John Dinsdale showed a 1995 Communique article about a 10-cylinder Corvair-based engine. Ed will scan & share with club.
- Tony was talking about his new Rampside ... reminder to check fluids when getting a project up and running... completely burned out differential...on a test drive.

For Sale or Wanted, Recently Purchased

- John Dinsdale passed around a list of items for sale - mostly late model stuff
- Chris Kimberly has a list of items for sale since she will be moving – mostly early model stuff and household items.
- '65 110 Monza 4 speed convertible at Pick Your Part.
- John Dawson has set of 13" wheels Maroon powder coated - proceeds will go to SeeMore

50/50 Raffle: Amount to Club: \$55 To Winner: \$55 Winner: Mike Timmons

Adjourned: 8:25pm **Respectfully Submitted by:** Melissa Wallace

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SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019

12 noon—6 p.m. **COST: FREE!**

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