

The Drip Line

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Cover Photo:

The Friday convoy (plus the team from Fort Collins) about to depart for the Tri-state in Las Vegas New Mexico.



The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held on Sunday June 16 at 1200pm at Palmer Lake park. Free pie and ice-cream to follow at 2pm.



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PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

Submitted by Rex Harrison
PPCC President

Hats off to those who made the trek down to Las Vegas for the Tri-state, a great weekend with thankfully good weather. Even better from what I can tell every car that headed South made it back (eventually). Besides the Corvairs themselves, every second yard seemed to be home to a classic car or truck, and I couldn't swing a cat without hitting a body shop (*no cats were harmed in this experiment). Next year's event was announced by Mike as the RMC President to be held in Trinidad, down the I-25 just still in Colorado. Apologies for the late cancellation of the monthly meeting, but I think by the Sunday most folk down south were keen to get back on the road.



In other news, Kristal has bugged off back to Australia for a couple of weeks to attend a family wedding, so what better way to spend my memorial day long weekend but to drop the drivetrain! For those who weren't there on the day, it wasn't just the snow that we contended trying to get to the Bug-out day, but a badly slipping power-glide. For the past 6 months the transmission has been great in low and reverse, and after it warmed up it would eventually use both forward gears. But I guess we



got our money's worth out of it, as it now gives us high (eventually) and reverse always, but low is now missing in action. I hoped for the best heading out of Banning Lewis, but the gradual rise up to Black Forest was the end of things, so many thanks for Kristal in the

chase car for a push (one of several). So all in all a less than desirable situation! Anyway, I now have a rebuilt powerglide and high-stall converter from Clarks, and I'll be tearing into the machine over the Memorial Day weekend. Speical thanks to Randy for the jack and adapter., and for Mike and Jerry for their sage advice. Team, always remember that with respect to Corvairs...



As it is finally Spring (fingers crossed) the calendar is filling up with events, so keep an eye out for updates to the website, and of course the monthly dripline. The next meeting will be Father's Day at Palmer lake which promises to be another great day out in the sun. From memory our generator decided to stop working that morning last year (one of the wires coming off the posts parted company, eventually an easy fix with a soldering iron), so hopefully our Corvair will be back in action by then...

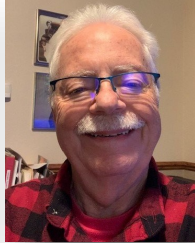
	<p style="text-align: center;">Upcoming Meetings</p> <p>Sunday, June 16, PPCC Club Meeting: 12:00 p.m., Palmer Lake</p> <p>Sunday, July 21, PPCC Club Meeting: 9:30 a.m., Serranos coffee, 625 Hwy 105, Monument</p> <p>Sunday, August 18, PPCC Club Meeting: 9:30 a.m., Serranos coffee, 625 Hwy 105, Monument</p>
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Submitted by
Jerry Peevyhouse

Bug-out Snow Day - Easy come, easier go

Boy, don't you just love springtime in Colorado, where any given weekend in March, April or May will have snow in the forecast. In fact, we've seen multiple spring weekends in a row with lots of snow (with great weather during the week) ☺. Sat., April 27th was definitely one of those snowy weekends. Why it was a problem was that was the weekend of our club Tri-State Bug-out get together at the home of the Dowling's. Food was procured, Glenn's huge barn was cleaned out and space for Corvairs was made, but it was not a weather day for actually getting our cars there. As often is the case around here, the forecast was "off" in that snow was not predicted, just slushy rain. And, the weather on Friday and on Sunday was clear and sunny. Go figure.

As you can see, the actual weather in the morning was 3-4 inches of heavy, wet snow, starting just before our meeting time. This picture was taken from my Corvair on the way there,



just before I had to turn around and head home. Slipping and sliding, I was worried that continued snow would make it impossible for me to get home. So, got the old 4-wheel drive and headed back.

Turns out no one was able to get their Corvair there either. Chris, Steve Woods, Rex and Kristal also came in their 4-wheel/AWD cars and we had some time in the barn to talk about all sorts of things car related. Did I mention the barn wasn't heated and it was about 25 below zero outside (slight exaggeration, but it was dang cold). Hot coffee was key to survival. Here's a group shot with Glenn's project Corvair in the background.



Eventually, we hiked up the hill to the house in the blowing snow to have a great lunch of hot dogs, burgers (barbecued outside in the blizzard), and all the fixings with a tasty cheese cake to end it all. You'll notice I'm not in the picture, but two of Glenn and Kelly's neighbors, Mark and Beth are, joining for a great time.



Maybe our bug-out before next year's Tri-State will hit a great weekend. Taking bets?

Moving forward, one good thing coming up on June 20th is the Summer Solstice, yup the longest day of the year.

Looking forward to that (hint, warmer, sunnier days). More driving time.

We're back from the Tri-State and I'm pleased with how the car ran. Longest trip distance so far in my car. Had a great time learning about Las Vegas NM history. Lots of great locals came by to see our cars. Remind me to tell you the funny story of how I met the New Mexico State District Attorney for the 4th District and my "encouraging" him to vote for my car (before I knew he was the DA) 😊. A fun time. Maybe the best part of the whole trip for me was I didn't lose any of my wheel covers!!

Looking forward to some good driving weather soon, and hope I can stay away from the "craters" in the road.

Enjoy the journey,

Jerry



Board MEETING MINUTES- May 19
Via Zoom

Submitted By
Kristal Harrison

No club meeting was held this month due to Tri-State, next meeting postponed until the Father's Day meeting

Tri-state roundup

Submitted By Rex Harrison
(Photos by Jerry, because Rex forgot!!!)



The Tri-state was housed this year at the Hotel Castenada, an old railway hotel next to the Las Vegas Amtrak station. Between convoys on Thursday and Friday everyone got down there in one piece (apart from some alternator issues for Mike).

New Mexico turned out great weather for the show, with lots of interest from the locals and a number of non-Corvair classics also in attendance.

After an afternoon trolley ride around the touristy and historic parts of the town, (for those that made it on!), the Banquet was held across the road at the Historic El Fidel Hotel.



A good turnout from PPCC, while a shout-out should go to the organisers from New Mexico Corvairs for an enjoyable, well-organized weekend.



DRIP QUIPS



If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to editor@pikespeakcorvair.org attention: Drip Quips.

2024 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, [PPCC Calendar – Pikes Peak Corvair Club](#)



Sunday June 09: Concourse D'Elegance - Arapahoe



Saturday June 15: Castle Rock Cruise-in

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Sunday June 19: 12:00 Regular monthly meeting—Palmer Lake



Saturday July 13: Rosemont Rumble - Pueblo

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Sunday July 21: 09:30 Regular monthly meeting—Serranos in Monument



Sunday July 28: Rosie's Diner car show - Monument



Ongoing events: see facebook for more information

First Saturdays Cars and Coffee: 8:00—10:00am, University Village Colorado - 4880-5342 North Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO (parking area between Urban Egg and Panera Bread)

Tri-Lakes Cruisers Cars and Coffee: 8:00—11:00am, next door to Serranos in Monument, 1st Sunday of the month, starting in April

Second Saturday Stockers free car show: 9:00-11:00am, Gunther Toody's 5490 E. Woodmen Rd April-Oct inclusive

Third Saturday Cars and coffee: 7:00-1000am, 101 W. Costilla St May-Oct inclusive

Key: M—Meeting; —Car Show; A—Activity

CORVAIR PARTNERS & LOCAL BUSINESSES WHICH PPCC MEMBERS HAVE FREQUENTED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS

With so many new members joining the Club, we felt it might be a good time to (re)educate folks on where they can obtain reliable parts and service for their Corvairs, both near and far.

Here are just a few of the companies our members have had good luck with in the past.

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