



ACORNEWS

ACORNS - Association of CORvair NutS
Rochester, NY - Corsa Chapter 148
August 2024 Newsletter

Pres Says by Brandon Carmo

Hello ACORNS,

I am happy to announce that the ACORNS showed up for the MG Car Club Show! We had 5 cars in attendance and 9 members were there, including one of our newest members, Allan Lesser, whose car won the Corvair class. His car is a very sharp yellow '65 Corsa Convertible! Another ACORN likely would have been the winner of the "High Miller Award" for most miles traveled (if such a class existed) thanks to Jean Marc who made it all the way from Montreal!

Speaking of new members... Mark Webster has two more names for you in his column! Welcome Paul and Christopher!

The car show was a lot of fun. Really great venue for a show. There is a lot to take in at that museum. Really cool trains, trolley cars, classic cars, model trains and cars, photos, equipment and more. It was great to see some ACORNS out and about. Dick Powers brought his MG and had his family there to support him. Everyone had a chance to talk, learn about each others cars, look at other cars, talk about life, and eat some food. It was a perfect day.

Lots of folks at the show came and looked at our cars. Many of them had their own Corvair stories or had questions about the cars. I felt very welcomed at the show and people were interested in our cars. It seems very worth doing this again and hopefully even more ACORNS will come out!

Some details have been firmed up for our ACORNS end of the season feast at Bella Pasta!

Mark your calendar for 11/9/24!

Our August event, due for the 3rd Saturday of the month (8/17) has not been decided as far as I know. If you have any suggestions or need a tech session, let us know!

Be well!
-Brandon



50th Anniversary Commemorative Mug

I've almost got the pricing together for this!

Next month I should have an official number.



From the VP's Desk:

Hey all,

Summer is in full swing, I hope you are all enjoying yourselves and your cars! The big event in July was the MG car club's show at The Museum of Transportation in Rush. It was a great show, and was put together well. We sponsored a Corvair class, and had five cars from the club present. A great turnout, and I hope we can build on that next year! One of our newest members, Allan Lesser, took home the trophy in our class with his 1965 Corsa Convertible. Well done, Allan! Furthest distance travelled to the show goes to Jean Marc Urban, who drove down from Montreal in his '65 Coupe. Great job, Jean Marc, and it was good to see you. A big shout out goes to Dick Powers, as well. He has coordinated the effort to get us into the show the last couple of years, and despite some health issues, came out to give support and he and his family also brought his '66 MG. Well done, Dick!!

As I mentioned earlier, Allan Lesser is a new member to the club, with his '65 Corsa convertible. We have also gained two more members; Paul Rader, who owns a '64 Monza convertible, and Christopher Grillo, who also has a '64 Monza convertible. Please welcome all three to the club!

Mark

Treasurer's Report

No additional funds taken in during July, as well as no expenditures, so our club funds stand steady at \$1748.13 as of 08/09/2024

The special project fund has \$95.00 and is separate from the rest of the club funds.

Existing members will pay the full \$12 for the year. You can write me a check, made out to me, Mark Webster, and I will cash it and deposit the funds into the club fund on your behalf, or you can Venmo me the dues and I will do the same. My address is

Mark Webster
607 Winona Blvd
Rochester, NY 14617

Venmo me at:
@mwebby-1964

- **January through December: \$12**
- **April through December: \$9**
- **July through December: \$6**
- **October through December: \$3**

Club funds as of 08/09/2024:

Club funds entering June :	\$1748.13
No new income or expenditures :	+ \$0.00
New club total:	\$ 1748.13

That's it!

Best regards,

Mark

ACORN July Activity Report

MG Car Club Show - 7/21/24

ACORNers attending:

- Brandon Carmo - President & ACORNews editor: '61 Lakewood
- Mark Webster - Vice-President & Treasurer
- Allan Lesser - '65 Corsa convertible
- George Conboy - '60 500 sedan [a new acquisition]
- Jean Marc Urbain - '65 Monza coupe
- Jim Bartasevich - Secretary and Membership: '64 Spyder Convertible
- Dick Powers - MGB [he was in the MGB class]
- Lisa and Dean LoBrutto



We had a good turn-out for the show. It was held in a unique [and appropriate] setting: The New York Museum of Transportation. The grounds enabled various classes to be spread around outside the museum with a good amount of shade. The museum was open for visitors and they were operating the trolley so people could take a break and hop on for a 20 minute [I think] ride.

This was an attendee's choice show where the attendees voted on their favorite car in each class. Our newest member, Allan, won in the Corvair class on the first time out with his "new" Corvair! Congratulations, Allan!

Meeting Minutes

Old Business

- Winnowing the ACORN parts supply,
Dates and locations have to be rescheduled.

- ACORN 50th Anniversary, 2025

In 2025, ACORNs will be 50 years old! Dave Ellis volunteered to coordinate our celebration next year. He'll start by preparing the information and photos from the early years.

- End of Year Dinner

Dave and Edie Ellis have made arrangements to hold our holiday dinner at Bella Pasta in Greece. It will be a buffet and will start at 2 PM. The cost has not been finalized, but the club will pay 1/2 for members.



New Business

- No business discussed





ACORNS 50TH Anniversary

Having an Anniversary Picnic during the Summer or 2025 would be a highlight of the year....Where to hold such an event was discussed at the January planning meeting.....The cost to reserve a shelter at which to hold the event was discussed...and it was decided that the cost to reserve the location could be better spent toward the food and fluids to be provided at such an event...Our treasury should have sufficient funds to cover the majority of the cost for food and fluids...At worst we might need a few bucks per person....Brandon Carmo has generously offered his home as a potential location...lots of room and we have held successful ACORN events there in previous years...August seems to be a reasonable month to schedule such an event....If you have any reason to suggest an alternative month...again,,,provide your input directly to Dave Ellis..

Looking forward to successful 2024 planning for a very enjoyable 50th Anniversary Year in 2025...

DME out...

ACORN 2024 Event Calendar [Subject to change]

August ??: Joint event with Finger Lakes Region VW Club

September 15 [Sunday]: Corvairs on the Hills, Fred Marsh

October 19: Fall color tour and meal; TBA

November 9 [2nd Saturday]: Year-end dinner, Bella Pasta; Dave & Edie Ellis

Few more from the MG Car Club Show



2024 CRUIZE'N TIME CAR SHOW SCHEDULE



5/27 Memorial Day Car Show at The Windmill Penn Yan NY	8/1 Next Level Open House AND Car Show Dansville NY
6/1 Dairy Festival Car Show Steuben County Fairgrounds, Bath NY	8/11 Springwater Gala Car Show Springwater NY
6/8 Craze Daze Car Show Canisteo NY	8/17 Wallace Fun Fest Car Show Wallace NY
6/15 Minnehans Spring Car Show Lakeville NY	8/31 Prattsburgh Old Home Days Car Show Prattsburgh NY
7/6 Hammondsport Fireman's Carnival Show Hammondsport NY	9/14 Howard Old Home Days Car Show Howard NY
7/22 Steuben Center FREE CRUISE IN Bath NY	9/28 Fall Windmill Car Show Penn Yan NY
	10/6 Cohocton Fall Festival Car Show Cohocton NY



Thursday, Sept 12, 10:00 at
The Bay Front Restaurant
1075 Empire Boulevard, Rochester
(585) 482-2247

We'd love you to join us if you have the time, want a good, no-frills breakfast and enjoy plenty of car talk.

No RSVP needed, just show up, the Bay Front has room for us all to sit together....and LOTS of parking!!
hope to see you soon!...Annabelle

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From the editor...

I'm excited to have the opportunity to work on the ACORNews! I am looking for tech article suggestions, as well as listings for parts or cars for sale. I am also interested in photos of member cars, ACORN outings, or photos and descriptions of any project car updates or new acquisitions you may want to share.

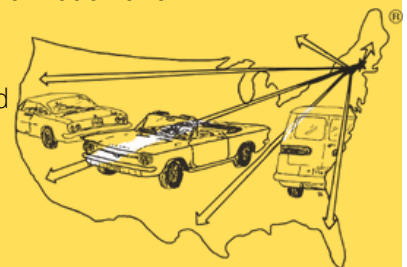
Submissions can be sent to bwcarmo@gmail.com

Thanks, Brandon Carmo

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PARTS SALES POLICY

We all know that there are Corvairs "out there" that are owned by people who do not belong to CORSA or ACORN. It was agreed and voted on to make our parts supply available only to our members.

Here are the specifics:

If a non-member contacts us for parts, we'll politely explain our policy and ask if he or she would like to become a member.

NOS parts will be sold at a 50% discount from Clark's prices.

Used parts will be sold cheaply!

FOR SALE

140hp Series II Convertible Corvair for sale, needs starter

Contact Will Seymour for details/pricing: 585-281-1706,
wseymour@rochester.rr.com



For sale: 1964 Corvair Spyder coupe. Black with white Clark's interior. Engine, trans. and diff. were gone through in early 2000's. Rear suspension bushings replaced. Runs well. Extra parts included. Car located in Oswego, NY. **Asking \$8,000.**

Dave Baker

Home: 315-342-5495

dbvair@yahoo.com

180 Turbo Engine for sale

call Jim Mruk 585-889-4587 for details

Parts include:

- Block I0420RL complete w/crank & cam
- Turbo housing complete 3856709
- 180 Distributor 1110329
- Intake crossover
- Set of 110 heads 3878566
- Turbo head 3856762
- Carter YH carb
- Air cleaner housing
- Misc. brackets & Tubing
- Series 2 Engine sheet metal parts

From the desk of Sam and Marissa Andolino

email mandolin@rochester.rr.com for further

- Early model (1960 – 1964) Corvair Monza windshield

- ORIGINAL PF4 Oil Filters

The following car is for sale by Fred Marsh [607-937-5223]:

'60 Monza - Restored, like new. Asking
\$9000



AVAILABLE PARTS FROM THE BARTASEVICH PARTS STASH

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| ❖ 1 - FC 4 speed inst. cluster [it has the shift points on the speedo] | ❖ 3 - Clark's C2754 rear wheel cyl. rebuilding kits |
| ❖ 2 - FC glove box doors | ❖ 3 - Clark's C2745 front wheel cyl. rebuilding kits |
| ❖ 1 - Early car glove box door [don't know the year] | ❖ Multiple stainless steel headlight rings [they hold the headlight to the light unit] |
| ❖ 1 - Late Delco AM push button radio | ❖ 1 - late headlight unit |
| ❖ 1 - Early [I think] Motorola AM push button radio [a button is broken] | ❖ 1 - FC headlight unit |
| ❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster & glove box door [dusty] | ❖ 2 - magnesium cooling fans; 1 for a '64, 1 for '65-'69 [both have surface corrosion] |
| ❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster used as a parts donor | ❖ 5 - Various oil coolers; low to high HP |
| ❖ 1 - Corsa air cleaner with carb cross-over | ❖ 2 - Front hubs [I think for an FC] |
| ❖ 2 - Starters | ❖ 2 - Early rear car shocks, used but work okay |
| ❖ 1 - Alternator | ❖ 5 - Early & late gen. & alt./oil fill/oil filter castings |
| ❖ 2 - '65-'66 "A" pillar interior trim | ❖ Multiple fan idler pulleys |
| ❖ 1 - NAPA Belden plug wire set [NOS?] but in the box for a while | ❖ 1 - '62 80 HP PG distributor |
| ❖ 1 - Late power convertible top switch & bracket | ❖ 2 - '63 102 HP distributors |
| ❖ 4 - Wiper/washer units | ❖ 2 - '64-'68 110 HP distributors |
| ❖ 1 - Washer jug and bracket [rust on bracket] | ❖ 1 - '69 95 PG distributor |
| ❖ 1 - Washer bottle bracket [some rust] | ❖ Multiple clamps for ignition coils |
| ❖ 6 - wiper arms | ❖ Multiple '62 stop light lenses |
| ❖ 1 - NOS '65-'69 clutch rod | ❖ Multiple '65 stop light lenses |
| | ❖ Multiple '66-'69 stop light lenses |

FOR SALE

ACORN PARTS SUPPLY

CONTACT: DAVE ELLIS: 585-503-9445, dellis1@rochester.rr.com

Fastener boxes now located at Mark Webster's shop containing items such as 1/4-20 bolts, top shroud bolts, distributor hold down brackets, u-joint keepers, and other specialty items

ACORN Parts Supply

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HORNS
HORN BUTTONS, STR COLMN
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INTAKE TUBES
INTERIOR TRIM PARTS
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LIFTERS, HYDR.

MOTOR MOUNTS, S1&S2
MOTOR MNT TO ENG BRKTS
OIL CLRS, SEVERAL TYPES
OIL FLTR/ALT MOUNT HSNGS
PISTONS W/CON RODS, SI&2-??
POWERGLIDE TRANS
RADIOS
STARTERS
TAILLIGHT/REAR -PARTS-S1&S2
THROTTLE LINKAGES 2 CARBI
TURBO EMBLEMS
VALVE CVR H.D. BRACKETS
VISORS,,,S1/2???
WHEEL COVERS- SERIES 1
WHEEL COVERS - SERIE 2
W.S. WSHR PARTS
WINDOW HNDLS, INTERIOR
WIPER ARMS, S1&2??

ACORN CLUB TOOL CRIB

All tools are currently available at Mark Webster's Shop, Contact Dave Ellis to coordinate.

Tools are signed out when the leave, and are signed back in when they are returned. "If you break it, you replace it"
Below are the tools available in the CRIB, as of 11/1/2018

-(3 Available)- Hot "Valve Lash Adjustment Valve Covers", have 6 holes in the appropriate places for socket access

-Coil Spring Compressors (pair)

-UNISYNC- Carb Balancing Tool

-(3 Available)- Series 1, AXLE York Removal Tools, you will need a MAPP gas torch,,,and a big hammer too,....

-Oil Pressure Tester, Oil Filter Bolt fitted with flexible tubing to an Oil Pressure Gage...great to check/assure oil pressure when first firing up a brand newly rebuilt motor.....

-Grease Gun Adapter- for greasing HD Universal Joints that have grease fittings in place...

-(2 Available)- Steering Wheel Pullers

-Harmonic Balancer Pulley Removal Tool...works with the engine in normal position,,,just remove the Oil Filter...

-Valve Guide Removal Punch

-Wire Brush Reamer - to clean out cross-drilled holes in Crankshaft during a rebuild -Differential Side Gear Adjuster tool

-Piston Ring(s) Compressor, used when installing a Piston/Con Rod Assy into Jug, then attaching con rod to crankshaft

-Fan Bearing Greasing Tool

-(2 Sets Avail.)-12 tubes-(Enough for one side of the Motor)- to hold JUGS in place whilst installing Piston/Com Rod Assys into the jugs, and bolting up the connecting rod cap around the appropriate Crankshaft Journal...VERY helpful!!!



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Telephone (____) _____ E-mail _____

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4	26 month Canadian Full Membership	\$98
5	12 month overseas Full Membership	\$59
6	26 month overseas Full Membership	\$118
7	12 month Virtual Membership	\$37
8	26 month Virtual Membership	\$74
9	_____ CORSA donation	min. \$1
0	_____ Corvair Preservation Foundation donation ..	min. \$1
1	_____ Racing Fund donation	min. \$1

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Provides cash incentives to winning Corvairs entered in national racing

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I do NOT want the following published in the roster: ☐ Telephone number ☐ E-mail address ☐ Any personal information

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Association of Corvair Nuts
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DATE: _____

NAME: _____ (MEMBER)

NAME: _____ (SPOUSE/SIGNIFICANT OTHER, CHILDREN, etc.)

ADDRESS: _____

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PLEASE, TELL US ABOUT YOUR CORVAIR(S)

YEAR HP	MODEL TRANSMISSION	BODY STYLE	ENGINE
_____	_____	_____	_____
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ANY OTHER HOBBIES OR INTERESTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

