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From the President

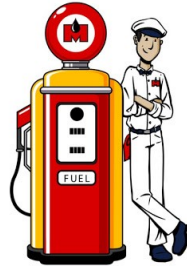


"It is better to be a young June bug than an old bird of paradise." Mark Twain

June 20th, the summer solstice, is officially the first day of summer. With the warm weather upon us and covid-19 restrictions being reduced, time to get your Corvair out to car events that are now taking place through out the country. The Springfield, Illinois CORSA mini convention just completed a full week of events in beautiful summer like weather. Our club had fantastic weather for our 'ride through the county & lunch' starting in Middletown making our way to Pen Mar Park where we met members of the Central PA Corvair Club. After some social and picture time, we travelled to the Keystone Restaurant in Waynesboro, PA to enjoy more social time and a great lunch. Having only five minutes to participate in our club zoom meeting this month, I asked Ron Moss to inform our newsletter on their topics of discussion. I did participate in CORSA's 'night at the museum' zoom meeting on the evening of May 20th. Our CORSA president, Mike Hall, gave us a great video tour and wealth of information on the cars and memorabilia currently housed at the museum. We were told this video eventually will make it to you tube so it can be enjoyed by all, especially those that may never have the opportunity to visit it in person. Our next club zoom meeting will be 06/09/21 at 7 PM. Let's not forget our fathers on 06/20/21 as well, many whom are responsible for directing our interest to where we are today with our Corvairs.

Happy Vairing!

Tom Club President



More Tidbits By Ron Moss

Here is another interesting article from Daniel Strohl of Hemmings.com in his blog for May 26 2021. It discusses more speculation on Chevrolet's continuation of Corvair into a third generation and also a possible link between Corvairs and Vegas. There are lots of pictures of XP prototype Corvairs like the ones we recently shared as well as XP887 which was an early Vega prototype which may have been rear engined. Thanks to Daniel for keeping Corvairs in the mix of coverage at Hemmings since the departure of Richard Lintenello. Just click on the link below to go the article

Did the Chevrolet Vega develop out of stalled plans for a third-generation Corvair?

https://www.hemmings.com/stories/2021/05/26/did-the-chevrolet-vega-develop-out-of-stalled-plans-for-a-third-generation-corvair?refer=news&utm_source=edaily&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2021-05-26

Car Show Alert by Dick Kaetzel

The 45th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet will welcome automobile enthusiasts to Manassas, VA. on Saturday, September 18, 2021. The show takes place on the lawn of the Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William St., from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. It's open to 1996-and-earlier antique and modified cars / trucks and street rods, as well as post-1996 rare, exotic or limited production cars. Thirty-six "class" and 14 special awards will be presented. Additional activities include a flea market for antique car parts, Model T Ford assembly demonstrations, a "car corral", a 50-50 raffle, participant door prizes, and a silent auction. Spectator admission and garage parking (across from the show field) are free. A minimum of 150 vehicles are expected; dash plaques go to the first 175 vehicles registered.

The event is sponsored by the Bull Run Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America. It takes place two blocks from the center of historic Old Town Manassas with its unique shops and restaurants, and the farmer's market. It will take place "rain or shine". A flyer is available at the Bull Run Region's website at <http://bullrunaaca.org/>. Any updates on the show will appear at the same website. Further information is available from Pete Pandolfi, (703) 919-8343.



Minutes for May From Ron Moss

The May monthly meeting of the Mid Maryland Corvair Club took place on Wednesday May 12 in the form of a Zoom session hosted by Dianna Moy and Dale Graves. Other members participating in the meeting were Jeff Ostroff, Tom Hornick, Dr. Bill Hubble, President Tom Rahochik and Ron Moss. We are grateful to Dianna for being our Zoom Coordinator which has allowed us to continue with some semblance of continuity during this pandemic. Dale's Zoom background was a picture of his 1941 Cadillac Series 62 five window coupe. He shared the story of its purchase from a rat rod builder who thankfully couldn't destroy such a nice car.

President Tom needed to meet Kandy at the airport so he made some announcements and departed. He reminded everyone of the Drive in the Country tour scheduled for this Saturday, May 15 as previously detailed. The June meeting will again be a Zoom session on Wednesday June 9 at 7 pm. Then for our July 14 meeting we will return to Fitzgerald's Auto Mall for our annual outdoor meeting and mini car show. With the easing of most restrictions just announced by Governor Hogan, it looks like we should be able to return our regular meeting place in August. Tom also reported that the monthly CORSA zoom session on May 20 at 9 pm EDT will be held at the Corvair Museum with a virtual tour of the facility.

Ron gave details about a search for a Corvair to be used in a Disney Production Movie being filmed in Baltimore. You should have received an email notification of the special requirements that car should have.

New Member Tom Hornick gave us a video glimpse of his Corsa Convertible that he and his son are working on as a joint project. The car was solid inside and out except for a badly deteriorated top. He told us about the drive test drive that revealed that the brakes didn't work. Now the brakes have been redone with all new parts, the carbs rebuilt, and the 40+ year old tires replaced. Welcome aboard Tom and family.

Some discussion was held about the availability of 13 inch tires with Ron describing his recent purchase of a set of 4 Maxxis radials from the Corvair Ranch. Tom H. said he got his off Amazon, and both Coker and Universal were sold out and waiting for new shipments back in April.

Jeff says that he was unable to get gas in Emmitsburg, Gettysburg or Waynesboro on the day of the meeting as everyone seemed to be panic buying due to the pipeline disruption.

Dr. Bill told us about the bad experience he had with Passport Transportation on transporting the John Glenn car to Illinois for the Mini Convention and temporary display at the Corvair Museum. It seems that despite having a confirmed reservation set up 2 months ago, Dr. Bill

got a call saying that Passport was unable to transport the vehicle due to unforeseen circumstances. This was just 2 days before the car was to be moved. He described the turmoil that ensued in securing a new hauler on such short notice and thanked Ava Gardiner of CORSA and many others who worked to find a new transporter. As a part of the introduction of the car to the mini convention, Bill is doing a 90 minute presentation on the restoration of the vehicle and his background information on its original owner, John Glenn, the first American astronaut to orbit the Earth and former Senator as well. I'm sure the audience will be as interested as we were to hear all about this significant Corvair.

Items to consider at our upcoming meetings: Do we want to do our annual club picnic in the fall? 2021 marks the 40th Anniversary of the Mid Maryland Club, should we have a special event to commemorate the occasion? Watch for news on upcoming shows and events which will be scheduled as there is a return to some sense of normalcy.

With no further business to discuss the zoom session was ended at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Moss, acting Secretary

SUMMER & FALL POPULAR LOCAL CAR SHOWS & EVENTS YOU MAY CONSIDER ATTENDING

Do you own a "Orphan" Car? If you do this is one super event you will want to attend

<http://www.orphancartour.org/HOT.html>

SUMMARY OF THIS YEAR'S TOUR: Saturday June 5th, The 2021 Orphan Car Tour will get underway on the morning of Saturday, June 5 in Burkittsville, Maryland. From there, participants will drive their cars along a 60-mile route over mostly-rural roads to Bluemont, Virginia, following printed directions and proceeding at their own pace.

Along the way, drivers and their passengers will have the opportunity to stop and visit a private collection of 25 cars (1908-1970), an operating grist mill, the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, an antique auto repair and restoration shop, and several other places of interest. Upon arrival at Bluemont, participants will enjoy a buffet dinner. The Tour's nickname this year is "A River Runs Through It", because of the route's several river crossings.

This is the 29th running of the Orphan Tour, an event designed to encourage the driving enjoyment of antique "orphan" (discontinued-make) vehicles which are at least 25 years old. Each Tour takes place in a different location in the greater Washington-Baltimore area, usually rural, and whose low-speed roads are old-car friendly. Over the years "orphaned" nameplates spotted on the Tour have ranged from the familiar (Pontiac, Mercury, Plymouth) to the obscure (Moline-Knight, Flanders and Alvis), and cars from as far back as 1912 have been driven.

The Tour's sponsors -- all local chapters or regions of national "orphan" car clubs -- are the DeSoto Owners Club of Maryland, the Keystone Region Chapter of the Studebaker Driver's Club (SDC), Mid-Atlantic Packards (a region of The Packard Club), the Potomac Region of the SDC, and The Potomac Ramblers (an affiliate of the AMO and AMCRC clubs).

For further information contact Jon Battle, Tour Publicity Coordinator, at 540-364-1770, or e-mail him at tourdiretor@orphancartour.org

24th Annual Car and Truck Show Sponsored by the Jefferson U.C.C. Church Outreach Committee Saturday June 19, 2021 at the Jefferson Ruritan Community Center, 4603B Lander Rd. Jefferson, MD 21755. Registration fee \$15.00 at the gate until 12 noon that day. Dash plaques and goody bags for 1st 100 registered. Door Prizes. Open Show with participant judging - 50/50 raffles (must be present to win) 50-60-70's music, Chinese auction, food by Jefferson U.C.C

40 2 foot trophies for Outstanding Vehicles, 5 2 foot trophies for Outstanding Import, 1 Pastor's pick 4 foot trophy, 1 Outstanding Overall 5 foot Trophy

No Alcohol or Pets For further Info - John Edwards 301-991-1033 or George Klouda 301-473-4905

ROCKVILLE ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC CAR SHOW IS BACK! Registration for the 2021 show will open on Thursday, July 1 and will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 13. After this date, you can register at the show. The show is open to vehicles 25 years and older. All vehicles, flea market vendors, and car sales must complete a registration form, pay the entry fee, and arrive to the event between 8:30 -11 a.m. No latecomers will gain entrance. All fees are non-refundable. <https://www.rockvillemd.gov/667/Antique-Classic-Ca...>

Cruisin' Ocean City May 20-23, 2021 30th Annual Cruisin' Ocean City at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center & Inlet Lot Car Show featuring Hot Rods, Customs, Muscle Cars and classics plus vendors, music, celebrities, entertainment and more! \$10/day Thursday & Sunday \$15/day Friday & Saturday Show Hours 9AM - 5PM Call for more details / 410-798-6304

Check out this you tube video on Ernie's Dwarf Car Collection. Pretty neat but not Corvair related. <https://youtu.be/L4MpBPXojF4>

Corvairs for Sale from Bob Mallard



I saw these beauties 5/22/21 on Rte. 40 east of Clear Spring. The phone number is 301-573-9010. Just sending in case anyone is interested.

Ride Through The Country & Lunch



Central Pa & Mid Maryland
Got together on May 15th.
We had a great time. We met up at Penn Mar Park and walked to the overlook
Then we all went to the Keystone Family Restaurant and had an excellent meal.
Thank you Central Pa for a great day





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

**Stephan Wood 06/06
Faye Moss 06/12**

**Rick & Brenda Sanford 06/03
Jeff & Jeannette Ostroff 06/20**



A sturdy, steady hand to hold to
In times of strife and stress
A true friend we can turn to
When times are good or bad
one of our greatest gifts and
blessings,
The man that we call Dad.



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