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The Central Coast CORSA Newsletter

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Here's what's happening:

VairFest News

43 was the official Corvair count at VairFest 2021, which is a record number for this location, going all the way back to 2010.

As a result of this record turnout, we were able to raise over \$2300 to support SLO Food Bank. According to Development Coordinator, **Claire Levine**, this money will buy over 16,000 meals for folks in need.

See more info and photos beginning on page 4.

Monthly Raffle

Chuck Markle was the winner of July's raffle. He won a \$10 Amazon gift card.

In addition to a \$10 gift card from either Clark's, Amazon, Miner's, or Home Depot, future raffle winners may opt to receive a **\$10 raffle ticket** for the CPF Raffle Car, a fully restored, concours quality, **'61 Monza Coupe** 102hp 4-speed (see page 2 for details).

The next winner will be chosen at our Chapter meeting in August.

Next Chapter Meeting

The next Chapter meeting is planned as an in-person meeting on either Sat. Aug. 14 or Sun. Aug. 15. Look for an upcoming email with details. New faces are always welcome.

Bill Marks

Our long-time Chapter member and former Treasurer, Bill Marks, is moving to Arizona this month. Bill was involved in a serious traffic accident several years ago, that totaled the '64 Monza Convertible he won at the Great Western Fan Belt Toss. Since then, his health has declined to where he can no longer drive. In Arizona, he'll be living with his daughter who will also be his caregiver. We were fortunate to see Bill at VairFest 2021 for some long overdue catching up. We wish Bill all the best in his new adventure.

Bill (left) in deep conversation with Greg Vargas.



Local Events

Aug 14 or 15 – Next CCC Chapter meeting. Live in-person meeting. Date TBD.

Sept 18 – CCC tour of Port San Luis Lighthouse. See page 3 for details.

(See page 8 for more events.)

CPF Raffle Corvair

The Corvair Preservation Foundation (CPF) is holding a raffle. The lucky winner will win a beautiful 1961 Corvair Monza Sport Coupe! The drawing will be held June 5, 2022. You need not be present to win. Proceeds will support the new Corvair Museum in Glenarm, IL.

The Raffle Car:

- 1961 Corvair Monza Sport Coupe.
- 102 horsepower 4 speed
- Car is basically all new. It was built over the past 3 years.
- All mechanical parts are NOS or Clark's repro.
- This is a concours-quality car. Scored 94+ points in May 2021.
- Ready to drive and show!

Winner has 30 days to take delivery of the Corvair at the Corvair Museum in Glenarm, Illinois. For full details and to buy tickets, visit: <https://www.corvair.org/index.php/merchandise/other-merchandise/product/298-corvair-raffle-tickets> or contact Vince Petrie to buy tickets locally.

WIN

1961 Corvair Monza Coupe

Concours Quality
102, 4spd, Black on Red



\$10 tickets
Tickets available thru June 4, 2022
Drawing date — June 5, 2022*

**Raffle to benefit the
Corvair Preservation Foundation
and The Corvair Museum**

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*Taxes may be charged to the winner dependent on the state of residency where the car is registered.

CCC Tour of Port San Luis Lighthouse

CCC will host a tour of the **Port San Luis Lighthouse** on Saturday, **Sept. 18, 2021**, at 11:00 AM.

Lighthouse History

The Point San Luis Lighthouse, located on the Pecho Coast Trail, west of Avila Beach, was built in 1889 after “The Queen of the Pacific” ran aground, enroute to the (now) Harford Pier.

In operation until 1974, in 1992 the Lighthouse and surrounding property were granted by the Federal government to the Port San Luis Harbor District.

In 1995, the Harbor District aided in the formation of the [Point San Luis Lighthouse Keepers](#), a not-for-profit corporation established to preserve, restore and open this precious and historical site to the public.

In 2005, the National Parks Service approved the ‘Historic Structures Report and Treatment Plan,’ the guidebook for restoration of the site. This valuable document, compiled by the volunteer effort of San Luis Obispo engineer Robert Vessely, P.E., marked a turning point in the efforts to restore the site and buildings.

The tour involves a short bus ride from the parking lot to the lighthouse, followed by a **docent-led 1 hour guided tour** of the site.

We can caravan in our Corvairs or meet there, take the tour and have lunch afterwards. (Parking is in a secure lot behind a locked gate.)

The \$25/person tour fee will be paid by CCC, for all active Chapter members.

IMPORTANT: If you want to attend, **YOU MUST BUY YOUR OWN TICKET IN ADVANCE**, on-line at: <https://my805tix.com/f/point-san-luis-lighthouse-tour/in-person-lighthouse-tour>

Go to the web site

In the **“Select a Date”** field, select **Sat, Sept 18, 2021**

In the **“Select a Time”** field, select **11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Select the **quantity** of “General Admission” tickets you want.

Proceed to **Checkout** and pay for your ticket(s).

CCC will reimburse Chapter members, on the day of the tour, for your ticket and one additional ticket for your spouse, partner, or guest. (You must attend the tour to receive reimbursement.)

Please arrive no later than 10:30 AM and be ready to board the shuttle bus that will drive us out to the lighthouse. Parking is in a secure lot behind a locked gate.

Lunch at Fat Cats café after the tour, for anyone who’s interested. Dutch treat.

Please contact me with any questions.

VairFest 2021

As noted on page 1, VairFest 2021 was a tremendous success. With 43 registered Corvairs in attendance (a record number) we raised over \$2300 for SLO Food Bank.

Friday evening Pasta Dinner

53 folks showed up at the local Masonic Lodge to enjoy Angel Hair pasta with homemade sauce, garlic bread, salad, wine, and homemade Tiramisu for dessert. Afterwards, we screened the 1997 James Bond thriller, ***Tomorrow Never Dies***, starring Pierce Brosnan as Bond. Some of the models & special effects in this film were created by our own Chapter member **Bob Wilcox**. So, before the movie, Bob stood up and told us about some of the work he did for the film. Bob's revelations added a new level of appreciation to an already exciting movie. Thanks Bob.

Saturday Corvair Show and Benefit Raffle

Corvairs started arriving as early as 7:30 AM. By the official opening time of 9 AM, there were over 35 Corvairs in the park, eventually reaching a total of 43. Raffle ticket sales began almost before we finished setting up. With almost 50 raffle items on the tables, ticket sales were brisk all morning.

At 11:00 AM we held the morning raffle where we called out the winners of the restaurant gift cards. Over 13 gift cards were generously donated by local restaurants, all within walking distance of the show. The winners were able to walk across the rustic swinging foot bridge over the creek and into the scenic Village to enjoy lunch.

Ballots were due in by noon and the vote counting began. With so many beautiful Corvairs on the lawn, it was a close race in all categories.

Around 2 PM we began calling out the afternoon raffle winners, followed by the trophy winners. Congratulations to all winners and thanks to all the participants and spectators for contributing to the success of VairFest 2021.



Award Winners

BEST OF FEST: Michael King, '66 Corsa Convertible

Michael's beautiful green Corsa also won 2nd place in the Late Convertible class. Unfortunately, our Chapter photographer failed to capture a photo of this car. A spectator provided this pic.



EARLY MODEL CLOSED:

1ST PLACE: Vance Piper, '62 Monza Coupe

2nd PLACE: Hugo Santana, Lakewood



EARLY MODEL CONVERTIBLE:

1ST PLACE: **Norm Jones, '64 Spyder**



2ND PLACE: **Ken Lawyer, '64 Spyder**



LATE MODEL CLOSED:

1ST PLACE: **Jovica Jovanovski, '65 Monza**



2ND PLACE: **Tony Gallo, '65 Monza 110 PG**



LATE MODEL CONVERTIBLE:

1ST PLACE: **Bob Wilcox, '66 Corsa**



2ND PLACE: **Michael King, '66 Corsa**



FORWARD CONTROL:

1ST PLACE: **Hal & Linda Rupert, '63 Rampside**



2ND PLACE: **Dave Palmer, '63 Greenbrier**



SPECIALTY:

Nate Fearonce, '61 V8 Rampside



SPECTATOR'S CHOICE:

Jovica Jovanovski, '65 Monza Coupe



LONG DISTANCE AWARD:

Tim Shortle, '67 4-door w/AC. Tim drove his Corvair from Durango, CO, over 900 miles away.



See all the VairFest 2021 photos on our flickr page at:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/165185235@N07/albums/72157719527399970>

Local Events Calendar

AUGUST 6-12

MONTEREY CAR WEEK - shows - auctions - tours - For info:

www.whatsupmonterey.com/events/monterey-car-week

AUGUST 20-21

50th Annual North-South Run - 1953-1956 Ford F100 Pickups & Panels - Santa Maria -

For info: NoSoRun@gmail.com

AUGUST 20

28th Annual Hot El Camino Cruise Nite - Atascadero - 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. pre-

registration: - For info: (805)470-3360 or e-mail: jfanning@atascadero.org or

www.atascadero.org

AUGUST 21

MID-STATE CRUIZERS & MULLAHEY Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram will host a FREE

SHOW & SHINE & BBQ - 11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. -2520 Golden Hill Rd. Paso Robles - all

cars/trucks welcome - **NO ENTRIES AT THE EVENT/ MUST RSVP by August 14,**

2021 TO: Roy Barba @ (805) 238-3177 or Larry Wilson @ (805) 423-5218

AUGUST 28

3rd Annual Paso Robles Fairgrounds Automotive Swap - So. Entrance Carnival Grounds - all makes of autos - hot rod parts - auto parts vendor booths - automotive memorabilia - For info: Tim @ (831) 428-5693 or ccagswap@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER 4

Annual Ventura Nationals - Ventura County Fairgrounds - 100's of customs, hot rods & more - bands - vendors - For info: www.venturanationals.com

SEPTEMBER 9-12

35th Annual Classic at Pismo Beach For info: (909)363-4682 or www.theclassicatpismo beach.com

SEPTEMBER 18

Central Coast CORSA tour of Port San Luis Lighthouse, 11:00 AM. Contact Vince Petrie for details, vwvince@pacbell.net or 805-481-5757

Submissions

If you have an item you'd like to include in the next newsletter, please call me to discuss or send it to me at vwvince@pacbell.net

Cheers
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