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Corsa Chapter 217**

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# Drippy Leaks & Flyin' Fanbelts

*The monthly newsletter of the Mid Maryland Corvair Club, Corsa Chapter 217*

## From The President

"I've got sunshine on a cloudy day. When it's cold outside, I've got the month of May." - Smokey Robinson

After discussions in our April meeting about planning a club tech session, I was able to schedule one with Jeff at the Corvair Ranch for Saturday morning, 06/03/23 from 10-12 PM followed by my treat of pizza and root beer.

I am sure several members can volunteer their cars for inspections and light repair or maintenance. Our club member Jeff Ostroff and employee of the Ranch will assist with the use of their full height car lift. Hopefully, the majority of you did receive my email about this last week to mark your calendar.

The CORSA Gettysburg Convention has now been moved back one year to the dates of June 22-26, 2026 to allow the western division to host their 2025 CORSA convention in Santa Maria, California. A reminder to all CORSA members the board of directors election time is now so be sure to vote by physical ballot in the Communique or online. Let's give our club member and eastern division candidate, Rick Sanford, as much voting support as possible.

For those going to this year's Wisconsin CORSA convention, you can now sign up online for the host hotel and event registration through the CORSA website or the back page of the Communique.

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## Special Points of Interest

- **Upcoming Chapter meeting on May 11th**
- **2026 CORSA Convention is coming to Gettysburg PA!**

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## From the President

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**Our next meeting will be 05/11/23 at Fitzgerald's at 7 PM.** Part of the meeting will be devoted to exploring our new social media presence. Not only will we take a look at our Facebook page, but we will explore some of our neighboring Corvair clubs, their posts, and some of the discussions that are on the different pages. Additional social media platforms such as Instagram Twitter will be coming as we gear up for CORSA 2026.

Spring has now sprung. Let's make it a point to feed our Corvairs some fresh gas and give ourselves some fresh air with a drive to give us a smile! Happy Vair-ing!

*Tom Rahochik* Club President

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF THE**

## This Month's Birthdays

We have two birthdays this month!

Happy Birthday to:

**Lucinda Jones on 05/11**

and

**Dave Maynard on 05/25**



*If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please let us know!*

## Corvairs for Sale



For Sale 1964 Chevrolet Corvair Monza 900 Convertible  
ASKING \$8,500.00  
VEHICLE LOCATION Lockport, NY VIN 40967W124719 EXTERIOR COLOR White  
INTERIOR COLOR Red ENGINE 110hp Air Cooled Flat 6  
TRANSMISSION Automatic  
MILEAGE 81000 SELLER TYPE Private The car has new valve tube O rings, pan gasket, oil cooler O rings, plugs and a rebuilt starter. The original interior is in amazingly nice condition. The convertible top is totally shot and it does have rust in the floor. This is a very fair price for a car with great potential or drive as is. Listed on Hemmings.com



For Sale 1963 Spyder Convertible VEHICLE LOCATION New Milford, Connecticut  
VIN 30967L1110686 ODOMETER 86,044 ENGINE 145-cu.in. turbocharged air-cooled flat-six TRANSMISSION 4 Speed Manual EXTERIOR COLOR Ember Red INTERIOR Black vinyl SELLER Dealer AUCTION TYPE Reserve Incorrect 64 front trim installed- Seller says it's a good driver, not a #1 show car. Restored by previous owner over 10 years ago.

# Find of the Day: A Restored 1966 Chevrolet Corvair Corsa Convertible with a Heartfelt Story

**Tara Hurlin, Hemmings Daily, 04/20/2023**

Perhaps the most documented seven-year Corvair restoration is now listed on Hemmings Auctions. Completing this 1966 Chevrolet Corvair Corsa Convertible was a labor of love for owner and seller Don Homuth. Now in nearly concours condition, the classic car features all era-correct parts, including its air-cooled flat-six engine and four-speed manual transmission.

It was early-1968 when Homuth set eyes on the Corvair for the first time. He purchased it a day before he had to return to Vietnam after a 30-day leave. It was love at first sight; “to my eye it was a vision of automotive perfection,” he wrote in a 2015 Hemmings article. Homuth’s honest and in-depth progress updates soon became a regular occurrence in the Hemmings Daily series until the restoration was completed in 2021.

Aside from missing his family upon his return to Vietnam, getting back home to drive the Corvair was all he dreamed about. After returning, he drove it for a year, then sold it to the woman who he eventually married to chase a 1966 Corvette Roadster. Once married, the Corvair re-entered his life and he sold the ‘Vette, but bought five other Corvairs, including the rare #042 Yenko Corvair Stinger. As time passed, life circumstances caused him to sell it and the other cars for good, or so he thought, sometime between 1977 and ‘78. Life went on, and in late-2014 Homuth began wondering what happened to his first Corvair love. Just three days after putting an ad on Craigslist, he received an email from the owner. After exchanging stories, an agreement was met. Homuth welcomed the Corvair home in August, 2015 and began the restoration soon after.

The plan was to restore the Corvair to concours condition, and a glance through the photo galleries found in the auction listing show just that. In locating the car and completing the restoration, Homuth revisited a memory; “For an old man, that’s irreplaceable,” he said. “I’m convinced that first drive in 1968 saved me from the worst of PTSD. That afternoon in 2021 when I finally had this car finished and was driving it around with the top down, I was 24 years old again for a couple of hours, having just returned from Viet Nam. That’s not something I know how to put a dollar value on.”

The convertible is currently stored “under a fleece-lined car cover inside an inflatable bubble in my shop.” Homuth states he decided to sell it due to his age, and because he wants to spend more time traveling with his wife.



## 2023 Car Shows and Events

### May

- **12-13—Carlisle Import & Performance**, Carlisle PA fairgrounds
- **13—American Legion Post 10 bike and car show**: 12noon: All Ages, 710 Main street. Boonsboro, MD Contact: Keith Cameron: [Keithc@wmaelectric.com](mailto:Keithc@wmaelectric.com)
- **18-21—Cruisin' Ocean City**, 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. All Ages, 4001 Coastal Hwy. Sponsors / Media (386) 445-5678 | Participants / Spectators (410) 798-6304 .
- **18-20—AACA Gettysburg Eastern Spring Nationals** (same place as our 2026 CORSA Convention)
- **27—Maryland Mayhem Car and Truck Show** A car and truck show for everyone is coming to Westminster. Proceeds from the show will be donated to The Carroll County Humane Society. Registration 20\$ Spectators free. Trophies will be as follows: Top 25, Best Car, Best Truck, Best Rat Rod, Best interior, Best Engine Best Paint, Best In Show, Club choice trophies. 400 N Center Street, Westminster, MD . Patrick Brooks 240-304-8108 . [strippeds10@gmail.com](mailto:strippeds10@gmail.com)
- **18—Sully 48th Antique Car Show** sponsored by the GW Chapter, Inc., AFCA/MARC, and the Fairfax County Park Authority at the Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly, VA, pre-1997 vehicles, 30 classes with 1st, 2nd, 3rd place trophies. \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, and \$8 children. Awards 3 p.m.
- **18-24—CORSA International Convention**, Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells, WI
- **23-24—Carlisle GM Nationals**, Carlisle PA fairgrounds

### August

- **5—Pleasant Valley Car Show**, Rohrsersville, MD
- **4-6—Carlisle Truck Nationals**, Carlisle PA fairgrounds
- **19—Rose Hill Manor Benefit Show**, Rose Hill Manor Park & Museum, 1611 N. Market St., Frederick MD
- **24-26—Carlisle Corvettes**, Carlisle PA fairgrounds

### September

- **9—Vintage Vehicles in the Valley**, Middletown MD
- **16—Clark's 50th Anniversary Show** hosted by Bay State Corvair Club, Shelburne Falls, MA
- **September 27-Oct 1—Fall Carlisle**, Carlisle PA fairgrounds

### October

- **3-6—AACA Hershey Eastern Fall Nationals**, Hershey PA
- **14—Rockville Show**, Rockville Civic Center/Mansion, Rockville MD

### June

- **3-4—EAA Spring 2023 Fly-in/Drive-in "WINGS, WHEELS, & PANCAKES"**, AYCE Breakfast, 8AM-Noon, Gettysburg Regional Airport, Route 30 West, 1130 Chambersburg Road, Gettysburg PA 17325. Call Dianna Moy so that sufficient space is reserved.
- **17—Jefferson, MD 26th Annual Car & Truck Show** 9:00AM. All Ages , 4603 B Lander Road. Jefferson United Church of Christ [secretaryjeffersonucc@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryjeffersonucc@gmail.com)



## We're Moving Forward... Slowly...

Spring is finally here! Warm weather and lots of activities in the next five to six months! We're trying to do our best to keep you informed of upcoming events, and if you have something that you'd like to let the Mid-Maryland Corvair membership know about, let us know so that we can get the word out.

Communications is not as simple as it used to be. Before, it was fairly easy— flyers, an advertisement in the newspaper, maybe a radio ad, and word-of-mouth. A few years ago, we added email blasts to that list. It's not so easy today, especially with texting and smartphones.

There's several different avenues that we're using (or will be using in the very near future). First, we're slowly getting to get things started on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3510395809190494>

We will be posting events there very shortly. Instagram and Twitter are coming very soon— we'd like to get both of these working smoothly before spreading the word. This group is not unique to the problems of learning the advantages (and disadvantages) of using social media. Grasping new technology especially as one gets older is not an easy thing, and unless you're already in IT or have a bunch of grandkids in the house, getting a handle on the new tech probably isn't even on your radar.

I will be experimenting with mass text messaging— those of you that gave us mobile phone numbers will probably receive a text message in a few days to remind you of the monthly meeting. We will use the text messaging sparingly (hopefully no more than twice a month) and usually only to notify you of something urgent. Should you wish to “opt-out”, the option to do so is at the end of the text message. For reactivation, you'll have to send me an email to request it.

Finally, one of our members, Rick Sanford is running for the CORSA Board of Directors, Eastern Division. Please vote for him at [www.corvair.org](http://www.corvair.org). Voting ends on May 31st, 2023. Rick's bio in the Communique:

*“I would like to apply to be a member of the CORSA Board of Directors. My family has been involved with Corvair's since the '60s starting with a '61 Lakewood 700. My brother and I have owned about 20 Corvairs over the years. I now have Jerry Brown- Incumbent Rick Sanford- Eastern Candidate 2022 CORSA Director Elections April, 2023 Page 13 a '65 Red Turbo Corsa coupe and my brother Bill has a yellow '64 Monza convertible. I joined CORSA in 1971 when I was in the Navy when I had a '65 Monza 110/4 air-conditioned convertible. After many Corvairs I now have my red '65 Corsa that has been shown at many Corsa Conventions. I not only bring my love of the Corvair but my experience in business and other car clubs to CORSA. I also have been a member of The Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) since the '60s where I have held different positions. My wife and I were avid autocrossers for many years. I also belong to The Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (VCCA) and the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA). I have belonged to The Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) for the past twenty-seven years, where I have held many positions such as Region Board Member, and Region President of a large region. Professionally, after the Navy I managed K-Mart Automotive Centers for five years. Then I took a position as a District Manager with Western Auto Supply Co. I assumed the position as The Operations and Fleet Manager for a large Real Estate Marketing Company. That included managing a number of custom cars, boats and motorcycles, as well as the company vehicles and facilities. We had our own company full service facility to handle just about any project. A position was presented to me in the sale of Industrial/Commercial custom vehicles where I was Sales Manager. I retired three years ago from that position after thirty years. “*

Good Luck, Rick!

*Dianna Moy*



# REISTERSTOWN REGIONAL PARK

## 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ALL-VEHICLE SHOW

YEARS: 1900 to PRESENT -- ALL MAKES, MODIFIEDS & ORIGINALS

401 Mitchell Dr., Reisterstown, MD 21136

Location offers a large, covered Pavilion in the event of hot sun or rain and a playground area for kids!

**Sunday, July 30, 2023**  
**10 AM to 3 PM**

A portion of the proceeds to benefit Custom & Classic Car Educational Foundation \* [www.SaveTheHobby.org](http://www.SaveTheHobby.org)

### ~~ TOP 35 AWARDS & 50/50 Raffle ~~

Top 35 as determined by Judges PLUS ... "Reisterstown Park Choice Award",  
"Best of Decade Awards: Teens/20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, 2000s, 2010s, 2020s", "Best Motorcycle", "Best Truck", "Best Modified/Custom Awards (6)"  
and "Longest Distance Driven"

*Food available at Concession Stand: Hot Dogs, Bratwurst, Snacks, Cold Drinks*

SHOW VEHICLE ENTRANCE: From I-795 going North,  
Exit 9A to MD-30 / MD-140E Westminster / Hanover.

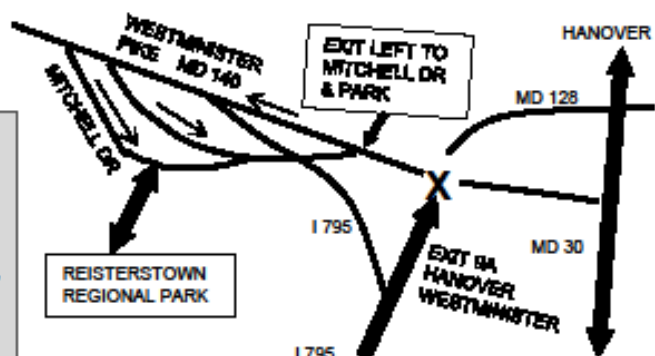
At traffic light turn left onto MD-140 towards  
Westminster. Keep left and then immediately turn left  
onto Mitchell Dr. Follow posted signs.

Vehicle Registration: \$15.00 at the Gate  
**Advance registration appreciated!**

#### For Advance Registration:

Complete the form below and mail with check to:  
Mike Natale \* 643 Coventry Rd \* Towson, MD 21286  
Make Check Payable to: **"Free State Region, VCCA"**

Additional Information: Call Mike @ 443-465-7492  
E-Mail: [MRNatale@verizon.net](mailto:MRNatale@verizon.net)  
Visit our website [www.freestaterregionvcca.org](http://www.freestaterregionvcca.org)



ATTENTION "GROUPS" ... WE CAN NOT SAVE SPACES ... to park together, please arrive together!

**SPONSORED BY Free State Region, Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (VCCA)**

Show vehicles should have a Functional Fire Extinguisher.

All Vehicles Must be on the Show Field by 12 Noon to be judged. A RAIN or SHINE event. Family-friendly!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Make & Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle: Modified: ☐ Original: ☐

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_



# Our 50th Anniversary 2023

Thanks to the support of thousands of Corvair owners over the last 50 years, we continue to grow and reproduce more parts every year. We respect your trust and always put our customers first. We would also like to thank our 24 employees, 10 have been with us over 20 years and some as long as 46! Have a great year and enjoy our monthly sales and specials all this year.

~Joan & Cal Clark

**SPECIAL SALES EVERY MONTH:** Each month we'll send an email (if you have signed up) and also list in a special sale section on our Home page [www.corvair.com](http://www.corvair.com).

**FREE 50th MEMENTO** gifts with your first order in 2023.

**FREE CATALOG WITH AN ORDER:** If you have not received a free 2019-2025 catalog yet, just ask for one.

**LIST YOUR CORVAIR FOR SALE- NO CHARGE:** Sell your Corvair or a spare you just don't have time for! For all of 2023 we will list it on our website at NO CHARGE- check the website for details (Corvairs For Sale).

**CLARK CAR SHOW & PARTS SALES:** See our 2023 supplement or website for more details. We expect around 130 cars, and will offer tours of our buildings including the Upholstery Department. Cal will be giving an old fashion "slide show" showing the building of our complex and history. Parts on sale! SEPT 16, 2023-rain or shine.

**2023 SUPPLEMENT:** On our website or as a hard copy-many new repros & updates.

**INTERNATIONAL CORSA CONVENTION-Wisconsin:** We will be there Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday with lots of recent repros on display. Stop by and say hello. Convention dates are June 19- June 24, 2023 in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin.

**CATALOG:** Over 450 pages, free with an order, \$8 postpaid in USA.

## Clark's Corvair Parts

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### NEW MEMBER APPLICATION/MEMBER DATA SHEET

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Member Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \*Spouse Birth Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \* Anniversary Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Hobbies/Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Talents or Abilities to share in Club Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Corvairs Owned:

Year	Model	Body Style	Engine	Transmission	Color
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Check One \_\_\_\_\_ New Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal Membership

Applicant/Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Note: This information is optional



## Join Mid-Maryland Corvair Club (MMCC)!

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Coming soon: Instagram and Twitter! Keep an eye out here!



**NEXT CHAPTER MEETING IS MAY 11TH AT 7PM, FITZGERALD AUTO COMPLEX IN FREDERICK**

### 2023 Chapter Officers

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