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RMC Summer Get Together

The Dale and Joan Wilshire Memorial Picnic

It's been a while since the RMC club has been together, at least in some numbers. This last August 15th 30 members and guests trekked down to Lakewood's Bear Creek Lake Park for our annual picnic get together. The day was great, not too warm with a breeze once in a while and air cleared up for a great view of the foothills. Rick Beets brought the burgers and brats and everyone that came brought a dish to share. There was plenty to eat and good company to share. Mike Piper helped Rick with broiling. The Wilshire clan came down from Loveland; Laura, Andrea, Lance and Ryan. Garrie Fox came up from Colorado Springs in his fuel injected Corsa. Ray Klomp showed up in his early convertible. Howard and Tess Steward came down from Erie. In all we had almost a dozen Corvairs lined up in the parking lot. Also there were a half dozen or so OEM vehicles scattered thru-out the parking lot. Good fun and a day to remember.



Rick and Mike did the work over a hot grill



Rocky Mountain Corsa President's Column

It was really great to see everyone out a Bear Creek lake for the Wilshire memorial picnic. Paul was able to secure a nice secluded spot overlooking the lake along the dam with plenty of parking available. It was especially nice to see the Wilshire clan; Laura, Andrea, Lance and Ryan in attendance. With burgers, brats and even a few vegi-burgers on the grill, it was great to be able to converse with the many folks that made the drive out. We even had a couple late arrivals that made the drive up from Colorado Springs after the PPCC meeting. Photos can be viewed on the [RMC website](#).



Rick on the way to Springfield

And then on the 22nd, many of us gathered at the Wings Over the Rockies Exploration of Flight museum out at Centennial Airport for a show featuring our beloved Corvairs. It was quite a sight to see about 12 cars arrayed around the main hanger. Being the shade was especially nice. Keith, the museum director, is planning on making this an annual event. I for one am making plans to attend next year. Keep an eye on the recent events page on the RMC website for pictures.

As most of you are aware, we have been approached by CORSA to host a national convention in 2024 because of the awesome job of hosting RMC club members did in 2011. I am in favor of this endeavor. We will be discussing the potential of hosting the 2024 national at the next RMC meeting which will be held up at Jim Reich's shop (man cave?) at 10 am on September 11th at 3774 Rowe St. Unit 9 with plans to caravan to have BBQ at a place Jim highly recommends a few minutes away in Frederic. See the [website](#) for directions. Hope to see a full house for this important discussion.

Rick

Rocky Mountain Corsa Club News

August 2021 was a busy month. There was a picnic, a museum tour, and two car shows. We hope you were able to make it out to a least one of these events because other than the Tri- State in Albuquerque there is not much on the agenda. The Fall foliage tour has not been scheduled possibly waiting for someone to organize it. The Levins, Kory and Gail are hunting for a suitable place for our Christmas party but as yet have not found one. Maybe we'll have some news at our next meeting.

The discussion on the possibility of holding a national convention in Colorado is ongoing. It's on the agenda for the Saturday Morning meeting. The feedback that I hear from RMC is we have been there and done that. Yes, successful but not much interest in another one. My personal concern would be finding a hotel in the Denver area willing to host a car club. A willing and cooperative host is paramount. In 2011 the Double Tree in Greenwood was selected and it worked but it was a bit of a force fit. However this problem could be overcome by an energetic convention committee, maybe made up from the dual membership folk.

Calling all Northern Folk!! (those that live north of I70) The club is holding it's September club meeting up north in **Longmont Saturday September 11th, 10 AM** At Jim Reich's garage/shop in Longmont. The address is 3774 Rowe St. The meeting is scheduled a week late to avoid Labor Day weekend. Jim says to take I25 to Hwy 52, then cross over I25 west and take the Frontage road north 2 miles to Rowe St. Then turn west . OK, Southern folk invited too

Sunday, September 12, 38th Annual Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show: Arapahoe Community College. Registration and detailed information on this fundraiser event are available on the website. Gate admission \$10 at the gate, \$9 in advance.

Friday—Sunday, October 15-17, Tri-State Meet: Corvairs of New Mexico is pleased to welcome all Corvair enthusiasts to the annual meet on October 15-17,2021, sponsored by Corvairs New Mexico, Rocky Mountain Corsa and Pikes Peak Corvair Clubs. Every year we gether to celebrate the unique automobile that is the Corvair. We show our cars, meet new people, renew acquaintances, exchange tips, and have fun. CNM have been planning this event for over a year and hope everyone who attends will enjoy the meet itself, as well as the many attractions Albuquerque has to offer. Registration, Schedule and detailed information available at www.tristatecorvairs.com .

Rocky Mt. Metro Airport Car Show

August 7th

This last Saturday (August 7th), Marc Miller, Mike Piper, Jim Reich (eight door FC), Dusty Dodge, Rick beets, and Ken Schifftner attended the host Rocky Mountain Metro Airport (formerly Jeffco) Car show, Swap meet. The event was sponsored by the Collector Car Council of Colorado of which RMC is a member. The featured makes this year were Buick and Mopar and stunning examples were on display of both makes.

The airport, opened in 1960, is the 4th busiest airport in Colorado with about 170,000 operations per year. It is the home of four (4) hundred (400) aircraft and fifty (50) businesses.

The show included exciting aerobatic performances that included the Rocky Mountain Renegades doing precision displays of aircraft technology and amazing pilot capability. Close diamond formations were included to entertain the crowd. Jet powered aircraft were also flown as well as a piston powered Navy trainer which was available for rides.

RMC wasn't the only club and organization in attendance. Others included the Rocky Mountain Thunderbird Club, the Commemorative Air Force (flying a P-51 Mustang fighter at), Forney Museum of Transportation, Military Vehicle Collectors of Colorado, Anderson Farms (tractor giving wagon rides), the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association (who brought a trailer- mounted display), and others.



The RMC crew



Marc Miller's 62 Monza



Holy Roller car Show Broomfield

August 21st

August was a busy month for our local car club. Picnics, museum tours, car shows. One show that is forgotten by many is the Holly Roller sow in Broomfield. It is put on by the Knights of Columbus with the proceeds going to the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic charity. It's only in its fifth year but I consider it one of the fun events on the front range. This year we had 3 entrants: Mike Piper, Jerry Gerteisen, and Marc Miller.



There were about 200 cars on display; muscle cars (of course), Mustangs (yep), 67-69 Camaros and many special interest cars. Most owners parked along side their cars and were very willing to talk about their hobby. There was music and hamburgers. Just good old time summer fun. It reminded me of the School of Mines E-day show, only it was on grass and a bit warmer.



Wings and Wheels

The Centennial Airport Show

August 22nd

About a dozen Corvairs “flew in” to the Exploration of Flight located at the Centennial Airport on Sunday August 22nd. Viewing the hangar floor afterward, some even marked their spot. “No problem”, host Keith Palmer said, “air cooled airplane engines are known to do that”. I guess they were just excited to be there.

The Exploration of Flight is a museum affiliated with Wings over the Rockies and is located at the south end of Centennial Airport. The Corvairs were invited to roost temporarily inside the hangar rather than outside in the parking lot as was the case a few years ago. Good thing. It was hot outside.




























The vehicles started to arrive at about 11:00 AM with a target time of 12:00 PM when the Museum opened to folks interested in Corvairs. And wings. An estimated crowd of a few hundred attended and appeared to enjoy themselves. Lots of smiles, questions, and stories.

The types of Corvairs in attendance gave the visitors a good presentation of Corvair years and body styles. Both RMC and PPCC members were represented, along with dual club members. John and Kathy Green brought their Lakewood which was a hit along with John’s stunning late model coupe. Rick Beets had his early white convertible with the engine lid up so visitors could see a turbo charged Corvair engine. John Dawson had his beautiful sedan on display. Steve Goodman showed his rare Amanté GT. Kory Levine had his shining late model coupe there. Chris Jackson and family arrived in their early coupe. Literature on Corvair powered aircraft was left for display including the late Bob Helt’s Communique article on the subject as well as information about FlyCorvair’s Willian Wynne’s college. Though a Pietenpol couldn’t make it, information on Corvair power for the Air Camper was made available.

When the Corvair part of the show concluded at 2:00 pm, some members drove over to the north side of the airport to dine at the Perfect Landing Restaurant. After that, the Corvairs scattered. Some owners even flew the coupe*.



Mecum auction Corvairs sold from collection of Rueban Ezekial of Miami
 Miami Corvair Collection at Orlando 2021 (mecum.com)

<p>\$12,100 </p>  <p>LOT T182 1964 Chevrolet Corvair 500 Club Coupe 164/95 HP, 3-Speed</p>	<p>\$23,650 </p>  <p>LOT T183 1965 Chevrolet Corvair Corsa Convertible 140 HP, 4-Speed</p>	<p>\$11,550 </p>  <p>LOT T184 1966 Chevrolet Corvair Sport Sedan 2.7L/110 HP, Automatic</p>
<p>\$20,900 </p>  <p>LOT T185 1962 Chevrolet Corvair 95 Panel Van 145/80 HP, Automatic</p>	<p>\$13,200 </p>  <p>LOT T186 1969 Chevrolet Corvair Monza 2.7L, Automatic</p>	<p>\$14,300 </p>  <p>LOT T187 1964 Chevrolet Corvair Monza Sedan 164/95 HP, 4-Speed</p>
<p>\$8,250 </p>  <p>LOT T176 1967 Chevrolet Corvair 500 Sport Coupe 164/95 HP, Automatic</p>	<p>\$13,200 </p>  <p>LOT T177 1961 Chevrolet Corvair Lakewood 700 Station Wagon 85 HP, Automatic</p>	<p>\$7,000 <i>The BID Goes On...</i></p>  <p>LOT T178 1960 Chevrolet Corvair 700 Deluxe Sedan 140/80 HP, Automatic</p>
<p>\$22,000 </p>  <p>LOT T179 1965 Chevrolet Corvair Sport Coupe 164/110 HP, Automatic</p>	<p>\$23,100 </p>  <p>LOT T180 1961 Chevrolet Corvair Rampside 110 HP, Automatic</p>	<p>\$9,900 </p>  <p>LOT T181 1960 Chevrolet Corvair 700 Sedan 2.3L, Automatic</p>
<p>\$24,200 </p>  <p>LOT T188 1963 Chevrolet Corvair Deluxe Rampside 80 HP, 4-Speed</p>	<p>\$13,200 </p>  <p>LOT T189 1968 Chevrolet Corvair 500 Sport Coupe 164/110 HP, Automatic</p>	

Just thought you might want to know.

Speaking of good looking Vehicles check out Tony Lawler's refurb'ed Rampside



After

All this takes is time, effort and money, and one more thing, the desire to have the best looking Rampside in Colorado.



Tony Lawler



Before

By the way Jerry Gerteisen's Monza Convert is still for sale

The only word to describe this car is **Outstanding!** The car is a 1962 Monza, 4-speed, 95 hp engine. Drives very well, maintained by Steve Goodman. \$11,000. 303 465-1170

FREE. Top boot for EM convertible. Color: off white (fawn), from a '64. Used, in good condition. Contact Mike Brittan at 303-898-2094, or mibrittan@gmail.com."



CORSA is now offering Virtual memberships for just \$25

New Corvair enthusiasts can become a member of CORSA for a new low price. Join and get all the benefits of CORSA membership:

On line access to the monthly Communique, Members only events, technical information and more- all for about \$2 a month!

Give a gift to a new member at this special price.

Here are the details:

Price: \$25 for twelve months instead of the usual \$37 for online access to CORSA

Eligibility: All new and existing CORSA members.

Offer Period: Now to December 31, 2021.

Effective date for new members: Membership will begin on the date payment is received- register on line

Effective date for existing members. Existing membership will be extended twelve months beginning on the day after membership would otherwise expire.

Important information about the offer:

One-Time Only: Offer good for 1 sign up or renewal. Individuals can take advantage of the offer one time only. Renewals at this price for one year only.

Corvair Basics Book: No matter which level of membership is chosen, brand new CORSA members ordinarily receive a free copy of the Corvair Basics book. However, due to the expense, we cannot extend this to persons opting for the \$25 offer.

Caution! Full Members who apply for any level of Virtual Membership (including the \$25 offer) will immediately stop receiving copies of the CORSA Communique magazine in the mail. (This has always been the case but we mention it here to make sure there is no misunderstanding).

No Refunds to Facilitate Transition: We cannot issue refunds of dues paid by Full Members to facilitate transitions from Full to any level of Virtual Membership (including the Offer).

Offer is only good during this time period. No refunds for prior purchase of membership.

Sign-Up Today on the CORSA Website! Click [HERE](#) to join or Renew Here!

SEE the **CORSA** Website for additional news: [CORSA Headlines \(corvair.org\)](http://corvair.org)

WIN A CORVAIR!

...and support the Corvair Preservation Foundation and the Corvair Museum!

This is a great opportunity to get behind the wheel of a Concours-quality 1961 Corvair Monza Coupe...and for only a \$10 raffle ticket investment! But of course, the more raffle tickets you buy the better your chances are of winning.

The raffle runs through June 4, 2022 with the drawing taking place on June 5, 2022.

And if you happen to be in the area, and you want to see the raffle car in person, drop by the Corvair Museum at 10041 Palm Road - a.k.a. Route 66 - in Glenarm, Illinois, just a few short miles south of Springfield.

Click [HERE](#) to buy raffle tickets online. You can also contact a CORSA Division Director or check with a local Corvair Club chapter.



Rocky Mountain Corsa Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: August 6, 2021

Called to Order: 7:10 pm

Location: Elway Chevrolet
3 on Zoom.

Present: Not Recorded, 11 visible on recording,

Guests, long distance, new members: Dennis Harden, guest. Dennis has a 66 Convertible 140 Auto, coming out of about 30 years of sitting.

Standard Business:

Minutes of last meeting: July minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasury report: The end of July balance was \$6,143.69. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Mailbag: None—Secretary not present.

Old Business:

- Discussion with PPCC possibly being primary Convention Host in Colorado Springs for 2024 with RMC as a supporting club. Ken conducted a survey of RMC members with the result of 10 for it, 1 against, so feedback is mostly positive, and most of the responders are dual members with PPCC as well. A group will visit Hotel Elegante to scope out the venue which hosts many car events. There was a rumor of Hotel Elegante possible buy-out, but it is only discussion right now, but implications of a sale must be considered. With CORSA this is a bid process, so not guaranteed to be approved by CORSA, but it was basically stated that it will be approved if RMC is involved based on successful 2011. Discussion of Valve Cover Races and ownership of the track, other shared items between clubs. Ken will meet with PPCC board to dispel some myths and discuss the bid process. Discussion of other possible Front Range venues from Larimer County to the Springs.
- CCCC Airshow Rocky Mountain tomorrow August 7. There will be a small nonpublic airshow event by Renegades at noon. \$10 per car to show, \$5 per car spectator parking. 100 tables in swap meet space, 50 reserved for clubs in CCCC. Rick, Mike, Ken, and some from PPCC plan to attend. Some are meeting 7:15am at 4 Noses Brewery in Broomfield to drive in to the event together. Offsite parking is a little iffy, as nearby college is redoing their lot in an asphalt shortage. \$40 was spent to reserve a swap meet space, and proceeds will go to RMC Treasury.
- The Dale and Joan Wilshire Memorial Picnic will be at Bear Creek Lake Park, Mountain View Shelter at the NE end of the park, on August 15 at 11:00am. Club to supply meat to grill, buns, plates, napkins, tableware, charcoal, etc. Bring your favorite potluck dish. See map on Website.
- Reminder about Corvair show at Wings over the Rockies at Centennial Airport, followed by lunch at The Perfect Landing on Sunday August 22nd. There will be a show at the air museum and hoping for period aircraft on the tarmac with the Corvairs. Plan is for an 11:00 arrival, with show at 12-2:00 followed by late lunch at the Perfect Landing, with room for 30.

New Business:

- Sat Sept 11th Meeting up North. Discussed a couple months ago, with intent to help keep northern members engaged. Will meet at the loft above Jim's shop condo, 10am in Longmont near highway. After meeting, head for Georgia Boys BBQ nearby for lunch.
- Tony Lawler told Rick that he has 2 potential new members he has located on Facebook Corvair Owner's Group. One is in Estes Park and another is in Breckenridge. He reached out with application.

Continued

Upcoming events:

- Sun August 15, 11:00 Picnic at Bear Creek Lake Park, see details above.
- Sat Aug 21st 9-2 Holy Rollers Car Show.
- Sun Aug 22nd Wings Over the Rockies show, details above.
- Sat Sept 11th Meeting 10am, Longmont, location detail to be shared later.
- Sun Sept 12 Concours at ACC 9-3. \$50 registration, fundraiser for Ability Connection Colorado. 12 spaces are already filled with a variety of models.
- Sat Sept 18, St. Jude Concourse at Landmark Lincoln on Broadway. Flyer on table up front, 100% of proceeds to St Jude Foundation.
- Oct 15-17, Tri State, Albuquerque Marriott Pyramid N near Tramway. Registration form online. Pay for banquet up front.

For Sale or Wanted, Recently Purchased, Projects

- Rick discussed his past early morning incident when using new Halogen high-beams and losing all light when thermal circuit tripped and driving I-25's construction zone without lights for a few minutes until they reset. Went to a headlight relay after that.
- Ken has show and tell clutch cable that was breaking and pulley that started to come apart. Had a California Corvair and Clark's cable, and the California Corvair cable was thicker and had heavier strands and sat better in the pulleys.
- Fabrication shop in Nevada, SendCutSend.com, will laser cut, NC machine, or bend from a solid model, super affordable--\$29 min order, and lots of materials available. (I was not sure who shared this.)

50/50 Raffle: \$18 to Club, \$17 to winner: Dale Neilsen.

Snacks Volunteers: Thanks to Paul Seyforth for bringing today's snacks. Sept: Caron Wetter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm Respectfully submitted by Rob Brereton, not present, based on Zoom recording



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RMC Club Page

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Rocky Mountain Corsa annual dues are \$25.00, due each year by February 28. Checks should be payable to RMC, mailed to: *RMC, c/o John Dinsdale, 3240 Billings St., Aurora, CO 80011-2231*

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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