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Pikes Peak Corvair Club  
Next Meeting is Sunday, September 15, 9:30 am  
At Bob and Yvonne Galvin's garage.  
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## Pikes Peak Corvair Club

### On The Cover,

Corvair friends relaxing in the shade at Cherry Creek State Park for the annual Dale Wilshire Memorial picnic hosted by Rocky Mountain CORSA.

(Photo by Patricia Fox)

### Aspen Tour, Sunday, September 22nd, 2013

The leaves will begin to change this month in the mountains, reminding us all one more time why we live in this beautiful part of the country and call Colorado home.

This year, for our Annual Aspen Drive, we'll take a southern route down to **Penrose, Colorado**. A small town located just north of the intersection of US 50 & CO 115, this is home to a couple of our longtime members, John & Dee Glusick. Thank you John and Dee for pulling this event together for us!

As the only major restaurant in the city of Penrose, we will dine at the famous **Gooseberry Patch Restaurant** right there on CO-115. Several of the reviews I've read says the home-made pie is to die for!!

We plan to meet at the Safeway store at South Nevada and E. Cheyenne Road (Near Southgate) at 8:15am for a 8:30 departure. From there, we'll take a nice leisurely drive to the town of Penrose for breakfast buffet at 9:00.

Please let Randy Karl ( [karlrj@comcast.net](mailto:karlrj@comcast.net) ) and John Glusick ( [djglusick@q.com](mailto:djglusick@q.com) ) know if you plan to join us.



Gooseberry Patch Restaurant  
660 Colorado 115, Penrose, CO 81240

Looking forward to seeing you all there!!



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## Notes from the President

By Ed Halpin, PPCC Prez

Hello PPCC Crew!!

With September now here and Fall right around the corner, I want to thank everyone who had a chance to attend the annual Club picnic and close out the summer with some tasty food, great conversation, and a look at some very nice cars out at Cherry Creek State Park. A great big thanks to our friends in the RMC for hosting such a fun event for everyone.



September promises to be a very busy month for our Corvairs. We have a fun Poker Run/Rally set up for Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, followed by our annual Fall Drive on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>, and to round out the activities, RMC will be hosting another fantastic Autocross on Sunday, the 29<sup>th</sup> in Littleton. Additional information is provided for all of these events in this version of the Drip Line. I'm looking forward to seeing every member of the club out to at least one of these events, so take a look at your calendars, lock the dates in and make September a memorable one, before the snow starts showing up in October.

One last item to put on the calendar. Before you see our next Drip Line newsletter, we will have likely already enjoyed the Corvair's official birthday on Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Officially designated as "Corvair Heritage Day", I would encourage everyone to fill up their tanks, wash off the cars, and drive your ride to work, the store, or wherever your travels take you to that day. What a great opportunity to share your Corvair story, and hear someone else's, because we

all know that EVERYONE has a Corvair story! Thanks for your continued support. Drive safe!!

## PPCC Rally Day

### Saturday, September 14, 2013

### Show Your Best Poker Face!!

**What:** Gimmick Rally sponsored by the PPCC. The Rally will cover a course set up with 5 designated checkpoints and scattered with questions to be answered along each leg of the run. At each checkpoint, teams will pick up an envelope, which will have a playing card in it. Upon completion of the rally, when we meet up for lunch, teams will open their 5 envelopes at the same time and display their hand. Best poker hand will win a prize. The team that answers the most questions correctly will also win a prize.

**When:** Saturday, September 14th, 10:00am start

**Where:** Rally will start in Castle Rock, will end in Colorado Springs, and will cover approximately 100 miles of paved roadway with beautiful views and vistas. There will be no dirt or unpaved roads on this course.

**Who:** All PPCC and RMC members, family members, and friends are invited to attend. Driving a Corvair is not required, but is strongly encouraged. Teams will consist of a Driver and a Navigator, and no technology is allowed to be used (phone, GPS, etc.)

For more information, contact Ed Halpin @ [halpin.corvair@comcast.net](mailto:halpin.corvair@comcast.net) or Bob Galvin.

# POKER RUN



## AUTOCROSS IS COMING TO TOWN!!!

Mark your calendars **now** for **SUNDAY, SUNDAY, SUNDAY, September 29, 2013** for some fun with your Corvair (or X-brand) at **Rock Canyon High School, 5810 McArthur Ranch Road, Littleton, CO 80124-5207.**

Once again, our friends in the Rock Mountain CORSA club (RMC) will be putting together a morning of thrills, with hopefully no spills. A fun event that will test not only the limits of your car, but those of its driver, don't let this last major Club event of the season pass you by!!

### From Colorado Springs:

1. Take I-25 N to Exit 188 for Castle Pines Pkwy
2. Turn left onto Castle Pines Pkwy and go 1.5 miles
3. Turn right onto Monarch Blvd and go 4.6 miles
4. Turn left onto McArthur Rd/McArthur Ranch Rd

The High School will be on the left in approx 0.2 miles

### AUTOCROSS,

#### Things to know!!!

*From a previously published RMC article by Eric Schakel.*

1. This is not a high speed event; it is a precision driving event.
2. The total time on the course is usually less than a minute – your Corvair will not overheat, and the speeds are slow enough the brakes are rarely challenged.
3. The biggest physical risk (in a Corvair) is a sprained wrist or finger from trying to wind and unwind the steering quickly. Seriously.

**Car preparation:** Note that these are all checked during Tech Inspection:

1. Oil level should be at the factory mark to prevent possible pickup starvation in abrupt cornering.

2. Tire pressures should be above factory recommendations to firm up steering response and improve traction – they can always be lowered as necessary to tune the performance.
3. All the loose junk that might fly around in the trunk or passenger compartment, such as Best of Show trophies and your schnauzer, should be removed prior to the event.
4. The brakes should have a firm pedal.
5. The battery must be firmly secured in place.

### Driving the course:

1. The course is marked in the parking lot using cones, and possibly white indicators written on the pavement.
2. The direction of the course should be clearly defined – the preferred preparation is a pre-event walk-through.
3. Repeated confusion means the course was not marked well, and that situation is usually corrected by the course designer.
4. Participants are timed from a starting line, through a finish line.
5. If cones are —relocated during the run, time is added for each relocation (cone contact).
6. Most autocross courses have a series of - slalom cones for repeat left-right oscillation.
7. The greatest amount of damage typically incurred at an autocross event, if any, is orange plastic coloration transferred to your car's paint!

RMC members (and our friends at PPCC) are strongly encouraged to attend an autocross event to explore the handling and control limits of their Corvairs. Unless your religion, NSA security clearance, spouse, parent, or other authority absolutely forbids you to participate in autocross/solo events, it's about as much fun as you can have fully clothed. It also teaches you more about the limits of your car than any other legal activity.

Don't have a Corvair, or your Corvair isn't currently running? RMC-sanctioned event insurance covers entrants driving other vehicles, even brand X with water-pumper power.

Watch for announcements of our late summer/early fall event – you won't want to miss this!

## Meeting Minutes from August 18, 2013

Submitted By Kelina Halpin, Stand in Secretary in Patricia's absence

### Minutes from PPCC Meeting on 8/18/13

- Meeting called to order by Ed Halpin, President, at 9:30a.m.
- 15 members present
- Minutes for July approved
- Treasurer report and member update provided by John Koll; the Club is solvent with more than \$1k in the treasury. PPCC has 36 current members, no new members added this month
- Collector Car Council of Colorado (CCCC) Report. Nothing new to report from John Glusick
- Corvair Sightings were discussed by Ed from his recent trip to the East Coast and on TV.

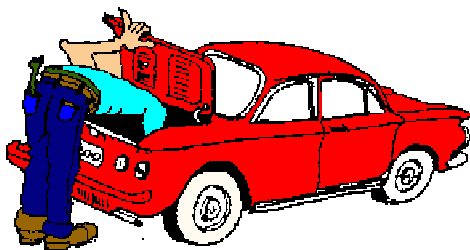
### Old/Unfinished Business:

- Disposition of the Cut-Away Car – The car made it to Apache Junction, Arizona in one piece. Bob Galvin, John Koll, and Ed Halpin saw the car off as the President of the Cactus Club, John Seaman, and his wife Mary, drove up from Arizona, by way of New Mexico and took the car and turntable off our hands.

### Things Happening or Happened:

- The Front Range Air Show and Swap Meet in Watkins, CO (8/17) was recapped. Several members of the club had the opportunity to attend and reported a good time had by all.
- Kelina Halpin informed the club of an upcoming air show at the Colorado Springs Municipal Airport on August 20-21. The Commemorative Air Force will be in town and folks can pay to ride in old planes.
- Reminder of the Annual RMC/PPCC Picnic being held on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> was made. Several emails have been sent out to the membership with the time and location information. RMC will be reimbursing the \$9 entry fee, with receipt.
- The upcoming PPCC Poker Run/Rally, planned for Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> was discussed. The Rally is being coordinated by Bob Galvin and Ed Halpin and will cover a paved course of approx 100 miles in length. Details will be noted in next month's Drip Line and reminders will be sent out via email prior to the event.
- Confirmation of the PPCC Fall Tour, planned for Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, down to Penrose was made. We'll drive down and have lunch at the Gooseberry Patch Restaurant, per John Glusick. Details for gathering time/location details will be in the Drip Line and reminders sent via email prior to the event.
- The Lambrecht Chevrolet Company Auction on September 27-29 was discussed. Several members mentioned they might be looking to attend that event in Peirce, NE

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## CHANGE IN LOCATION AND FORMAT FOR MEETINGS OF THE PPCC

As discussed and decided during the August business meeting, effective immediately, we will begin rotating the monthly Club meetings between different member's garages. Meetings will continue to be held on the same day (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month), at the same time (gather around 9:15, start the meeting at 9:30), but we will lessen the admin portion of the meeting to about 10 - 15 minutes and we'll have a technical theme for each meeting (presented by the host), followed by an opportunity to turn wrenches and apply the discussions to real world Corvair situations.

Given the above, **the next meeting of the PPCC will be held at 9:30am on September 15<sup>th</sup> at Bob and Yvonne Galvin's garage** (directions to be sent out prior to the meeting). **The theme for this meeting will be "Brake Systems"**. If someone needs a new set of brake shoes put on, please let Bob Galvin know before September 8<sup>th</sup>. You pro-

vide all the parts, the club will provide the tools, the knowledge, and the supporting labor. One rule; if it's your car being worked on, you're getting your hands dirty too, so dress appropriately.

**NOTE:** With this change, everyone in attendance understood that we were doing away with the breakfast meeting. I know that's a no-brainer since if we're not meeting at a restaurant, there wouldn't be food, but wanted to restate it here so there was no confusion. We're not looking for anyone to go broke hosting these meetings by providing breakfast or snacks. Folks should eat before the come, as they would any other day. If you want to bring some chips or some drinks to share, that would be cool. The host can provide coffee if they choose too, but there is no pressure, and no requirement.

Folks should bring chairs, assuming we'll be in and around the garage/yard, and as always, families are encouraged to attend.

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**PPCC Admin**

**Monthly Meetings:** The PPCC meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 5410 E Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs, CO. Join us at 9am in the Meeting Room.

**Membership & Dues:** PPCC dues are \$25 per year, and, membership in CORSA is a prerequisite for membership in PPCC. Please refer to the club's website below to obtain a copy of the membership application and guidance for submission. Checks should be made payable to "PPCC" and mailed to: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935.  
<http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter809>

**Editorial Contributions:** This newsletter is intended for the membership's information and enjoyment. To that end, we encourage everyone to contribute to its content. Please send your stories, suggestions, questions, recipes, jokes, and/or photos directly to Randy Karl at [karlrj@comcast.net](mailto:karlrj@comcast.net) or, snail mail to: PPCC, ATTN: Drip Line Editor, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. Preferred format for documents is MS Word, and format for pictures would be JPEG. Deadline for submitting information to the Drip Line is the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month for that month's publication.

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**PPCC Merchandise:** Please refer to the club's website below for a listing of available items and pricing. <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter809>

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## Activities & Events To Check Out This Summer:

**April thru October** – “*Cruise to Mesa Drive-In*”, Pueblo, CO. Located just 48 miles South of the Springs, here’s a chance to enjoy one of the last Drive-Ins in the area. Drive down, grab some popcorn and a Coke, see a movie, and then take a leisurely drive home. For the latest movie schedule and directions, check out: <http://www.mesadrive-in.com> They are also on Facebook.

**May 11<sup>th</sup> thru October 12<sup>th</sup>** “*Littleton Cruze*” (2nd Saturday of each month, 3:00-9:00) Woodlawn Shopping Center at 1500 West Littleton Boulevard. <http://www.littletoncruise.com>

**May 4<sup>th</sup> thru October 5<sup>th</sup>** (1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month): “*The Golden Super Cruise*”, Golden Colorado. Hundreds of cars, parked, cruising, and just having a great time on a Saturday night. More info, pictures, and video on their official website @ <http://www.goldensupercruise.com>.

 **June 1<sup>st</sup> thru November 2<sup>nd</sup>** (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month): *First Saturday Car Show*, The summer fun starts at 7 a.m. Saturday, First & Main Town Center, 3133 Cinema Point, near Dick’s Sporting Goods. Show is free, vendor Whole Foods will sell gourmet coffee and breakfast treats. <http://www.firstandmaintowncenter.com>


**September 14th, 2013 PPCC Rally Day**, Starts at 10:00AM in Castle Rock, ends in Colorado Springs.



**September 15th, 2013**  
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**September 22th, 2013 Aspen Tour**, Gooseberry Patch in Penrose Colorado.

**September 29th, 2013 RMC Autocross**, Rock Canyon High School, 5810 McArthur Ranch Road, Littleton, Colorado.

 denotes events where Corvairs have had a significant presence.

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Don Rowinski  
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John Glusick



## Meeting Minutes (Continued from page 5)

- The upcoming RMC sponsored Autocross was discussed. Date was still to be determined at the time of the meeting, but it's looking like September 29<sup>th</sup> will be the tentative date to plan around. All members were encouraged to put this on their calendars and bring their cars out.
- A tour of the Cussler Museum in Arvada was discussed. Wayne Russert mentioned that there is a minimum number of folks required for a tour to happen there, and that the Model A Club was working to set up a tour on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Since we already have the Fall Tour scheduled for the 22<sup>nd</sup>, folks requested we look at another date, so Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> was set as a target date. Ed Halpin volunteered to call the museum and coordinate for a possible tour. Once Ed has a date, he'll let Wayne know and see if the Model A club would like to join in with us, as well as folks from the RMC. Whatever it would take to get the minimum number of participants needed. An entire library of Clive Cussler books was brought to the meeting by the Kolls, and made available to anyone would take them (Jeannie does NOT want them back)

### New Business:

- Change of Club Meeting location and format – We're no longer hitting the minimum numbers (40) required by the Golden Corral to reserve a dedicated space for our meetings, so options were discussed by the members in attendance. It was discussed, and decided that, beginning with the September meeting, we will meet at various club members' garages, with Bob Galvin volunteering to host the first meeting of this format. Meetings will still be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, at the same time (gather around 9, start chatting after that), and we would lessen the admin portion of the meeting to about 10 - 15 minutes. Each meeting would have a technical theme ("Brake Systems" will be the theme for the September meeting), followed by an opportunity to turn wrenches and apply the discussion to real world situations (for example, we would do a brake job for someone that morning - they provide all the parts, the club provides the knowledge and labor (monthly project car TBD). With the change, everyone in attendance understood that we were doing away with the breakfast meeting, so eat before you come. The host can provide coffee if they choose too, or folks can bring what they'd like.
- Paul Campbell discussed his old Frankenstein car, mentioning that Garrie was still working on the car and making progress.
- Ed Halpin discussed the parking brake conversion he did on his '67 sedan.
- Randy Karl presented Door Prizes.
- Reminder of Next Month's Meeting – September 15<sup>th</sup>, location Bob Galvin. More info and directions to be provided in the Drip Line and via email
- Meeting adjourned at 10:50am




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