

The DRIP LINE

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Pikes Peak Corvair Club

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**The Next Meeting of the Pikes Peak Corvair Club is
Sunday, July 17th @ 9:30am in Colorado Springs, CO
(physical meeting location still to be confirmed)**

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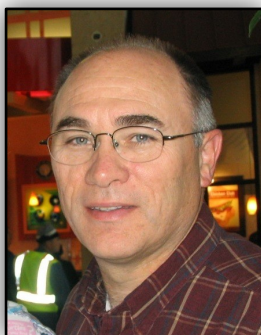
On The Cover: John & Kathy Green celebrate their undisputed win at the 2016 PPCC Gimmick Rally & Poker Run!! John & Kathy were the last folks standing in a heated competition to get out of the gate 😊

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Randy Karl
Club President

Greetings,

I don't know about you, but June flew by quicker than I expected. For those who were unable to attend the Tri-State meet in Montrose, you missed a great one! I want to send a special thanks to Chris Kimberly and all who helped make it happen. There was a lot of planning over several months that resulted in a smooth and successful event. Also thanks to Ed who prepared a Special Edition of The Drip Line to capture all the activities, awards and details. What a great idea!



Last week we hosted our PPCC Gimmick Rally and Poker Run which lead drivers through the scenic back roads between Castle Rock and Colorado Springs. Unfortunately, there were a couple mechanical problems which kept some drivers from proceeding, but those that completed the route had a good time. We may consider an earlier date in the future to allow more recovery from the Tri-State "hang over" some of us experience. We'd like to know your thoughts.

As we move into the second half of 2016, we still have some exciting events to keep our Corvairs out and about.

Up first is the visit to the Rambler Ranch in Elizabeth. If you've never been, this is an interesting place in an unusual setting. We will be joined by the Model A and Fiero clubs. Bring a lunch and enjoy the day. August brings us the Veterans Rally in Cripple Creek and Good Times Car Show in Old Colorado City. In September is our annual Fall Aspen Drive. This year's destination is Guffey. And to top thing off, Ed is making plans to lead a group to the Great Plains Corvair Roundup in Tulsa OK. Much like last year's trip to the Great Western Fan Belt Toss, this should be a great chance to stretch your Corvair legs as Fall begins to set in.

As always, check out the PPCC activities on Facebook, the newsletter and webpage.

Drive Safe,

Randy

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MEETING MINUTES - 6/19/2016
Golden Corral, Colorado Springs, COSubmitted by
Mary Ellen Feasel, Club Secretary

Meeting called to order at 9:27 am by President Randy Karl.

Minutes from May meeting were approved.

Congratulations to Ed Halpin on his Boydston Award at Tri-State.

Possible two new members, Tim Shortle and Tony Lawler. Awaiting applications.

New Dripline is online, snail mail delivery should arrive soon, if not all ready.

Treasurer report: Closed old account. A new business account was opened for the club with Randy Karl added to the account last month. \$6,417.54 in account, outstanding Tri-State T-shirt invoices to be paid \$2127.63, new balance \$4298.91.

Wayne Russert volunteered to assume Treasurer position and the board approved. Will be installed as Treasurer at next meeting.

Ed Halpin report from CCCC. Reviewed FAA related issues with the Warbirds Show. Nothing to report on the legislative side.

By-laws allow and it was proposed to induct Jeannie Koll as an honorary member. Membership present approved.

Nothing to report from the mail.

Old Business

- CORSA Board of Directors results: Ed Halpin is new Western Division representative.
- Tri-State report: Chris Kimberly thanked all who helped with the event. Mr. Price from CNM talked to Chris and other members about organizing this event, as he is working on next years Tri-State in Taos.

New Business

- June 25 is the Rally and Poker Run. Volunteers needed. Randy, Jon, Ed and Chris volunteered to man check points. Route has been established. \$10 entry fee. Volunteers were assigned. Details for event were wrapped up.
- July 24-Rambler Ranch at 10 a.m. \$15. Meet in Elizabeth in Walmart parking lot at 9:30 a.m. Model A Club and Mile High Fiero Club will also participate.
- August 20-24th Annual Veterans Rally, Cripple Creek
- August 21-Good Times Car Show, Old Colorado City
- September 24-Aspen Fall Drive to Guffey Co. Will need a head count.
- Discussed a conflict on dates for Fall Drive and Tulsa Round-Up road trip. The Round up is the week of the 24th so anyone participating in that caravan will not be able to participate in the Fall Drive. Request was made to change the Fall Drive to the 17th. Tabled until next meeting since Patricia was not at the meeting to comment.

Adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

2016 PPCC Rally - June 25th



On a beautiful Saturday morning in June, members of the Pikes Peak Corvair Club came together to host another Gimmick Rally & Poker Run. We had conducted a Rally a couple years ago, which was great fun, so we figured it was time to do it again.

Club President Randy Karl took it upon himself to create a route which he fine tuned for a great Driver and Navigator experience through the Colorado countryside.



Ed Halpin & Randy Karl at the start of the Rally in Castle Rock

The first car to show up at the start point in Castle Rock wasn't even a Corvair. It was a bright yellow 2003 Chevy SSR Pick-up Truck. The driver of this cool ride was a guy named Lulu, who had heard about the Rally via Facebook, and made the 50 mile drive down from Brighton. He was excited about the opportunity to put the truck, and his navigational skills to the test. ☺

Next to arrive was a Corvair Convertible full of young folks; The Anderson Crew out of Colorado Springs!! Erica and Jamie Anderson brought Dad Jon's car up to run the course, with Sean Oram at the wheel.

As they parked the car and started chatting with folks, noticed that there was something leaking from under the car. At first, it was thought to be a gas leak, but quickly confirmed that it was oil instead, just pouring from the pan gasket. Randy grabbed some rags and kitty litter from his car and contained the spill while we figured out how to help resolve the leak issue.



Erica Anderson acknowledges her Corvair's marking of it's territory in Castle Rock!

Next into the parking lot were PPCC members John & Kathy Green, driving their '68 Monza Coupe, along with their little black pooch who is quickly earning the reputation as the Club's mascot ☺

We had expected a number of other participant cars from the Fiero Club, the other Corvair club in the area, and from local clubs in Parker and Castle Rock, but by the designated start time, no other cars had arrived, so we moved forward with getting folks lined up to head out. Even if it was a small group of cars, we were still going to have fun!

2016 PPCC Rally (cont.)

With the Anderson's car down and out for maintenance, it was up to the Greens and Lulu to make the run. Not so fast; Lulu started his truck up, and it started making weird noises. It was running rough, and he wasn't comfortable taking it out on the back roads, so, he withdrew from the competition.



A fella named Lulu drove down from Brighton to participate in the Rally with his Chevy SSR Pickup, also named "Lulu" ☺

That left the Greens as our undisputed winners of the 2016 Gimmick Rally & Poker Run, without even having to leave the parking lot!

Randy congratulated them on their awesome achievement, presented them with their winnings, and encouraged them to go run the course anyway and have some fun. They did just that and let us know later that day that they had a great time!!

A great big thanks to the participants, and to the folks who took the time to put this together for the Club to enjoy; Randy Karl for creating the



Ed Halpin's '60 Monza Coupe awaits the hundreds of anticipated registrants for the Rally!! Unfortunately, that only turned out to be three folks, but it was still a fun morning with friends!

route and burning the gas to make sure it was a safe and fun route to run, the Check Point Volunteers; Chris Kimberly, Ed Halpin, Jon Anderson, and Ray Schick!

Maybe next year, we run the Rally in April, as a Dust Off, to get the cars out and tuned up before the Tri-State in Taos.



"Waiting for Mom"!!! (l-r) Jamie Anderson, Sean Oram, and Erica Anderson wait patiently for Mom (Debbie) to come save them from the unfortunate Rally Mis-Adventure ☺



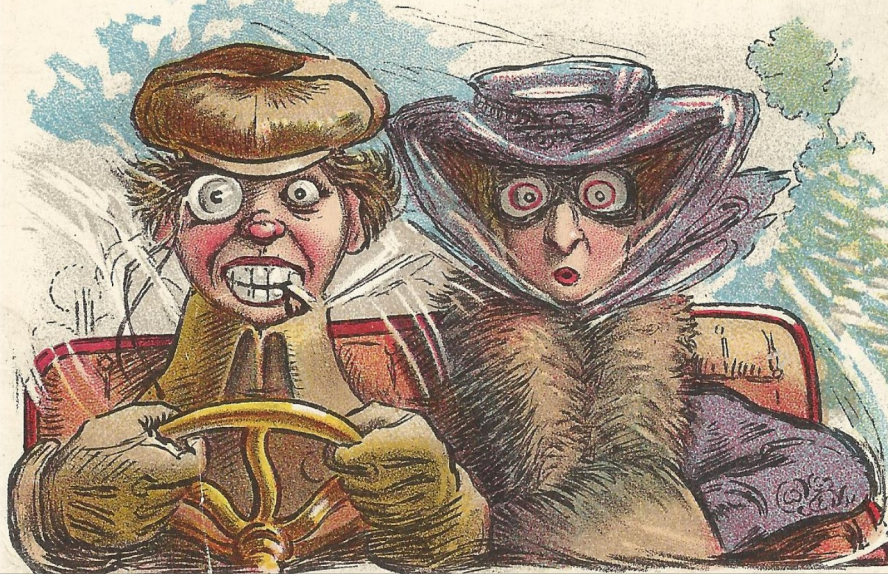
Upcoming Meeting Locations (3 months out)

Sunday, August 28th - 9:30am, TBD, Colorado Springs, CO

Sunday, September 18th - 9:30am, TBD, Colorado Springs, CO

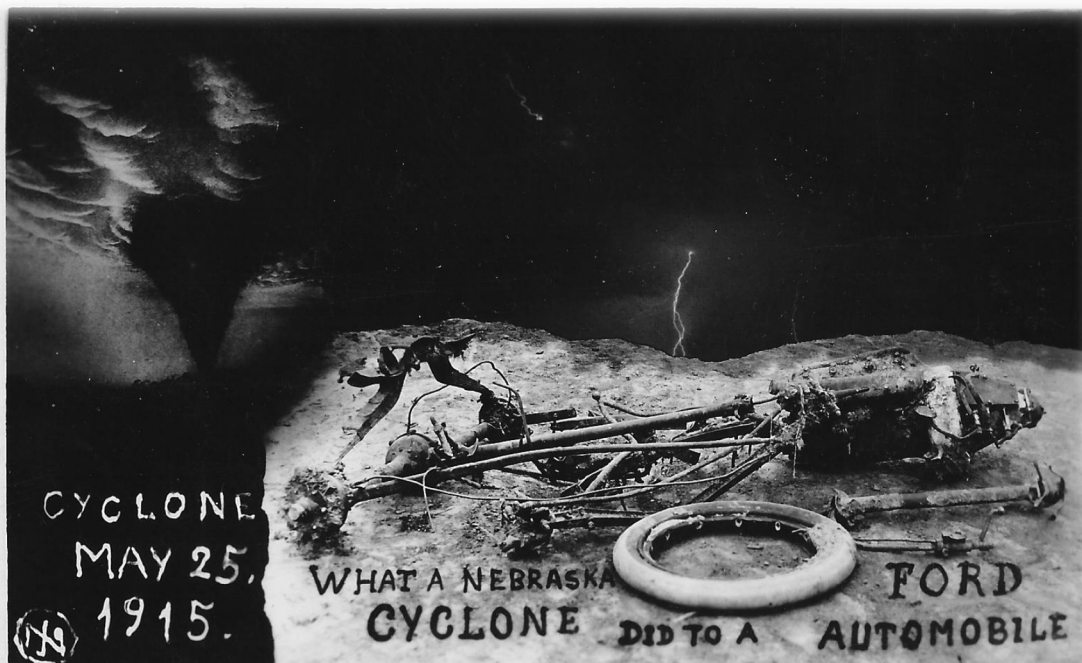
Sunday, October 16th - 9:30am, TBD, Colorado Springs, CO

*There's many a girl in an automobile who's there because she's rich;
There's many a man in an automobile who ought to be digging a ditch.*



I guess the only thing about this postcard that has changed since 1910 is that now the lady is behind the wheel of her own car.

Wayne




While our current storms are certainly scary, this postcard from 101 years ago shows that heartland tornados aren't exactly a new thing. However, if you really look at how a model T body was attached to the frame, this may have just been a big dust devil.


Wayne

2016 PPCC Activities Calendar


All of these events, and others are on the interactive calendar on our website @ <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter809/calendar/calendar.htm>


 **Sunday, July 17th @ 9:30am: “PPCC Meeting”**, Colorado Springs, CO.

 **Sunday, July 24th @ 10:00am: “PPCC Trip to Rambler Ranch”**, Elizabeth, CO. Rambler Ranch is a car lovers dream to visit. In addition to the 600 cars, there are thousands of different types of car memorabilia to see. There are five major buildings on the grounds plus a number of outbuildings and garages. The largest building is home to 107 AMC cars and tons of AMC memorabilia. Joining us this year for this event will be the Model A Club, and the Mile High Fieros Club. **There is a \$15 entrance fee, and participants should bring a sack lunch to enjoy in the new picnic area.** We’re looking to have everyone meet up in the WalMart parking lot in Elizabeth at 9:30 so we can all roll in together as a group. More to follow as we get closer to the event, but check out <http://www.ramblerranch.com/rr/> for additional info.

 **Sunday, August 21st, 9am - 3pm: “Good Times Car Show”**, Old Colorado City, CO. Monies raised are donated to Canine Companions for Independence. ***This year, the PPCC will once again support this show as a “HOST” club,*** along with the Southern Colorado Mopars, Rocky Mountain Mustangs and the Colorado Cruizers, who help to put this annual event on. Volunteers will be needed, and we’re expecting 100% of the Club membership to be out supporting this event!!

Sunday, August 28th @ 9:30am: “PPCC Meeting”, Colorado Springs, CO.

 **Saturday, September 24th: “PPCC Fall Aspen Drive”** to Guffey, CO. This trip out to Guffey will cover approx. 60 miles and will take about an hour and half, each way. We’ll meet up at Rudy’s on Hwy 24 (our usual meet place), and take a nice cruise through the countryside, eat lunch at the local restaurant, and enjoy the yearly change of the fall foliage from greens to yellow and oranges.

 **September 23rd-25th, “Great Plains Round-Up”**, Tulsa Oklahoma. Another Road Trip opportunity for us to go visit another group of highly motivated Corvair enthusiasts and see how they put on a regional event. The host hotel is: the Renaissance Tulsa Hotel & Convention Center, 6808 South 107th East Avenue, Tulsa, OK 74133 More to follow as we get closer to the planning of this trip.

Sunday, December 18th @ 1:00pm: “PPCC Christmas Party”, Location Eidelweiss Restaurant. Put on your calendars and plan those other holidays events around it. Great Fun every year!!

 *denotes events where Corvairs have had a significant presence.*

Recurring Local Events:

Saturday, May 7th thru October 1st, 8am-4pm: “First Saturday Car Show”, Colorado Springs, CO. This local show is always set for the first Saturday of each month at First and Main Town Center, Colorado Springs, CO. It is hosted by various local car clubs, and unfortunately the PPCC was unable to secure one of the hosting slots for 2016 (we did try). Maybe next year!

**2017 Tri-State News - Taos, NM
June 2nd, 3rd, & 4th**Submitted by Terry Price, CNM
2017 Tri-State Chair

After attending the Tri-State in Montrose, my excitement for the event was renewed and I picked up a number of ideas for our Tri-State next June. I had a great time, was able to enjoy the fellowship with other Corvair enthusiasts, and unlike one past Tri-State I attended, I didn't get shot ☺.

Taos should be a wonderful place to hold our event. The weather should be great, warm in the day time, (in the mid 70s), cool at night, (in the 50s-perfect for a bonfire), and lots of attention from the locals. That interest will be further aroused by our Taos Police escorted parade through town, and the location for the Show and Shine on the main street in Taos.

There are a number of places of interest in and around Taos including: Art Galleries, Rio Grande Gorge, Taos Pueblo, Greater Earthship Biotechnology Structure, good restaurants and other attractions.

All events will be held at the Kachina Lodge, our host hotel, which has demonstrated great interest in helping us have a successful event. The Tri-State has been included on their web site so people in Taos, and all over the country will be informed of our event. They are hosting a "Welcome Hour" on Friday evening with snacks and drinks, partitioning off the entire front parking lot for our Show and Shine, and making the whole place available for us, including offering a hot breakfast each morning for all staying there.

In addition, they are providing a free shuttle to any place within 3 miles of the lodge. They have provided two stalls to wash our cars, so no excuses for anything but the best for the car show.

Saturday evening we will have our Awards Banquet in their large dining room. The swimming pool and patio have been renovated, the pool is the largest in Taos. It would be a great place for the whole family including children and grandchildren, so work to get your whole family there. They have even extended their special rates for us to 3 days before the event and 3 days after. Don't forget the excellent fishing in the area and the historic area all around Taos.

Here is the info for the location: **Kachina Lodge, 413 Paseo del Pueblo Norte, Taos, NM 87571.** Phone numbers are: 575-758-2275 or Toll Free 1-800-522-4462. Room Rates are \$99.95 and \$89.95 per night. There are a limited number of rooms reserved. You can make your reservation today. Don't forget to mention you are with the *Corvair 2017 Tri-State* for the special rates.



What Is This Tool Used For??

David Feasel asks: What is this homemade Corvair specific tool used for??



It's a Corvair distributor with all of the guts taken out, but still used for a very functional purpose. What could it be used for? Send guesses to Dave @ mrsfesl@gmail.com

Answer will be posted next month ☺



Happy Birthday

Debbie Anderson



John & Marilyn Hesco

**PPCC
Admin**

Monthly Meetings: Unless otherwise noted, the PPCC meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month, 9:30am at the Golden Corral, 1970 Waynoka Rd, Colorado Springs, CO

Membership & Dues: PPCC dues are \$25 per year. Membership in CORSA is not 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>

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