

Vair Heels



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NEWSLETTER OF CORSA/N.C., Inc. Chartered Chapter #271 of the Corvair Society of America

Local Clubs within our Chapter:

(AL) – At Large (4C) – Capital City Corvair Club (MC) – NC Mountain Corvair Club (CC) – Classic Corvairs of the Triad

Note from the editor: 'Vair Heels articles should be submitted by the 15^{th} of the month for inclusion in that month's edition (space permitting.) Articles received after the 15^{th} will be included in the following month's edition, if still applicable.

January 2025

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Merchandise Chair: Open for a new person November 2025

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Nominating Committee: Local Club Representatives Membership Committee: President of each local club

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From: The Editor,

TO: The North Carolina Corvair Community

'Vair Heels publication:

I have two emails for all 'Vair Heels communication. Either will do fine.

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Thanks, Cameron

Merchandise Chair is Now open: Rocco Passed on the position for Personal Reasons.

From David Yemm: President's Message

By this time of year many of you are starting to work on your winter projects. For me I have a backup light to fix and a rear air grill to replace on the '63. Jimmie Eanes was keen to spot I had the wrong year grill and he conveniently had one for me. We are also going into the season for Christmas gatherings. Classic had theirs earlier in the month and will skip any December meetings. I would also like to extend an invitation to everyone in the group to my annual Christmas open house on December 20th from 2:00 until. Refreshments will be provided just bring yourself and enjoy the antique decorations I bring down from the attic of my 70 year old house. Plus some vintage toys around the tree.

Speaking of car projects, I am back at it on the '52 Chevy and still making videos. It is amazing to see the design differences between it and the Corvair. Some simple things are still the same between the two models, but Chevrolet made a lot of improvements in a short time span.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving with friends and family. Enjoy the time off if you are able to get it and be on the lookout for the holiday sales.

David Yemm

Everyone please check the CORSA national site and vote for the representative for our region. All candidates are listed there. Here is the Link.

Voting October 15= December 1.

CORSA Welcomes You!

https://www.corvair.org

Due to Differences of Opinion:

These positions are open.

TIME TO STEP UP:

We need a State Treasurer.

We need A State Merchandise Chair.

We need a State Secretary. I am Temporary.



Nothing really to report this month. Our Christmas party next month will be December 7th from 11-1 at Milton's Pizza 8853 Six Forks Rd, Raleigh, NC 27615

Thank, Sam



We had our Christmas party early this year. With all the families involved, we couldn't work out a December date. So, on November 8, we had it at Jimmie and Karen Eanes' house. The food was terrific and the atmosphere was very festive. The Eanes' house is beautiful and was decorated for the season. Karen handed out numbers for the Dirty Santa. We had the men and women go by the numbers. 1 man's and 1 Woman's gift. The Steeling was fierce! After the Dirty Santa, we went to Jimmie's garage. Very Nice!.

We will not be meeting until January.





The Ladies:



A yard full of Corvairs



Bruce and Ven Mckeon: Driving Miss Daisey



Thomasville Veterans Day Parade



Winston-Salem Veterans Day Parade



What a beautiful day to have a meeting with several Corvairs in attendance. We had 8 people with 3 Corvairs present at Hillman's Brewery in Old Fort, NC.

The meeting was short and brief. Jim discussed the town hall meeting about prices going up again at the Festival Grounds.

We have been approved for next year's show to be held on October 2-3, 2026.

Our next meeting will be our White Elephant Christmas Party. Everyone attending should bring a wrapped gift worth \$10 dollars.

Our next meeting will be held at T/A in Candler Exit 37 on December 13th at 1pm.

Our finalized donations will be announced at that meeting as well.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Louise Henline Secretary/Treasurer NC Mountain Corvair





Club membership application on our website at: Central Virginia Corvair Club (google.com)

Sunday, December 7: 3 PM, CVCC Christmas Meeting, "Kitchen 33", 13155 Mountain Rd, Glen Allen, VA 23059. Rt 33, about 1 mile west of I-295 exit 49A.

Electrovair II ______ GM's Electrovair II sprang from an earlier experiment known as Electrovair I, which was limited in success, but it apparently demonstrated enough potential to trigger a second attempt. While Electrovair I was based on a first generation Chevrolet Corvair sedan, the Electrovair II was built around a second-generation Corvair—a mildly customized '66 four-door hardtop in Marina Blue. The Electrovair II used 286 silver-zinc cells wired in series and arranged in 13 trays with 22 cells per tray. Seven battery trays were mounted in the front luggage compartment, while the

other six trays were installed in the engine compartment in the back in order to more evenly distribute their considerable weight: some 680 lbs. The total capacity of the 530-volt pack was 26.4 kWh. The car's performance was 0-to-60 mph in 16.7 seconds, top speed was restricted to 80 mph by the motor's 13,000 rpm limit. Range was limited to 40 to 80 miles, due in part to a lack of regenerative braking, which the project engineers declined to pursue. The Electrovair II was one of a number GM experimental cars on loan and exihibited at the CPF sponsored museum in Richmond, VA that the Central Virginia Corvair Club operated from 1995 to 1999. It now resides in the GM Heritage Collection in Detroit.





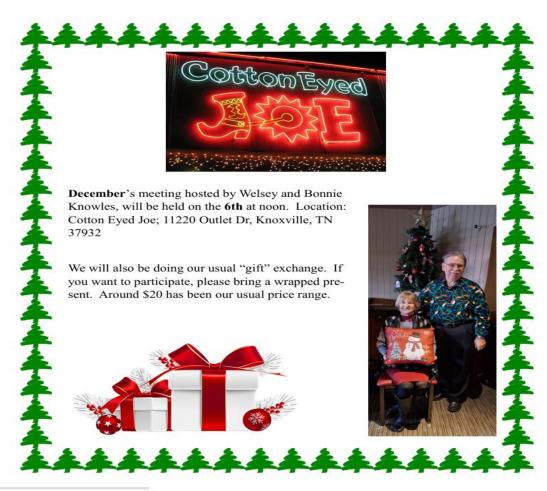
FOR SALE: Original GM-Corvair Items (not reprints): Accessory Booklets (all years); Corvair Convertible Top Manuals (all years); Corvair Owners Guides (Glovebox Manuals); Corvair-GM Training Booklets (for mechanics); Original showroom Sales Brochures; Corvair Data Sheets 1960-69; Corvair Shop Manuals & Assembly Manuals; Miscellaneous GM publications featuring Corvair. ALSO: Major Magazines with articles featuring Corvairs, including Car Life, Motor Trend, Classic Car, Special Interest Auto, and others. Auto Quarterly (Corvair feature article), and other books on Corvair. Some original CORSA Convention Programs and items. Corvair models (1/64, 1/18, 1/43, AMT & tin toys). Complete itemized list available via Mail. Request list from: Bill Cotrofeld, PO Box 235, East Arlington, VT. 05252. Or call Bill @ 802-375- 6782. (If you want the itemized list by email attachment contact Wade Lanning, at wblanning@comcast.net.)



"Corvair Fun Fact" The August, 2007 edition of Hemmings Classic Car Magazine called the Chevy Corvair "GM's Mechanical Marvel...Pure and simple, these are still great cars...And extremely ad-vanced for their time."

December 6, 2025 KACC Monthly Meeting—Hosted by Wesley & Bonnie Knowles, Details TBD December 13, 2025 Wreaths Across America—details coming April thru October 2025 Every Friday Evening—Foothills Cruise-In, 5:00pm, parking lot at Foothills Mall by main entrance between Belk's & BJ's.

The 2027 CORSA Convention is planned to be held in Franklin, TN (just south of Nashville) as the host location for the 2027 convention, July 11th – 15th.





1 new/1 used finned oil pan and 1 new/1used valve cover set



View insights

75 Post Reach



4 engines and a block - 3 - 110hp and 2 - 95hp all come from late model cars



View insights

71 Post Reach

Jason also has various early model trim pieces available. He can be reached via phone at: 901-201-0415 or via email at: wjgroves@hotmail.com

FOR SALE:

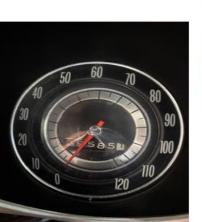
1965 Convertible, 39k miles, Stored inside since 1987, good interior, surface rust only, was running good when stored.

\$8,500 Rick Drake 606-307-4613 Monticello Ky.













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It's official Drive Your FC Days October 7 & November 30 The Corvanatics Board of Directors has declared two days as official heritage Drive Your FC days. October 7, 1960, per Corvair Historian, Dave Newell, is the day the Corvair 95 was introduced for sale to the public. This date is unique to the Cor vair FC as all other model years debut ed alongside the rest of the Corvair line. Next, November 30, 1964, was the day that Chevrolet officially notified their dealers that the Corvair FC line would be retired following the completion of the holdover Greenbriers for 1965.

I made it to the Big Leagues: My article in the Corvanatics newsletter.

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How I ended up with my FC By Cameron Low Nov/Dec 2025 I had been kicking around the idea of a Rampside. My wife Melanie had seen several different ones at "Springfest" in Helen, Ga and "Vairs in the Valley" in Maggie Valley, NC. She really liked them. I already have three 1969 cars: a 500 coupe, a Monza Coupe, and a Convertible. The con vertible is hers. I also have a '67 Camaro resto mod, a '67 C20 Chevy truck, and a '68 Barracuda coupe. Need less to say, the yard and garage are full. I have been on 'Bring a Trailer', looking for pricing to sell my Honda Gold Wing motorcycle. That is when the Rampside showed up. It was a "no reserve" auction. Thinking the bidding would go high, I just watched it for a week. On the final day, I was waiting on Melanie to finish an appointment and call me. When she called, I had actually bid on the Rampside. I told her I had reached my limit, and I sent her the link. She looked at it and asked if I thought it would go much higher. It had minutes to go, and she asked me to bid again. I placed another bid and got it, but just for a few minutes. The auction is set so items can't be sniped. If you bid in the last 2 minutes, 2 more minutes are automatically added to the time. A bid came in with 15 seconds to go, and the auction went back to 2 minutes. Melanie said to bump it again. That added another extra 2 minutes and we just watched. We were high bid and expected another bid, but no one bid and we got the truck for what I consider a reasonable price. It is a driver with a few leaks that will need to be corrected when it comes, but it is a Corvair. I have my cars insured with Hagerty, and they have an agreement with Reliable for deliveries. The truck was in California, about 2 hours east of Monterey. Unfortunately, Mecum auctions had just finished their annual auction in Monterey, and I had to wait for about 1,000 cars to be moved before they could get to ours. It was picked up Sunday and hopefully will be here around September 16. We are excited and looking forward to the experience. I will be selling my almost restored and very solid 1969 Monza to make room



And it has Arrived. Definitely Needs some TLC. But we are excited it is here.

WELCOME!! to our new members

Greg Clemens	OH	Greenbrier-8door	Bob Picard	AK	1962 Rampside
Sam Bailey	NV	1962 Rampside	Rocco Ferraro	NC	1961 Rampside
Jeffrey Ostroff	PA	1964 Greenbrier	Timothy Edwards	OH	1962 Rampside
Ashley Ackley	MN	1963 Ambulance, 1964 Greenbrier			

10 REASONS YOU'D NEVER BUY A CORVAIR TRUCK OR VAN

(...and why you might secretly want to anyway)

1. It Doesn't Have Bluetooth.

You'll have to actually talk to whoever's riding with you. Terrifying, I know.

2. No Cupholders.

You'll spill your energy drink the first time you hit 2nd gear. (But hey, at least it's character-building.)

3. It Smells Like History.

Oil, gas, old vinyl, and cool. The scent of 1963 — bottled and free with every ride.

4. It's Not Fast - It's Fun.

You won't beat a Tesla off the line. But you'll look 100x better doing 45 in a Corvair.

5. It Requires Tools, Not Wi-Fi.

When it breaks, there's no app for that. Just you, a wrench, and YouTube.

6. No Airbags, No ABS, No Excuses.

You'll learn respect for the road - because this thing demands it.

7. Parking Lot Laughs.

Yeah, your friends will roast you... right up until the first girl says, "That's actually kind of cool."

8. It's Not a Plug-and-Play Ride.

No touchscreen, no backup camera. You'll have to use your eyes and instincts. (Wild concept, huh?)

9. Every Drive is an Adventure.

You'll smell like gas, your hands will get dirty, and something will probably rattle. Welcome to real driving.

10. It's Not for Everyone.

It's for the few who'd rather stand out than fit in.

If you get it, you get it.

Cumberland Mountain Corvair show March 20-21, 2026



2025 flyer

Chattanooga Tennessee. Details to come.

2026 CORSA Convention

The 2026 CORSA convention will be back on the east coast next year, to be held in Gettysburg, PA, so fairly convenient to us. The dates are June 22-26, 2026. It will be held at the Wyndham/Courtyard Marriott, 95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA 17325. Here is the planned schedule of events. More details will be provided as they come available.

Schedule of events:

Monday, June 22: Welcome Party

Tuesday, June 23: Concourse Wednesday, June 24: Road Rally Thursday, June 25: Econo-run

Friday, June 26: Banquet and awards

When

June 22nd, 2026 12:00 AM to June 26th, 2026 12:00 AM

Location

Wyndham Gettysburg Hotel & Conference Center

95 Presidential Circle

Gettysburg, PA 17325-8397

United States

Contact

Email: 66vairman@comcast.net

Classified Ads:

FOR SALE: Beautiful glossy color Corvair poster designed by CVCC member Bobby White, 18"x12". Frame & hang on the wall or have laminated for placemats. Price reduced to \$2 each or four for \$5. Available at club meetings or contact Wade Lanning, cell/text



804-586-1023 or email wblanning@comcast.net.

Facebook Market Place has about 20 Corvairs of all shapes and sizes in the NC, SC, TN, VA area.

Email: corsancnews@gmail.com or corsancnews@outlook.com Cell 704-930-1534



Thank You all for your attention and help

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I still need contribution articles! Let everyone know what is going on in your area.

Please have your contributions in by the 18th of each month. Thank you, Cameron

Editor's Note:

I have had many Friend requests on Facebook:

From Corvair friends across the South. I appreciate the interest.

I haven't had time to look at all of them. Please bare with me while I figure it out.

Thank You,

Cameron