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#### **Cover Photo:**

The line up of cars that made it out to Palmer Lake for a meeting, followed by free pia and ice cream



The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held on Sunday July 21 at Serranos Coffee shop in Monument at 0930am. And hopefully on Zoom as well...



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#### PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

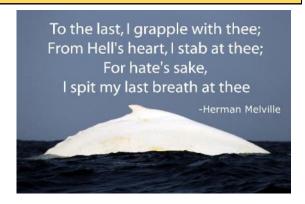
Submitted by Rex Harrison PPCC President

I hope everyone enjoyed the fine weather for the Memorial Day long weekend and had the opportunity to remember those US service per-



sonnel who made the ultimate sacrifice. For me it was time to drop the drive-train and swap in the rebuilt Clarks Powerglide, after we lost first gear attempting to get to the Bug-Out day.

My estimations on how long a particular job will take are a constant source of amusement for Kristal (to borrow a line from 1982's Star Trek movie 'Wrath of Khan', hours seem like days ). However, thanks to the trolley jack and adapter it actually took about as long as everybody said it would! Wonders will never cease. Now if I can find second gear we will be cooking with gas - to once again borrow from Wrath of Khan (or at least Melville, being quoted by Star Trek), the Corvair is becoming my white whale, and some uncivilised words have been used about it in the past few weeks!



Regarding club activities, it was great to see the good turnout of cars (and people) at Palmer Lake for the Father's day meeting. This followed a busy couple of weeks of shows, between the Concours and Castle Rock shows. Congratulations on those club members who came away from them with a trophy! And thanks also to Mario for his support for getting See More to and from events, and storing in between.

Kristal and I are off to the UK for a couple of weeks, so looking forward to catching up with you lovely folk in early July. While there will be some sight-seeing involved (Bath, Oxford and Cambridge) I'm actually going to get more research done in the UK National archives — and to present a paper at a history conference. Because I'm apparently not busy enough ...

Finally Kristal will shoot me if I don't mention our 'Xmas in July' party on 20 July. As our last bash before we return home to Australia in December, it would be great to see y'all there.

Jerry is off on a Cruise - so no article from him this month







### **Upcoming Meetings**

**Sunday, July 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Serranos coffee, 625 Hwy 105, Monument

Sunday, August 18, PPCC Club Meeting: 9:30 a.m., Serranos

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## **MEETING MINUTES- June 16**

#### Palmer Lake Park

Submitted By Kristal Harrison

Meeting opened at 1217. 12 members on site. 7 cars. Zoom - could not get this to work.

Visitors – Family members

Minutes of the previous meeting (April) were discussed with no changes noted, approved by Kathy seconded by Randy and passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

General Fund \$1918.69

SeeMore Fund \$2610.76

Total \$4529.45

Randy has ordered nametags from Zazzle – they are about \$8 each, instead of \$4. They look good.

Mail - no mail this month

**Membership** – no change

#### Past events

Tri-State – May 15-16. A good time was had by all who attended, with or without their corvairs.

Concourse – June 6 – congratulations to Steve Woods for winning  $3^{rd}$  in his class. 11 ½ Corvairs at the show.

Castle Rock cruise-in Sat 15 June – congratulations to Tony for his Rampy winning an award – also George Evans from RMC won an award. 10 % Corvairs were in the show

**SeeMore** – Mario will deliver SeeMore to Glenn's place early next week. Secretary to send a thankyou note to Mario for all his help during the show. Randy to also send an email to Mario to confirm that he can be reimbursed expenses. Ken has paid for registration for SeeMore this year, and has donated this to the club

(will not seek reimbursement)

#### **Upcoming events**

13 July - Rosemont rumble in Pueblo. Mike is lead, suggests that you get there before 7 – show opens at 9. Randy has registered SeeMore, and Glenn will take him there (with Mario as backup driver). Randy will contact the organisers to arrange a spot for SeeMore.

21 July - Club meeting at Serranos 0930

21 July – CORSA national conference in Dayton. Tony may go if Matt Shortle is going - to help with the car

28 July - Rosie's Diner show in Monument. Jerry is lead

August 3 - Air Show – gate opens at 8, registration is \$10, pay at the gate. At Rocky Mt Metro airport. Will have an area reserved for Corvairs – contact Rick Beets for more info and to rsvp so that he knows how many spaces to reserve.

August 11 – PFC Floyd K Lindstrom VA Clinic 3141 Centennial Blvd, CoS. Registration on site day of the show. Check in starts at 8 A.M. Cars/Trucks \$35. Motorcycles \$25. 50/50 drawing and awards, food trucks/vendors, live music.

August 18 - Monument Tri-Lake cruisers. Pre-registrations only – find link <u>here</u>

September – Fall Drive – Cripple Creek, lunch at Maggie May's – drive to see Rita the Troll. Date TBA

50/50 \$40 won by John Anderson \$40 for the club

Meeting closed at 1243

# **Outsiders Day**

Submitted By John Green

Emily Schwartz, a Language Arts teacher at Cresthill Middle School, contacted me for a straight third year to see if we would be willing to participate in "Outsiders Day". The Language Arts students complete a unit on the book <u>The Outsiders</u>, a coming-of-age story about class distinctions in the 60's.



The book features Corvairs and Mustangs as the cars of the upper class, "Soc's" vs. the "Greasers". Emily asked if we could bring Corvairs and Mustangs on their "Outsiders Day". Kathy, Coda and I brought our 1968 coupe. I contacted Jerry to see if he could bring his 1965 convertible again this year, as he did at last year's very rainy day. I also asked John Dawson if he could bring the early model 1961 Lakewood wagon. He was glad to. I reached out to John McNurney, who had joined us the first year to see if he would like to come back. He did join us with his 1967 convertible Mustang. He also contacted a fellow Mustang friend, Terry Frank, who brought his 1967 fastback. Dana Garrett brought her 1965 convertible Mustang again this year as she has a daughter that attends the school.

The day was not as rainy as last year. It didn't rain on us at all thankfully. It did start out cold and a little windy. We did see a few minutes of sun. The school had a table, chairs and tent for us where we could rest between classes. They supplied us nicely with donuts and sandwiches!

Throughout the day we had 7 periods of classes and around 350 middle schoolers come out and look at the cars. Most of the students and staff were dressed up either as the "Greasers" with leather jackets and rolled up jeans or the





"Soc's" with cheerleader skirts and sweaters, or letter jackets and slacks.

The students had a great time climbing in the cars and looking at all the different interiors. The students were fascinated by the roll up windows, the push button radios, the floor vents, the high beam button and where the shifter and emergency brakes were. They also had trouble figuring out how to get the doors open from both the outside and inside. Several were trapped inside until they figured it out. We didn't hear many comparisons to Tesla, like last year, because of the frunk! We gave them little quizzes about the workings of the "old" cars. Several thought the dimmer switch was either for popping the trunk or for the gas lid.



Also, they were surprised by the lighters and all the ash trays.

Other than the quizzes, we think the students had a good time with the cars. Several asked why the engine was in the back, so we were able to tell them some history about the cars. Jerry, John Dawson and a couple of the Mustangs turned on their cars so the students could see and hear the engines in all their glory. Several of the students got a little heavy on the gas.

There were many selfies taken in the cars, with the students pretending they were driving and taking each other for a ride. The students were very respectful of the cars and made sure they thanked us for our time and bringing the cars out





We had a great day showing off and explaining all the special points of the Corvair. I told the teacher we would be glad to come out again next year. She said we are always the best part of Outsiders Day, so yes, she would be seeing us again next year.

Submitted By John Green

# Corvair Happenings around town!

Two big events for the Corvair the last couple weeks.

First was the Colorado Concours d'Elegance in Littleton. We had a good showing of 11½ Corvairs along with 350 other cars. We had a nice shady area under some trees and the weather was great.





The early open class was won by Ken Schifftner. The early closed was won by Phil deGroot. The late open was won by Mike Piper. The late closed had Steve

Woods taking 1<sup>st</sup> place and Tony Lawler taking 2nd place. The Forward Controls had Diane Lawler taking 1<sup>st</sup> place and Tony Lawler taking 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The Best of Show for the Corvairs with the most points was Phil DeGroot. Steve Woods also entered his car in the Elite judging and received a 3<sup>rd</sup> in Class. Really good for all the very fancy cars in that category.





Other Corvairs at the show were Kevin Shipman with both his V8 Corsa and his Monza, John Dawson with his late sedan and the Green's coupe. The last Corvair was SeeMore getting a lot of attention from both young and old. Thank you to Glenn for getting SeeMore to the show and for working with Mario to get 'him' on to the next adventure. Good fellowship with close friends and talking with many spectators made for a very enjoyable day for all.





The second event was the Castle Rock Classic Car Cruise In on the main streets of Castle Rock. There we had 10½ Corvairs at the show along with around 330 other classic cars. The Corvairs were spread around the show, so they were seen in several parts of the show making it seem like there were more than there actually were.





SeeMore, Chris Kimberly's convertible, Kevin Shipman's mid-engine V8, and the Green's coupe were right up at the front of the show. On around the corner were the cars of Steve Woods, Ken Schifftner, Mario Wibben, one of the Lawler's Rampsides and Kevin Shipman's modified late model. Across the street was Mike Piper's car. Then around another corner was George Evan's reverse rotation alu-

minum Buick V8 rear engine.

We all had a great time talking to spectators about our cars and history of the Corvair. SeeMore was naturally a great hit, especially with the kids (and some adults) who climbed in. Thank you to Mario for sponsoring and paying for the primo spot for SeeMore and getting it there. He also opened his shop to club members for a clean restroom, and he had donuts and drinks for all (what a nice respite on a very hot day!).





The Lawler's Rampside won a trophy in the truck class. George Evans won a trophy in the late 60's modified class. So, the Corvairs did make an impact in the show!

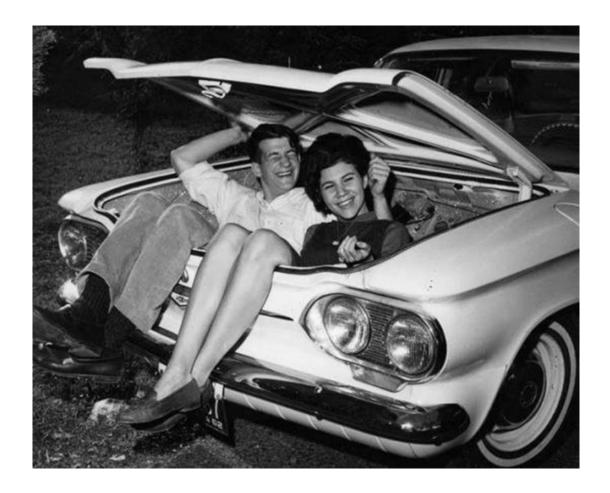
It was nice seeing so many Corvairs among all the other classic and Concours cars at both shows. We had a nice variety of models for the spectators to see.





# **DRIP QUIPS**

People have been sticking their legs out of corvairs for years it seems...



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 <a href="mailto:editor@pikespeakcorvair.org">editor@pikespeakcorvair.org</a> 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



Saturday July 13: Rumble at Rosemount - Pueblo

M Sunday July 21: 09:30 Regular monthly meeting—Serranos in Monu ment



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



Saturday August 3: CCCC car show at Rocky Mountain Metro Airport

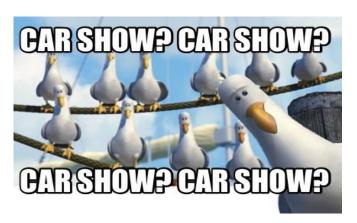


Sunday August 11: Veterans Appreciation car show - Colorado Springs

M Sunday August 18: 09:30 Regular monthly meeting—Serranos in Monu ment



Sunday August 18: Tri-Lakes Cruisers 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.

*NOTE:* These are only recommendations only, as we do not solicit sponsors for the Club, or the newsletter. So, do your own research as well.



Serving all of your Corvair mechanical needs for more than 51 years, Steve can make whatever is wrong with your Corvair right again. Locally owned and operated!



If you need your Corvair blasted, or just need the paint or rust removed from parts, Blast-Tech provides a great service for a fair price. Locally owned and operated!!



Recommended by members who were pleased with the service and quality of the glass. Fair price for a new windshield. Located in Monument for those coming from the North or the South. Locally owned and operated!



Clarks Corvair Parts - Nuff said!!



An old school alignment shop with all of the Corvair specs, early and late. Ask for Dave! Locally owned and operated!

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<u>Monthly Meetings</u>: The PPCC meets at 9:30am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at various locations within the Colorado Springs area. Check the Club's website for the most current meet-up info.

<u>Membership & Dues</u>: PPCC dues are \$26 per year, payable each January for the coming year. Membership in CORSA is encouraged, but is not a prerequisite for membership in the PPCC. You can join CORSA <u>here</u>. Please refer to the PPCC web-

site <u>here</u> to obtain a copy of the current membership application and guidance for submission. Checks for dues should be made payable to "PPCC" and mailed to: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. Payment is also accepted online.

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Proceeds from this summer's car show will benefit "Brad's House", a local at risk youth assistance home in our Tri Lakes community benefiting youth 9 – 16 years of age.

- ◆ Car show runs from 9:00am 1:00pm on 28 July in the Rosie's Diner parking lots. Participants parking is 7am – 9am. Parking choices are on a first come basis. Parking is closed off once both parking lots are full.
- TROPHIES: Trophies are awarded at 1:00

pm sharp. We ask all winners to please wait after the show to have your picture taken in front of our diner to post on our web site and hang on our diner wall. This year we have opened up our classes being judged. Our judges will be awarding a 1 st and 2nd place trophy in each of the following categories, so please note on your entry form which category you wish to be judged in:

- Car Stock / Restored Stock Restorations that were intended to make a car look like it was fresh out of a dealer's show room.
- Car Restored / Modified Non-stock restorations that were not restricted to looking like the original version.
- Hot Rods Vehicles that don't remotely resemble a car from an assembly line,
   but are obviously passenger vehicles.
- \* Trucks
- Rosie's will treat each participant and one guest to a FREE pancake breakfast with beverage between 7am and 9am in the diner! Rosie's will also treat each participant and one guest to a FREE lunch with soda outside on the grill at 12 noon.
- Registration Fee: Fees are \$30.00 per vehicle. (This fee includes your two complimentary meals and a car show dash plaque.)

Registration form can be found <u>here</u>



# The Big 3 Chutomotive Classic Car Show colorado springs event center



CAR CORRAL:

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MORE INFO: 719-329-4736 ACEENT@COMCAST.NET

