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GREETINGS IN THE NEW YEAR

First off, I want to thank every one who helped make 1996 a good year for our club. I especially want to thank Ben Benzel, Garrie Fox, John Koll, Steve Goodman and Ron Lezon for the work and effort they put in on behalf of our club. And a special thanks to Ruth Goodman for her excellent desserts!

Our Christmas party at Guiseppies was great as usual. Everyone had a nice dinner and gift exchange afterward. We also held elections with the only change being Mark King who will take over for Ron Lezon as Secretary.

This year should hold lots of fun for our club. The first event we have is the Tri-State meet we host in Gunnison. Other events to follow, watch the event calendar for more info.

Finally, I would like to encourage those who are not members of CORSA to consider joining this year. CORSA is a fine organization and puts out an excellent monthly magazine, the 'COMMUNIQUE' full of interesting articles and tech tips on our Corvair. Now would be an excellent time to join as I'm sure that a dues increase is just around the corner. Join now at the old cheap rate.

Here's to a great year, see you all at the next meeting.

Larry Neal, President

If you appreciate your CORVAIR(s) please join CORSA. A great gift. Call me, Ben @ 598-6886 or see any other CORSA member for an application.

Ben Benzel, membership chairman

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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JAN 30-FEB 2 40th Annual Tri-state Auto show. Currigan hall in Denver

FEBRUARY 8-9 26th annual TRI-STATE swap meet at the National Western Complex, 1-70 and Humboldt. Info call 303 428-6046

FEBRUARY 9 2nd Sunday Brunch at the O-club, AFA. 10:00am. All PPCC members are welcome. Call Ben @ 598-6886 for reservations

MAY 16-18 PPCC hosts annual Tri-state Corvair meet in Gunnison. Watch for more information.

NEW MEMBERS

Let's give a warm club welcome to Don & Leslie Smith of Littleton, Co. They are proud owners of a 64 Monza Convert. Ed & Jean Olwine of Grand Junction also joined. They have 3 early models, (a red one, a blue one and a white one), a 67 beater and a 63 parts car. Ed's secret weapon is a 60 that will find new life someday. A friend of our club has rejoined us; Misty Decker. Misty now lives in Rifle, Co. She loves her 65 Monza convert. To all the above, we are happy to have you in our club. Welcome aboard and thanks for joining.

Ben Benzel, Membership chairman

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NEXT TIP

On the way back to Denver from the Christmas party I had just cleared the north end of the Academy when I heard a slight "squeak-squeak" coming from my 64 cpe. A mile or two further and a couple of more "squeaks" sounded. Now all of us early model drivers know what that is, a rear wheel bearing loudly complaining. The air was a little on the cool side that night and I certainly did not want to get stranded along the road. What I did do was slow down and stopped for about a half hour in Castle Rock and let the bearing cool down, and I did get the car home in one piece. Changed bearing the next day. MORAL: If you hear the squeak start, slow down and baby the car a bit, you have still got some miles in the bearing if you use some sense.

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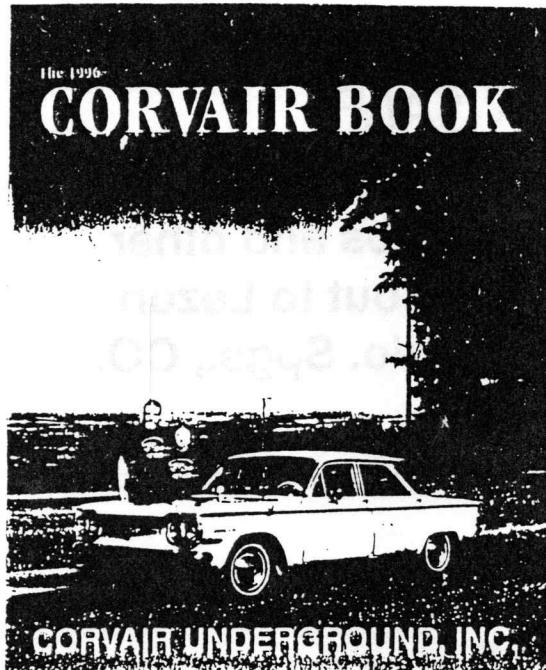
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Ben Benzel, membership chairman

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PPCC MEMBER STILL UNDER THE WEATHER

Ed Malew is still recovering from back surgery last year. We certainly miss seeing both you and Dorothy at our meetings, hope you get better quickly.

TECH TIP ALIGNMENT FOR TOURING

The '63 had been wearing front tires on the sides. It was not caused by UNDERINFLATION. I realized this car was only driven on tours and heavily loaded. Prior alignments were done per GM manual, empty trunk and full tank of gas. Prior to the Dearborn tour, the alignment mechanic had a 300 lb person sit in the trunk while he did the settings--RESULT--the tires wore evenly.

Submitted by: Ed Olwine, RMC and PPCC

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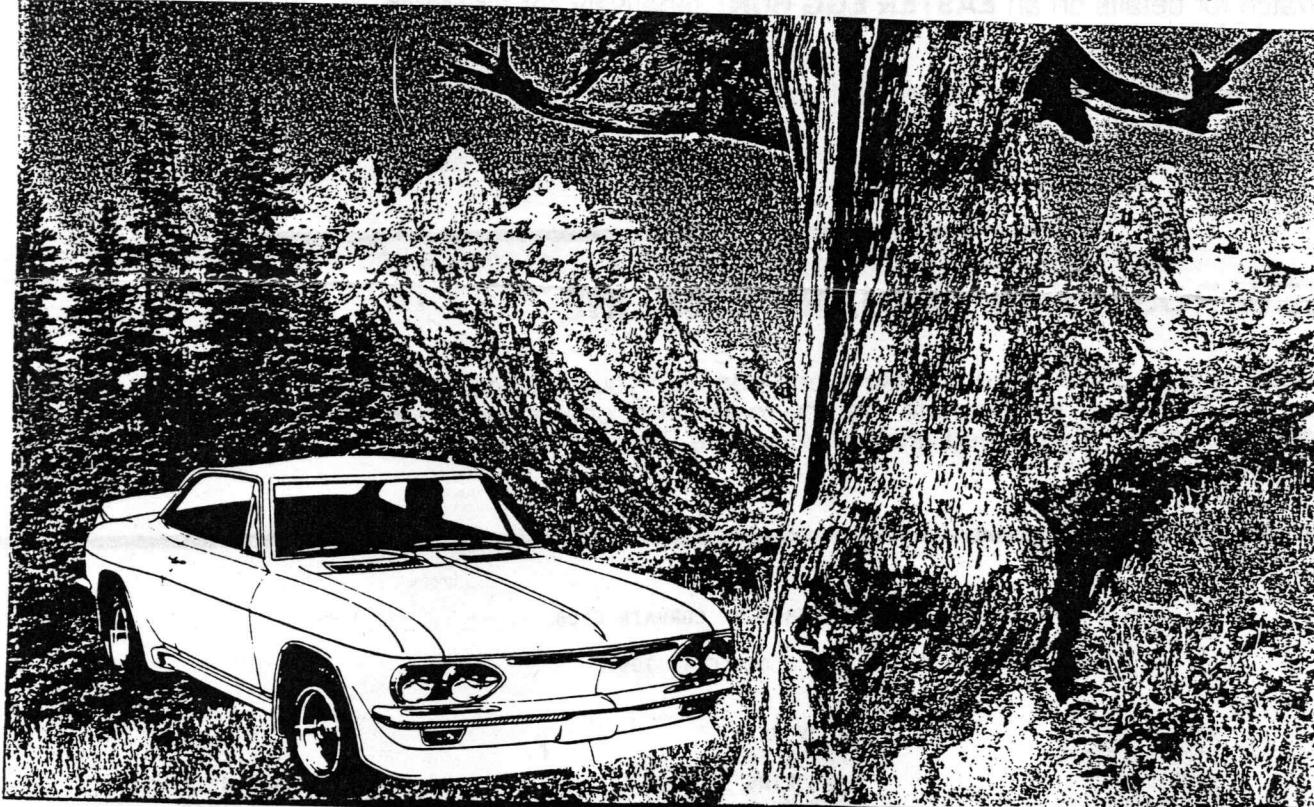
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REMEMBER MEETING DATE **FEBRUARY 26**

TIME ----- **7:30 pm**

PLACE ----- **NCOA CLUBHOUSE**

GREETINGS!!

Well, I hope the year is starting out well for everyone. The subject of **DUES** seems to be on everyone's mind right now and unfortunately our club is not immune from this. There was some discussion at the January meeting that our dues need to be raised to cover things like the DRIPLINE and the club picnic. If you would like to discuss this issue, I recommend that everyone interested should attend the February meeting. Based on what I know at this time, we will probably raise the dues to \$15.00 annually and this should meet our needs for several years.

Remember to mark May 16-18 for our annual TRI-STATE at Gunnison **AND MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS.** Phone is 1 (970) 641-1000 at the Econo-lodge.

A great big thanks to Ruth Goodman who provided the goodies for us at the last meeting. They were delicious as always! Ruth also unveiled her afgan to be raffled off at the TRI-STATE. Very nice, thank you Ruth!

At this time it does feel as if everyone is vieing for a piece of the pie. I do feel that our club as well as CORSA provide a great forum for people who still enjoy the CORVAIR. Your continued support of our club is greatly appreciated. If you have concerns or ideas you would like to express, feel free to contact me or bring them to a meeting.

Watch for details on an **EASTER EGG HUNT** tentatively set for March 16. It will be held on the AFA grounds.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting.

Regards, Larry Neal

NEW ROSTER IN JANUARY DRIPLINE

Hopefully your editor did not make a boo-boo with your address or phone number in the new (1997) roster. Please note that the roster went only to *club members* and not to any advertisers. If you need another copy, see Ben at the meeting.

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MEETING MINUTES

The January meeting of PPCC was called to order by President Larry Neal at 7:30pm on January 22nd. There were 13 members present and one new visitor, later signed up as member. We introduced Richard King and welcomed him to the club. We also announced Mark King as the new secretary for the next 4 years.

The Phil Long Ford Swap Meet was moved to the Pinrose Sequestrian Center. Other car shows and swap meets were discussed. For further info see Larry Neal, Steve Goodman or check the Activities in the DRIPLINE. The word perpetuity was brought up as a technical word, I think everyone just wanted to see if I could spell it.

John Koll reported \$450.00 in the treasury, adding that with the sale of the tech guide another \$168.00 would be coming in, making total around \$600.00. John also added that Ben Benzel deserved all the credit for keeping our club solvent with the job he does rounding up the dues from the members and getting new members.

The above mentioned tech guides are not in yet according to John Koll. On other business, there was a discussion about raising club dues to \$15.00/year to help meet the costs of publishing the DRIPLINE and other needs of the club.

We would like to thank Ruth Goodman for her delicious desserts, we also discussed the raffling of her afgan at the Tri-state. See Ruth for more details. Door prizes were drawn. Drive carefully, see you at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark King, secretary

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TECH TIPS

Any of us who have looked under the rear of a CORVAIR have noticed the rub marks caused by heater hoses hanging down and touching the axle (except 60 owners). Now on an early model or FC, the axle is solid and the rubbing should never cause a problem. **HOWEVER**, a late model is a little different. The half-shafts are about 2 1/2' in diameter and hollow.

Through the years I have seen some pretty deep gouges in these axles and have often wondered just how much it would take to cut completely through one. **NOW I KNOW!!!** The owner of a 65 turbo coupe called a couple of weeks ago and said that he had broken an axle. I presumed a u-joint and asked him to look under the car to see if any other damage had occurred while the axle was whipping around. He called back and said no other problems and that a weld had broken on the axle. The flanges on the ends of the axle are welded on and I figured that it had broken there although I had never seen the welds ever fail before.

When the car came to the shop on a flatbed I discovered that the axle had been severed, cut in half in the middle by the heater hose. The strap that holds the hose up and away from the axle had broken and allowed the hose to drop down and rub. The axle shaft 'miked' .050" wall thickness. That is a little more than twice the point gap or a little less than twice the plug gap.

MORAL OF THIS STORY: Keep the straps in good condition and don't let the hoses rub on the axle for a long time.

#2

U-joints will fail but will tell you that there is a problem for a while before finally giving up altogether. When you hear a clicking sound while coasting to a stop, it usually is a u-joint. Lifting the rear of the car and shaking the axle will usually show where the looseness is. Sometimes on a late model you must do a little prying with a large screwdriver or small bar to make the axle move because of the load of the suspension against the axles.

On early models and FC, the u-joint flange that attaches to the axle can also be loose. It will give the same clicking sound but when shaking the axle, the flange will move on the axle. I have seen some that do not have the bolt in the end of the axle to hold the flange tight. It is only a matter of time until the splines (actually called a broach) will wear and the flange will be loose. The flange should go on to the axle with some interference. That is why the flange is hard to drive off when servicing an axle bearing. Also I have seen the flange wear to the point that it slips on the axle and power is not transmitted to the rear wheels. I have had car owners call and tell me the clutch is out or the gearbox has failed, only to find the flange stripped.

#3

If you think you have a battery drain overnight you can check it easily. Make sure everything is turned off in the car and doors closed etc. Next, remove the ground cable from the battery and just touch the cable end to the post. If there is a current draw there will be a spark. Sometimes it will be a very small spark, if you listen closely you can hear the 'snap' too. If you have a big short or draw there will be a big spark, like if you left your headlites on during this test. Remember too that if you have an AM/FM with a memory, there is a current draw because of the memory.

If you want to impress someone with how talented you are with auto electronics, hook a 12V test lite between the open ground connections. If there is a draw, the lite will glow dimly. Doesn't make any sense how a lite can work without a normal ground and hot connection, but the reason it does is called 'feedback'. That is the same reason that a tailite/brakelite combination will go completely out when both sides of the bulb are asked to work at the same time. Sometimes the feedback will go to the other side of the car, almost always the problem with the bulbs is a grounding situation.

HAPPY WRENCHING!!!!!!

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CORSA DUES INCREASED

It was announced over the VV list last week that the CORSA Board of Directors took action and voted to increase the dues the CORSA dues to \$35.00. Presumably this will take place as soon as the word is passed on to all members. The dues have been \$27.00 since '92 and were \$25.00 for a number of years before that.

It is important for CORSA to be properly funded. CORSA does more than publish the COMMUNIQUE every month, however the magazine alone is equal to a number of other magazines costing \$3-4 a month. CORSA provides an insurance policy for any moving event that a chapter club sponsors. That policy is to protect us the members against problems that may occur with outsiders during an event. It also covers any problem that may arise during a regular meeting. That type of insurance (for an autocross or gymkhana) or our event at Gunnison this year would be absolutely too expensive for a club our size to handle on our own.

In addition CORSA has the tech guide publishing and other merchandising efforts. Granted these are fund raisers for CORSA but can be the same for local clubs. Decals and jacket patches are among the other items for sale.

As a responsible member of PPCC each of us should help CORSA with these efforts. If we as a club use the services then each of us should help pay for them. If you would like more information on joining CORSA, see any of us who are CORSA members for an app.

MEMBERSHIP & DUES

The following named members have dues **NOW DUE** or are **PAST DUE!!** If your name appears below, please submit your dues to PPCC, PO BOX 15034, C Springs, Co. 80935 or **BETTER YET** bring your \$10.00 to the gathering on the 26th of February at the NCOA Clubhouse. We would be pleased to see you. Questions call Ben @ 598-6886.

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NEW MEMBERS

Lets give a warm PPCC welcome to Richard and Ina King of Fountain, Colo. Richard and Ina have a 64 4-dr. They also have a son named Mark who is our club secretary. Thank you Mark for convincing Dad & Mom to join us.

ALSO welcome back Bob and Wanda Wenc. Bob and Wanda were in our club for a number of years and then Bob strayed into the land of Mercedes-Benz but is back now. Good to see you both.

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THE GREAT TOUR 1996

The 100th anniversary of the American Automobile, the Anniversary Glidden Tour and the 15th Chrome Glidden Tour were done in the original Glidden fashion of driving for days to rear a goal: Dearborn, Michigan. Here was touring at its' very best, only on the back roads, through towns and country we never see as we speed by on the interstate thinking we are too busy to 'stop and smell the roses'.

Jean and I, driving our 1963 Corvair Monza coupe, met Eric and Marilyn Fullmer at 8:00am sharp on Thursday, September 12, driving their 1954 Ford Victoria, as we passed Rt. 65 heading east on I-70. Colby Kansas was our first stop, then Topeka before joining the tour in Kansas City on Saturday afternoon. We did, however, stop at W.P.Chrysler's boyhood home and the Eisenhower Center along the way.

Saturday morning, since we had no repair work to do on the cars, was the wife's day. Jean found one of her favorite cross stitch shops and Marilyn found enough antique shops to pass the time until registration at 4 pm. Interesting stops are made when on tour and did we see and stop at special places. Mark Twain's in Hannibal, Missouri, the New Salem state Historical site on the way to Decatur, Ill, Indianapolis Speedway and Museum in Indianapolis, Indiana, 165 miles of memorable scenery to Fort Wayne, Indiana, then the last day of our tour to Dearborn was a real treat. We stopped in Auburn, Indiana visiting the Auburn, Cord and Duesenberg museum.

The highly anticipated first day in Dearborn started by touring to Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum. Our cars were parked in a group on a grassy field next to the village. What a car show with 300 plus cars of 1911 to 1970 vintage in one spot and in a beautiful setting.

Yes, the Henry Ford Museum does have a Corvair, McDonald's arch, 50's Holiday Inn motel room, a whole Texaco service station and the Oscar Mayer wiener car to name just a few highlights. The Village has homes and buildings of special interest-Henry Ford's home, the Wright Brothers' home and bicycle shop, Edison's laboratory, an old English cottage and the McGuffey school, to name a few.

The parade of parades was here. Picture 24 miles of a parade-300 cars from Austins to Willys-1900's to 1970's vintage, all being led by motorcycles and police cars with lights flashing and sirens screaming while they blocked traffic at every intersection. Running all the red lights was a real kick. This was truly a historic event as we toured to downtown Detroit then paraded down Woodward Avenue, which was the site of the 1906 Glidden tour and the 1946 First Revived Glidden tour plus the Golden Jubilee Parade. There was enough time to see more of the Ford Museum before the closing banquet being held there.

A bit of Canada the next day, then home. Our trip home, via 94-80-76- and I-70 found Peru, Ill with an interesting lock system and hardwood forests along the river which just had to be investigated. Amana, Iowa and Gothenburg, Nebraska via Lincoln Highway provided the other breaks on the 1700 miles home.

Everyone had such a great time, we hated to come home. The well prepared and pampered cars had performed beautifully for 4000 miles. Crossing the snowy Colorado mountains and see the now brilliant fall colors, our spirits rose then soared as Glenwood Canyon seemed to be putting on a very special color show-just to make us fell good to be home in Colorado. We had just seen the perfect ending to the tour of tours this Wednesday, September 25, 1996.

We averaged 24+ mpg, used only 1 pint of oil per 2000 miles, the transaxle levels stayed the same and the engine turned its' first 10,000 miles. I'm happy to add the engine and drive train work was done by our own Steve Goodman, Rear Engine Specialists.

Submitted by Ed Olwine and co-driver & navigator (wife) Jean Olwine of RMC--PPCC

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 26-----PPCC meeting at NCOA Clubhouse, 7:30pm. Bring a guest or a perspective new member

MARCH 9-----2nd Sunday Brunch at the O-club, AFA @ 10:00am. All PPCC members are welcome. Call Ben @598-6886 for reservations.

MARCH 16-----Easter Egg Hunt on the Academy grounds. Call Larry Neal for instructions @ 570-9694

MARCH 26-----PPCC meeting at NCOA Clubhouse.

MAY 4-----Car show at FUN-PLEX in Littleton. Call (303) 973-2958 or (303) 979-7728 for info

MAY 16-18-----TRI-STATE in Gunnison. PPCC is the host club, plan on attending

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by Norm Helmkay

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The head studs, which can be troublesome to all of us CORVAIR owners are redone also, thread inserts and new studs. They used a new crank hub/gear with larger flywheel holes and pinned it to the crankshaft. There are numerous clearance problems too, even the ends of the rods must be worked on plus the rod must be bushed for the floating wrist pins that VW use.

In the article, the engine was trial assembled a number of times before doing it for real. It is a lot of time and work and definitely a lot of money. It is my understanding that engines of the type are very high priced, I have heard \$9,000 or more. Sort of makes installing a V-8 a better choice for going that fast, but then you would have to fool around with a radiator.

TRI-STATE CORVAIR MEET

The Tri-state Corvair Meet will be held in Gunnison on May 16-18. PPCC is the host club, Larry Neal is the chairman. The host motel is the Econo-lodge, the same place that we used before, however then it was called Dos Rios. It is still owned by the same person, Stan Predmore.

Registration will be Friday, May 16. Saturday morning should be a parade and a show and shine in a park in Gunnison. Later in the day a drive and perhaps a poker run will be staged into Crested Butte. Saturday nite will be the banquet and Sunday will be the drive back home.

Since our club, PPCC, is the host; it is expected that we have a good attendance. This is a very enjoyable event and is low key. The emphasis is on a relaxing time and a chance to visit with those that we haven't seen since last year. The Bonneville Club is expected to attend and maybe try to get involved with the meet again. Hopefully several of their club members will be able to drive in.

The phone for the Econo-lodge is 1 (970) 641-1000. The room rate is about \$48 per nite per couple. Tell the reservation desk it is for the CORVAIR meeting. Try to attend, PPCC has always lost the attendance trophy because both CNM and RMC have more members showing up each year.

GYMKHANA WITH RMC IN CASTLE ROCK

It is a little early to start planning yet but I am trying to find a location in Castle Rock for a gymkhana and share the day with the Denver club. At the last meeting it was discussed and if a central place could be found, both clubs could participate. At the last RMC meeting the idea was met with approval, all I have to do is find the right folks to talk to at the various schools to get a parking lot this summer. Watch for more as the spring time nears.



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GREETINGS!!

First of all, the phone number for the Econo-Lodge was messed up in the COMMUMIQUE. The correct number is: **1-(970) 641-1000**.

We decided last year to do parking for the Renaissance Festival to raise money for the club. We need 18 volunteers for 1 day to do this. This will raise \$250.00 for our club. At this time we are trying for a Sunday in June to beat the heat. If you want to volunteer, please call any club officer and sign up. One of the benefits of doing this is free entrance to the festival after we've parked the cars. I've been told this is around 1:00pm or so. I'll relay more information about times and such as I get it.

Remember, we normally have an informal brunch at the AFA O Club every second Sunday at 10:00am. Everyone is welcome, just please let Ben Benzel know if you are attending so he can arrange the reservations.

Thanks to those who attended the Easter Egg Hunt on March 16. It was held on the AFA grounds. Those in attendance were Ben/Vesta Fulcher, Garrie Fox, Ben/Bettie Jo Benzel, and John/Phyllis Neal. Steve Goodman and myself set the game up and Ruth rode with Garrie. Ben and Vesta were the winners with the lowest E. T. Thanks to all that participated and those of you absent missed a fun morning. It ended with brunch at the O Club.

Well, that's it for now! Remember to make those reservations for Gunnison!!

Happy 'vairing,

Larry

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TRI-STATE CORVAIR MEET IN GUNNISON

PPCC will host the 21st annual TRI-STATE CORVAIR MEET on May 16-18 at Gunnison Colo. This will be a return trip to Gunnison, in fact the host motel is the same one as before, only the name has been changed. In 1991 it was the DOS RIOS, now it is ECONO-LODGE. The phone number for reservations is 1 (970) 641-1000, tell them it is for the CORVAIR meet. The room rates are about \$48.00 per nite for 2.

A brief history of the TRI-STATE CORVAIR MEET goes like this: In 1975, upon hearing that CORSA had selected Philadelphia for the site of the '76 convention, members of RMC (Denver)-CNM (Corvairs of New Mexico/Albuquerque) and Bonneville Corvair Club (Salt Lake City, Utah) all got together and planned a week end venture in an equal distant location. Montrose, Colo was selected. At that time it was a one time get to gether, just trying to have fun with our Corvairs without going to Philadelphia where the Centennial was going on, prices were high and the temperature was hot AND humid.

Fast forward to 1985 and Houston, Texas; site of the national convention that year. Leroy Rogers asked yours truly if the clubs would be interested in resurrecting the event, rotating sponsoring clubs, much like the Fan Belt Toss/Swap Meet is done in Palm Springs. CNM offered to host it in 1986, choosing Montrose again as the site. Unfortunately the Salt Lake contingent did not show but a new club has started up, PIKES PEAK CORVAIR CLUB in Colorado Springs.

For 1987, RMC was the host club and picked Ouray, Colo. It was cold and slightly rainy but still everyone enjoyed themselves. PPCC picked Canon City for the '88 site and attendance was good once again. Bonneville Corvair Club had a couple of members present, they were in the throes of planning a National Convention and had their hands full. Sadly the SLC club did not offer to host the following year and it reverted to CNM, they picked Red River, New Mexico; a ski town high in altitude but great weather again prevailed.

Now the event was picking up steam, folks had been showing up from Oklahoma, California and Iowa. RMC was the planning club for Durango in 1990 and then 1991 was the first time to Gunnison, run by PPCC. Albuquerque picked Las Vegas, (NM not Nevada) for 1992 and then back to the desert high country of Colorado for Alamosa by RMC. PPCC found the Pagosa Lodge where the view of the lake in the early morning is the grandest view in the world for 1994 and then Albuquerque picked a re-run, Red River for 1995. Albuquerque did a fine job considering that the entire club was planning the 1996 national convention at the same time.

1996 was an anniversary year, 20 years from the beginning and 10 years of continuing events. It was appropriate to host that 20th Anniversary at the place it all began, Montrose, Colorado. RMC did the honors and the attendance was great as usual.

NOW TO 1997 and PPCC's turn again. Crested Butte was the first choice but the resort areas are not easy to deal with when skiers spend a lot of money through the winter. After trying and failing to get motel prices affordable, the decision was made to return to Gunnison. This will afford all attending an easy drive to Crested Butte too. Bonneville Corvair Club is trying to get some interest stirred again too. Hopefully they will attend in force this year and maybe be able to host the event in a couple of years. Your editor already knows where CNM is planning the 1998 event and it will be great there too!

Attendance has always been in the same figures, 95-125. Please plan to attend this year. This is a low key event with not pressure like a national event. Talking to the local folks during the car show is always interesting and the restaurants and scenery are always great.

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Ben Benzel, Membership Chairman

TECH TIPS

A recent thread on Virtual Vairs contained a problem that a VV member had when he parked his car nose upward on a hill. When he came back later he found the engine locked up. Naturally he was concerned that something had permanently happened and was relieved to find a number of posts suggesting that a carb(s) had simply flooded by letting fuel go past the needle/seat and drain into the combustion chamber. **SOLUTION:** remove the plugs, let the fuel evaporate, change the oil and all would be happy. He did and it was. It was suggested by a couple of posts (including me) that the best way was not to park with the nose up. Several countered by suggesting GROSSE jets which are a different design of needle and seat and quite good too.

HOWEVER, I have always practiced parking with the nose down for another reason. When you park with the nose up, especially after driving on the highway and the gear lube is hot, you run the risk of having the input shaft seal leak when the car is on an incline. It has happened to me once. Even powerglide cars will leak through the pinion seal but it is not as common. Every once in a while I will have a car come into the shop that leaks diff grease and they park it on a steep drive. When they turn the car around (tail high) the leak will stop or at least slow down. I have not had that kind of luck, I always have to replace the input shaft seal before mine stops.

GETTING READY FOR SUMMER

Have you had your car stored though the winter months? Hopefully you have snuck out of the house on a warm day and started it up, moved it back and forth a bit and let it run for a half hour or so, maybe several times this winter. Now that driving weather is returning it is time to go really look at your prized possession. Did you unhook the battery last fall? If not the battery cable clamps are probably growing an unappetizing white stuff. **GENTLY** remove the clamps from the battery and cut them off and throw them away. Replace with new ends and get some of the washers that deter corrosion too. Be carefull, don't let that white junk fall down on your shining (although maybe dusty) engine bay. This is battery acid that will make a mess of your shiny paint.

I am going to presume that all of you readers are lucky, the fuel has not jelled and the engine fires up and continues to run. If the gas tank is plugged you'll have to read in the shop manual how to remove it. After a short run drain the oil and change the filter. Also at the same time of the short run, fill the tank (unless your tank was filled in the fall). If that is the case, you'll just have to drive it a bit before filling. Wash the car, lube the suspension, check in your records and see if it is time to pack the wheel bearings, check the fluid levels in gearbox and master cylinder and also all of your lights. Sitting has a habit of making grounds faulty. It is also a good idea to check your tire pressures and don't forget the spare. On the list of little things to do, check your windshield wipers and washers, lube your door locks and make a note during that first drive if you have a rattle or squeek. OOPS, almost forgot, take out the DECON or mouse traps!

BEN & VESTA WIN THE EASTER EGG HUNT

A light turnout for the Easter Egg Hunt on March 16 was disappointing. Attending were PPCC members Ben and Vesta Fulcher who drove their 63 spyder convertible from Denver and finished the egg and clue gathering in record time. Others in attendance were Garrie Fox in his 66 4-door with Ruth Goodman navigating, Ben and Bettie Jo Benze in their 64 coupe and John and Phyllis Neal driving their 64 spyder convertible with the TOP DOWN.

Organizers Larry Neal and Steve Goodman flagged the cars at 3 minute intervals. The entrants were given clues to find eggs and also a clue to their next destination. The finish was at the Officers Club for brunch. It was enjoyable to hear the laughter of the entrants as they finished. Those of you who missed this event lost out on a lot of fun.

MEETING MINUTES

The February meeting of PPCC was called to order by President Larry Neal at 7:30pm on February 26. There were 14 members present, no guests or new members. Treasurer John Koll reported \$495.00 in the bank. The tech guides came in, price \$21.00ea.

Ben announced that former members Bob and Wanda Wencl had rejoined. Steve and Larry are planning an Easter egg hunt on March 16. The yearly club dues for PPCC were raised to \$15.00 year with no dissenting votes. The raise will take place with the May 1, 1997 dues. The gymkhana that is in the planning stages with the Denver club are in gear. The location will be in Castle Rock. The final stages are depending on how many members of both Denver and C/Springs are interested. For more info see Steve or Larry.

As a fund raiser for the club, Ben Benzel has offered us a contract to help park cars in Larkspur this summer. 1 day's work will net PPCC \$250.00 and everyone helping will get tickets to attend the Renaissance Festival afterward or another day. PPCC needs a total of 18 bodies ABSOLUTELY committed to help.

The meeting was adjourned, door prizes were drawn and everyone had a piece of Ruth's delicious cake. Thank you Ruth. Have a safe drive home and see you all at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
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MARCH 27-30--World of Wheels in Denver. Jim Richards will have his and Linda's Corvairs entered.

APRIL 6-----SWAP MEET formerly held at Phil Long Ford, more info next month

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Membership chairman
BEN BENZEL

A NOTE FROM TRAVELERS

Ben received a note from Ray and Nye Schick along with their renewal check. They write that they are in Parker, Ariz. near Lake Havasu. They are both well, should be in the Springs in the middle of May. Also wouldn't you know it, I misspelled their last name in the roster, it should be SCHICK. (Note that Ben spelled it wrong on his notes to me too, it is not all my fault). (ed)

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At the March meeting of RMC, Steve Goodman asked how many from Denver would be interested. At that time the suggested price was \$10.00 first driver & 8.00 for each driver per car. That was 'pre-registered' price, price the day of the event would be \$15/12. Only 8-10 Denver members showed an interest at the event, even if the price was lower. PPCC must now decide how many of its' members are interested.

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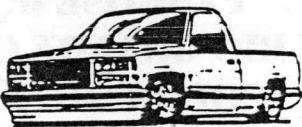
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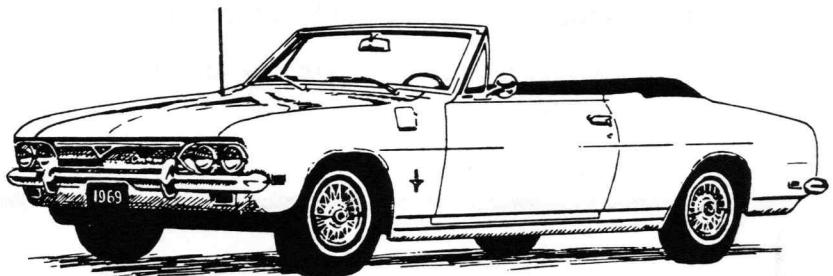
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GENERAL MEETING OF PPCC--APRIL 23, 1997

7:30pm--NCOA CLUBHOUSE

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GREETINGS!

Time is running out to make plans for the TRI-STATE in Gunnison, have you made your reservation yet? May 16-18 will get here quicker than you think. In case you've missed them, here is the number for reservations at the Econolodge: (970) 641-1000. Our rate is \$48.00. As usual we will be raffling off items to cover expenses and stuff. This year we have a hand made afghan donated by Ruth Goodman and a hand made porcelain doll donated by Phyllis Neal. Both are very nice and should be well sought after! Thanks to both ladies for the great work they've done.

I have decided, due to lack of interest by the club, not to do the parking for the Rennesance Festival. Thanks to Ben Benzel for suggesting it, but we just can't get enough people to participate.

Also remember that we have an informal brunch at the AFA O club every second Sunday at 10:00. Everyone is welcome, just let me or Ben Benzel know if you are attending so we can arrange the reservations.

As always, thanks to everyone who makes it to the meetings and especially Ruth Goodman for the delicious goodies!

Well, that's it for now, remember to make those reservations for Gunnison!!!

HAPPY 'VAIRING
Larry

JIM RICHARDS WINS 1ST PLACE

Jim Richards won first place in Full Custom Compact with his customized 66 Corsa coupe at the recent World of Wheels car show in Denver. Linda Richards placed her 65 turbo Corsa Convertible in a static display and was presented a watch for her efforts. (Jims efforts too since he cleaned both cars)

Congratulations to both members of PPCC

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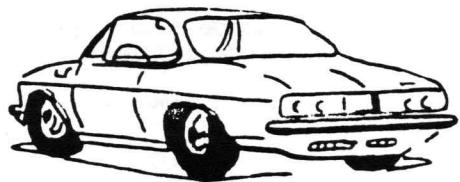
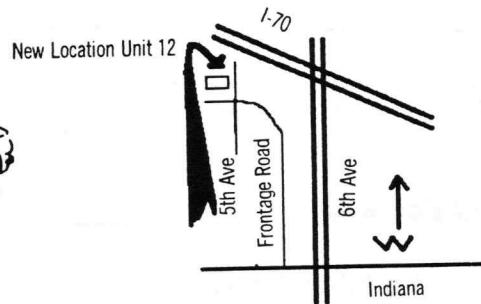
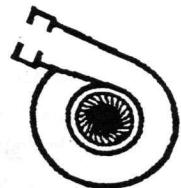
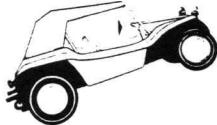
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MEETING MINUTES

The March meeting of PPCC was called to order by President Larry Neal at 7:40pm on the 26th. There were only 9 members present and no new members or guests. Larry reported \$309.00 and \$200.00 more in checks and dues. Discussion of the renaissance festival and getting at least 18 people to commit to help park cars. The workers also got free tickets to the festival. The discussion was quite long. Also Tri-state at Gunnison was discussed and Tour Tejon. Phyllis Neal made an impressive doll for the Tri-state as a raffle item, thanks Phyllis. The meeting came to a close with no door prizes drawn for as there were so few members present. Thanks to Ruth for dessert.

Respectfully submitted, Mark King secretary

SECRETARY POSITION OPEN

I, Mark King, regretfully wish to inform all that I must resign my position as secretary due to my music career. I have been asked to make a guest appearance at the Colorado Music Opry by a promoter. I hope you all understand that this could be a big break for me. I have enjoyed being secretary and I will try to remain a member of PPCC, even if my career takes me out of state.

Respectfully submitted, Mark King

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APRIL 23-----PPCC meeting at NCOA Clubhouse, 7:30pm. Bring a guest, interested party or at least YOU!!!

MAY 11-----Brunch at O-club, 10:00am, all members are welcome, call Ben for reservations please 598-6886

MAY 16-18----TRI-STATE @ Gunnison. Motel # (970) 641-1000.

MAY 18-----TOUR TEJON, see flyer this issue

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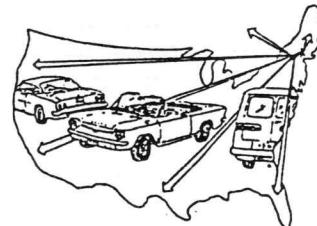
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Ben Benzel, membership chairman

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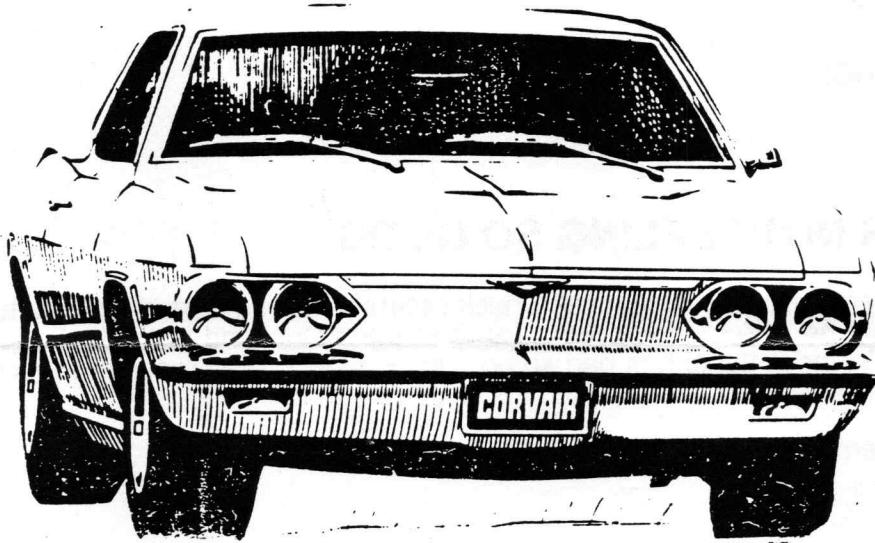
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GENERAL MEETING OF PPCC---MAY 28, 1997

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GREETINGS!!!

Well, the TRI-STATE was a lot of fun, over 100 people attended and we had at least 38 CORVAIRS!! Thanks to Steve Goodman for running the poker run and special thanks to Ruth Goodman for doing the registrations. See Steve's write up in the issue of the DRIPLINE for all the details of this meet.

As you all should know, our secretary resigned to pursue other interests. Ruth Goodman has volunteered to fill in until we officially replace Mark. Thanks also to Ron Lezon for volunteering to fill in.

Remember also that our dues are now \$15.00 per year. We raised the dues in order to cover rising expenses.

As always thanks to everyone who makes the meetings and especially Ruth Goodman for the delicious goodies!

Well, that's it for now, **SEE YOU AT THE MEETING ON MAY 28!!**

HAPPY VAIRING!
Larry Neal

MEMBERS NOT FEELING SO GOOD

A long time member of our club, Dick Shuck recently had a heart attack. After a tune-up I understand that he is doing very well. Hang in there Dick and come and see us when you can. Also Wanda Wencl has had some surgery and is also recovering nicely. Best to both!!

Ben Benzel, membership chairman

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21st ANNUAL TRI-STATE CORVAIR MEET A SUCCESS

Your club, **PIKES PEAK CORVAIR CLUB** hosted the Tri-state Corvair meet in Gunnison this past weekend. 38 Corvairs paraded down the streets of Gunnison to a show and shine at Jorgenson Park Saturday morning. There were 112 at the banquet Saturday night. The banquet was held at the Cattlemen's Restaurant and was handled very nicely considering the large number of attendees. Larry Neal took care of the organizing duties with help from Ben Benzel, Ruth Goodman, Linda Richards and Vesta Fulcher. Steve Goodman held a poker run to Crested Butte on Saturday afternoon.

There were 38 members of Rocky Mountain Corsa (Denver), 29 from PPCC and 26 from CNM (Albuquerque). In addition there were guests from Oklahoma, Washington State, California and Wyoming. Plus 6 members of the Bonneville Corvair Club (Salt Lake City) attended. They are trying to stir interest in the BCC to take an active part in the meet again.

The voting for best cars was done by both members and the locals, Laura Wilshire, president of RMC and also a member of PPCC took top honors with her 64 Spyder convert. Jim and Linda Richards placed second in the custom car and Mike Britton of RMC took third with his 64 Monza Convert. The long distance award went to Glen and Barbara Masopust of Noble, Ok with a driving distance of 767 miles. The hard luck award went to Ben Benzel of PPCC for a chipped paint episode on the front is his 62. It was actually awarded to him for the mental anguish it caused him every time he looked at the front of his car.

The two raffles held by PPCC to help the treasury were the AFGAN knitted by Ruth Goodman and a hand made china doll by Phyllis Neal. The afgan was won by Bertie McDonald of PPCC, the doll was won by Garrie Fox who had made a promise that if he won it he would give it to Linda Richards which he did. Nice gesture on Garrie's part.

The poker run came down to a three way tie, a card cutting followed and Juanita Lawley of RMC won the prize, a pillow/quilt donated by Clair Hoffman.

Those PPCC members attending included: Larry Neal, Ben/Vesta Fulcher, Jim/Linda Richards, Glen/Barbara Masopust, Ed/Jean Olwine, Del/Sharon Delaney, John/Phyllis Neal, Bertie/Cliff McDonald, Garrie Fox, Bob/Joan Pride, John/Jeannie Koll and kids, Marsh/Carole Hesler, Bob/Tracy Gilbert, Laura Wilshire, Ben/Betti Jo Benzel and Steve/Ruth Goodman. Also Ben Benzel, membership chairman did not let the fact that his paint was chipped stop him in his quest for new members. He signed up a couple or more.

Special thanks go to Ruth Goodman for the afgan and all the work during registration, Phyllis Neal for her efforts on the doll, Linda Richards for helping with registration and also contributing some printing of ballots and window cards (and she donated an electric stapeler to the DRIPLINE editor), Vesta Fulcher for helping with registration and Ben Benzel who always helps with door prizes etc. and thanks to every PPCC member who made the trip to Gunnison and participated. Those of you who chose to stay home missed an enjoyable weekend.

Steve Goodman, editor

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A special thanks to Garrie Fox for all of his help in the sale of my house and difficult move. Your next years' dues are paid for!! Happy Vairing, Cindy Hupp

MEETING MINUTES

The April meeting of PPCC was called to order at 7:45pm by President Larry Neal. There was no treasurers report, minutes were approved as printed. There were no new members or guests. Discussion of the upcoming Gunnison Tri-state meet followed. The host motel was full. Expectations are high for the weekend. Tour Tejon is the same weekend, hopefully some members not going to Gunnison will uphold the Corvair legacy. Ben announced he had door prizes for Gunnison and some others were collected too. Upcoming events were discussed, see list in DRIPLINE.

Walt suggested a bus trip to Cripple Creek, it was also discussed driving there in our cars. Larry will look into the trip possiblities. There was also a discussion on lack of interest in events such as the gymkhana and even the meetings. The drive to Belvedere seemed high on the list of attendance. Meeting adjourned to the door prize drawings and Ruths dessert.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Goodman--recording secretary

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We appreciate your support so please remit promptly so that I don't get too nervous.

Ben Benzel, membership chairman

NEW MEMBER WELCOME

Let's give a big welcome to Timothy J. McDonald (TJ) who has joined us. He owns a 65 Corsa. TJ is a LT in the USAF and will be CAPTAIN soon. TJ, when you are not flying come join us. Welcome aboard.

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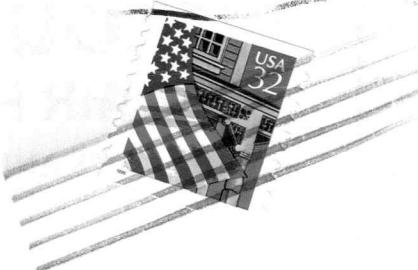


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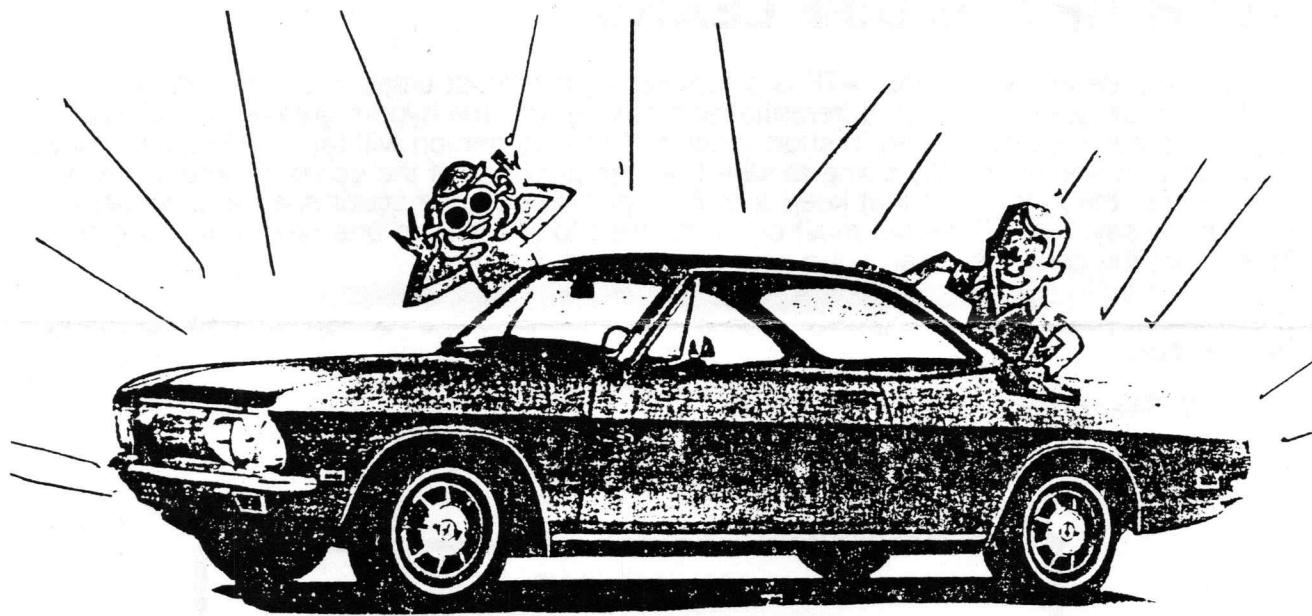
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I believe that Steve Goodman will have his tape of the TRI-STATE at this meeting. If you didn't make it to Gunnison, plan on attending this months' meeting and see what you missed.

Special thanks to Ruth Goodman for the delicious goodies!

Well, that is it for now, see you at the meeting, June 25th.

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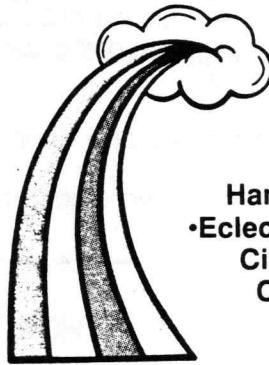
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MEETING MINUTES

The monthly meeting of PPCC was held on May 28 at 7:30 pm. There were 10 members present and 3 guests. Amy ___ has a 63 and Dick and Melody Farmer of Calgary Alberta were passing through the area. Treasurers report showed about \$700.00. There was a discussion of the TRI-STATE at Gunnison. Congratulations and thanks were bestowed to Ruth Goodman, Vesta Fulcher and Linda Richards for their efforts.

A discussion of plating shops revealed that COLORADO CUSTOM CHROME is apparently a quality shop for plating needs.

Ben announced 3 new members, gotten at the Tri-state.

A show of hands was asked for in regards to MOUNTAIN MANIA in Buena Vista on July 6. A discussion followed about the cut-away car owned by PPCC and done by members in the late 70s. It was suggested the car be brought out, cleaned up and displayed again, possibly at Buena Vista.

The meeting was adjourned and door prize drawing and Ruth Goodman's cake followed.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Goodman for
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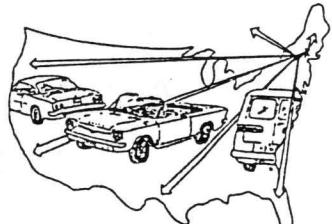
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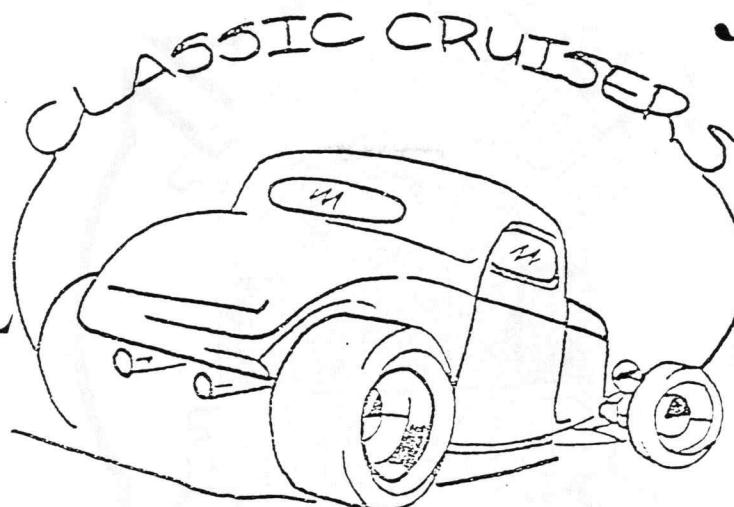
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Ben Benzel, membership chairman

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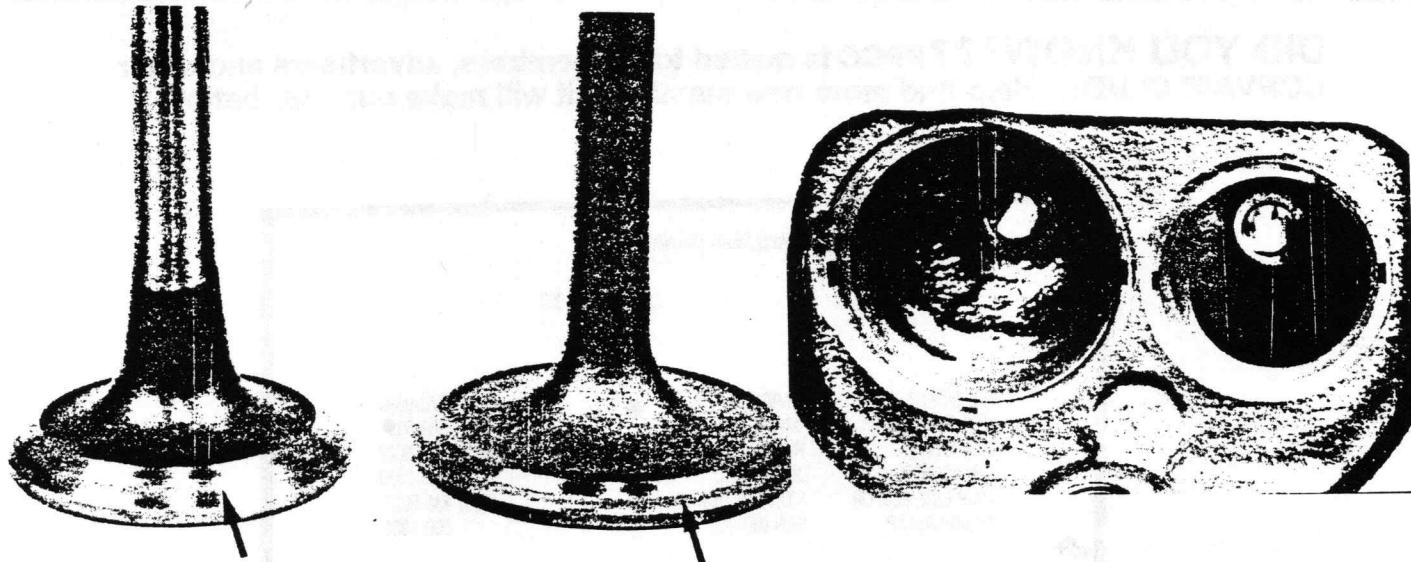
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We had a good turn out at the last meeting to view Steve Goodmans' video of the Tri-State meet at Gunnison. We also had a good showing of Corvairs at the Buena Vista Car Show.

We had over eith good cars from both the Denver club and our club as well as showing the cut-a-way Corair. The cut-a-way was very well received and got a lot of attention from the the show attendees. Thanks to Steve Goodman for the cleanup of the cut-a-way and to John Koll for hauling it up and back from the show. We all had a good time and enjoyed the show and company.

I hope to see everyone this month at the meeting too. Steve Goodman of Rear Engine Specialists will give a tech session on Corvair valve seats and guides. This should prove to be very educational.

Also since it comes at the first of August, an early reminder of the picnic/swap meet held by RMC each year. This year it is at Attwoods. There is a map in this months DRIPLINE.

Thanks again to Ruth Goodman for volunteering to be club secretary and still bring thos delicious cakes to the meetings!

Well, see you at this months' meeting.

Larry Neal, president

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THOSE PESKY VALVE SEATS

'Dropped valve seats' is a common problem in engines with aluminum heads. The seat is a separate 'ring' that is shrunk into the aluminum head and part of the failure problem has to do with a difference of coefficient of expansion between different metals. The aluminum head has a less expansion/contraction rate than the steel ring. When the engine is started up cold, both materials are heated together and will stay together through that heat/cool cycle as long as nothing changes the normal temps. When such things as losing a belt heats the head above the normal temps the seat ring has the opportunity to cool faster than the head and become loose. Actually I should say that the head will not cool as quickly as the steel ring. Likewise when any engine is shut down from a normal heat cycle, the temps rise before beginning to cool. If a carb is leaking or boiling a lot of fuel can be drained into the manifold log and then into the combustion chamber. The problem with the new fuels doing a puddling is quite common. This cool fuel has the ability to cool and shrink the seat ring. Many times I have heard the statement 'It was running fine when I shut it off but was missing upon restarting'. If an intake valve seat has fallen out, that is probably the culprit. One other thing has to happen during this scenario, the intake valve is open so the seat ring can simply fall out to be caught by the head of the valve.** At the same time, the cool air coming up the muffler/exhaust system has the ability to cool an exhaust seat. Even if the outside temp is 100 degrees, it is a bunch cooler than the temperature inside the head. Sometimes I think that the seat ring has been loosened up from past misdeeds and when the conditions are just so, valve open-cooling air or leaking fuel, the seat drops. I have had experience of cold weather and just a simply down shift, pulls enough cold air into the engine and presto, the engine is running on 5 cylinders. It has always been suggested that a bad guide, allowing a valve to drop into the seat at other than the exact angle that it should will beat a seat ring around until it is loose. Another way of just plain punishing the head is valve guide removal. The normal has always been to pound the guide out with either hammer or air hammer and the proper guide driver. There is a tremendous amount of shock put on the head when this is done. For quite a few years now there is a system called 'guide liners' that eliminate that pounding. At the July meeting I will bring a guide liner and installing tools along to the tech session.

I have written about this in the past but I will repeat it: let the engine cool down a bit before shutting it off, especially during highway runs in the summer. Those of us with head temp gauges will see a drop of 50-75 degrees in about 5 minutes of idling.

**This is the real problem with 140 intakes, when the seat drops it is bigger than the area in the combustion chamber, the piston comes up, strikes the seat ring breaking it and the damage just keeps getting worse.

CORVAIRS IN FORCE AT BUENA VISTA

Mountain Mania is the name of the street show held every year in Buena Vista. The local car club is the sponsor and it has grown many times over through the years. The money goes into scholarship funds and other worthwhile community projects. This year 176 entries were pre-registered, an unknown number showed up at the last minute.

Between RMC (Denver) and PPCC (C/Springs) there were 11 CORVAIRS displayed. They belonged to RMC President and PPCC member also Laura Wilshire (64 spyder conv), RMC members Joan and Dale Wilshire (68 Monza cpe), RMC member Thomas Kniepkamp (66 Monza cpe), RMC members Ernie and Barbara Pyle (65 Monza sedan), PPCC President Larry Neal (65 Monza conv), PPCC members John and Phyllis Neal (66 turbo cpe), Garrie Fox (66 Monza sedan), Ben and Vesta Fulcher (63 spyder conv), John Koll (66 Monza sedan cut a way display car) and RMC/PPCC members Jim and Linda Richards (66 turbo custom) and Steve Goodman (62 spyder cpe). RMC member Mike Brittan had registered but was called to work at the last moment and could not attend.

The City of Buena Vista hosted a cook out on Saturday night for those participants who had showed up early. There was a lot of talk of more of us going on Saturday next year. Even though the CORVAIRS did not win any prizes almost everyone won a door prize of some type. As usual the townspeople viewing the cars all talked of owning a CORVAIR in their past and the usual comments were heard. The cut a way car held a lot of interest to the viewing public. They had not seen a car displayed in this manner and were full of questions as to the construction of the CORVAIR. Thanks to John Koll who not only keeps the car in one of his garages and has for years but who willingly towed it to Buena Vista Sunday morning.

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MEETING MINUTES

The June 25, 1997 meeting of PPCC was called to order by President Larry Neal at 7:50pm. There was 1 new member, Warren _____ he has 64 convertible.

OLD BUSINESS: Fees were discussed that are being levied by CORSA for non complying chapter clubs. If the chapter does not have 100% of local members belonging to CORSA there will be a \$20.00 fee assessed. President Larry gave credit to Phyllis Neal and Ruth Goodman for their donations at the Tri-state.

TREASURY: John Koll announced that the profit from Gunnison was \$130.00.

NEW BUSINESS: The cutaway car was discussed and decided to take it to Buena Vista. A call for volunteers to help with the clean up was set for June 29. A show of hands was asked for going to Buena Vista also. A parade as a part of the hill climb was also discussed. Upcoming events such as the vintage affair at PPIR and Bancroft park were discussed too. It was suggested by Garrie Fox that the head that Rear Engine has repaired be brought to the meeting for a tech session at the July 23 meeting.

ENTERTAINMENT: Steve Goodman showed video of the TRI-STATE at Gunnison. Popcorn **WAS NOT FURNISHED** by the NCOA Clubhouse. Door prizes followed. (thank you Ruth Goodman for dessert, ed)

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Goodman, recording secretary

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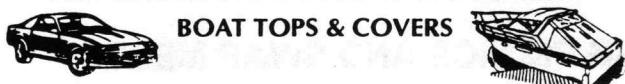
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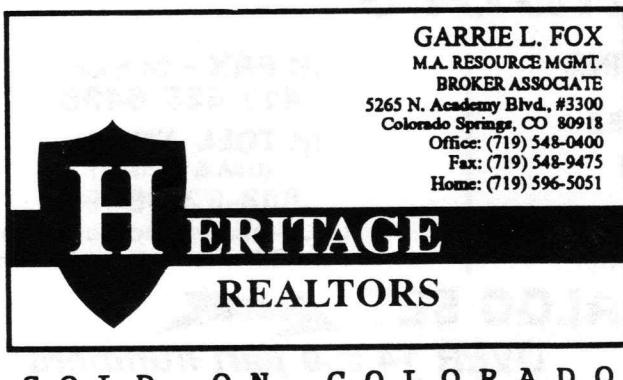
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AUGUST 3-----PICNIC/SWAP MEET hosted by RMC at Attwoods in Aurora

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AUGUST 10-----Brunch @ O-club AFA. 10:00am all PPCC members invited, call
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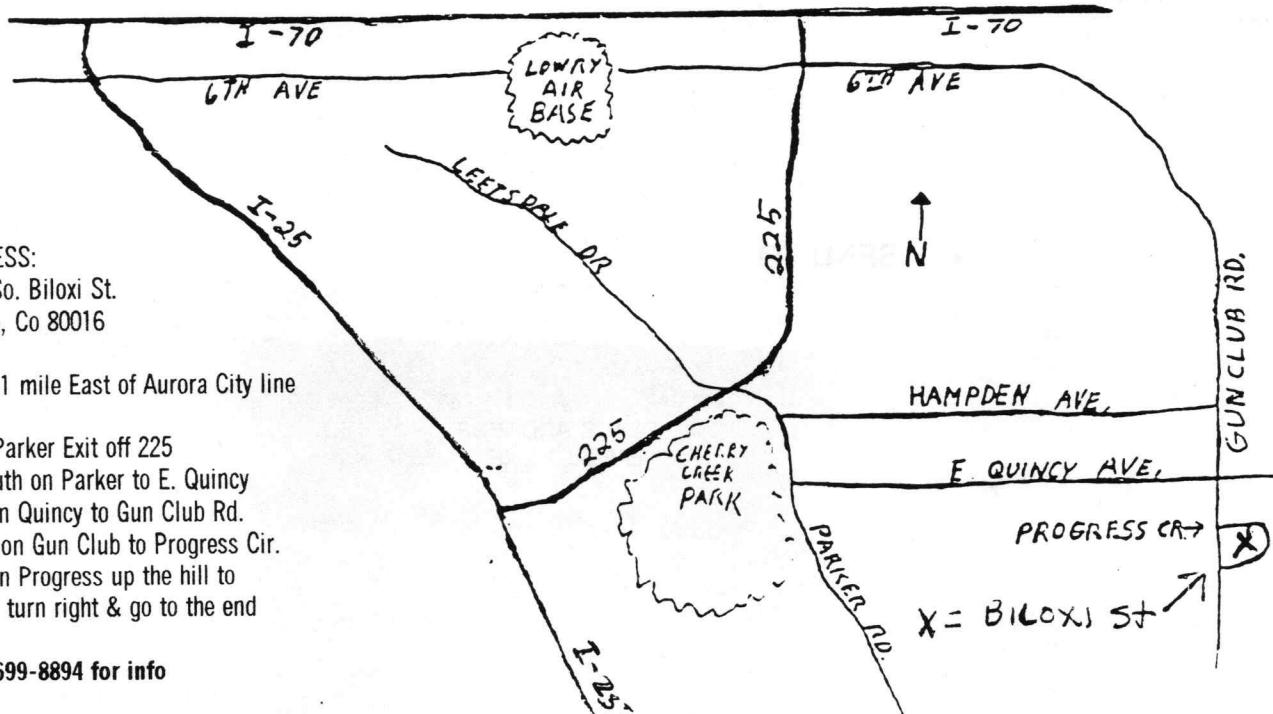
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The RMC picnic at Bob Attwoods in Denver was very enjoyable. Only four of us made the trip from the Springs and they were: Garrie Fox in his fuel injected 66 sedan, John and Phyllis Neal in their 66 turbo cpe and myself in my 65 monza conv. In addition PPCC members Ben and Vesta Fulcher as well as PPCC/RMC members Steve and Ruth and Laura Wilshire who all live in the Denver area attended. Good food and lots of sunshine, THANKS RMC!!

See you at the picnic!

Larry

GOOD TIMES CAR SHOW

Ben Benzel and Ken Brown represented PPCC in the GOOD TIMES SHOW in Old Colorado City on August 3. Ken showed his 69 Convertible and Ben had his 62 2-dr. This was Ken's first show and he enjoyed it very much. The show had a lot of real nice prizes of which Ken won a camera and Ben a car cover. A very nice laid-back day with great weather. With over 150 vehicles, 'ol Ben' placed in top 40 and received a nice award.

BEN BENZEL

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 27-----PPCC annual picnic meeting starting between 6-6:30pm. PLEASE ATTEND!!!!

AUGUST 25-30-----ULTRA VAN convention in Durango. Call Steve or Garrie Fox

SEPTEMBER 14----BRUNCH at the O-club with RMC (Denver Corvair club) Call Ben @ 598-6886 by the 8th for reservations

SEPTEMBER 24----General meeting of PPCC at NCOA clubhouse @ 7:30pm

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PPCC members attending were: Larry Neal (65 monza conv)--John/Phyllis Neal (66 turbo cpe)--Garrie Fox (66 FI sedan)--Ben/Vesta Fulcher (63 spyder conv) and PPCC/RMC members Laura Wilshire (64 spyder conv) and Steve/Ruth Goodman (62 spyder cpe).

Thanks to RMC for hosting the day, PPCC is extending an invitation to RMC as well as all PPCC members to attend the brunch on September 14. Please contact Ben Benzel by Sept 8 with your reservations.

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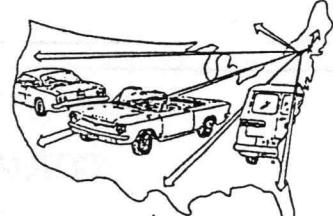
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MEETING MINUTES

The July 23, 1997 meeting was called to order by President Larry Neal at 7:40pm. There was one new guest/member Ken Brown driving his 1969 140 convertible. There were 13 members present. **OLD BUSINESS:** Sadly it was announced that PPCC member Tom Torry had passed away. A \$20.00 donation was sent to the Cancer Foundation in his behalf and a card was sent by PPCC and also by several members. He will be missed. ALSO a check for \$20,00 was sent to CORSA to make up for our deficit by not having all PPCC members belonging to CORSA. The show at Buena Vista was discussed, a good turnout of CORVAIRS by both PPCC and RMC. **NEW BUSINESS:** The upcoming picnic and swap meet hosted by RMC was discussed as well as our own picnic on the meeting night of August 27. It was decided that a charge of \$2.00 per person be used to offset some of the expenses incurred by the picnic since PPCC furnishes everything except the side dishes. Also PPCC will invite RMC to the O-club for brunch in September. This is important for all PPCC members to show up. Ben Benzel must know by Sept 8 if you are going to attend. Price is \$9.95 per person + tip. Mark Kings father is ill, hopefully he is recovering now. **PROGRAM:** A tech session was hosted by Steve Goodman of Rear Engine Specialists on valve seats and guides. Door prizes were drawn and dessert was by Ruth Goodman was gobbled down. Thank you Ruth. (ed)

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Goodman, recording secretary

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(Your editor belongs to the CALIFORNIA KIT CAR CLUB, this was published in the Aug 97 *KIT CAR SUN*, and reprinted here with the permission of Vern Hance, editor. Thank you Vern). The parts suppliers listed below are native to California but possibly PEP BOYS, AUTOZONE etc might have the same items.

A new kit is now available at all AUTO PARTS CLUB/AUTO DEPOT SUPERSTORES that makes it easy and affordable to retrofit a motor vehicle's air conditioning system from R-12 (freon) to the ozone safe R134a, which is the new refrigerant used and recommended by car manufacturers.

This procedure is becoming very popular due to the extremely high cost and short supply of R-12 Refrigerant, which hasn't been manufactured since 1995. Retrofitting to R-134a, which is not an ozone depleting substance, also is helpful to the environment.

This new kit from INTERDYNAMICS contains everything required (except the R-134a refrigerant which is also available at AUTO PARTS CLUB) to change over a system without having to 'open it up'. The US EPA outlined this method of retrofitting vehicles from R-12 to R-134a in July, 1996. The EPA calls the INTERDYNAMICS kit the 'least cost aftermarket retrofit'.

There are five steps to retrofit an R-12 system:

1. Evacuate the system: All of the old R-12 must be removed from the system before you begin the retrofit. If the system is not empty, this must be done without venting by a certified mechanic with approved R-12 recovery equipment. (WARNING: Do not attempt to evacuate R-12 yourself. Release of R-12 into the environment is both illegal and highly polluting. You'll find a list of TOP WRENCH CERTIFIED REPAIR CENTERS who specialize in A/C repair and can perform this service for you at all AUTO PARTS CLUB/AUTO DEPOT SERVICE CENTERS).
2. Install adapter fittings onto the service ports: Permanent adapters screw directly onto the old service ports. These are necessary to match the unique fittings on R-134a charging equipment.
3. Add refrigeration oil to the system: The mineral oil used in R-12 systems will not mix with R-134a to circulate through the system, so an R-134a compatible oil must be added. The INTERDYNAMICS kit contains an aerosol can of ESTER OIL and a charging hose for simple installation. It is not necessary to remove the mineral oil from the system.
4. Charge the system with R-134a refrigerant: The system should be charged to about 85% of the original R-12 volume. It takes approximately three (3) 12 oz cans to do most vehicles. The same charging hose used to install the ESTER OIL is used for the R-134a.
5. Attach a label to the engine: A self-adhesive label is included, Simply fill in the type of refrigerant (R-134a) and Oil (Ester) and affix it to the engine so that technicians servicing the system in the future know what it contains.

INTERDYNAMICS new retrofit kit (#BRK-4) fits most vehicles and has a member price of \$22.99. In addition, you'll find a complete selection of retrofit components as well as R-134a in both 12 oz. cans and 30lb cylinders at all AUTOPARTS CLUB/AUTO DEPOT SUPERSTORES.

Editors note: This was taken from a recent AUTO PARTS CLUB newsletter and is not intended to promote the AUTO PARTS CLUB. It was felt that it was of sufficient interest to include in our newsletter. There are probably other similar kits available at various parts supply houses. At least this gives you a little fix on a minimum cost to convert your kit car system or other system to an 'environmentally correct' refrigerant. (Vern Hance, editor of *KIT CAR SUN*)

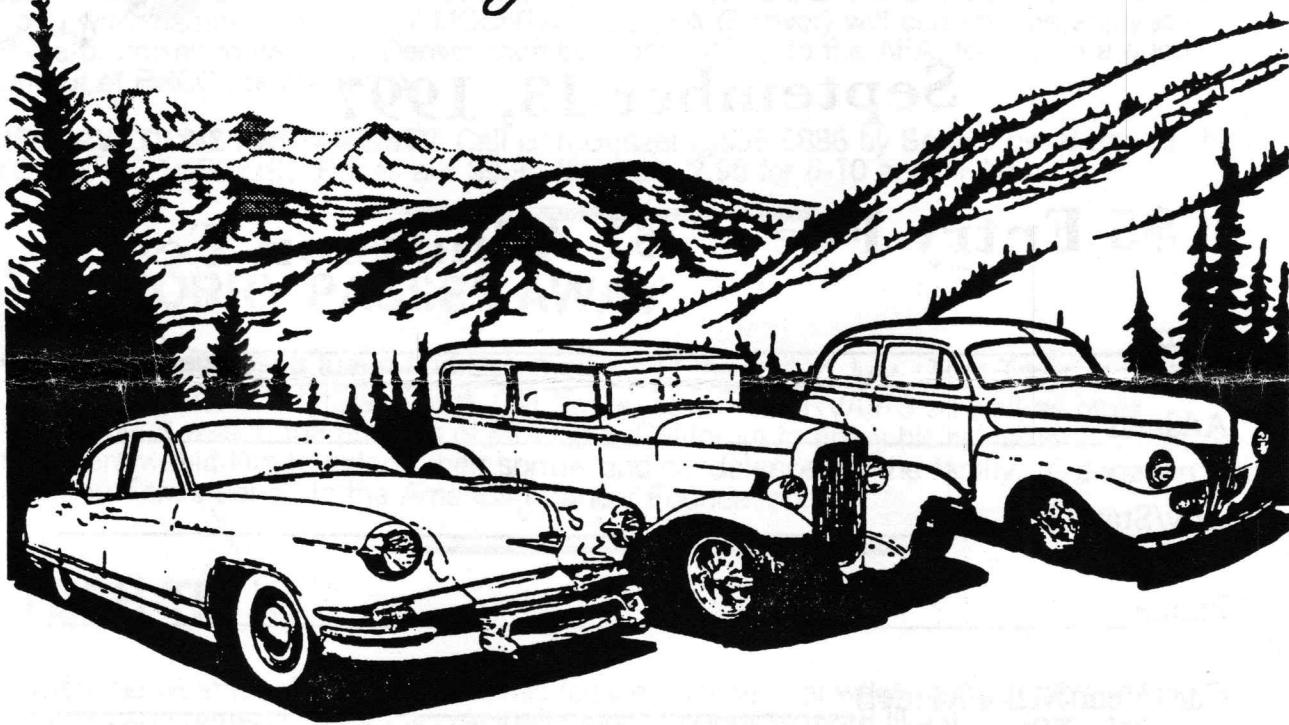
*NOTE: This is a surprise to me, I had understood that the hoses, drier and all fittings had to be changed in order for the 134a to work. I had to stop doing A/C work because of the new regulations requiring a recovery system to be in place and therefore have only a little knowledge by what I have read. Apparently all the conversion costs are not necessary after all. (Steve Goodman, editor of *DRIPLINE*)*

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GREETINGS

The picnic was a great success. Everyone enjoyed the food and company. A big **THANK YOU** to all who helped out (before, during and the cleanup). This is always one of our best events, and some of us stayed till very late just visiting. Again, thanks for attending and bringing your special side dishes, they were great!!

Next month will be our mountain/aspen tour with a stop at the Belvedere in Canon City for an early dinner. We will have the date and specifics at our next meeting.

See you at our next meeting

Larry

MEETING MINUTES

The August meeting of PPCC was held on 8/27. There was a short meeting after the picnic. There were 35 PPCC members present. The brunch at the O-club hosting RMC was discussed for September 14 and a light discussion of the upcoming aspen tour. More on the tour next month. The passing of both PPCC member Tom Torrey and CORSA member Francis Boydston were noted.

Door prizes were drawn. Thanks to all who attended, cooked, cleaned up and ate.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Goodman Secretary

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PPCC TURNS ANOTHER YEAR OLDER

If you look at the VOLUME and NUMBER on the front page, you will notice that this issue of the **DRILINE** is number 12. The month of September is the anniversary of PPCC being founded. Beginning with the October issue PPCC will be 21 years old. Maybe Ben will have the old scrap books out at the September meeting so that a bit of time travel can be done.

ULTRA-VAN RALLY IN DURANGO

Garrie Fox joined Steve and Ruth Goodman at Poncha Springs and drove to Durango over Labor Day to attend the **ULTRA VAN RALLY**. Durango had given the grassy field in the fair grounds for the motor homes to park and the meeting rooms adjacent to it.

There were 16 Ultras and several other motor homes there. Christy Barden put Garrie up for the two nights in his v-8 ULTRA while Steve and Ruth stayed in motels. There were several thousand Harley Davidsons in town also that weekend. There were tech sessions and shopping sprees and train rides. There was also ample time to look at each coach because each ULTRA is slightly different from the next. Saturday night was the dinner and Garrie and Steve and Ruth were invited too. The food was furnished by the ladies in the Ultra Vans. It was all very good and the hospitality was great.

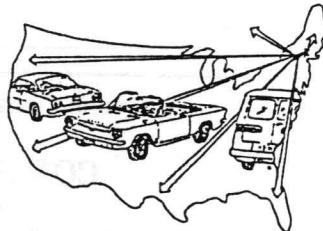
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Those attending from PPCC included: John/Jeannie Koll, Ben/Vesta Fulcher, Ben/Bettie Jo Benzel, Jim/Linda Richards, Doug/Kelly Higgins (new members), Don Smith, Garrie Fox, Laura Wilshire (president of RMC and PPCC member), EJ Obermeyer and friend and Steve/Ruth Goodman.

VP Garrie Fox handled the speaking chores for the absent Larry Neal. Appreciation should be shown to Ben Benzel for the arrangements. There were no door prizes and Laura did not respond to the offer of drawing for her spyder convertible either.

Thanks to all PPCC members who participated.

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Ben Benzel, membership chairman

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We have a new member. Let's give a PPCC welcome to Doug and Kelly Higgins, 1825 Westmoreland, C/Springs, 80907. They own a 65 Turbo and a 66 110. Thanks for joining us.

Ben Benzel, membership chairman

LATE MODEL CORVAIR REAR WHEEL BEARINGS

The rear wheel bearing assembly used on the 65-69 CORVAIR and ULTRA VAN have been a source of failure. Most failures can be attributed to one or more of the following: (1) lack of proper maintainance (2) lack of proper rebuilding techniques (3) inferior parts (4) the additional load of the ULTRA VAN. Unfortunately GENERAL MOTORS did not publish a maintainance schedule as has been done for front wheel bearings. The closest that I have found is the 63-67 CORVETTE which was suggested every 40,000 miles.

The difficulty for the owner of a late CORVAIR or ULTRA VAN is the degree if difficulty of packing the rear wheel bearings at regular intervals. It has been tried through the years to ease the labor by turning down the spindle on a lathe in order to disassemble as a front wheel bearing system. Sadly that idea did not work in most cases. The inner race must be pressed onto the spindle to make the bearing work properly. Likewise the end play tolerance must be watched more closely. The end play must be very tight (.001), the reason is that the rollers must make the maximum 'footprint' or the area of contact with the bearing race to have the longest life and carry the load.

The use of a grease fitting installed in the spindle support has been touted by many. The truth is that filling up the cavity with grease **does not** guarantee that the bearings have grease in them. What will happen is that which ever seal is the weakest will allow the grease to pop out first leaving the other bearing with a lessor amount of grease at the seal. Even having the grease come out of the seal **does not** guarantee that the bearing has enough. **Plus--where has the old grease gone??** The answer is NOWHERE--it is still in the cavity and now you are leaking grease onto your brakes.

Like most everything we purchase, it is only as good as the materials inside. In this case the bearings and races are the parts in question. There are many brands and qualities of bearings. I believe that a better quality bearing is made in the USA, not in countries like India. I am not being prejudicial here, I just think we have better techniques and materials at our disposal. The same goes for the grease. The old stringy grease that we associated as 'wheel bearing grease' is no longer the lubricant of choice. That old grease has a drop point of 200 degrees and water resistance is poor. The new black moly grease has a drop point of 450 degrees and excellent water resistance.

The above is from a hand-out I provided during a tech session at the ULTRA-VAN rally.
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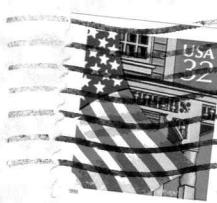
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FALL GREETINGS TO EVERYONE

Well, our fall aspen tour went very well, followed by dinner at the BELVEDERE in Canon City. We even found a rampside for sale to stop and look at. **Due to a conflict with the club house, this also doubled as our meeting for October.**

The November meeting has also been rescheduled for NOVEMBER 9th, which will be at our second Sunday Brunch at the Officers Club on the AFA. Please contact Ben Benzel to let him know if you are coming so he can make reservations.

Our Christmas party/meeting will be held at the COUNTY LINE Restaurant on December 17. We will have a country style meal (all you can eat) with BBQ Brisket, beef ribs, sausage and chicken. The cost of this is \$15.95 each and includes potato salad, cole slaw, beans, bread, non-alcoholic beverage, taxes and tips. Please send your check made out to PPCC for \$15.95 X the number of persons attending to Larry Neal, 671 Bridger Drive, C Springs, Co. 80909 by December 12 to confirm your reservations.

There will also be the normal gift exchange, \$5.00 limit. Bring 1 gift for each of you attending.

This is also the meeting we hold our elections, so if you want to run for an office, President, V President or Secretary this is the time to do it. This would also be a great time to put forth any ideas or concerns for or about the club.

See you at the Brunch!!
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MEETING MINUTES

The September meeting of PPCC was held on 9/24. The meeting was called to order by President Larry Neal at 7:30pm. There were only 10 members present, the meeting was informal. OLD BUSINESS: the aspen tour and dinner at the BELVEDERE was discussed. About 25 members have indicated they were going. Meeting time was 10:00am at I-25 and Bijou. Larry offered to call all members about the aspen tour and Steve offered to call those in Denver. RMC sent thank you note for PPCC's effort in hosting the Brunch last month.

NEW BUSINESS: Due to scheduling conflicts in October it was decided the October meeting would be in conjunction with the aspen tour. ALSO due to Thanksgiving it was decided to have the NOVEMBER meeting during the second Sunday brunch at the O club on November 9. It was also decided to do one DRIPLINE for the two months. The upcoming Christmas party and dinner was discussed also. Larry has found the County Line restaurant on I-25 and Filmore. Lastly a discussion was held about new sites for the TRI-STATE. Among those were Park City, Utah, Glenwood Springs and Manitou Springs.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm for door prizes and dessert. (Thank you Ruth for the dessert, ed)

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Goodman, Secretary

ASPEN TOUR TO BELVEDERE

Fifteen PPCC members and two RMC members met on Sunday 5th for a drive into the mountains for aspen viewing and lunch at the BELVEDERE in Canon City.

The participants included Don Smith and family, Garrie Fox, Laura Wilshire and Dale and Joan Wilshire, Jim and Linda Richards, John and Phyllis Neal, Larry Neal and Steve and Ruth Goodman. Guests from RMC were Ernie and Barbara Pyle, they live in Fairplay and had been in Denver for a Saturday car show and used our aspen tour as an excuse to drive a bit out of their way on Sunday.

Thanks to all that participated and to Larry Neal for doing the route and arrangements.

CORVAIR SHOW AT BURT CHEVROLET

RMC (Denver) hosted a car show at BURT CHEVROLET on Saturday Oct. 4. RMC uses the meeting room at BURT and this is the way to 'pay back' for that privilege. Several members of RMC that showed their cars are also members of PPCC. They included Laura Wilshire (64 spyder convert), Dale Wilshire (61 Lakewood), Joan Wilshire (68 monza cpe), Jim Richards (66 custom turbo cpe), Linda Richards (65 turbo convert), Don Smith (64 monza convert) and Steve Goodman (62 spyder cpe). Laura received the most votes for PEOPLES CHOICE with her red spyder. Congratulations.

Then all the above mentioned members drove to Canon City on Sunday, most in the same cars.

TECH SESSION AND OPEN HOUSE

REAR ENGINE SPECIALISTS in Denver will host a tech session week end and open house on NOVEMBER 22-23. Times will be from 10:00am to 2:00pm each day. This is an opportunity to show off the new shop and at the same time allow CORVAIR owners the chance to see the insides of some of the parts in their cars.

On display will be differential, 4-speed trans, steering box, turbo, Rochester and Carter carbs and rear wheel bearings. These will be disassembled and laid out so each of you can see what makes our favorite car tick.

There will be coffee and donuts. Members of both PPCC and RMC are invited to attend each day or both days if you like the coffee. More info call Steve @ (303) 278-4889 days or 934-5027 evenings. If there is a part that you would like to see, call and suggest it.

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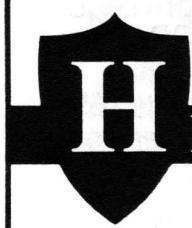
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GETTING READY FOR WINTER

Is your CORVAIR ready for the weather changes that are upon us now? For those of us who drive CORVAIRS the year round there are a number of items to be checked. Believe me, it is better to check your car now than have it sitting along side the road later. Worse than that is you sitting in that dead car and having everyone who passes by pointing at the CORVAIR.

WINDSHIELD WIPERS are critical in winter weather. Check to see if yours are streaking or hard from the summer sun. The artic blades are nice, they resist the ice buildup but are more expensive and don't really last any longer.

WINDSHIELD WASHERS should be checked for squirting and aim. Also top off the bottle and fill your reserve bottle if you have one. *If you attend the club meetings you can sometimes get washer solvent for FREE, it is often used for door prizes.*

HEATER SYSTEM: Check heater hoses, thermostats, blower motor and defroster output. Also look at the seal around the bottom shrouds and the exhaust manifolds. If that seal is bad moisture can enter and steam the inside of the car everytime you run through a puddle. High output blower motors should be on everyones car by now. It really makes a difference on the amount of hot air pushed into the cabin of the car.

LIGHTING SYSTEM: Check headlites, tail lights and turnsignals. Replace your headlights with HALOGEN sealed beams and see twice as far when the roads are black ice or blowing snow. Check your interior light too and maybe throw a flashlight or one of the lights that plug into your cigaret lighter into the glove box.

TIRES AND SUSPENSION: Examine your tire tread, if worn replace now and not after you have slid into a ditch or some lawyers Mercedes Benz. The most common tires now are all season tread. On a CORVAIR there is little need for chains or even snow tires. If the snow is that deep the car will high center anyway. Feel your steering and brakes too. If your steering is loose, adjust the box or check for worn parts such as the pitman arm bushing. Brakes should be even with no pulling.

ENGINE TUNE AND BATTERY: Obviously your CORVAIR has to start on those cold days. If your battery is 3 years old or more you are flirting with a dead car on a cold morning. If you have a late model the OPTIMA sealed battery is worth the money for starting power and longevity. Your engine needs to be in tune especially plugs, wires and distributor. Also the starter must be in good condition. Don't forget to change the oil to a lighter weight, 10/30 or so is good if the car is outside overnight. I have even used 5W-30 when the temps are below zero day after day.

A FEW HINTS THAT WORK FOR ME: I always turn off the blower motor before starting the engine and then inching up the switch through the lower speeds. This prevents the torquing action that eventually tears up the squirrel cage fan. I also depress the clutch pedal before starting in cold weather. This stops the gearbox from turning, the 90w grease gets pretty thick in cold weather. I also do not use the emergency brake but instead leave the car in gear. Obviously a powerglide owner cannot do that but I seen the e-brake cable freeze in place. I try to lube the front end at every chance during the winter, running through the puddles pushes the grease right out of the ball joints and tie rod ends. Likewise I try to wash the car with hand held wand to get under the wheel wells and around all the chrome trim.

I hope all of us continue to drive our CORVAIRS through the winter and enjoy the balance and traction of the rear engine/rear wheel drive.

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Remember if you'd like to join us for brunch at the Officers Club on the Air Force Academy on the second Sunday of the month at 10:00am be sure and call Ben Benzel so he can make reservations.

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Garrie is doing this in the name of PIKES PEAK CORVAIR CLUB but let's face it, he is doing the work. He has also invested some of his money in the venture. THIS IS NOT A MONEY MAKING PROPOSITION, Garrie is only trying to offer some help to those of us in the Springs area and expects only the money invested to be repaid. REAR ENGINE SPECIALISTS in Denver is going to provide some of the parts also so that Garrie does not have to keep his money tied up in this.

This should be pretty well finished (at least in the early stages) by the end of the year. If you need a part, call Garrie @ 596-5051 or Steve in Denver 278-4889 (w) or 934-5027 (h).

In a little while it may be published in CORSA that help is available in the area. We all know how frustrating it is to walk into a parts store and cannot find even the simplest of parts, now Garrie and PPCC can help.

START OUT 1998 IN YOUR CORVAIR-- DRIVE TO ESTES PARK ON NEW YEARS

RMC (Denver) has had a tradition of driving/dining on New Years Day since the club's beginnings in 1972. Normally it has been west into the foothills to Georgetown or Idaho Springs but this year the trip is planned to the STANLEY in Estes Park. Of course any PPCC member is welcome to attend and several have through the past years. If anyone would like to make the drive contact Steve (you know my numbers).

Needless to say the PPCC banner will be upheld because several PPCC members will be attending including Jim/Linda Richards, Ben/Vesta Fulcher, Laura/Dale/Joan Wilshire and Marsh/Carole Hesler (who live in Estes Park). More PPCC members are certainly welcome, just let me know.

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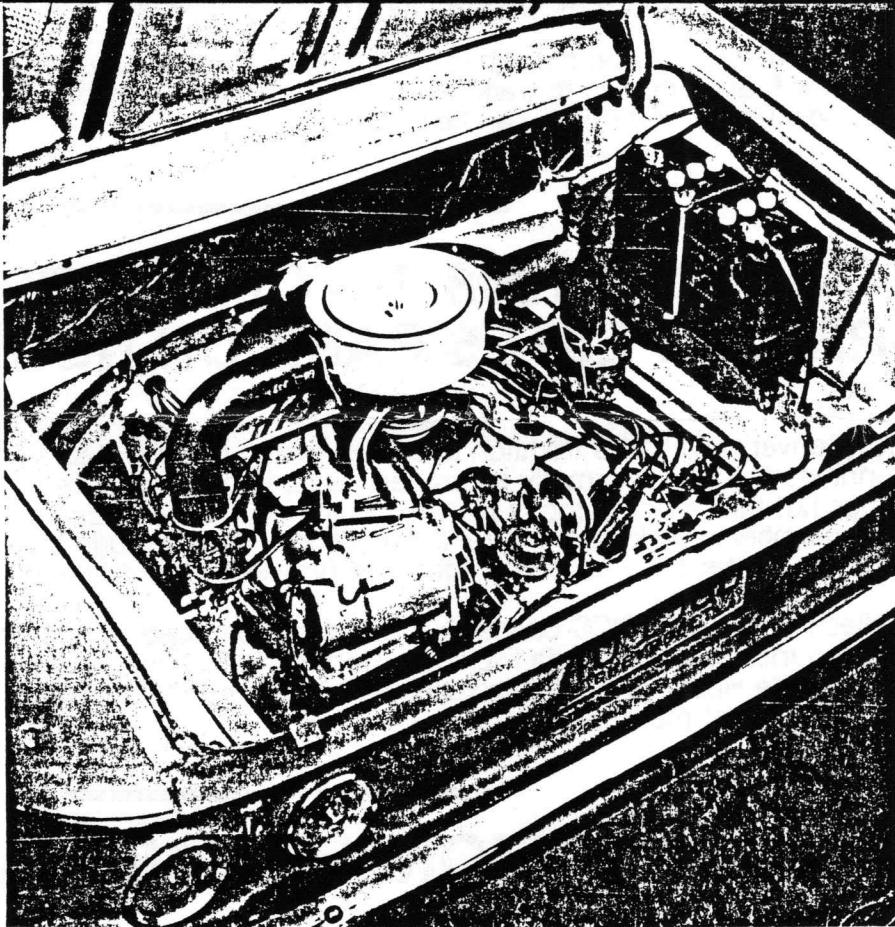
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I am fortunate to have a lot of the magazines dating from the very beginning to things printed this year about the CORVAIR. (NOTE: I didn't say I have them all, just a lot)

I spend some enjoyable time looking back through these issues, there are countless advertisements for anything from speed equipment to wheels to removable hardtops. Also I have road tests of most of the models and still compare them occasionally to new cars. PLUS it kinda saddens me to see our car relegated to a back seat when MUSTANG and CAMARO are still going strong. This is the very reason that we as a group must stay together and keep the memory of CORVAIR alive.

ATTEND EVERY EVENT THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO AND DRIVE YOUR CORVAIR

GREAT WESTERN FAN BELT TOSS/SWAP MEET

Members of PPCC as well as RMC (Denver) journey'd to Palm Springs in early November to attend the annual FAN BELT TOSS/SWAP MEET. Naturally the weather there was nearly perfect, the sun was shining, temps in the middle 80's and everything green (instead of brown or dead appearing like it is here). Your editor has been to a lot of the GWFBT&SM events through the years and I believe this at least among the largest I have seen. The car show was big enough that cars were in the isles, the swap vendors were many and the entire field was just filled up. There were a number of Ultras although I did not get a count. 275 folks attended the banquet Saturday night.

Our own member Laura Wilshire (although RMC claims her also, she is President of RMC) won first in her class showing her 64 Spyder Convert, she also won the long distance driving trophy and placed second with Ralph McDonald in the fan belt toss game.

CONGRATULATIONS LAURA!!

Laura and her mother Joan, along with Steve and Ruth represented PPCC. From RMC were Ralph/Shirley McDonald, Harlan Colburn and Loralee, Harlan/Terry Colburn, Jim Reich, Leon Brown, Jim/Janet Brossard and Christy Barden. Hopefully I haven't left anyone out.

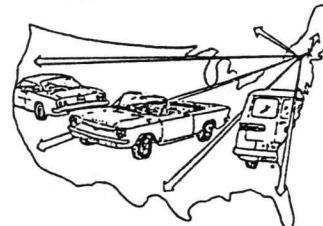
The trip both ways was good however as Wilshires and us came into C/Springs on Monday evening we found snow, rush hour and a lot of incompetent drivers on I-25 so we stopped and sampled the County Line Restaurant (site of our Christmas Party). *Food was good as well as the service, we should have a great time on December 17.*

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This is the last meeting of 1997 and will not only include the dinner but also election of officers and the yankee gift exchange.

The menu consists of (all you can eat) BBQ brisket, beef ribs, sausage and chicken. The trimmings are potato salad, cole slaw, beans, bread and non-alcoholic beverage. The price is \$15.95 per person and that includes tax and tip.

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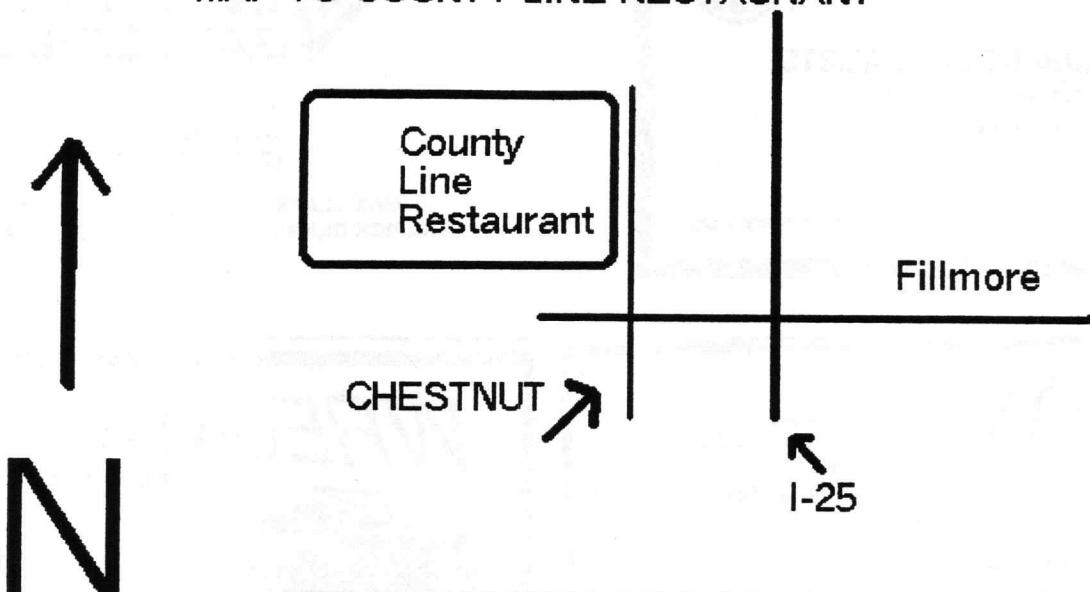
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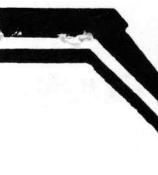
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