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Formed By And For Those Who Still Appreciate The CORVAIR Automobile

When you don't have a trailer and he says it's free if you take it right now.



I found another one!

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NFCC Events and more!

NFCC MEETING SCHEDULE

Until further notice, all NFCC activities and meetings are on hold due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Pat Murphy and Joe Pendolino are looking into setting up some Zoom on line meetings going forward. We will let you know how things progress on this. Currently "group" meetings are limited, and we really have no good location available, and not much going on to talk about. Currently, it is more important for everyone to stay safe and maintain social distancing.

I know it is going to be a long winter to get through, but hang in there, better days are coming. We just have to make it to those days.

THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT AN EVENT TO THE CLUTCH ARTISTS CALENDAR OF EVENTS HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO APRIL 1st

The Dunkirk Swap Meet has been cancelled for 2021.

2021 CORSA Convention in San Diego has been cancelled due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, That's 2 years in a row this convention has been cancelled. Currently they are not re-scheduling it again. 2022 CORSA convention is scheduled for Georgia.

Here is a link to car show events in the area!

<https://carmcruisefinder.com/new-york-car-shows/events/category/new-york-car-shows/western-ny-car-shows/>

I'm sure you all heard about the freighter stuck in the Suez Canal blocking everything up for several days. Well it took a Corvair FC tow truck along with a little help from a mule named Sal to get it free.



Hello Everybody,
Here is something that will be of special interest to CORSA members in the northeastern section of the USA.

On Saturday July 31, as part of it's Warren LeVeque memorial event, the Northeast Corvair Council is having a Corvair Car Show inconjunction with our usual performance driving event at Pocono Raceway. The show field will be in the Pocono NorthCourse paddock right in front of the North Course garages. The show includes lunch-time parade lapsaround the North Course. People's Choicejudging. Price: \$0. That's Zero! On-site registrationwill be available but please pre-register. Complete details on our website www.neccmotorsports.com or contact BrianO'Neill, (973) 729 5586, bmoneill@juno.com Attached is a one-page article that provides more information about this fun event.
Allan Lacki for NECC

Patrick Murphy is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: NFCC meeting

Time: Apr 21, 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78344533677?pwd=Y3hMc2EzWk5IZVhKZ29KWDUvRjVvUT09>

Meeting ID: 783 4453 3677

Passcode: YxUY7k

Tom Koprevich is doing a little brake upgrade on the Spyder.



Had to make a few modifications to the area around where the brake line attaches and remove some of the raised area so I could re-angle the line. I also was going to mount them with the caliper facing forward, but it would not clear Matts short steering arms so I placed them facing back. I ended up having to take a bit off the back side of my aluminum rims near the hub area so they would clear the calipers. Was an easy process on my brake lathe, mounted the whole tire up and removed a bit. And since I was in there I also cut 1 coil off the springs to lower the car a bit.



Made one more addition, because I did not move where the stock hardline was located the flexible line passes behind the spindle. Wanted to make sure that if I hit a large bump that the bumper would not pinch the line. It might not have anyway, but I did this: (has slip fit so it can move in and out some)

April is here!

I have rolled my entire lawn in March, brought home the 62 Vair from storage in March as well as the 64 Valiant.

Yesterday I brought home the 63 Greenbrier, the 66 Monza, and my 66 Dodge! It felt great just to drive the cars again!

On top of that I mowed and swept my lawn and spent a full day of doing stuff!

My Clark's order arrived on Friday, so now I have some parts to install.

To top it off, I got a knock on my door with a guy asking me if I was interested in another Valiant parts car! That usually only happens to me with Corvairs! To top[it off, he delivered the car. Now I have evewn more to do with parting that one out.

I am all revved up with no place to go.

A lot of events have already been cancelled for 2021. I have both of my shots (Pfizer at CVS Pharmacy), and many others have gotten theirs. Now shots are available to anyone 16 years and older! The shots are re-assuring, but by no means do I feel invincible, The Covid-19 is mutating, that's what viruses do. That's why we have to get a flu shot every year. The flu virus changes, it gets stronger, mutates to propagate itself. And we have not defeated that yet.

Will we achieve herd immunity?

I doubt it. If everyone got the shots, then it would be a possibility. But there are too many out there who are anti-vaccine, as well as anti-maskers. Restrictions are not followed, or enforced as they should be. And lets face it, when have humans ever done what is better for them, or others?

As of now, there are events out there which are going to happen. And those that are cancelled.

I went to a few cruises and shows last year. A Corvair van is a great place to stay inside and distance. While out and about at shows, more than once I used my cane to poke someone in the chest to remind them to socially distance themselves, if they did not have a mask on.

With family, we missed Thanksgiving, Easter, and Christmas. Yeah, that sucks!

This year, I am cautiously optimistic. I plan on a few events to see how it goes.

Maybe we can have a get together at the Travel Plaza for a meeting or two. Hopefully that comes up at a

meeting on zoom.

I recommend, everyone out there get your vaccine, mine was painless, with no ill effects the next day.

Hopefully we will see each other very soon. Get out there and get some work done on those Corvairs, and get a few miles on them.

I am looking for pictures and material for the newsletter. What has everyone been doing?

Note: My opinions do not reflect the opinions of the Niagara Frontier Corvair Club. Hey, I'm newsletter editor and am editorializing. I wish the Covid-19 was an April Fools Joke, but it is not.

Stay Safe

Gary Swiatowy

