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Blast from the Past



Russell Martin

Mid-Md Corvair club picnic

SEP 27, 2015

Thank you, Russell



Financial Report

Financial info: the last reported balance was \$1,322.56. At the pizza event I received \$90 in dues. The Pizza event cost \$90.38, making the final balance \$1,322.18.

Bob Millard



I thought you might want to use this attachment from an article in Jalopnik July 4th 2019 by Jason Torchinsky. Google Corvair: America's Global Design Hero, to see the whole article.

Thank you, Bruce Culp

Lazy Day Salad by Sharon Adkins

- 1 large can of crushed pineapple (don't drained)
- 1 large can fruit cocktail (drained)
- 2 small can of mandarin oranges (drained)
- 1 box instant vanilla pudding
- 9 oz of cool whip.
- 1/2 cup pecans
- 1/2 cup coconut.



Mix first four ingredients. Add cool whip. Pour into deep dish sprinkle with pecans and coconut. Refrigerate.

Hope this helps I'm asked a lot to make it and have made it without the nuts and coconut when I know someone

can't have nuts and the salad is good either way.

Q & A with Tom Rahochnik



Q: Tell us about yourself

A: I am currently 66 years old. I retired in 2016 after 32 years with State Farm Insurance in auto claims. Prior to this job, I had a police officer career for almost 10 years in Frederick, MD. My wife, Kandy, is also retired after 21 years as a medical secretary at Ft. Detrick, MD. We have been married for 45 years.

Our two daughters, with son in laws and three grandchildren all reside in Jacksonville, NC. I was born in Montclair, NJ and moved with my family to Hagerstown, MD in 1962 when my father accepted a position at Mack Trucks as a mechanical engineer. I attended St. Maria Goretti high school, Hagerstown Junior College and York College of Pa.

Q : Who, what, when got you interested in Corvairs?

A: With five sisters and one brother, in 1963 my dad knew he needed a "minivan" of that time and reviewed/test drove the Ford Econoline, Dodge van, VW van and the Corvair Greenbrier. The Greenbrier won hands down with the lower center of gravity, independent suspension and engine in the rear for great traction in the snow. He ordered it with only several options - 4 speed, white west coast mirrors and white stripe (red was the main color). My mom really knew how to handle the 4 speed driving us to school every week day. So this begins my interest in Corvairs. In 1970, my dad sold the Greenbrier and purchased a 1970 Ford Econoline Club Wagon 12 passenger van. Very heavy duty, but he still missed the "uniqueness" of the Corvair Greenbrier. Upon finding out that an associate work employee purchased a 1966 Corsa turbo coupe new from Hoffman Chevrolet in Hagerstown, MD, my dad would repeatedly tell him he would buy the Corsa if and when he was ready to sell it.

Whenever the owner experienced a small mechanical problem with the Corsa, he would always ask my dad how to solve the problem and my dad's answer would always be "sell me the car" and in 1972 the Corsa coupe came into our family.

Q : How many Corvairs have you owned, and how many do you currently own?

A: 1) 1966 Corsa Coupe, Madiera Maroon, turbo - currently own

1) 1966 Corsa Convertible, Tropic Turquoise, turbo - currently own

Q & A with Tom Rahochik Continued

Q: Are you now, or have you been, a member of other Corvair clubs?

A: I joined Corsa in 1969, when I was 16 years old. I joined Mid- Maryland club sometime in the late seventies, leaving the club in the mid-eighties for raising a family, then returning to the club around 2015. I currently hold the position as president of the club.

Q: Have you attended any CORSA conventions?

A: I have previously attended 19 Corsa conventions. The first one I attended with my father was the 1984 convention in Parsippany, NJ.

Q: What is your special field of Corvair interest?

A: All stock and turbo model Corvairs.

Q: Have you held any offices in Corvair clubs?

A: My current position as our club president is the only Corvair office position I have held. Informally, I will admit I am the public affairs director for the Corvair Ranch, as Jeff bestows this title to me for the planning and execution of our enjoyable open house event.

Q: Tell us about your current Corvair projects

A: The 1966 Corsa turbo convertible continues to be a work in progress. Purchased in 2002 when found sitting on a side lot at the Corvair Ranch, the owner wanted to restore it "someday" but offered to sell it to me when he was between job transitions. Tear down and tank dip was completed in 2005. Metal replacement included an NOS right fender, nose panel and r/r quarter section panel. Door jamb and rocker panel sections were also replaced. The trunk bottom had the usual rust thru damage. I planned on just welding a replacement trunk bottom in, however at that time, Jeff had a full NOS trunk replacement which I elected to purchase and install. Fast forward to 2016 at which time the body again was tank dipped and then tank e-coated dipped, both processes completed in the Altoona, Pa area. The body was painted in 2019. The front suspension and tunnel pan items are completed. The engine rebuild has now started which will be all stock other than roller rocker arms to deter valve guide wear and the addition of electronic ignition.

Q: Tell us about your other Corvair

A: I completed a full restoration on my 1966 turbo coupe back in 1994 and this coupe continues to be both my show and driver car.

It is not only enjoyable for me to complete this restoration one day a week at the Corvair Ranch, but for my wife as well, who allows me to go and appreciates "emptying the house of more Corvair

Thank you, Tom

Car For Sale

I have reduced my price on this car to \$5,000 to move it hopefully. I have syphoned the old gas out, and have replaced the fuel pump and filter.

Please pass along to those that may be interested.

**Tim Stefan
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Question Time: September's Question by Andria Raine

How many Corvair's have you owned in your lifetime.

Not how many were in the family.

Not how many parts cars they may have had.

Only count how many you have owned that were legally titled in you name.

My guess is many of us have had as many parts Corvair's that were never titled as we have had Corvair's that were titled

Answers:

-Good morning. Harold has a 1963 corvair that he got home In boxes back of his truck and a rollback the car had been painted and the engine redone seating in garage for fifteen years so with help he had a great time getting it done. With the help of. Dick,Dale,and Dave Coleman the car is in great shape and no oil leak. Sharon Adkins

-My reply to Andria's question is Two, The Lakewood my parents gave me in '70 and the '66 four door I have now. Bruce Culp

-Judy and I have owned the following Covers: '66 Corvair Corsa convertible; '62 Monza coupe (3 speed); '64 Monza coupe (4 speed); '67 Monza convertible (automatic); and we now have another '66 Corsa convertible. That makes a total of 5. All were titled and ran and were used regularly, although the first Corsa was in the midst of restoration later in its life (shade tree by us) and before completed was sold to Bob Millard. He later sold it to a gent in the Midwest. The first Corsa was our courting car, and when Judy retired from Hood College, she wanted another as a retirement gift. I never thought I would find one again, but President Tom found a wonderful one for us, a one owner original that we now enjoy. We were early members of the Club back when Tom's father was the leader, in the days of the Wilhides, Laura who recently passed. After a period of absence from the Club and our move to St. Mary's County from Frederick we rejoined the Club and are delighted to be back. Bill and Judy Sherman

-I have owed 3 corvairs. A 1963, 1962, and Now a 1964.

Russell Martin

-We have had 2 the 62 Wagon and a 65 500 Sedan, white with red interior, 3 speed manual, base engine, for about 18 months back in the early Seventies. Ron Moss

-I have owned 17 real Corvairs and over a hundred little ones Bob Moats



Info. from Ron Moss

Here is the website for the GM Photo Store where you can find lots of calendars, posters and framed prints of GM cars and trucks with plenty of Corvairs included. www.gmphotostore.com.

There is an interesting story in the November Issue of Hemming Classic Car about a Corvair proudly driven by its owner in Tokyo, Japan. Check it out on this link https://www.hemmings.com/stories/article/big-in-japan-2?refer=news&utm_source=edaily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2020-09-24.

On the subject of Hemmings Magazines, our good friend Richard Lentinello has left the Hemmings Publications as Managing Editor. My guess is that he will now focus on publishing his own books on various car brands. Let's hope that someone else will continue providing feature articles on our Corvairs.

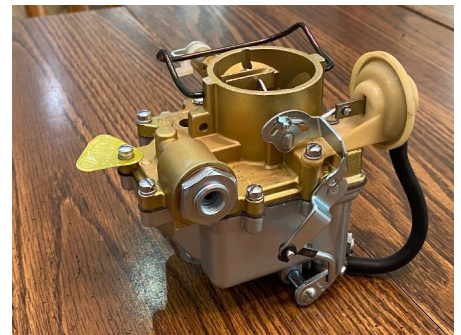
Carburetor restoration for Glenn Car by Bill Hubbell

Carb top re-plated and yellow chromated

NOS choke pull-off, original color

Replated hardware

Correct tag (original, restored)



CRUISE FOR KIDZ TRUNK N TREAT AUTO SHOW

WHEN
October 25th, 2020
3pm – 7pm

WHERE
Jockey Bar & Grill
7704 Old National Pike, Boonsboro MD 21713

Dash plaques for first 50 registered · 50/50 · Raffles ·
Trophies · Music · Chinese Auction

FOOD By: Jockey Bar & Grill

FACEBOOK PAGE: CRUISE FOR KIDZ AUTOSHOW

to benefit



Children's National

TRUNK N TREAT

RULES:

All Participating Vehicles:
Trunks and gates must be open for kidz to come by,
must supply your own candy, must be
individually wrapped, no
apples or homemade
treats allowed. Feel free
to dress the part.

REGISTRATION:

By Donation
3pm-4:30pm

AWARDS:

- Best Car
- Best Truck
- Best Motorcycle
- Best Halloween
Decorated Vehicles
- Best Custom
- Best of Show Overall
- Kidz Choice
- Furthest Distance
- Jockey Bar & Grill Choice
- Club with most
Registered Vehicles

**ALL MAKES, ALL
MODELS, ALL
YEARS WELCOMED**



Cruise for KIDZ Autoshow

Mid Maryland
Corvair Club
Annual Picnic





Corvair Days



Congratulation, Tom, Joe, Bruce, and Don!!!

Happy Birthday

Vicki Kaetzel 10/08

Jeff Ostroff 10/10

Cyndi McNamara 10/22

Bruce Culp 10/25

Judy Sherman 10/26

Caroline Powell 10/30



Judy & Bill Sherman 10/28

Bob & Carletta Moats 10/24



Thank you everyone for all your help!

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