

# The Drip Line

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**The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held January 16, 2022 at 9:30. Please join us at Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Road, Colorado Springs.**



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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hello again everybody...

Interestingly I was hunting for an old president's notes and the last time I typed my first notes during my "reign" as PPCC president was December 20, 2019 so this is not quite two years later.



Back then I was trying to get over whacking my head during a fall on ice and nobody had really heard of COVID-19 or the variants. Now, I still have some brain issues that will likely persist but I'm able to do OK with occasional vertigo and memory issues. On the COVID-19 front, I've had my three vaccinations and I can put on a mask in record time. We made it through not seeing each other for a year and we figured out how to have ZOOM meetings. We've managed to have some monthly meetings in person; we've attended some car shows and other events, and some of us made it to the Tri-State that CNM did a great job of putting on.

Before I go too much further, I want to thank Mary Ellen for her excellent work as club secretary. I may have to work harder to be coherent because I won't have her help, although Kathy Green will still be there as newsletter editor. I also want to thank John Green for his efforts as president and then Jerry Peevyhouse for backing John up as president during a really unusual set of circumstances. I also want to welcome Chris Newnan as our new member at large. I want to thank all those responsible for the holiday meal. It was very enjoyable, and I got to see several folks I have not seen for a while.

As I type this, I promise to be a bit more organized and to get in front of issues and meetings. I'll probably still need to rely on folks more in touch with the Colorado Springs vicinity since I believe I'm still the "northernmost" PPCC president in recent history at least. The board needs to get together for a meeting to figure out our direction forward, but subject to the issues related to the COVID-19, Delta and Omicron variants, I foresee that we will still have hybrid meetings with the in-person part remaining at the Valley-Hi golf club. It is not the most convenient for me to get to but I think they have been welcoming and they have good, reasonably priced breakfast. The gap project on I-25 has made my trip much more pleasant and less thrilling now that they have most of the paving done. Hopefully you all will remain healthy and there won't be any more restrictions on gatherings in person.

I'm personally looking forward to a bit more free time, more time to work on my latest stalled car project and continued opportunities to get together and show our cars to the public.

Safe travels everybody and hopefully we'll see each other soon.

Mike



## VP VOLTAGE

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Happy Winter to all,

Yes, it's officially Winter, with the Winter Solstice having just happened on Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:59 a.m. our time. Now with that



said, it sure doesn't seem like winter out there (temperature and lack of snow) but it's nice to know that our shortest day of the year is over and each day is getting a bit longer. It's not something we really notice, but just knowing that we are on the uphill climb to longer days makes me happy as I'm one of those who hates it getting dark at around 4:30. Just not enough daylight to do things outside or go places. I've often told my wife I'm sort of an Equator person, you know, pretty much equal day and night all year. Who's with me to move to Ecuador, on the equator? I hear Quito, the capitol city, is nice. Oh well, maybe not. I guess it's good to have some variety to give us things to look forward to.

So, speaking of things to look forward to, once our "dormant" season for regular Corvair driving is over and we tune up the cars for next year's activities, there will be a full agenda planned by your

club's board. As we've mentioned before, get the 2022 Tri-State in late May in Glenwood Springs penciled into your calendar. It should be a great weekend, AND the day's will definitely be longer to enjoy the festivities being planned by the RMC club.

I also want to wish each of you a Merry Christmas (thanks Kathy for delivering on Christmas day) and wish for you a Happy New Year. We can only hope that next year will be a better year regarding Covid. As for my me and my wife, we're ready to do some international traveling next year and experience some more "firsts". I really do like those "first" things.

Hope to see you at the January meeting or somewhere on the road.

Enjoy your longer days ☺.  
Jerry



### UpcomingMeetings

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## MEETING MINUTES- DECEMBER 12, 2021

Biaggi's Restaurant, Colorado Springs

Submitted By  
Mary Ellen Feasel

Called to order at 2:20 pm at the Christmas Party at Biaggi's Italian Restaurant by Jerry Peevyhouse. Twenty members were present.

Last months meeting minutes were approved with a first motion and a growl for a second motion.

Treasurer's report - Total funds \$5930.77. General Fund \$2009.05, SeeMore fund \$3030.72. Some 2022 dues payments have been received.

Mail-Box has not been checked this month. (Note: was checked Monday 12/13, three dues payments were received.)

SeeMore has been winterized and moved to Duane's.

Board elections-Only voted on Member-at-Large position, as the other positions were unopposed.

Thanks given to Mary Ellen Feasel, as she is stepping down from the Secretary position and the club. Jerry and Chris Kimberly gave an overview of her activity in the club for the past nine years.

Mary Ellen Feasel was selected for the annual President's Award and was presented with a plaque. (Thank you to all, M.E.)

Results of the Member-at-Large board position voted on was announced. Chris Newnan was selected.

The other positions were unopposed or no nominations. Your new Board for 2022 is President-Mike Piper, Vice President-Jerry Peevyhouse, *Secretary-open*, Treasurer-Randy Karl, Past Vice President-John Green, Member-at Large-Chris Newnan

Adjourned at 2:45 pm. Went back to the party.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Club dues are due now! Annual dues are \$25. To help our Treasurer, Mr. Randy Karl, manage the books effectively, we would ask that everyone **please send their dues renewal check in no later than 15 January, 2022** to the following address: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer-2022 Dues, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. You can also pay your dues at our January meeting.

We don't take your membership in this Club for granted, and are deeply appreciative of the support every member provides in being able to keep the Corvair out in front of the public to enjoy. So, thank you all for all you do, and now go get that checkbook and renew today! Don't wait!

\* A reminder that while membership in CORSA is not a prerequisite for new membership, or renewal in the PPCC, we do strongly encourage support of the national organization, which works to supports our local efforts through an event liability insurance policy, and free hosting of our Chapter website.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

## Annual Dues



**TECH TIP: RANDOM WINTERTIME REMINDERS**Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

Corvair owners are divided about what to do with our Corvairs during cold temps. There are some who drive their cars when roads are dry and some who simply park their cars until spring/summer.

If you chose to hide your car(s) from Mother Nature start by washing the car and then 'driving it dry'. By that I mean drive it far enough that water trapped under the wheel wells or in openings in the chrome trim, etc., have been blown dry by the wind. Check tire air pressures and fill the gas tank on the way home. Vacuum the interior thoroughly to remove any crumbs from cookies or hamburger buns too. Then use something to discourage rodents from renting space under the fan shroud or inside the car. Disconnect the battery ground and either use a battery tender OR remove the battery and store in a warm place if the car will be outside. Cover with a breathable car cover, never a waterproof cover or tarp. Lastly please resist the thought of starting up the car in the garage or car port and letting it run for 10 minutes. This is the worst mistake possible because the engine never warms up which means moisture condenses inside the engine and contaminates the oil, and moisture is also trapped in the exhaust system and begins rusting the pipes and muffler plus the rest of the mechanical parts get no exercise at all. The transmission/differential and wheel bearings and brake system are important parts that need use to keep everything in working condition. Even the suspension parts can benefit from being bounced around on the roads and while turning corners, etc.



We have enough nice weather around here that temps can be mild and the streets are dry. There is very little sand, etc., scattered at intersections, so by giving some dis-



tance to the car in front that shouldn't be a problem. Drive the car for 20-30 miles and everything is warmed to operating temps and lubricants are circulated. Not only is the car happy, but the driver should have a big smile because driving your Corvair gave some enjoyment. There isn't a need to top off the tank every time; when approaching 1/2 full, then 'fill er up'.

Also using the car in wintertime means the heater motor gets some time running too. A caution I often add is turn the heater motor on in the same manner as shifting gears. Turn to slow position for a couple of minutes, then to medium speed for the same time and then to high speed. Also remember to turn heater motor off when engine is shut off OR before starting the engine. The torque from the motor easily twists the center hub on the fan cage which not only doesn't turn as fast, but also will emit a high pitched squeal when loose. ALSO, even though there are very few AC cars around

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Steve Goodman

here, turn the air conditioning on for a few minutes to make the compressor work and flow the refrigerant for a few minutes. Last is check air pressure in your tires. I see many Corvairs here with low pressures. It is common to lose a few psi when temps change to cold.

I hope most of us are in the 'drive it during the cold month' group. Having our cars being used and seen by others should give us much pleasure.

Last is HAPPY HOLIDAY WISHES from Rear Engine Specialists, Inc.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY RECAP**Submitted By  
John Green

Merry Christmas (or Happy New Year)!!

For those that missed the club party this year, we had a great time at Biaggi's. We had 21 attendees and 2 Corvairs. There were 16 members and 5 visitors. I say visitors, but they were all family, even though we were not at Olive Garden ☺. There was a lot of visiting with people, some of whom we had not seen in a while. Newer members at the party were Jeff Adams & Tanya Boudreau and Bruce & Becky Riehl. Members we hadn't seen for a while were Wayne & Bonni Russert and John Neal and his son Larry. We also enjoyed time with the Anderson Crew, Chris Kimberly, Mary Ellen Feasel, the Peevyhouse's, Mike Piper and the Green's.

We started with our traditional bacon wrapped dates along with a couple choices of bruschetta, which the club paid for. That was followed by a nice house salad. Then came our very tasty lasagna Bolognese. This time of the party became very quiet as everyone was eating.

After most were done eating, we had a short club meeting. After "housekeeping items" we move onto this year's President's Award. Everyone agreed that the choice of Mary Ellen Feasel was perfect!

Chris talked about how Mary Ellen has been such a great member of the club since she and Dave joined in 2014. She has been the club secretary for most of those years. Mary Ellen has been in many ways the "glue" that has held our club together, with her detailed minutes. In addition she has sent out many get well,



## RECAP, cont.

Submitted By  
John Green

congratulation and condolence cards. She also planned the last several years of Christmas parties, along with the clubs 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. During many club tech session she served as hostess to members that were working on cars at "Grumpy's Garage". Anyone who wanted to come in and warm up, have some food or just visit were welcome in their home. We've lost track of how many quilts Mary Ellen has made and donated to different Tri-State meets. She has made many friends and has been a great diplomat for the club.

Also during the meeting we voted for new board members. The only true vote that needed to be done was for member-at-large between Tony Lawler and Chris Newnan in which Chris was narrowly voted in. Your other new board members are Mike Piper taking his second shot as President, Jerry Peevyhouse continuing as VP, Randy continuing as Treasurer and myself as past President. The Secretary position is still open as no one has volunteered for it. So, if you can type and have zoom to attend meetings, you can always let the club know that you can help. Otherwise, you might not get any notes from minutes in the future...and wouldn't that be a shame?

After the meeting we were served cake that, yes, Mary Ellen ordered and picked up. It topped off the meal and lead us into our Yankee Gift Exchange.

There were lots of nice gift wrappings and bags to pick from. I don't remember any "white elephant" gifts, so everyone had a choice of something nice. There were a few "steals" going around, though not as cut throat as in years past. A cute Reindeer, some wheel chocks, lights and car cleaning supplies changed hands a few times. We gathered up Toys for Tots, and the donation box was full. Thanks again to Mary Ellen for taking those after the party.

In all, it was another nice gathering of the Pikes Peak Club.



Clockwise from bottom: Jerry, John, Larry, Debbie, The Anderson Children, Bonni, Wayne



Clockwise from bottom left: Tonya, Chris, Mary Ellen, Becky Bruce, Bonni



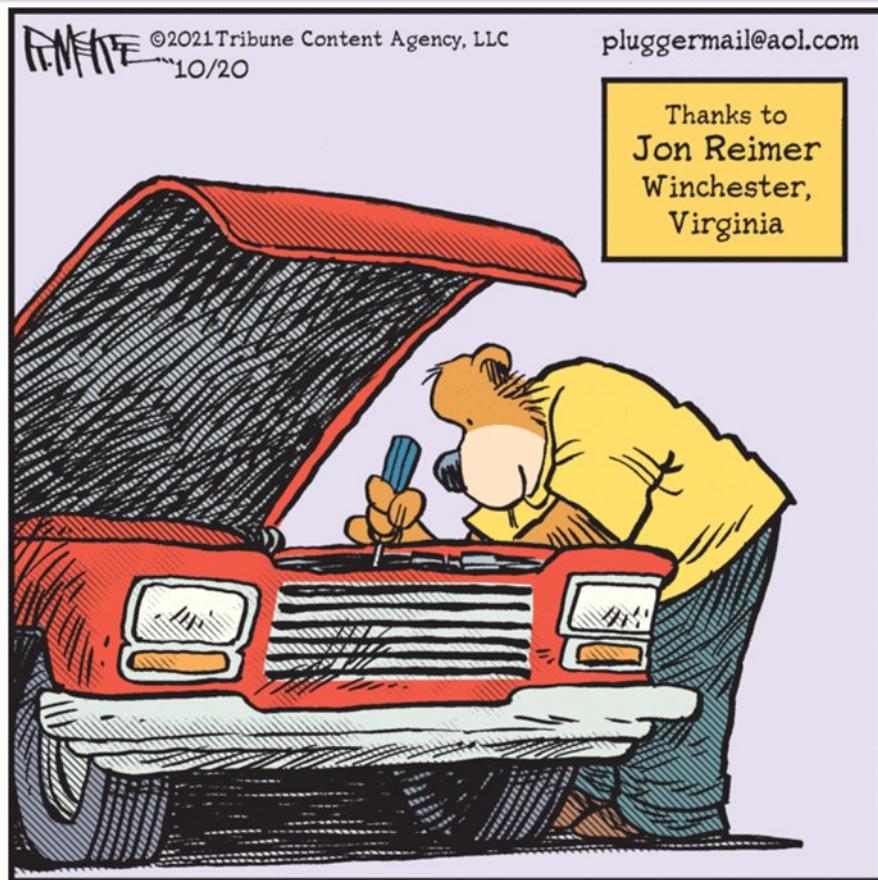
Clockwise from bottom left: Chris, Bruce, John, Mike, Keith Ann, Jerry, Larry, Wayne, Bonni

Happy New Year to all! Let's get ready for another fun filled year of Corvair events!

## DRIP QUIPS

As published in the Denver Post, Wednesday, October 20, 2021

## Pluggers



A plunger's hobby is probably  
a skill taught in a trade school.

If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

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- M Sunday, April 10 (April 17 is Easter), PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, May 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m.
-  **Friday—Sunday, May 20-22, Tri-State Meet:** Glenwood Springs—more to come!
-  **Sunday, June 5:** Concours d'Elegance—more information to come!
-  **Saturday, June 11, Castle Rock Cruise In:** 10:00—3:00—downtown Castle Rock. Information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, June 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A October, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.
- M Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

### *Recurring Local Events:*

**Second Saturdays of the Month, Year-Round, 12pm–3pm:** “Littleton Cruise”, 1500 W Littleton Blvd, Littleton, CO. Hot rods and muscle cars. Convertibles and hard tops. Oversized tires and custom-painted flames. Join us year round as we cruise Littleton Boulevard every second Saturday of the month at the Woodlawn Shopping Center located in the heart of Littleton, Colorado. For more info on the cruise, check out their website [here](#)

**Key:** **M—Meeting;**  **—Car Show;** **A—Activity**

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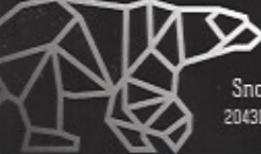
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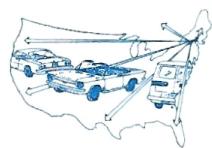
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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

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PPCC President

Hello again everybody, here we are zipping into February....

It originally seemed like we weren't really going to have winter this season but as we all know, just in time for the New Year's



Day drive to Estes Park it turned winter suddenly. We went to the holiday lights at the Botanic Gardens on New Year's Eve in a Mazda 9 which is a capable 4-wheel drive. The drive home convinced me not to try to get to Estes Park in the morning. Instead of driving to New Year's Eve dinner in Boulder we met our son at a local Pizza restaurant in Westminster on the way home. We may have been their last customers of 2021. Since then, we've had persistent cold weather, at least cold enough to convince me not to spend time on the cold garage floor working on my project car. It will still be there when I get around to it, right?

We've also had the surge in cases from the COVID-19 Omicron variant to consider. Several co-workers in our team at work have had breakthrough infections. Fortunately, they have stayed home with what sounds like about 3 days of flu symptoms. My grandson Dylan was sick, and the pediatrician was convinced it was COVID. His test was negative. I was not feeling well and had a test which was also negative. My opinion is that the COVID Omicron variant news seems uncertain enough to not risk meetings in person, at least temporarily. That was a consideration for having the January meeting virtually. We'll continue to hope and plan as if we can meet safely in person soon. Meanwhile, for the health of our cars they need to be driven periodically to keep the moving parts lubricated, rust out of the exhaust system, the fuel fresh and the tires round. Steve Goodman has written articles on this subject, so this is just a reminder. I drove my convertible on a cold day and boy the shocks were really stiff, or I have become soft.

One thing about the Boulder County fire. We were following the news. Fortunately, the wind died down

before the pre-evacuation orders got as far as our neighborhood. We did some evacuation planning and some prepacking but with 5 cars here at the house we would have been faced with trying to figure out which cars to take first. The red car would have been a third trip, and the blue car was going to be abandoned. Fortunately, that never came to pass but I'll offer that it is an interesting thought exercise to sort out what you take and what you leave in such a situation. Let's hope none of us ever have to make those kinds of choices. We also need to downsize...

Christine has been our activities resource and she does a great job. She has agreed to continue in this role, but she could use our help. There is the start of a list of activities for the coming season and we will fill in more information as we collect it. One of the first events is the E-days car show at the School of Mines. The weather is often cold and sometimes snowy, so we'll hope for a warmer outing this time.

To continue on with club business, Mary Ellen Feasel has turned over her club secretarial reins. This is a reminder that we would be happy to have someone to assume the secretarial duties. I've been taking meeting notes and it turns out I'm not particularly good at it. There are other secretarial duties that it would be handy to have someone take care of.

I'll also throw in here that we are in the dues renewal season. Please remember to send in your dues and if you have anybody you can recruit to join the club new members will be welcome. It is the members and the dues that make the club strong and interesting.

I think I should stop now before this becomes even more random. Let's look forward to meeting in person again and having enough moisture for our yards and for the farmers while we have enough nice weather to get our cars out and have some fun.

Mike

## VP VOLTAGE—SILLY TRADITION

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Well, get ready for it, it's coming but don't be afraid of it. Get outside on Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> and get ready to either retreat back into your den (house) or get ready for spring coming early. Yes, I'm talking about Groundhog Day, made famous by the movie of the same name (how clever). Now before you book your tickets to Punxsutawney, PA to get a glimpse of Punxsutawney Phil climbing out of his burrow, I think it's worthwhile to know that we can do the same weather prognostication here in the comfort of our own home. Why's that you say? Well, simple answer, it's just a folk lore of the Pennsylvania Dutch immigrants from Germanic-speaking areas of Europe. The Germans had a tradition of marking Candlemas (February 2) as "Badger Day" (Dachstag), where if a badger emerging from his burrow found it to be a sunny day (casted a shadow) it foreboded the prolonging of winter by six more weeks. Conversely, if Phil (now a groundhog) didn't see his shadow, spring was a comin'. So, step outside on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and be your own weather forecaster (hint,



you'll more than likely need a heavy coat and hood to protect you from the snow) ☺.

There are many other such traditions in life that are interesting to learn about their origins. Many times, we just observe traditions like eating a certain foods (like black eyed peas on January 1<sup>st</sup>) or reading the Christmas story on Christmas eve, or, you fill in your own family traditions. Just a hint, brushing your teeth in the morning is not a tradition, even though it is a good habit ☺.

We as a club are planning a full agenda of events this year, some of which we sorta have as our own "traditions" or regular events but if you have any suggestions of anything new, that would be great. As I've said before, I'm up for "firsts".

So, while we're almost guaranteed of no early spring, we can still be planning on those days to get the Corvair's out and about once the ice thaws. Hope to see you at our club meetings or events and hear one of your family traditions.

Happy driving,

Jerry



### Upcoming Meetings

**Sunday, February 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Location TBD.

**Sunday, March 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd, Colorado Springs, and via Zoom.

**Sunday, April 24, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd, Colorado Springs, and via Zoom.

**MEETING MINUTES- JANUARY 16, 2022****Meeting held via Zoom**Submitted By  
Mike Piper**PPCC January meeting (Virtual)**

Meeting started at 09:30 via Zoom. Mike had to reboot his computer to get Zoom working properly. In the future a recording of the meeting will be made so we can go back and look.

Jerry Peevyhouse assisted with the agenda

Members present on zoom

Mike Piper

John Green

Jerry Peevyhouse

Dusty Dodge

Garrie Fox

Rick Beets

Chris Kimberly

Chris Newnan (Via phone)

**M****E****E****T****I****N****G**

The minutes from the last PPCC meeting were approved.

The treasurer's report was given to the board at the last board meeting and was briefly reviewed here.

Finances of General Fund \$2378.55, See More Fund \$3030.72, Total \$5409.27

The PO box fee raised to \$156 per year

Randy paid dues of \$226 to the Colorado Collector Car Council. This is based on \$2 per Colorado resident plus \$50.

So far, 14 members have renewed their membership which is about 25% of the current membership. One member has declined to renew. Based on prior years, we may not see a majority of renewals until early to mid-February.

Randy was unable to attend.

**M****I****N****U****T****E****S**

A driver/haul vehicle for SeeMore was discussed. At Present Tony and his truck are available sometimes. Tony has two cars to get to shows, so if his truck is used, we need drivers for his cars or for the truck. Mike has a 2003 Expedition which has the tow capacity but it is old and does not presently have an electric brake controller.

Chris Newnan has the equivalent to a ½ ton truck (as is the Expedition) with a controller that isn't installed. His work schedule calls for him to be out of town often, but may be able to assist. More to follow.

There was a general review of events coming up. Chris is willing to continue as our

## MEETING MINUTES- JANUARY 16, 2022

Meeting held via Zoom

Submitted By  
Mike Piper

Activity Chair/coordinator but she needs some help. The list we discussed is incomplete but what we have now is listed elsewhere in the Dripline and will be updated as we go along.

There was discussion of the 2023 Tri-State, to be hosted by PPCC. Jerry is going to do some checking on towns and venues. The towns that were mentioned as possible locations were Durango, Salida, and Pagosa Springs. We need to have a location selected and locked in by May to announce it at the 2022 Tri-State in Glenwood Springs. There was discussion of gift baskets as raffle items. Idea put forth is to create a list of baskets and draw names for people willing to put them together. Items can be donated or the club will make funds available.

We discussed the April PPCC meeting. As scheduled, it falls on Easter. We have decided to move the date to April 24 to avoid Palm Sunday and Easter.

We still need to elect an official secretary to do more than minutes. This is a priority for the club, probably close to a plea.

The other positions such as membership (Tony) will remain as they have been unless someone wants to turn over the tools of the office to someone else.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Club dues are due now! Annual dues are \$25. To help our Treasurer, Mr. Randy Karl, manage the books effectively, we would ask that everyone **please send their dues renewal check ASAP** to the following address: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer-2022 Dues, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. You can also pay your dues at any meeting or event.

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

*Annual Dues*

We don't take your membership in this Club for granted, and are deeply appreciative of the support every member provides in being able to keep the Corvair out in front of the public to enjoy. So, thank you all for all you do, and now go get that checkbook and renew today! Don't wait!

\* A reminder that while membership in CORSA is not a prerequisite for new membership, or renewal in the PPCC, we do strongly encourage support of the national organization, which works to supports our local efforts through an event liability insurance policy, and free hosting of our Chapter website.



**TECH TIP: RANDOM CHECKS OF OUR VEHICLES**Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

I have noticed in the past several years an increasing number of cars on the road with a tail light or brake light/turn signal light or headlight not working. Of course most of the cars are far newer than our Corvairs but it makes little difference as to age/make/etc.

For many years in Colorado there was a mechanical inspection due once a year for every car being driven on the street. It was commonly referred to as 'brake and light sticker'. Only licensed shops and mechanics in the shop were able to do the inspection and sign off that the car had been looked over.

Inspection consisted of checking every light operation including headlight aim, pulling a brake drum to check and measure brake lining thickness, checking master cylinder level, measuring ball joint side play, checking steering play, noting tire tread depth, checking wiper operation and blades, windshield inspected for cracks, and exhaust system for leaks/rust.



All measurements were noted on a receipt kept by the shop and a sticker announcing 'ok' was glued to lower left hand corner of the windshield. A different color and number gave the police a heads up if sticker was current and a ticket was issued if the sticker was past due. There were very few cars back then seen on the street with bulbs burned out or squeaky brakes or bald tires. The program disappeared in the 70s or early 80s as I recall.

So then it was up to the shops to voluntarily check customer cars, or customers requested a check over. But there is another way; each of us many times has the opportunity to check our own car lighting system. Before opening the garage door try headlights/step on the brakes and use turn signals and simply watch for the reflections. In a parking lot often you can see the front or rear of your car in a store window so try that end of the car quickly.

Obviously brakes give some warning by making noises whether our old drum brakes or new car disc brake systems. Only trouble with our old cars is that when there is scraping/grinding noise, it is too late for easy repair because lining has completely worn away.

Looking at tire tread is easy when checking tire pressures, either yourself or at request when in the shop. Keeping track of wiper blade condition is easy around here because we tend to use wipers/washers constantly (don't forget washer fluid bottle check).

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PPCC members are used to me mentioning tire pressures. Our independent suspension/rear engined cars have characteristics that will reflect on improper (low) air pressure on either end of the car. To ensure proper steering as well as braking and cornering our tire pressures need to be watched closely.

Happy (and safe) Corvairing

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**Submitted By  
John Green

PPCC is looking for a volunteer to fill the secretary position for the club. The primary duty of this role is taking notes at meetings. It may also include purchasing and sending cards for special occasions. Please contact any Board member to help with this.



We are still looking for a backup driver for SeeMore. Tony has done this in the past, but he would also like to bring his Corvairs to shows. There are several ways interested individuals can help. A driver would need to have a truck that can pull the trailer with SeeMore in it, (probably only around 5500 pounds with wiring for electric brakes). Another option is to drive Tony's truck with the trailer. OR, In the past volunteers have driven one of Tony's Corvairs, so he can drive his truck and the SeeMore trailer.

Chris Kimberly has already lined up some fun activities for 2022 that are on our calendar. If you have any ideas of new places we can visit or drive to, please contact Chris. Activities can be 'formal' such as a visit to a museum or exhibit, or just a nice drive together for a meal or snack (ice cream is always popular!).

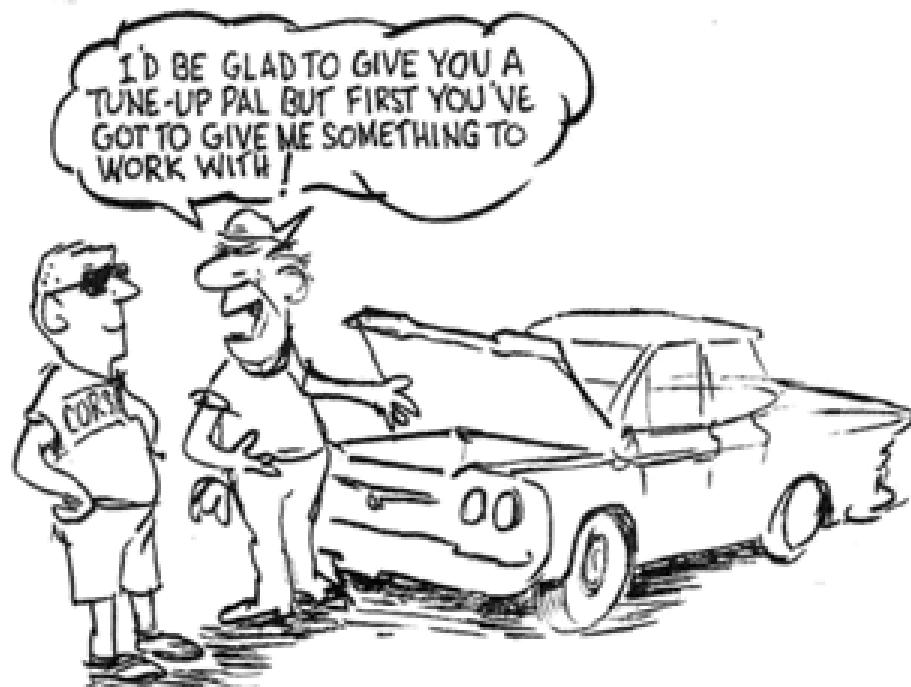
We are also soliciting ideas for a different location(s) for club meetings. It can be a different club, restaurant or park. We don't necessarily have to have food. We can bring snacks or just have a meeting. You can even suggest a different day or time. We are actively seeking ways for more members to have the chance to attend meetings and contribute to club conversations. Please contact any board member with ideas.

Lastly, if you would like to suggest a place for our annual Christmas party, feel free to let a board member know or bring it up at the next club meeting. Biaggi's has been great, but some have noted they might like a new location.

Our club is special because of our members—please consider how you can help!

## DRIP QUIPS

Published in the November 2021 edition of The Four Wheel Independent, the monthly newsletter of the Central Pennsylvania Corvair Club:



*If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.*

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

- M Sunday, February 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Saturday, March 12, 38th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade:** Details to follow—PPCC registered for this parade in 2019 then it was canceled. We are verifying that parade organizers are still interested in PPCC participation this year. Current event information is available [here](#).
- M Sunday, March 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.
-  **Saturday, April 23, E-Days at Colorado School of Mines:** Details are currently in the works. More information to come.
- M Sunday, April 24 (April 17 is Easter), PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A April (date TBA), Palmer Lake Ice Cream & Cars:** Rock House Ice Cream & More, 24 Highway 105, Palmer Lake, CO. Date and time information coming soon!
- A May 7 or May 8, PPCC Bug Out:** This is an annual event designed to let club members gather and tune up their Corvairs in preparation for the Tri-State meeting. Time and location TBA.
-  **Sunday, May 15, Florence Merchant's Car Show:** More information to come. Registration opens April 1, 2022. Current event information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, May 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m.
-  **Friday—Sunday, May 20-22, Tri-State Meet:** Glenwood Springs—more to come!
-  **Sunday, June 5:** Concours d'Elegance—more information to come!
-  **Saturday, June 18, Castle Rock Cruise In:** 10:00—3:00—downtown Castle Rock. Information available [here](#).
- A Sunday, June 19, Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream / PPCC Club Meeting:** Monthly club meeting, followed by Pie & Ice Cream as part of Palmer Lake's annual celebration. Details coming soon!
- M Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Saturday, July 23, Cripple Creek All Corvair Show:** In conjunction with Cripple Creek's annual Heritage celebration, the Heritage Museum has invited all Corvair's to beautiful Cripple Creek for a show featuring only Corvair powered vehicles. Details to follow.
-  **Rocky Mountain Air & Ground Festival, Saturday, August 6:** Details to follow soon.
- M Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **August ?, Centennial Airport Show:** PPCC is currently seeking information as to whether this event will become an annual activity.

**Key:** **M**—Meeting;  —Car Show; **A**—Activity

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**August ?, Old Colorado City Car Show:** Date and time are currently unavailable, but we are anticipating this annual event will be held again in August.



**Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** PPCC will provide details. Current information available [here](#).

**M**

**Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

**A**

**September 24 or 25 OR October 1 or 2, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.

**M**

**Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

**M**

**Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

**M**

**December 11 or December 18, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

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## Cover Photo:

Corvair's (and a member's Non Corvair) on display at our February meeting at Valley Hi Golf Club.

**The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held March 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.**



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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

For those who did not see the email, we lost Doug Vinton in January. I will start off by noting we will all miss Doug. Our condolences go out to his family. I did not know Doug very well, but I do recall talking with him a couple of times at club activities. I understand that since he did not get his car sold before he passed, his wife is trying to sell his car and I'm sure she would appreciate any help we can offer. Sadly, people becoming ill and passing seems to go in spurts, and unfortunately the local Corvair world seems to be in the midst of such a spurt. Please all take care and stay healthy.



I'm not sure about the rest of you but I'm still semi-hunkered down a bit hoping for warmer weather. I've gotten to about ½ of my wish with slightly warmer days during the week and then snow/cold/wind on the weekends. I have managed to get a few hours out in the garage with the front door open so I can work on my project car, the blue Corsa Coupe.

I'm trying to remove everything from underneath the car so I can put it on a cart to send it to the body shop to do some under-body work on rust and minor collision damage. Once that is squared away, I'll bring it back home so I can commence painting the underside, the trunk, and hidden interior of the car. Once the underside is painted, I'll put the suspension back in so it can be rolled around. I did a similar process on the red car, but I had 2 ½ garage bays to work with, where I have one crowded bay now. I'm still looking for a house I can afford with a four-car garage that isn't too far out of town.

To continue being overly involved in my car project I've run up against some very long lead times for parts and some outright shortages. With the red car work which has been around 6 years ago, I could pretty much get away with ordering items I needed a week ahead of time. This go-round I've encountered sever-

al items I will eventually need that I won't see until July or later. I've also run into items that are just not available. So far there is nothing I can't eventually get or work around but I'm becoming a worse hoarder than in the past. I hope I'll be able to reduce my random parts collections into a completed car and then I'll have some room. Of course, ALL of this depends on warm weather, spare time and good health.

I've not been following the Covid 19 situation very well, but I have heard in the news that the state vaccination percentage is high, and hospitalizations have been dropping. That's good news but could change if another variant emerges. Aren't I the cheerful one? The rate of my grandson bringing new bugs home from daycare is not dropping though... My employer (in Jefferson County) is relaxing our mask and separation requirements in the office so that's welcome. Hopefully PPCC will be able to continue to meet together and have more events we can attend. The board is also considering having some meetings at other locations as we continue into spring and summer. Right now, I'm looking forward to attending the Tri-State which will get here before we know it. We do have several other events beforehand so we can get our cars out and get them warmed up and moving.

A couple of reminders: We would like to have a club secretary, so people don't have to keep an eye on me taking meeting minutes. Please don't be afraid to jump in and take this on. I may be confused but I don't think we're very demanding. The other thing I'm sure you've noticed is it's club dues season again. Please get your dues in soon so Randy Karl can get that effort wrapped up and so he can update the roster. New members are welcome any time.

Mike

## EDITOR'S EXHAUST

Submitted by  
Kathy Green

With Jerry and KeithAnn jet setting around the country (OK, they drove to California), we don't have a VP Voltage article this month. So, never wanting white space in the newsletter ☺, I thought I'd write up a little something.

Being part of PPCC is a privilege I don't take lightly. We have a great bunch of people who work hard to keep the club vibrant and vital, which has been a tall order these past few years. From holding Board positions, to submitting articles for The Drip Line, to planning activities, to attending events, these people make being part of the club enjoyable.

We have some needs, though. As Mike already noted, we are still in need of a Secretary. Mike has taken notes a couple of times, and Chris Kimberly stepped in this past meeting for minutes. This is an important position that can be handled on site at meetings, or easily accomplished remotely by joining our Zoom meetings. If you aren't available for every meeting, someone can fill in. If you can listen and write at the same time, you're qualified! Please consider stepping up.

Steve Goodman's article contains some ideas about how to spur interest in new members. I

think his ideas have great merit, but like many things will take someone to spearhead the effort.

I would like to propose an idea to help us feel more connected. Randy Karl does a great job keeping our roster updated. I don't know about you, but there are names on there I'm not sure I know. So...here's a thought: If each member would call the member on the roster listed after their name, we could stay better connected, and we might just 'meet' someone we didn't already know. I'm not suggesting a lengthy, tell me all about yourself call—just a quick "Hi, how are you, is there anything you'd like to share with the club?" We've unfortunately found out about some serious health issues experienced by members well after the incidents occurred. To be part of a community, we need to connect better—just a thought. And, we're always open to other thoughts about how we can stay together.

Spring is coming, it appears that Covid may be going. Let's all make an effort to reach out, connect, attend events, and work together to keep PPCC the sort of club that we can proudly say we are members of!

Kathy



### Upcoming Meetings

**Sunday, March 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd, Colorado Springs, and via Zoom.

**Sunday, April 24, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd, Colorado Springs, and via Zoom.

**Sunday, May 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** Time and location TBD—we may meet in Florence if there is enough interest in the show there.

## MEETING MINUTES- February 20, 2022

Valley Hi Golf Club and via Zoom (with some technical difficulties)

Submitted By  
Chris Kimberly

9:00- 9:30 – arrive at restaurant and order food

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9:42— Meeting called to order

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### CLUB REPORTS

- Reviewed Jan. minutes..... motion and voted...minutes approved
- Treasurer's report—Available to all members on request
- Membership Report—24 pd members and 18 still need to pay. No new members
- Collector Car Council of CO Report (CCCC) John Green- The Concourse D' Elegance is June 5 at Arapahoe Community College. Let John know if interested in entering your car. Registration cost is \$50. CCCC
- Airshow is Aug 6. They want to set up a special area for Corvairs at the show. Looking for volunteers as well.
- Club Mailbox—Randy Karl—Kiwanis of Pueblo is having a car show in Oct. Flyer will be in newsletter.

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### OLD BUSINESS

- March 12—St Patrick's Day Parade—contact John Green if interested in participating in the parade. A few spots remain.
- SeeMore—funds are stable. Trailer needs 2 new tires. Ken will pay trailer registration; Tony will be coordinating events for SeeMore but Tony will need help getting his cars to shows that SeeMore is taken to.
- Tri-State--Contact the Best Western in Glenwood Springs for reservations. Code for block room discount is CORSA. Single Queen is \$112; Double Queen/King is \$117, (not including tax and hotel fees). Can arrive on Thursday for the same discounted rate. Banquet cost is \$40 and is an Italian buffet at the Old Colorado Hotel. **Reserve hotel room by April 15 deadline.**
- Doug Vinton's Obituary was in the Sunday Feb 20 Denver newspaper. Club condolences to Layne and the Vinton Family. Flowers and a card were sent to Layne. A memorial service will be held this spring. Lube Lubert's brother, Bill, passed away. A card was sent to Lube. Our condolences to Lube.

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### NEW BUSINESS

- Bylaws should be reviewed by the Board. It hasn't been done since 2018. Mike will set something up.
- New PPCC patches are in.
- Upcoming Activities and Events:
  - \* March 12-St Patrick's Day Parade in Colorado Springs. Meet up at 10:30 to go to staging area together; parade begins at noon. Possibly go to lunch afterwards.
  - \* April – April 23 - E Days Car Show at the School of Mines.
  - \* April TBA -Palmer Lake Stone House Ice Cream Shop gathering for lunch and ice cream.
  - \* May 14- Guffy Car Show
  - \* May 15- Florence Merchants Car Show: registration is on line

**MEETING MINUTES- FEBRUARY 20, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club and via Zoom (with some technical difficulties)

Submitted By  
Chris Kimberly

- \* May 20-22- Tri-State Gathering
- Check the calendar of events in the newsletter to check on club activities and events.....
- Some members are wondering where the archived club pics and newsletters are stored.....will be checking into their location.

**OPEN FORUM**

- Tech topics
- Debbie Dinsdale is in Hospice care. Keep her and John in your prayers. PPCC sent a card of encouragement.
- Ray Schick is recovering from a stroke. Keep him in your prayers. PPCC will send a card of encouragement.

**50/50 Drawing**

- Total \$\$ = \$50. John Green won \$25 which he donated to PPCC general fund. The other \$25 was also applied to the PPCC general fund on consensus of membership. Congratulations John.

**Next month's meeting will be on March 20.****ADJOURN** at 10:45**DOUG VINTON OBITUARY**

**Douglas  
Vinton  
1956 - 2022**

**BORN**

1956

**DIED**

2022

**V**inton, Douglas  
Lee  
11/28/1956 - 01/29/2022

Gone too soon. Doug was diagnosed with Glioblastoma Multiforme (GBM; brain cancer) Sept. 4, 2020. He left us Jan. 29, 2022, 65 years old, at home in Larkspur CO. Survived by his wife of 44 years, Layne Melena Thomas Vinton, brothers James, Richard, Gregory and sister Susan Vinton Walker. (Belle and Callie too!) Memorial in early Spring 2022. Forever in our hearts.

**TECH TIP: NOT A TECH TIP THIS MONTH**Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

Instead of a tech tip this month I would like to suggest a way all of us can try to attract members to PPCC and maybe even have some fun doing it.

The very recent thread about the 60 (actually a 64) on craigslist and the subsequent question "who bought it?" is what prompts this topic.

I am always disappointed when someone calls me and says they sold their car and when I ask who the new owner might be they simply don't know. The memory of a name written hastily on a bill of sale is gone quickly and I understand that. So here is my idea or maybe just 'food for thought': If the local cars advertised on Craigslist or other marketing sources were pursued by club members who would make contact with the seller and when allowed to view the car, then not only is there an accurate description of the car available but the club member would have PPCC club info to hand to the seller with the simple request to pass it along to the new owner.

I have the small business cards done by both PPCC and RMC here at the shop to hand to new owners (or new to the area). I used to keep both club newsletters so I could hand out a couple of back issues and CORSA would furnish me with past printing of the COMMUNIQUE too. The folks could read about local club activities and see what the national club did for us.

Now I simply give website addresses, but I think something gets lost with no personal contact. If we had a handout paper with details of the local meeting date/time/location plus extolling the fun times we have with our Corvairs and Corvair friends and possibly a contact phone number if the new owner had questions; there might be the possibility of generating more interest in joining PPCC. If that handout paper was offered to the seller and asked to pass along to the new owner some interest from the new owner might be instilled.



Possibly the area could be divided by compass points (north/south/east and west) and a PPCC volunteer in the area near the seller could spend a few minutes visiting with the seller and viewing the car and asking for the above favor it would provide some interesting time for all. Heck one never knows but if the seller knew about the club and the activities they might even change their mind about selling the car.

FOOTNOTE: Please regard the above article as described above: "food for thought". Also I am not trying to add more workload to the membership chair, this would have to be volunteers offering to help.

## MEMBERSHIP

Submitted By  
Randy Karl

Club dues are due now! Annual dues are \$25. To help our Treasurer, Mr. Randy Karl, manage the books effectively, we would ask that everyone **please send their dues renewal check ASAP** to the following address: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer-2022 Dues, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. You can also pay your dues at any meeting or event.

We don't take your membership in this Club for granted, and are deeply appreciative of the support every member provides in being able to keep the Corvair out in front of the public to enjoy. So, thank you all for all you do, and now go get that check-book and renew today! Don't wait!

Thanks to those PPCC members who have paid their 2022 Dues and beyond. (If you believe you have paid and don't see your name on the list, please contact [Randy Karl](#).)

Last Name	First Name	Pd. Thru
ADDAMS	JEFF & TANYA BOUDREAU	2022
ANDERSON	JON & DEBBIE	2022
BEETS	RICK	2022
BEGGER	ROD	2022
DAWSON	JOHN & KAREN	2022
DEGROOT	PHILIP & MEAGAN	2022
FOX	GARRIE & PATRICIA	2022
GILBERT	BOB	2022
GLUSICK (LM)	JOHN & DEE	LIFE
GOODMAN (LM)	STEVE	LIFE
GREEN	JOHN & KATHY	2022
HESCO	JOHN & MARY-LYN	2022
KARL	RANDY & SARA	2022
CHRISTINE	KIMBERLY	2022
KING	MARK &	2023

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

## *Annual Dues*

Last Name	First Name	Pd. Thru
KOLL (LM)	JEANNIE	LIFE
LAWLER	TONY & DIANE	2022
LEVIN	KORY & GAIL	2022
MCKENNA (LM)	TERRY	LIFE
MOTZ	PAUL & MARI-	2022
NEAL	JOHN	2022
PEEVYHOUSE	JERRY &	2022
PIPER	MIKE & KAREN	2022
PITTMAN	JIM & HEULA	2022
RIEHL	BRUCE &	2022
RUSSERT	WAYNE &	2022
SCHICK	RAY	2023
SCHIFFTNER	KEN	2022
SHORTLE	TIM & LILIAN	2024
TIMMONS	MICHAEL & AMANDA LYNCH	2022

**CORVAIRS AT AUCTION**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

*I saw this article in the Group Corvair Comments February 2022 newsletter. I found the Hemmings article (link below) especially interesting.*

**Corvairs at Auction**

Ruben Ezekiel is a business owner in Miami, Florida who has a passion for Corvairs. According to an interview with him reported in GM Authority, he's collected over 100 in the past three years. As of the date of the article (January 8), he owned 68 including Yenko Stingers YS-37, 43, and 50. He states that, depending on their condition, he does what is needed to restore them.

Recently he put 28 of his Corvairs up for auction with Mecum Auctions for their Kissimmee 2022, Jan 6-16 auctions. As of February 4, 18 have been sold with the remainder listed as "The Bid Goes On". (You have to register with Mecum to get access to the actual results; I do not have an account with them.) But even without an account you can look over the cars – they even have short videos. I sampled a few and the cars all look good at least at first glance. What did amaze me was the apparent low mileage on several – less than 10,000 miles on a few. I say apparent; there's no indication if that was the mileage since new, restored, or??? And without a close-up inspection, particularly of the underside, it is hard to judge their actual condition. That said, there seemed to be some nice cars on the auction block.

I've provided three links below. The first is GM Authority and their interview with Mr. Ezekiel. The next is to the Mecum Auction site; that should give you pictures of the cars in the "LOTS" tab, but also take a look at the "VIDEOS" tab. Finally, there's a link to the Hemmings Motor News website with their commentary.

<https://gmauthority.com/blog/2022/01/an-interview-with-the-chevy-corvair-miami-collection-owner/>

<https://www.mecum.com/auctions/kissimmee-2022/collections/miami-corvair-collection/>

<https://www.hemmings.com/stories/2022/01/25/chevrolet-corvair-prices-mecum-kissimmee-2022>



## AIR COOLED VS. WATER COOLED

Submitted By  
Ken Schiffner

First, let's get something straight. All current automobile engines are air cooled. Some are *directly* air cooled, such as the Corvair engine, and others are *indirectly* air cooled. The "indirect" ones use a radiator, water (usually with antifreeze and corrosion inhibitors), a water pump, water pump drive belt, hoses, clamps, thermostat, engine block fittings, to move the excess engine heat to the surrounding air.

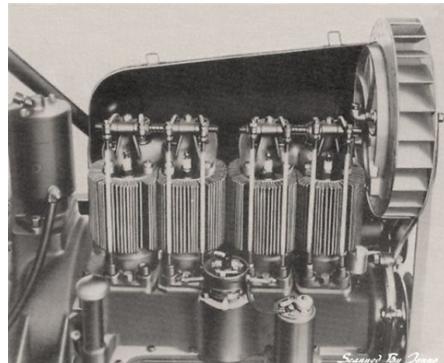
My first exposure to an air cooled engine was mowing lawns. Those old Briggs and Stratton (and other) engines dumped their waste heat to the atmosphere using air. When our family lawnmower was behaving badly, I remember taking it apart and noticing the cylinder cooling fins and the vanes on the blower/flywheel. When I put it back together (only a few extra parts were left), it actually ran. It made hot air (and noise).



Briggs and Stratton Lawnmower Engine

The next exposure came from the old Volkswagen ads. Pushing 'economy', the VW ads highlighted the simplicity and reliability of direct air cooling. A friend had a Bug and by riding in it, the advantages (and disadvantages) of direct air cooling could quite literally be felt. The noise level from the engine was louder. There were no water jackets around the engine to dampen noise. With the heater, though heat was supplied quickly after a cold start, the heat amount varied with the engine speed. No chance of boil over though. No antifreeze. No block heaters in the winter. Etc. Etc.

Given an interest in old cars, the books in the library showed that early automobiles were, if they had internal combustion engines, were air cooled. Even the electric cars had batteries located so that heat could be dumped to atmosphere (still do). Most of these old vehicles were no more than powered buggies requiring very low horsepower (about as much horsepower as my lawnmower engine). The challenge was to apply air cooling to larger vehicles that could carry more people. The ill-fated "Copper Cooled" Chevrolet engine that Kettering suggested for the early 1920's and the successful Franklin air cooled engines showed the ups and downs of air cooling.



1923 Copper "Cooled" Chevrolet Engine

## AIR COOLED VS. WATER COOLED

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What was revealed however was that air cooling did indeed work for passenger vehicles. For aircraft of the era, most were directly air cooled either by rotating the whole engine (with propeller attached to the crankcase), the forward motion of the airplane, or by using some of the air moved by the propeller (or a combination thereof).

A most interesting application was air cooled tank engines. Think about it. If the engine were air cooled, the need for all of the indirect heat exchange equipment could be avoided. Ambient conditions would have less effect. Freezing and other related issues could be reduced if not eliminated. Spare parts could be reduced. I happened upon the following photo of reportedly an air cooled tank engine. Ed Cole of Corvair fame was once involved with the design and application of air cooling for tanks.



Air Cooled Tank Engine

Then there was the Corvair unveiling in 1960. A local dealership advertised the “New Corvair” and had an open house...balloons, search lights, and everything.....to show the one sedan they had. They had free hotdogs so my Dad and I went. A few days earlier, we had drained and flushed the radiator in our old 1953 BelAir sedan. The thought was still on our minds (and some of the antifreeze was probably still on our hands). We were impressed, but the wallet wasn’t and it took until 1966 before we could buy a (used) Corvair (a 1961 coupe).

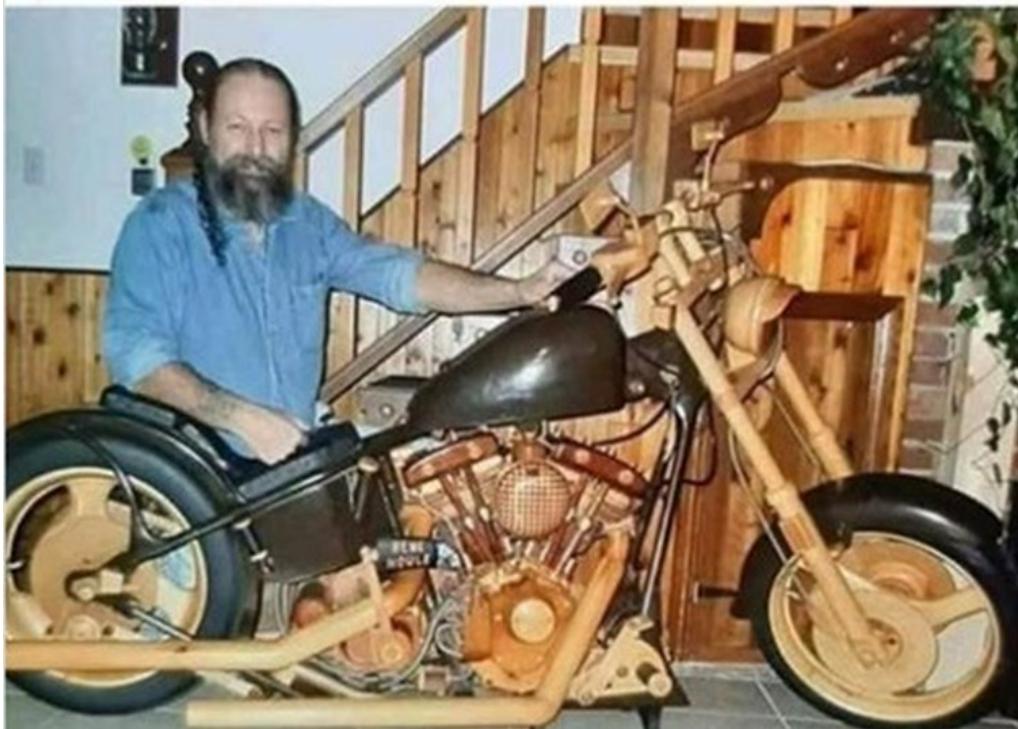
So, when you see a “water pumper” owner, compliment them on their air cooled engine.



## DRIP QUIPS

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**It's got a wooden frame, wooden engine, wooden wheels, and a wooden gas tank. Did he ride it? No, wooden start...**



*If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.*

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

-  **Saturday, March 12, 38th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade:** 12:00 Noon in Downtown Colorado Springs. The Parade Route starts at Tejon & St. Vrain Streets, marching south on Tejon Street to Vermijo Street where we will disband. Immediately before the parade, the "5K on St. Patrick's Day" Race will be held at 10:00 a.m., followed by a Wee Leprechaun Fun Run at 11:00 a.m. Event information is available [here](#).
- A Thursday, March 17, Annual Corsa Meeting:** 7:00 p.m., get together with other Corsa members via Zoom. Guest presenters from Mecum auctions. Details and information will be sent to Corsa members.
- M Sunday, March 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.
-  **Saturday, April 23, E-Days at Colorado School of Mines:** Details are currently in the works. More information to come.
- M Sunday, April 24 (April 17 is Easter), PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A Saturday—Sunday, April 23-24, RMVR Driver's School:** Pike's Peak International Speedway. Information available [here](#).
- A April (date TBA), Palmer Lake Ice Cream & Cars:** Rock House Ice Cream & More, 24 Highway 105, Palmer Lake, CO. Date and time information coming soon!
-  **Saturday, May 14, Guffey Car Show:** More information to come.
-  **Sunday, May 15, Florence Merchant's Car Show:** More information to come. Registration opens April 1, 2022. Current event information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, May 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m
-  **Friday—Sunday, May 20-22, Tri-State Meet:** This year's Tri-State is being held in beautiful Glenwood Springs, Colorado. The host hotel is the Best Western Antlers, 171 W. 6th Street, Glenwood Springs, CO. Room rate is single Queen \$112 + taxes and fees, Double Queen \$117 + taxes and fees. Hotel number is 970-945-8535 —mention 'Corsa' to receive this special rate. More information available [here](#).
- A Saturday—Sunday, June 4-5, Big Bore Thunder:** Pueblo Motorsports Park. Information available [here](#).
-  **Sunday, June 5:** Concours d'Elegance benefitting Colorado Ability Connection. The Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show is large-scale, highly-visible and well attended. Local and regional car clubs showcase 300+ rare cars from early collectibles to the latest exotics. Many venture out once a year, for this show only, to help kids. These prestigious beauties are treasures that few people ever get to experience. ***We have a limited number of spaces, so please contact [John Green](#) if interested in showing your car at this wonderful annual event.*** Details and registration information available [here](#).



**Key: M—**



**Meeting; —Car Show; A—Activity**

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR



**Saturday, June 18, Castle Rock Cruise In:** 10:00—3:00—downtown Castle Rock. Information available [here](#). Registration opens April 1, 2022.



**Sunday, June 19, Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream Car Show / PPCC Club Meeting:** Monthly club meeting at noon, followed by Pie & Ice Cream as part of Palmer Lake's annual celebration. Car Show runs from 2-4. We should have the cars in place by 1:30 for those who don't attend the meeting. The newly renovated Town Hall and Museum will be open, live music, and of course the free pie and ice cream.



**M Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.



**Saturday, July 23, Cripple Creek All Corvair Show:** In conjunction with Cripple Creek's annual Pioneer Days celebration, the Heritage Museum has invited all Corvair's to beautiful Cripple Creek for a show featuring only Corvair powered vehicles. Information on special Hotel rates coming soon. See more details [here](#).

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**Saturday—Sunday, July 30-31, Race Against Kids Cancer:** High Plains Raceway, Deertrail, CO. Information available [here](#).



**Rocky Mountain Car Show & Swap Meet, Saturday, August 6:** PPCC and RMC attend this annual event. We will be showing SeeMore and a section of the show will be set aside just for our Corvair's. We would like to see 30 Corvairs or more at this event. Detailed information including registration forms is available [here](#) and in the flier later in The Drip Line.



**M Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.



**August ?, Centennial Airport Show:** PPCC is currently seeking information as to whether this event will become an annual activity.



**August ?, Old Colorado City Car Show:** Date and time are currently unavailable, but we are anticipating this annual event will be held again in August.



**Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** PPCC will provide details. Current information available [here](#).

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**Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

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**September 24 or 25 OR October 1 or 2, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.

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**October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. 130 Mile Trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.

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**Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

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**Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

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**December 11 or December 18, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.



**Recurring Local Events: Second Saturdays of the Month April—September, 2022, Stockers Car Show:** 10:30—1:00, on the corner of Maizeland and Academy.

**Key: M—Meeting; —Car Show; A—Activity**

## CORVAIR PARTNERS & LOCAL BUSINESSES WHICH PPCC MEMBERS HAVE FREQUENTED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS

With so many new members joining the Club, we felt it might be a good time to (re)educate folks on where they can obtain reliable parts and service for their Corvairs, both near and far.

Here are just a few of the companies our members have had good luck with in the past.

*NOTE: These are only recommendations only, as we do not solicit sponsors for the Club, or the newsletter. So, do your own research as well.*




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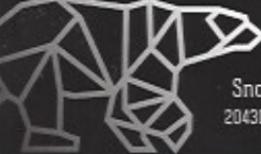
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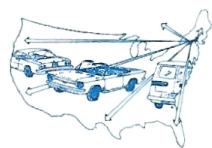
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**PPCC  
Admin**

**Monthly Meetings:** The PPCC meets at 9:30am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at various locations within the Colorado Springs area. Check the Club's website for the most current meet-up info.

**Membership & Dues:** PPCC dues are \$25 per year, payable each January for the coming year. Membership in CORSA is encouraged, but is not a prerequisite for membership in the PPCC. Please refer to the Club's website below to obtain a copy of the current membership application and guidance for submission. Checks for dues should be made payable to "PPCC" and mailed to: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/chapter809>

**Editorial Contributions:** Please send your stories, suggestions, recipes, jokes, and/or photos directly to karmknecht@msn.com, or mail them to PPCC, ATTN: Newsletter Editor, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. Preferred format for electronic submission of documents is MS Word, and format for pictures should be JPEG. Deadline for submitting information to The Drip Line is the 23rd of the month for the next month's publication.

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**Top:** "Dressing" cars for the St. Patrick's Day Parade; **Bottom:** Karen Piper, Chris Kimberly, Randy Karl, Mike Piper, Charlie Beets, John Green (with Coda), Jerry & KeithAnn Peevyhouse, Diane Tweedy Lawler & Tony Lawler, Kathy Green



## Upcoming Meetings

**Sunday, April 24, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd, Colorado Springs, and via Zoom.

**Sunday, May 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** Time and location TBD—we may meet in Florence if there is enough interest in the show there.

**Sunday, June 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** Meeting will be held in conjunction with the Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream in Palmer Lake.

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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Another month has again made its way past my mental tracking capability. We've had a few opportunities to get our cars out between what feels like weekly snowstorms. I've also been trying to work on my project car when it's warm enough to feel my hands when holding tools and lay on the garage floor for extended periods. I even managed to paint a couple of items and have the paint dry.

As usual my memory is a bit hit or miss, but we hit a bit of a sweet spot with the Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Colorado Springs. We actually signed up for this two years ago but COVID kept us away. This year we had a respectable Corvair and Corvair people turnout. The weather was warm enough to lower convertible tops even. One of my high points was when a young girl came over and asked me for a high five. Lots of kind words from the public too. We had lunch afterward and despite some starting problems we got everybody home. My windshield washer pump quit which turns out to be amazingly annoying but did not stop Karen and I.

Elsewhere in the Dripline is a list of upcoming events. The two that come immediately to mind are the Tri-State Tune-Up hosted by Eric Schakel at his place on Mother's Day, and then the Tri-State itself May 20-22. The Tune-Up is not intended to be an event to actually



work on the cars but instead an opportunity prior to making our way to Glenwood Springs to exercise and test the cars on a short road trip. Please let us know if you might attend. Steve Goodman is providing the hamburgers and such and Dale Nielsen is cooking so it would be helpful to get a fairly good count. There is a flyer in your email and later in The Drip Line that gives other details. Please let me know if you plan to attend, and I'll pass it on.

In general, I hope you all are getting opportunities to get your cars out and drive them. As Steve has said, running the cars and getting them up to operating temperature for a period of time will help keep the lubrication working and chase old fuel out of the fuel system. I recall my auto shop teacher in high school who knew nothing about Corvairs (in my considered opinion) harping on getting the oil up to operating temperature to keep moisture and combustion byproducts out of the oil, neither of which are good for the engine. It is also a good idea to check your tire inflation and make sure the brakes are working right. Steve has covered these things in better detail, so this is just a reminder.

I've managed to bore several of you about my plan and progress on my project car, so I'll spare you all that here. I am making slow progress, and my optimism improves slightly when it's above 45 degrees outside for several hours at a time during the day. Long lead times for some items remains a problem but nothing is holding me up yet.

Don't forget we'd be pleased to have a permanent club secretary. We have two volunteers to alternate taking monthly meeting minutes and I try to take notes if the board has a meeting. This is a "highly paid, volunteer position" after all.

Final last thing (I mean it), I'm sure you've noticed it's club dues season again. Please get your dues in soon so Randy Karl can get that effort wrapped up and so he can update the roster. Eventually we will adjust the roster for folks who haven't paid. If you intend to drop your membership, please let us know why. New members are welcome any time.

I managed to slip this in between Teams meetings so I'll quit for now by hoping you all good health and happy driving in non-snowy weather.

Mike



## VP VOLTAGE—WHAT TIME IS IT?

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Well, I hope by now everyone has adjusted to the recent “lose an hour” time change to daylight saving time. I know it’s been close to two weeks now since the change, but, for me, it’s taken a while to make the adjustment. Wasn’t that way in the past, I don’t recall, but I guess my getting older might have something to do with that. Maybe next year we may not have to go through time changes if the Congress passes the Sunshine Protection Act recently passed unanimously by the Senate that would make daylight saving time permanent across the United States next year. Not so sure our sunshine needs that kind of protection ☺, but I kinda like the idea of not doing the time change thing twice a year. Now I know if you talk to 10 people on their thoughts, you’ll get 11 different answers, but for me, I like having more daylight at the end of the day, so the change to no change would be good for me. It’s interesting that our state legislators are running their own bills up the flagpole that could keep Colorado on standard time year-round or maybe keep it on daylight saving time year-round if the ballot initiative passes, or who knows what. Stay tuned, “For the



times they are a-changin” as Bob Dylan sang, or maybe not.



As I’ve noted in previous articles regarding “firsts” in my life, another first for me recently - my first St. Patrick’s Day parade. I know you’ll “read all about it” later in the DripLine, but a couple of observations about our club and how glad I’m a part of it. My wife and I really enjoyed driving our “new” red 65 convertible in the parade, but the part I appreciated most that day was the help our club members gave me in getting my engine to idle properly. It was idling way to fast, and I couldn’t figure out why (didn’t do it all the time), but after talking with Charlie Beets the day before the parade, he said “the gang” would look at it before the parade and get it fixed. So, after arriving at the pre-

staging area the day of the parade, “the gang” descended on the car and began to see what was wrong. Sure enough, eagle-eyed Tony saw the problem (passenger side carburetor throttle lever interference with the air conditioner compressor mounting bracket) and after some adjustments to the mounting bracket and some adjustments to the carburetors it was running great again. My stress level that was higher than a kite settled down and allowed me to enjoy the parade. Just saying, we have the best members for helping others.

As far as the initial question of “what time is it?”, it’s time to renew your membership if you haven’t done so. For me, the help I receive from the club makes it a no-brainer for me. Thanks to those who have renewed, and looking forward to a great year of events and fellowship no matter what time we meet. Let me know your thoughts on time changes or no time changes.



Happy driving,  
Jerry

**MEETING MINUTES- MARCH 20, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club and via Zoom

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

Meeting called to order at 9:38 – 14 members and one visitor on site, Diane Tweedy-Lawler joined via Zoom.

**M****Visitors**

Mary Ellen Feasel was a welcomed visitor at the meeting today.

**E****Minutes**

February meeting minutes were discussed, approved and seconded. Motion to approve by Randy Karl, second by John Green and several others.

**E****Treasurers Report**

Available to members on request. Distributed to PPCC email list.

**T**

Randy looked into PayPal. Rick shared that there is a \$1.36 fee for \$25.00 payment. RMC takes dues using cash or check, and dues are \$25 using those payment methods. RMC PayPal dues are \$26.00 to cover the PayPal fee (club ‘eats’ .40 when dues are paid via PayPal). PPCC would like to get PayPal setup. Randy will work through the setup and get it attached to the PPCC web site. Once set up we’ll share the information with the club.

**I****Mail**

Membership renewal from Lube Lubert.

**N****Membership**

Hoeschen’s have asked to be removed from the roster. Calls will go out to those on the roster who have not yet renewed.

**G****SeeMore**

Randy will transport SeeMore to Tri-State. PPCC is looking into tires for the SeeMore trailer. More information will be shared when something is done.

**M****Old Business**

No old business

**I****New Business/events**

We distributed the activities calendar from The Drip Line. Chris shared some details on the Pueblo show on July 16. Chris will provide registration forms when she receives them.

**N**

Debbie Dinsdale’s memorial will be held March 23 – Viewing at 9:00; Memorial service at 10:00; Reception at 11:00. The memorial is at the LDS Church, 959 Laredo Street, Aurora, CO. Several members indicated they are planning to attend.

**U**

Doug Vinton’s memorial is Saturday, April 9 at Perry Park Country Club from 1-4pm. Individuals planning to attend are asked to contact Layne Vinton so that she has enough sweet treats for everyone. A follow-up event for Doug will also be on April 9 at The Holiday Inn Express in Castle Rock, 5:30pm-8:30pm, (610 Genoa Way, Castle Rock CO 80109, 303-688-0888). RSVP’s are not necessary for this event.

**T****E****S**

**MEETING MINUTES- MARCH 20, 2022****Valley Hi Golf Club and via Zoom**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

RMC has invited PPCC members to their annual Tri-State Tune Up on Sunday, May 8 at Eric and Linea Shackels home in Sedalia. This is not a repair session, but an opportunity to get out your car(s), shake out the cobwebs, and determine what may need to be addressed prior to Tri-State. Steve Goodman is providing burgers. Dessert / sides will be potluck. Bring your own beverages and chairs. Let Mike know if you're planning to attend to provide a head count for burgers. Note: This is Mother's Day but it's the only day Eric had available.

Randy researched domain names for PPCC. Go Daddy and Google are possible options. Rick can get us a discount on the domain name (~\$10 per month). Discussion followed regarding '.com' vs. '.org'. '.com's are generally a bit more expensive than '.org'. We would eventually then need / want to associate that domain name with our web site. To remain with wix we would have to go with premium option (which is currently free and would be ~\$29 per month). Suggestion was that we get the domain name.

Garrie asked why we no longer use Corsa hosting. Rick and Tony noted that the web design software is old and difficult to use. We are using the hosted list serve for email, which gets hacked on a regular basis, and this is difficult to use as well. Randy noted that Corsa has listed our wix web site on their site and Kathy noted that the forward from the Corsa site to wix is no longer working.

The E-Days car show will happen, but there is currently no information. Mike will try to get information sent out as soon as there is something available.

**Tri-State**

April 19 is deadline for hotel reservations at the discounted rate. April 30 is deadline for tee-shirt orders. May 15 is the deadline for banquet reservations. Tri-State registration is free, so those who wish to only attend Tri-State and don't sign up for a shirt or banquet will receive communication from RMC to assure they aren't interested in either the banquet or shirt. Tee shirts have a picture of Chris's convertible on them. The shirts are gray. There are options for short sleeve, long sleeve, pockets or no pockets.

Thursday night there will be a bag stuffing party followed by a gathering. Friday night there will be a cruise in and Corvair's are invited. Burgers at lunch on Saturday will be free for anyone who has a Corvair in the show. Saturday after the show there will be a Corvair cruise somewhere in the area before the banquet. The banquet is at Hotel Colorado (walking distance from the host hotel). The Hotel Colorado hot springs pool will be closed for repairs. There are other hot springs in town.

**Tech**

Jeff Addams is looking for a new or slightly used idler arm for a late model. Garrie indicated the club has a new one.

Mike noted he has been collecting parts for his '65 corsa. He is now trying to get everything together so he knows what he may still need. He is currently disassembling the car.

Dave Feasel has the engine together for his grandson's '65. They will be getting it painted soon. They will be driving it to Virginia for their grandson when it's ready. Randy suggested a spring drive to give them a chance to get it out before they head east.

**50/50**

50/50 was won by Garrie Fox.

Randy has some Clark's gift certificates which will be raffled after the SeeMore drawing for the next few months at club meetings. This month's certificate was won by Mike Piper.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:29**

## TECH TIP: GETTING READY FOR HIGHWAY DRIVING

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

Is your car ready for the Tri-State this spring? Hopefully a lot of Corvairs will be heading for Glenwood Springs in May. With some luck 2022 will be more 'normal' and other drives will be done this year too. A short checklist follows and some of these 'checks' depend upon how often your Corvair is in use (and has been over the period of 2019-2021).

The most obvious is fresh (or low milage) oil/filter and a check of your diff and trans levels. Along with this is grease to front suspension parts and checking your past records for wheel bearing service both front and rear. Also check tires including spare for proper air pressures as well as tread quality and bounce car on each corner as a shock absorber test.



Next is checking all of your lights to ensure all work in case driving times are extended into darkness as well as the safety of brake and turn signal lamps. Wiper blades as well as washers and fluid in bottle should be checked too. While your head is in the trunk check master cylinder fluid level. Hopefully each of us are aware of the quality of brake shoes and braking ability of their car.

Even though the Tri-State is in May we never know what Mother nature will throw at us for weather, so make sure heater motor/blower is working. Hopefully your engine is in good tune and both ignition and fuel systems are functioning as they should,

Does your Corvair **mark it's spot?** Of course it does because leaving a couple of spots the size of a dime while parked is normal. Now if you have a real puddle under the car it should be addressed. Running engine or gearbox (transaxle) low on lubricants makes for quick wear and more so at highway speeds.

Last just walk around your car and look at it from top to the ground. Is everything normal or is there an 'oh oh'? Also if you have not driven your car for a while then take a 10-15 mile drive out on the highway to remember how it felt at speed and also listen for noises or something that simply doesn't seem normal. *This is a good reason to attend the Tri-state Tune Up at Eric Shakels' home on May 8. It will give everyone in both clubs the chance for some highway miles plus lunch and looking at other Corvairs and visiting with everyone.*

How about a few parts and



tools? Of course an extra fan belt and tools to change it. A good jack and lug wrench plus a screwdriver to remove a wheel cover. Also a short 2x4

**TECH TIP: GETTING READY FOR HIGHWAY DRIVING**Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

to place under the jack in case the ground is soft. Luxury would include a 12V air compressor. A basic tool kit of end wrenches/screwdrivers/ pliers and socket sets can come in handy but it is hard to know when to quit adding tools.

Parts might include a roll of electrical tape and a bulb and fuse assortment. You can add short length of wire in, a couple of gauges and a couple of feet of rubber fuel line, and a couple of clamps too. If you have any of the electronic ig-

nition systems in your distributor, you should heed the manufacturers warning and carry along the old point plate and points/condenser/lead wire.

OR simply substitute your cell phone and AAA card and have more room in the front of the car.

Safe travels and hopefully everyone will have an uneventful drive to the Tri-state and back home.

**DEBBIE DINSDALE OBITUARY***Deborah Ann Dinsdale*

NOVEMBER 1, 1946 - MARCH 5, 2022



*Deborah Ann Dinsdale, age 75, of Aurora, Colorado passed away on Saturday, March 5, 2022. Deborah was born November 1, 1946.*

Deborah Ann Van Tomme was born 1 November 1946 in Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois to John "Jack" Joseph Van Tomme and Jacqueline "Jackie" Fae Johnson. She was baptized 5 February 1955. She was sealed to her parents 14 March 1955 in the Salt Lake Temple. She was preceded in death by her brother John Jeffery and survived by her brother John Joseph. She was endowed 12 June 1969 and sealed to her husband John Preston Dinsdale on 13 June 1969. She had two sons: Brian Jeffrey and Aaron John.

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Submitted By  
John Green

We finally had the chance to participate in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Colorado Springs, after registering for the event in 2020. We had a great time. There was sunshine, a huge crowd of people along the route, and over 100 entries. We were entry number 47 with our seven Corvairs.

Chris Kimberly and her sister Linda were in Chris's '64 baby blue convertible.



Charlie Beets was in Diane Tweedy Lawler's '63 Ramp-side.



We had our green '61 Lakewood, sporting the PPCC banner, and of course Coda to represent PPCC and watch the crowd go by.



Mike and Karen Piper had their '65 red convertible.



Jerry & KeithAnn Peevyhouse were in their newly purchased (from Feasels) '65 red convertible.



Tony and Diane Lawler were in their '66 cream colored convertible Corsa. Randy Karl was in his yellow '68 coupe.



All of the cars were decorated in green and gold St. Patrick's bling including stickers, streamers, beads, lights, hats and pots of gold.



Adornments weren't limited to the cars, as club members were 'decorated' in green attire, with various hats, tiaras, ties and beads. Even Coda was wearing a shamrock scarf and associated 'bling'.



The parade was very organized. We travelled along the route filled with spectators with no issues. After two years of cancellations, the crowd of spectators were smiling and as happy as we were that the parade was roll-

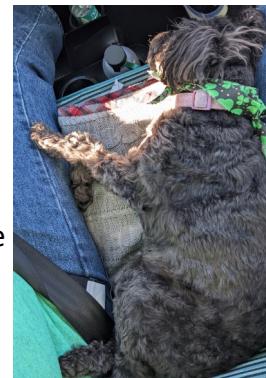
## ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Submitted By  
John Green

ing by. Many of them were dressed up, and everyone was smiling and waving at the cars. The kids wanted us to honk the horns, so everyone knew we were coming!

Coda kept a close eye on the dog rescue group that was in front of us. They had many different types of dogs. We kept getting slowed down by all the bystanders that wanted to see and pet the dogs. What a great reason to slow down and interact with the crowd!

After the parade, most of us went to Old Colorado City and had a nice meal at Thunder & Buttons. The only car issue we had was that Chris's car had to be jumped at the end of the parade when we had stopped to un-decorate, and again after lunch. We are all excited to do more parades after this experience, especially the St. Patrick's Day parade.



A very tired mascot napping on the way home.

## TRI-STATE TUNE-UP

In past years Eric Schakel and his wife Linae have had a pre-tri-state gathering known as the "Tri-State Tune-Up". The purpose of the "Tune-Up" is to get our cars out to shake out the cobwebs, run them and see if work needs to be done. You'll also get to hang out with other Corvair people and have some food. There may also be advice of various levels of usefulness as noted. ☺

This year since we haven't been able to secure a location for our annual "Bug-Out", RMC, Eric and Linae have generously invited PPCC members to attend the "Tune-Up". Please note that the only day Eric had open is Mother's day.

After a Covid-induced hiatus, we're pleased to invite you to yet another

## Tri-State Tune-up

On **Sunday, May 8, 2022** we invite you to drive or push your Corvair to Schakey Acres, a tad west of Sedalia, for an afternoon of chat, dinking with Corvair stuff, and avoiding household chores. And yes, it's Mother's Day; we'll have a burgers on the grill so Mom doesn't have to cook.

We open for Corvairs at noon, and you're welcome to hang until 4:00pm or thereabouts. Look for 7082 Piute Drive, Sedalia...

\* You might want to bring a folding chair or two, just to make sure you're not outstanding in our field!



### Special Features!

■ **Hamburger/Cheeseburgers While You Watch!** Rear Engine Specialists will provide ground beef, Dale Nielsen has signed on as grill man, and we'll have cheese slices, buns and condiments. We hope you'll bring appropriate 'cookout' side dishes, desserts, etc.

■ We'll have water and lemonade on hand, BYOB if you're so inclined. No charge, but there'll be a donation jar for RMC sitting out...

■ Free Corvair diagnosis, featuring pro, amateur, and foolish opinions. Heckling available upon request, or possibly without your request...

■ Parts consultation with various experts (and experts-in-training)

■ **New for 2022** See Schako Ringer #001, now under construction

■ If nothing else, it's a great opportunity to BS with fellow Corvair folk

As always, Think of this as Spring Cleaning for your Corvair...

## MEMBERSHIP

Submitted By  
Randy Karl

Club dues are due now! Annual dues are \$25. To help our Treasurer, Mr. Randy Karl, manage the books effectively, we would ask that everyone **please send their dues renewal check ASAP** to the following address: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer-2022 Dues, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. You can also pay your dues at any meeting or event. *Members who have not renewed by April 30 will be removed from the PPCC roster and will no longer receive communications from PPCC.* (If you believe you have paid and don't see your name on the list, please contact [Randy Karl](#).)

Last Name	First Name	Through
ADDAMS	JEFF & TANYA BOUDREAU	2022
ANDERSON	JON & DEBBIE	2022
BEETS	RICK	2022
BEGGER	ROD	2022
DAWSON	JOHN & KAREN	2022
DEGROOT	PHILIP & MEAGAN	2022
DINSDALE	JOHN	2022
FOX	GARRIE & PATRICIA	2022
GILBERT	BOB	2022
GLUSICK (LM)	JOHN & DEE	LIFE
GOODMAN (LM)	STEVE	LIFE
GREEN	JOHN & KATHY	2022
HAYES	DUANE	2022
HESCO	JOHN & MARILYN	2022
KARL	RANDY & SARA	2022
CHRISTINE	KIMBERLY	2022
KING	MARK & MARISSA	2023

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

## Annual Dues

Last Name	First Name	Through
KOLL (LM)	JEANNIE	LIFE
LAWLER	TONY & DIANE TWEEDY	2022
LEVIN	KORY & GAIL	2022
LUBERT	LUBE	2022
MCKENNA (LM)	TERRY	LIFE
MOTZ	PAUL & MARIANNE	2022
NEAL	JOHN	2022
NEWNAN	CHRISTOPHER & DENISE	2022
PEEVYHOUSE	JERRY & KEITHANN	2022
PIPER	MIKE & KAREN	2022
PITTMAN	JIM & HEULA	2022
RIEHL	BRUCE & BECKY	2022
RUSSSERT	WAYNE & BONNI	2022
SCHICK	RAY	2023
SCHIFFTNER	KEN	2022
SHORTLE	TIM & LILIAN	2024
TIMMONS	MICHAEL & AMANDA LYNCH	2022

## THE WONDERFUL ELECTRIC FORWARD CONTROL

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

*I found this article in the March, 2022 issue of "The Leaky Seal", the newsletter of the Minnesota Corvair Club. While the original article was written 30 years ago, the timing of its republication seems very relevant.*

### THE WONDERFUL ELECTRIC FORWARD CONTROL

An exercise in Perpetual Motion

It all began when Gene Brier was having trouble getting his 1964 8-door Rampside Deluxe started in the mornings. The thing just wouldn't "catch" with the first round of cranks, and from there on, it was downhill. He'd tried just about everything, for Pete's sake, and was rapidly running out of ideas and batteries.



Now you'd really have to know a thing or two about Gene Brier to appreciate

what eventually happened. First off, he's a really creative man. Also, he's one of those people whose brain seems to work an entirely different way than yours or mine; he just automatically cuts across all those lines that seem to hold the rest of us back. Not only that, he doesn't have a whole lot of money, and can't solve every problem simply by dumping it off, at some "specialist".

So, there he was with a truck that wouldn't start except when it felt like it, which wasn't very often. Well, Gene had been a "Ham" radio operator a lot of years back and had a real "feel" for electricity. Seems like he could just SEE what was happening inside a balky toaster or corroded flashlight! Which got him to thinking about the way starters and generators work in the first place. A couple things had bothered him for a long time. They were the fact that...A STARTER DRAWS LESS AND LESS CURRENT AS IT SPEEDS UP, and the way A GENERATOR'S OUTPUT GOES UP AS

THE FIELD EXCITATION IS INCREASED.

He figured if he could just get the cranking speed HIGH enough, maybe the starter wouldn't draw any current, AT ALL! Hey, it might even put a little back, if he REALLY got the thing winding up!

So that's what got the project off the ground. The way he did it was of course, to remove three of the spark-plugs, 'cause that always made the engine turn faster when he was making a compression check. Not only that, this particular Rampside usually ran on three cylinders even when he could get it started. So, with #2, #4, and #6 out of the picture, that little old 102 spun around like crazy! Try as he might though, he still couldn't get the starter to put electricity back into the battery, even at 700 RPM cranking speed.

Then he remembered that other thing: the mysterious generator. He tried bypassing the voltage-regulating coils in the hopes that full battery voltage at the "field" would give him a higher

**ELECTRIC FC, cont**Submitted By  
Kathy Green**IT'S A SMALL WORLD**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

output to help crank the starter. (After all the Generator doesn't know it's the starter that's turning it, so it just keeps putting out juice). Now, that worked a little, but still not enough to cure his problem.

What about the 6volt "hot shot" battery he had bought for his camping lantern? Well, that's what did it. He hooked that battery in **SERIES** with his 12volt Delco, wired the whole thing straight into the 'F terminal of the Generator, and MAN – did it ever take off!

With the starter working on only half the compression, and the generator producing somewhere around 35 volts, that thing cranked at 1200 to 1400RPM and he had plenty of electricity LEFT OVER!

That's when the real stroke of genius took over: why, those other three spark plugs were just holding the thing BACK! So, Gene took the other three ACs out, and let 'er rip!

I ran across Gene and his wonderful Electric Forward Control just the other day. There he was, tooling down University Avenue in high gear, doing close to 37 MPH, with the ignition key held to the "start" position. And all you could hear was the ffft-ffft-ffft of those six empty spark plug holes.

So, as Gene Brier says, Keep-On-CORVAIRing.

*This "story" was written by a San Diego member over 30 years ago and I (Fran) just now ran across it! His name was Larry Scrivener and I think I met him a couple times, 40-50 years ago. Fran*

I don't know about you, but I'm regularly surprised at how small this world can be. Case in point, recently John and I were watching a Food Network show called Diner's, Drive In's and Dives. The show follows the host around the country to visit off beat, quirky, and just downright tasty places to get a great meal.

We were watching Season 42, Episode 4 and one of the places they were visiting was Albuquerque, NM. Having been there recently for Tri-State, we were curious to see if they were going to any of the restaurants we had visited while there.

Well, in this episode they were checking out *Guava Tree Sabor Latino*. This was not somewhere we had gone, but thought it might be fun next time we visit.

As we watched them discuss the food with the chef and show us happy patrons enjoying their meals, I had John stop and back up the episode. Low and behold, there were Steve and Rita Gongora from Corvair's New Mexico!

The first time the camera panned past them was just a quick glimpse of them. Then they came back to them for a short interview.

Nothing earth shattering occurred, they told everyone how good the food was, and the host was off to the next locale. We, however, were reminded of how much our participation in PPCC has broadened our world. Right there on our own TV were two great people we have met as a result of club activities. It's a small, small world...(apologies for the song now stuck in your head!)



**TRI-STATE**

## **37th Annual Tri-State Glenwood Springs, CO**



### **May 20 - 22, 2022**

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**The host hotel is the Best Western Antlers of Glenwood Springs with a special rate for Corvair club members. Call 970 945-8535 for reservations.**

**Corvair car show Saturday morning. Banquet Saturday evening at the Hotel Colorado. Many Glenwood activities to fill the afternoon.**

**Details & Registration at**

<https://www.rockymountaincorsa.org/2022-tri-state>

## DRIP QUIPS

These have been posted in numerous newsletters over the years—it seemed like this might be a good time to share them again!



### "CORVAIR FUN FACTS"



- Motor Trend magazine named Chevy Corvair "Car of the Year" in 1960.
- The first Corvair concept vehicle debuted at the 1954 General Motors Autorama, six years prior to its official 1960 model year release.
- Corvair is the 1st and only mass-produced American vehicle offering an air-cooled rear engine design, unibody construction, factory turbo-charging, and 4-wheel independent suspension.
- The 1962 Corvair Spyder and Oldsmobile F-85 Jetfire were America's 1<sup>st</sup> vehicles offering factory turbo-charging.
- 1965 Car & Driver magazine called Corvair "...undoubtedly the sexiest-looking American car of the new crop and possibly one of the most handsome cars in the world."
- Almost 2 million Corvairs were made during their 1960-69 run, including 2- & 4-door models, convertibles, station wagons, pick-ups, service fleet vehicles, and panel/passenger vans.
- The 9-passenger Corvair Greenbrier van, produced from 1961 thru early 1965, is considered by many auto historians to be the forerunner of the modern minivan.
- The August, 2007 edition of Hemmings Classic Car Magazine called the Chevy Corvair "GM's Mechanical Marvel...Pure and simple, these are still great cars...And extremely advanced for their time."
- Milestone production dates in Corvair history include October 2, 1959 (Day One), and May 14, 1969 (Last Day).
- The Corvair's unique rear-engine configuration has served as a platform for a wide variety of concept and spinoff vehicles, including the Meyer's Manx dune buggy, Corvair Super Monza, Corvair SS, Corvair Roadster, Astro 1, the Fitch Sprint, and the Yenko Stinger.
- Corvair parts, supplies, vendors, and active social media forums are readily available throughout the USA.
- The Corvair Society of America (COSA) boasts a strong enthusiast following of over 4,000 active members and over 100 local COSA chapters across the U.S.A.
- The Corvair Preservation Foundation (CPF) is COSA's non-profit arm dedicated to Corvair history & preservation and management of the Corvair Museum in Decatur, IL. CPF donations are tax-deductable.
- Contrary to popular belief and the infamous stories involving Ralph Nader, the Corvair is the only vehicle ever certified "Safe" by the United States government, and helped pave the way for the development of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).
- The Corvair is steadily appreciating in value while remaining one of the world's least expensive collector cars.

If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

-  **Saturday, April 23, E-Days at Colorado School of Mines:** Details are currently in the works. Watch your email for more information.
- M Sunday, April 24 (April 17 is Easter), PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S Chelton Rd, Colorado Springs, and via Zoom..
- A Saturday—Sunday, April 23-24, RMVR Driver's School:** Pike's Peak International Speedway. Information available [here](#).
- A April (date TBA), Palmer Lake Ice Cream & Cars:** Rock House Ice Cream & More, 24 Highway 105, Palmer Lake, CO. Date and time information coming soon!
- A Sunday, May 8, Tri-State Tune Up:** 12:00—4:00, PPCC has been invited to join the Tri-State Tune up with RMC at Schakey Acres (Eric & Linae Schakel's home), 7082 Piute Drive, Sedalia, CO. Please RSVP to Mike Piper if you're planning to attend.
-  **Saturday, May 14, Guffey Car Show:** More information to come.
-  **Sunday, May 15, Florence Merchant's Car Show:** More information to come. Registration opens April 1, 2022. Current event information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, May 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m. Location TBA—if there is enough interest in the Florence show, we may hold our meeting at the show.
-  **Friday—Sunday, May 20-22, Tri-State Meet:** This year's Tri-State is being held in beautiful Glenwood Springs, Colorado. The host hotel is the Best Western Antlers, 171 W. 6th Street, Glenwood Springs, CO. Room rate is single Queen \$112 + taxes and fees, Double Queen \$117 + taxes and fees. Hotel number is 970-945-8535 —mention 'Corsa' to receive this special rate. More information available [here](#).
- A Saturday—Sunday, June 4-5, Big Bore Thunder:** Pueblo Motorsports Park. Information available [here](#).
-  **Sunday, June 5:** Concours d'Elegance benefitting Colorado Ability Connection. The Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show is large-scale, highly-visible and well attended. Local and regional car clubs showcase 300+ rare cars from early collectibles to the latest exotics. Many venture out once a year, for this show only, to help kids. These prestigious beauties are treasures that few people ever get to experience. ***We have filled our spaces for this wonderful event—thanks to all who have committed their cars!*** Details and registration information available [here](#).
-  **Saturday, June 18, Castle Rock Cruise In:** 10:00—3:00—downtown Castle Rock. Information available [here](#). Registration opens April 1, 2022.
-  **Sunday, June 19, Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream Car Show / PPCC Club Meeting:** Monthly club meeting at noon, followed by Pie & Ice Cream as part of Palmer Lake's annual celebration. Car Show runs from 2-4. We should have the cars in place by 1:30 for those who don't attend the

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meeting. The newly renovated Town Hall and Museum will be open, live music, and of course the free pie and ice cream.

-  **Saturday, July 16, Car Show in Pueblo that will feature SeeMore:** 9:00—2:00, The Rosemount Museum, 419 West 14th Street, Pueblo. Cars will park on the grass around the museum. Show is free, but cars must register. Chris will provide registration forms.
- M Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Saturday, July 23, Cripple Creek All Corvair Show:** In conjunction with Cripple Creek's annual Pioneer Days celebration, the Heritage Museum has invited all Corvair's to beautiful Cripple Creek for a show featuring only Corvair powered vehicles. Information on special Hotel rates coming soon. See more details [here](#).
- A Saturday—Sunday, July 30-31, Race Against Kids Cancer:** High Plains Raceway, Deertrail, CO. Information available [here](#).
-  **Rocky Mountain Car Show & Swap Meet, Saturday, August 6:** PPCC and RMC attend this annual event. We will be showing SeeMore and a section of the show will be set aside just for our Corvair's. We would like to see 30 Corvairs or more at this event. Detailed information including registration forms is available [here](#) and in the flier later in The Drip Line.
- M Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **August ?, Centennial Airport Show:** PPCC is currently seeking information as to whether this event will become an annual activity.
-  **August ?, Old Colorado City Car Show:** Date and time are currently unavailable, but we are anticipating this annual event will be held again in August.
-  **Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** PPCC will provide details. Current information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A September 24 or 25 OR October 1 or 2, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.
- A October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. 130 Mile Trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.
- M Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M December 11 or December 18, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

### Recurring Local Events:

**Second Saturdays of the Month April—September, 2022, Stockers Car Show:** 10:30—1:00, on the corner of Maizeland and Academy.

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## CORVAIR PARTNERS & LOCAL BUSINESSES WHICH PPCC MEMBERS HAVE FREQUENTED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS

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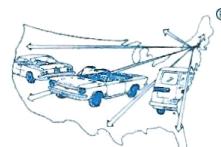
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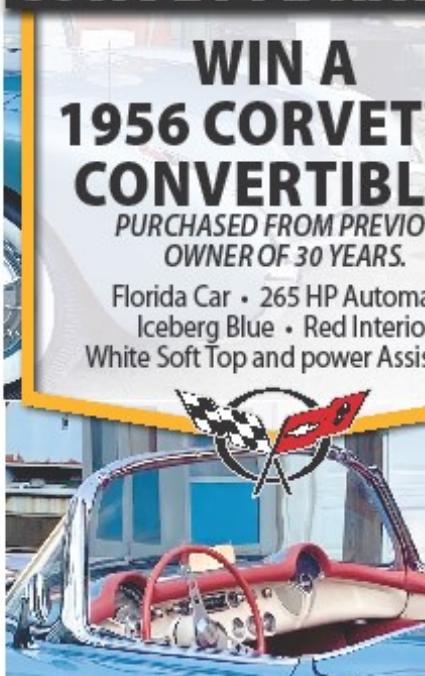
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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Last month I noted that another month made it past my mental tracking capability.

Well, it has happened again.

April is almost over and we're headed into May. We've seen few signs of April showers which used to happen when I was a kid... I did finally look up and I see the grass is turning green, the spring bulbs are either almost done or the next round of flowers are blooming now. There are more birds... Trees are obviously pollinating which I could do without. Not really looking forward to mowing the lawn but so it goes. I'll get off the weather theme here in a minute, but it has been hard to find good days to get the cars out, or to crawl under them in the garage without getting cold or windblown. Just when I thought I might get a solid chunk of weekend time on the project car it got really cold and windy and then I came down with the flu. I'm sure you all know this, but the flu is absolutely nothing to mess with. So far, I've



offended. There has been and will be considerable thought put into how to do this in as pleasant way as possible.

I've detected some grumbling here and there about the selection process of the site for the 2023 Tri-State and the postponement of the Ice Cream social in Palmer Lake last Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>. I don't know if the members are generally aware that the President is a non-voting member of the board unless there is a tie. I do participate and I will say that the board is very thoughtful and don't make recommendations/decisions without thinking and discussing things first.

With respect to the Tri-State, we felt we needed to look at some possible options and do preliminary investigation work in order to announce it at the 2022 Tri-State. Consideration was given to how easy it would be for say CNM folks to get there, what facilities are readily available, and so on. One consideration was to avoid, if possible, any major passes for CNM to climb (after

## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

Submitted by  
Mike Piper

Raton Pass anyway). Three venues are under consideration, each of which have hosted a prior Tri-State. Other considerations are whether there is adequate parking, is an area available for the Show & Shine, are there scenic drives from a couple of directions, or activities for participants nearby, etc. Perhaps we should have polled everybody first, but sometimes that doesn't happen depending on the club and people involved. Suggestions can be tracked until the next go-round.

With respect to the ice cream social, Christine should be thanked for her efforts, regardless. One concern here was that the owner of the ice cream shop needed to be given notice as far in advance of our postponement as possible to manage her food procurement. It would not have been fair to her to say a big group was coming and have folks not show up. At the time the decision was made the weather forecast was for inclement weather. I'm sure we'll find another day once the weather

is more predictable, as if it ever is along the front range. I try to keep this to one page and I'm failing miserably. A few quick things: Check the activities page. There is a lot going on so we hope some of you can make these events. Consider the Tri-State Tune up which is always fun. Please let Steve Goodman know if you are coming so he can help plan for the burgers and such. Then there is the Tri-State itself, and I'd better get busy getting my car ready and collecting the stuff I'm supposed to bring.

Please exercise your cars. Do some driving, maybe at highway speeds to be sure everything gets warmed up and lubricated and all is working well before you take off on a trip. Check your tires, get clean fuel in the car, and so on. See Steve's articles.

There hasn't been much progress on my project car. Still having trouble with a few supply chain issues and poor weather. I'm pretty persistent.

Don't forget we'd be pleased to have a permanent club secretary. We have two volunteers to alternate taking monthly meeting minutes, and I try to take notes if the board has a meeting. This is a "highly paid, volunteer position" after all.

Once again I managed to slip this in between Teams meetings (15 minutes to go) so I'll quit for now by wishing you all good health and happy driving in \*Warm\* weather.

Mike

## MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to all who have paid their 2022 dues! Members who have not paid for 2022 have been contacted via e-mail. If we don't hear from you, we will assume you choose not to renew your membership, and we will remove you.



## VP VOLTAGE—HEADLINES AND BILLBOARDS

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

I think we've all heard the headline story that "DOG BITES MAN" is not a story, but "MAN BITES DOG" grabs the reader. What is it about headlines that draw us into reading the story? Are they accurate? truthful? Or are they, as one man quoted, "Headlines, twice the size of the story." I wrote last month about the time-change legislation that the Colorado legislature was considering. So just a few days ago I start reading the headline to a story about that legislation. It read "Colorado legislature sends permanent daylight savings time bill to Gov. Jared Polis". Seems they approved the bill and, you assume, as soon as the governor signs it, voila, we'll be done with changing our clocks. Oh no, not that simple (headline misleading) because as I started to read the



story, it seems that it won't go into effect unless Federal law is changed to allow states to do so, and, if four other states in the Mountain Time Zone also make the switch. So, what seemed from the headline to be a done deal is far from it. Two take aways here, 1) don't always believe the headlines, and 2) don't expect to stop changing your clocks back and forth anytime soon. Enough said on this, I'll move on and will sleep well tonight knowing the government has it handled.

Recently I receive an email from my brother-in-law that included pictures of many

General Motors billboards that have been put up in Detroit. While not specifically Corvair billboards, I got a chuckle out of them so I thought I'd share some of my favorites here, as we all can relate to the cars in the billboards.

My personal favorite was the last one. If any of you have some favorite car billboards, send them into Kathy, I'm sure she would post them.

As we're getting our cars ready for this year's Tri-State in mid-May, let's hope for some great weather for the trip, and a great time getting together with those we haven't seen in a while. Don't forget that the Hot Springs Pool is open and ready to rejuvenate your body and spirit.

Happy driving,  
Jerry



**MEETING MINUTES- APRIL 24, 2022****Valley Hi Golf Club**Submitted By  
KeithAnn Peevyhouse

Meeting called to order at 9:45, 12 members on site, 1 member by Zoom.

**M**

March 2022 meeting minutes were discussed, approved and seconded. Motion to approve by Garrie Fox , second by John Green.

**E****Treasury Report**

Available to members via email.

**E****Mail**

Randy Karl checked the box and reported no new mail

**E****Membership**

The Club has collected 2022 dues total of \$750.00. Randy Karl e-mailed 9 members who have not paid dues regarding their intention to renew membership, and they were told if they do not respond by the end of April, their names will be removed from membership list on May 1st. 2 so far have responded they will renew.

**T**

Randy also investigated a new magnetized Club sign to be used on lead car on outings like parades, etc. He reported that Vistaprint has an 18 X 24 sign for approximately \$100 for 2. Motion by Kathy Green to purchase the signs, seconded by Tanya Boudreau, motion approved.

**I****N****G****SeeMore**

Rick Beets: SeeMore is currently at Duane Hayes' place. It will be moving to Randy Karl's house so we can put 2 new tires on the trailer. Tires have not been purchased yet. Club is still looking into price on tires and a few more small maintenance issues. Trailer is in good shape at this point. The Club flags and one banner are stored in the trailer. Tony Lawler told us they are picking up SeeMore on May 6<sup>th</sup> and taking it to Randy's. Randy will take the trailer to get the new tires, balancing, etc. Tony asked about per diem for hauling trailer with SeeMore. Randy said Club will cover gas, etc., so that Tony does not have to cover any of the cost for hauling it to events. Randy said the Club will need to update Bi-laws to change per diem to the current rate.

**M****I****N****U****T****Old Business**

Mike reported that 5 cars went to E-days car show at the Colorado School of Mines. Clubs had good representation to the attendees. Mike reported a lot of the students attended and showed good interest. Mike indicated it was fun event with a number of good cars.

John reported that he was contacted by a teacher from Crest Hill Middle School in Highlands Ranch whose students are studying the book, The Outsiders. She wanted 2 mustangs and 2 Corvairs to come to the school for a display for her kids to see before their book reports are due. John and Kathy will take their two Corvairs, and the Vintage Car Club of Castle has two members who will bring Mustangs to park at the school for the kids to see.

**E****S****New Business/events**

2022 PPCC Activities sheet passed around. Several activities referenced by Chris.

Rosemont Museum Car Show in Pueblo, July 16, needs to be deleted due to some confusion – the internet site has it posted for July 9, but Chris was told on phone the show was scheduled on July 16. Chris will find out more and repost the event

**MEETING MINUTES- APRIL 24, 2022****Valley Hi Golf Club**

Submitted By

KeithAnn Peevyhouse

Tony inquired about the show in Cripple Creek (July 23): No special rates at hotels. Show has not been canceled, as was reported by some.

The Club meeting on May 15 will be at Valley Hi Golf Club since we will have no representation at Florence Car Show that day.

**Tri-State 2023**

Jerry and Chris are investigating options for 2023 Tri-State and are in the process of finalizing details. They will announce the location choice at the upcoming Glenwood Springs Tri-State Meet. Garrie asked to consider scheduling a city we've never been to before, and particularly advocated for Colorado Springs. Discussion regarding whether people in the local clubs would come and stay in the hotel which allows for lower hotel room rates. Tony related that having it so close to home is not conducive to the home club being present for anything but the car show as was the case recently in Albuquerque. Jerry said he and Chris will take all the requests into consideration. Other input was given that typically precedent is having the meet somewhere, like a small town, that needs our business, but a central location so New Mexico can easily attend.

Tony related that planning the Tri-State Meet is a lot of work, but should be rewarding.

**Tech**

Rick: Be careful if you are buying a rebuilt steering box from Clarks, particularly if you decide to replace the bushing – if you buy pinion bushing from Clarks you will need a modification. Steve Goodman doesn't do steering box rebuild anymore because he can't find good quality parts.

Kathy: The switch in their Lakewood ignition was not turning off completely, it stayed on just enough to allow the electric fuel pump to inject fuel, which flooded the car and drained the battery. Steve finally figured it out and fixed it by replacing the ignition switch.

Rick made a suggestion regarding the steering box, to keep your old box and order rebuilt from Clarks and working with right tools. He recommended using the same concoction of lube from Steve or Rick.

Jerry has a 65 steering gear box if anyone needs it. Mike expressed interest.

Chris and Tony had mufflers replaced at Bud's Muffler in Colorado Springs. (Bud passed away unexpectedly in Feb and son is running the business.) Tony said they did a really good job and was cheaper than buying it from Clarks and doing it yourself. Jerry requested getting a card to put advertising in Drip Line. Kathy will check for info online.

Jerry needs a Fischer seat belt (red) if anyone has one. John will check to see where they got theirs.

**50/50**

50/50 (\$40) was won by Randy. He donated the winnings to the SeeMore fund.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:40.**

## TECH TIP: MAY 14...DRIVE YOUR CORVAIR

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

As the 1966 model year began there were rumors it would be the last year for Corvairs. The new air emission rules for California were looming for 1967 as well as safety items such as collapsible steering columns/dual master cylinders and different interior features such as large dash knobs and then interior padding and shoulder harness were slated for 1968. Some of GM folks felt it was time to quit.

Luckily others prevailed and their logic was to continue the car at least for a while because stopping in 1966 would show 'caving in' to the detractors of the Corvair. What was stopped for the 1967 models was the CORSA line which meant no more turbo option. The concern was making the turbo engine comply to the California smog rules. The 140hp was initially stopped too, but then brought back both by popular demand and also by the influence of Don Yenko who was wanting to build more



STINGER models.

The production waned every year and after 103,743 total Corvairs completed the 1966 year only 27,253 were built for 1967 and 1968 saw only 15,399 then the run ended in 1969 with 6,000 total Corvairs available for the buying public.

The last Corvair rolled off the line on May 14, 1969 amid a bevy of reporters and photographers and adding to the drama number 5999 refused to start and was pushed out of the way so number 6000 could be shown as the end of an era.

So whether you own a 1969 or a 1960 or any year between take your Corvair out for a drive on May 14 and be grateful that a total of 1,786,243 Corvairs were produced here plus others out of the country.

HAPPY CORVAIRING

## TRI-STATE TUNE-UP

In past years Eric Schakel and his wife Linae have had a pre-tri-state gathering known as the "Tri-State Tune-Up". The purpose of the "Tune-Up" is to get our cars out to shake out the cobwebs, run them and see if work needs to be done. You'll also get to hang out with other Corvair people and have some food. There may also be advice of various levels of usefulness as noted.

This year since we haven't been able to secure a location for our annual "Bug-Out", RMC, Eric



and Linae have generously invited PPCC members to attend the "Tune-Up". Please note that the only day Eric had open is Mother's day.

After a Covid-induced hiatus, we're pleased to invite you to yet another  
**Tri-State Tune-up**

On Sunday, May 8, 2022 we invite you to drive or push your Corvair to Schakey Acres, a tad west of Sedalia, for an afternoon of chat, dinking with Corvair stuff, and avoiding household chores. And yes, it's Mother's Day; we'll have a burgers on the grill so Mom doesn't have to cook.

We open for Corvairs at noon, and you're welcome to hang until 4:00pm or thereabouts. Look for 7062 Puite Drive, Sedalia...

\* You might want to bring a folding chair or two, just to make sure you're not outstanding in our field!



## Special Features!

► **Hamburger/Cheeseburgers While You Watch!** Rear Engine Specialists will provide ground beef, Dale Nielsen has signed on as grill man, and we'll have cheese slices, buns and condiments. We hope you'll bring appropriate 'cookout' side dishes, desserts, etc.

► We'll have water and lemonade on hand, BYOB if you're so inclined. No charge, but there'll be a donation jar for RMC sitting out...

► Free Corvair diagnosis, featuring pro, amateur, and foolish opinions. Heckling available upon request, or possibly without your request...

► Parts consultation with various experts (and experts-in-training)

► **New for 2022** See Schako Ringer #001, now under construction

► If nothing else, it's a great opportunity to BS with fellow Corvair folks

As always, Think of this as Spring Cleaning for your Corvair...

**TRI-STATE**

## **37th Annual Tri-State Glenwood Springs, CO**



### **May 20 - 22, 2022**

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**The host hotel is the Best Western Antlers of Glenwood Springs with a special rate for Corvair club members. Call 970 945-8535 for reservations.**

**Corvair car show Saturday morning. Banquet Saturday evening at the Hotel Colorado. Many Glenwood activities to fill the afternoon.**

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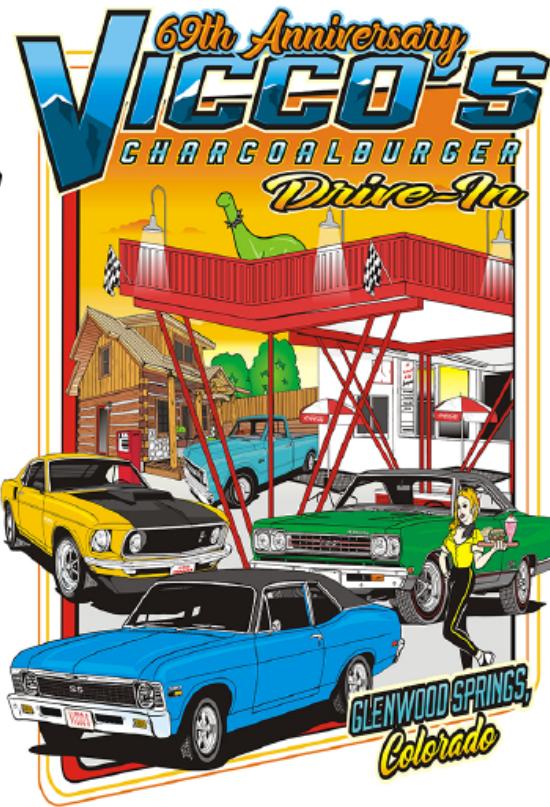
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All Tri-State attendees are invited to join us for the Hot Summer Nights Cruise Series on Friday evening. This event promises to be memorable and lots of fun—please plan to be there!!

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Submitted By  
Chris Kimberly

With **May** here, activities and car shows are coming up almost every weekend. Please keep your activities calendar close by to check on all the happenings. I thought I'd mention just a few.... May 15 is a show in Florence. I haven't heard of anyone from the club who registered. It's a great show to attend and check out all the cool cars. I'm sure everyone is busy working out the winter kinks, and concerns of their cars, to be ready for the shows and drives.

The first big one is the **Tri-State Gathering** in Glenwood Springs May 20-22. RMC is hosting and they have some great activities planned for the weekend. SeeMore will be making an appearance too.

In **June** we have the **Concours d'Elegance** at Arapahoe Community College. Twelve Corvairs will be there and I hope you come out to support the show (proceeds for charity).

A little FYI: The Castle Rock Cruise In, listed in the activities calendar, has sold out all their slots for this year, so they're no longer accepting registrations.

Our **Father's Day Pie and Ice Cream Show** with the Model A Club, in Palmer Lake, is June 19. We always have a great time with the Model A Club, and fun enjoying dessert on the town green, listening to live music, and this year, we can see the newly restored Town Hall.



Two big shows in **July** are a must to bring your cars out to show... the first is the **Rosemount Museum Show in Pueblo** on July 16. This is the first time we've been invited and we'd like as many Corvairs there as possible. I'm waiting to receive the registration forms from them and will have them available to you as soon as possible. The second is the **Third Annual Cripple Creek All Corvair Car Show** at the historical museum on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. This is open to anyone with a Corvair and they don't need to be affiliated with any club. See the flyer in the newsletter for more information. SeeMore will be at both of these free shows. I know several members will be driving to Pueblo or Cripple Creek the day before the events. Let me know if you're interested in doing this for Pueblo, and we can book a hotel at the same place. Many folks are booking the Cripple Creek show with Double Eagle Casino and Hotel. It is directly across from the museum and has covered parking.

Looking forward to seeing you in your Corvairs soon!

Keep 'Vairing,

## EARLY SPRING

Submitted By  
Ken Schiffner

Early Spring, what is it?

I think we need a new season to better describe what really happens between Winter and Spring. I propose that we create a fifth season. It might fit uncomfortably between the official start of Spring and the real start of Spring (you know, birds singing, outdoor events, planting, driving a Corvair, that sort of thing).

I move we call it "Bummer".

Why? Because for many of us, Bummer Time is when Winter seems to not want to let go. Instead, we get a roller coaster ride of warm (sort of) and cold. Days sometimes look and feel like gardens can be planted, then hold on (for us up North) freezes come. For those down South, there is flooding. Winds? Sure. North and South. Gusts of over 50 mph. Stay inside. It's a Bummer out there.



too cold. Inside gatherings? Sure, but lots to clean up afterwards. If outside, wear a sweater? No, jacket might be needed. Maybe a sweater AND a jacket. Gloves? Could be, better check the thermometer. Raincoat? Decisions. Why the complications? Bummer.

Allergies start to bother us and seemingly won't go away. Sneezing. Cough and cold medicines come out of the medicine cabinet.



Unless you have a heated garage, not much fun working on your Corvair. Go for a drive? Maybe, but the roads might have been salted and/or sanded. Wash the car? Likely not in your driveway. And likely not at a car wash. Car shows? Not during Bummer.

Maybe a new song can be written about Bummer Time. At least something that can be hummed. During Bummer, we'd be too bummed to memorize the words.

So, good idea?



All in favor say, ah, ah, ah, choo!



## E-FUELS AND GREEN GASOLINE: BEYOND TODAY'S DINOSAUR JUICE

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Technologies that promise to let us continue driving our beloved noisemakers well into the carbon-neutral future.

By Frank Markus Writer Ryan Lugo Illustrator Nigel Buchanan Illustrator



Electrification as the dominant propulsion system for the automobile may be inevitable, but the good news is that through the miracle of modern science, we suck-squish-bang-blow fans will may very well be able to enjoy our quaint old noise-makers guilt-free using carbon-neutral drop-in replacement fuels. The CO<sub>2</sub> produced by burning these fuels will not be additive to the atmosphere because the fuel itself will either have been made from biological feedstocks that consumed as much or more CO<sub>2</sub> while growing, or by using feedstocks that would have naturally released the same CO<sub>2</sub> had fuel not been produced from it, or even from CO<sub>2</sub> pulled directly out of the atmosphere.

The energy used in the fuel's production will also be green. Such fuels will almost certainly cost way more than today's dinosaur juice, and it may be harder to find than gasoline is now, but it'll be stocked wherever combustion-car-nuts gather to let their ponies run free. Below is a recap of and update on several e-fuels and green gasoline concepts we've previously covered in our monthly Technologue column.

### BACTERIAL BIOBUTANOL

In April 2011 we explained how biobutanol is a stretch-limo version of ethanol, its chemical formula cut in half with two more carbons inserted. This makes it act a whole lot more like gasoline, boasting nearly the same energy density and octane rating as petro gasoline. It was originally produced much like ethanol, from corn or other bio feedstocks, just with different catalysts, and making carbon-neutral biobutanol was near impossible with the feedstocks in use

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in 2011. Then in July 2013 we reported on research coming out of the University of Georgia and North Carolina State University that was developing bioengineered bacteria capable of converting a stream of CO<sub>2</sub> and hydrogen gas directly into biobutanol. A carbon-neutral biobutanol production process has yet to be perfected, and biobutanol's very low vapor pressure makes it unsuitable for cold-start conditions in concentrations above 50 percent with gasoline. These aren't insurmountable technological hurdles, but they put this drop-in biofuel behind the next several in the race to a fuel pump near you.

### Assembling Gasoline Molecules From Renewable Methane

Natural gas is comprised primarily of methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), which can be upgraded to more complex hydrocarbons through a series of catalytic reactions that first produce methanol, then add hydrogen and carbon molecules to the chain via various chemical processes. These give off CO<sub>2</sub>, but by locating the production facility near oil fields, Houston-based Nacero can both source its methane from flare gas (thus burning the fuel in a vehicle produces no net new CO<sub>2</sub> that wasn't destined to be burned already) and the CO<sub>2</sub> that is produced in the conversion process can be returned to the oil well, where it both pressurizes the well to aid in production and gets permanently sequestered there.



Using methane sourced from municipal waste dumps qualifies the resulting gasoline as renewable. "Constructing" gasoline by assembling smaller molecules naturally avoids all the sulfur and other contaminants present in crude oil, and after the gasoline is produced, there's no filthy "bunker oil" left over as there is when refining petro crude oil, which ends up being burned by industrial or ship engines, resulting in the worst air pollution. Nacero's first plant is currently under construction. How far into the inEVitable future Nacero's Blue and Green Gasolines remains viable, as crude oil fields and their methane flares get abandoned, remains to be seen.

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### Assembling Gasoline From CO2 And H2

The concept of driving a mile in someone else's carbon footprint by assembling gasoline from carbon molecules scrubbed directly from the atmosphere was first covered in Technologue columns in July 2008, March 2012, and October 2018. First it was sodium-hydroxide scrubbers and exotic catalysts. Then it was ionic amine fluids and a formic-acid fuel cell. Then it was an elaborate combo of cooling-tower, paper-mill, and gold-ore-separating technologies. The technological and cost hurdles presented by these schemes ultimately proved insurmountable, but there are two new direct carbon capture techniques that seem to be marching toward volume production:



**Prometheus Fuels:** In October, 2020 we covered California-based Prometheus Fuels, which developed a means of scrubbing CO2 from the air by capturing it in water and then turning this aqueous CO2 directly into ethanol using a fancy and ultra-efficient system of electrolysis that employs graphene sheets featuring nano-spikes doped with copper nanoparticles. The ethanol is then separated from the water via carbon nanotubes, eliminating an energy-intense distilling step. Finally, the ethanol is upconverted to gasoline via zeolite catalysts in a process that creates its own heat. The whole system's input energy can easily be supplied by clean electricity from the California grid, and volume production is expected soon.

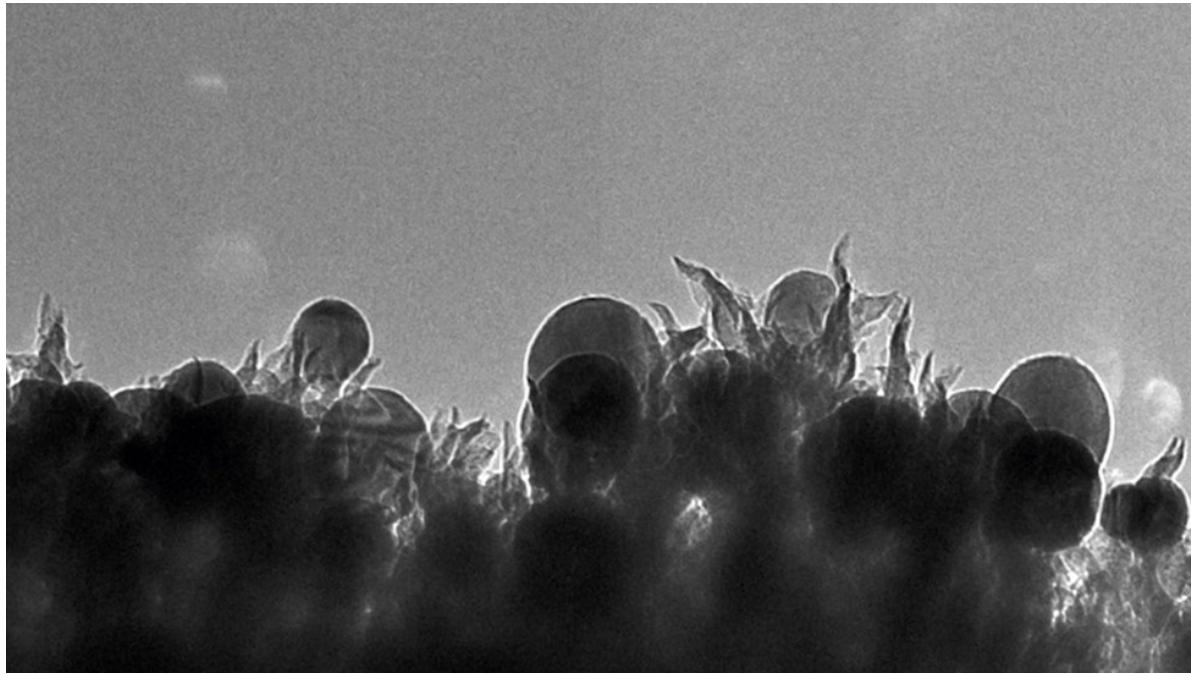
**Haru Oni:** Way down on the windy southern tip of South America, just north of Punta Arenas, Chile, the Haru Oni [hydrogen-to-e-fuels](#) plant has just broken ground with a goal of producing enough green hydrogen and scrubbing sufficient CO2 from the atmosphere to produce almost 200,000 gallons of green methanol by the end of 2022. A portion of this will subsequently be converted into roughly 34,000 gallons of green gasoline—all of which will be shipped to Porsche for use in motorsports. Atmospheric CO2 will be extracted using an amine-based sorbent coating on a porous ceramic honeycomb matrix, and the hydrogen required for this process will

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be produced via proton-exchange membrane using green power provided by the strong williwaw winds that blow constantly around the southern tip of South America. Porsche pegs the initial price at 10 Euro/liter (\$44.73/gallon!) but expects efficiencies of scale and technology to reduce that to \$7.57/gallon by 2026. In a mostly electric mobility world, combustion enthusiasts will happily pay \$8/gallon.

### What About Ethanol?

MotorTrend's Ron Grable authored a Technologue in February 1985 titled "Alternative Engine Fuels: What'll We Do When the Tank Runs Dry?" that focused on biofuels—primarily ethanol. Corn ethanol can't generally clear the carbon-neutral hurdle, in part because of all the (typically fossil) energy involved in cultivating and transporting the corn, and because unless the corn is planted somewhere that never grew crops before, the CO<sub>2</sub> it consumes while growing isn't considered "net-new" carbon absorption. That absorption was already taking place in support of food or livestock production.

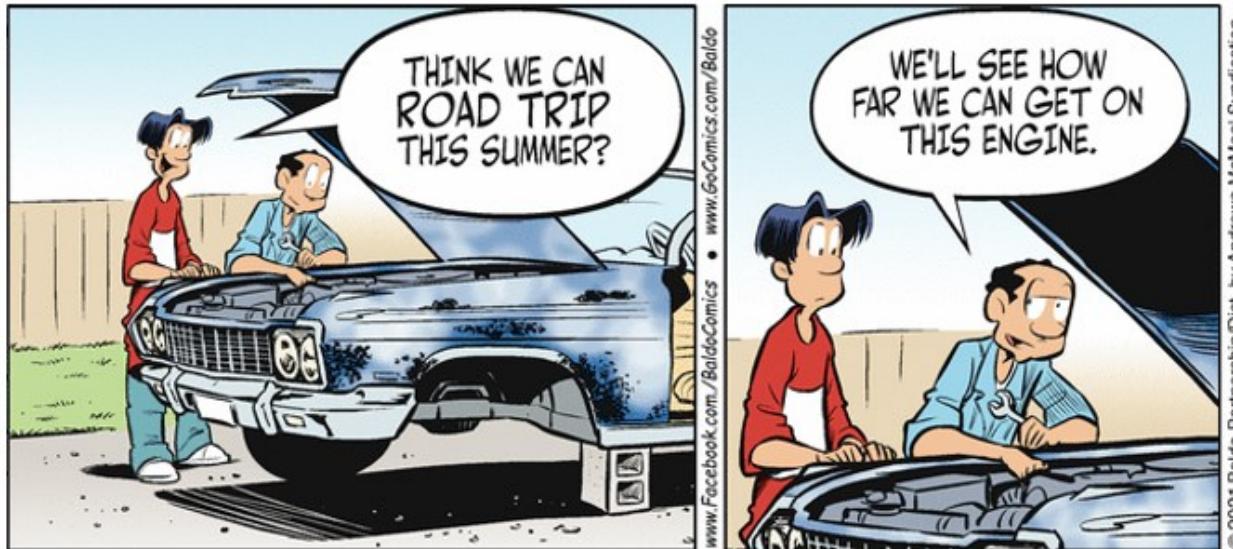


**Cellulosic ethanol** generally scores better on both accounts. Using corn stover (the discarded stalks, etc.) creates fuel out of carbon that would otherwise have been released as CO<sub>2</sub> when the stalks decayed. The picture improves even further by using renewable feedstocks like garbage, or crops like miscanthus grass, which needs little or no cultivation and can grow on former brown-field sites, but to date the processes required to produce the less energy-dense ethanol fuel still cost way too much to warrant further development in the face of cheap oil. In the end, today's gasoline engines can't start and run everywhere in North America on neat ethanol, and in a post petro-gasoline world, producing expensive carbon-neutral cellulosic ethanol to blend with the pricier green gasolines above seems absolutely pointless. Of course, if Oak Ridge National Lab's direct aqueous CO<sub>2</sub>-to-ethanol nanotube catalyst pans out, as we covered in January 2017 maybe scientists will find a transportation use for it...

## DRIP QUIPS

As published in the Denver Post, March 26, 2021

## Baldo by Hector D. Cantú and Carlos Cas-tellanos



If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

- A** **Sunday, May 8, Tri-State Tune Up:** 12:00—4:00, PPCC has been invited to join the Tri-State Tune up with RMC at Schakey Acres (Eric & Linae Schakel's home), 7082 Piute Drive, Sedalia, CO. Please RSVP to Mike Piper if you're planning to attend.
-  **Saturday, May 14, Guffey Car Show:** 10:00—4:00, Guffey, Colorado. Presented by Ryans Rod Service and the Guffey Garage. See flier for details.
-  **Sunday, May 15, Florence Merchant's Car Show:** 9:00—3:00. Registration is now open. Folks can register at [www.FlorenceColoradoCarShow.com](http://www.FlorenceColoradoCarShow.com). The cost is \$35 to register your vintage vehicle. There is no admittance fee for spectators. Folks can come and enjoy a beautiful day in historic downtown Florence for a unique, one of a kind shopping and dining experience. For more information call (719) 784-3797 or e-mail [info@florencecoloradocarshow.com](mailto:info@florencecoloradocarshow.com).
- M** **Sunday, May 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Road, Colorado Springs and via Zoom
-  **Friday—Sunday, May 20-22, Tri-State Meet:** This year's Tri-State is being held in beautiful Glenwood Springs, Colorado. The host hotel is the Best Western Antlers, 171 W. 6th Street, Glenwood Springs, CO. Room rate is single Queen \$112 + taxes and fees, Double Queen \$117 + taxes and fees. Hotel number is 970-945-8535 —mention 'Corsa' to receive this special rate. More information available [here](#).
- A** **Saturday—Sunday, June 4-5, Big Bore Thunder:** Pueblo Motorsports Park. Information available [here](#).
-  **Sunday, June 5:** Concours d'Elegance benefitting Colorado Ability Connection. The Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show is large-scale, highly-visible and well attended. Local and regional car clubs showcase 300+ rare cars from early collectibles to the latest exotics. Many venture out once a year, for this show only, to help kids. These prestigious beauties are treasures that few people ever get to experience. ***We have filled our spaces for this wonderful event—thanks to all who have committed their cars!*** Details and registration information available [here](#).
-  **Saturday, June 18, Castle Rock Cruise In:** 10:00—3:00—downtown Castle Rock. Information available [here](#). Registration is now closed as the allotted number of entries has been reached.
-  **Sunday, June 19, Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream Car Show / PPCC Club Meeting:** Monthly club meeting at noon, followed by Pie & Ice Cream as part of Palmer Lake's annual celebration. Car Show runs from 2-4. We should have the cars in place by 1:30 for those who don't attend the meeting. The newly renovated Town Hall and Museum will be open, live music, and of course the free pie and ice cream.
-  **July Date TBA, Car Show in Pueblo that will feature SeeMore:** 9:00—2:00, The Rosemount Museum, 419 West 14th Street, Pueblo. Cars will park on the grass around the museum. Show is free, but cars must register. Chris will provide registration forms.

**Key:** **M**—Meeting;  —Car Show; **A**—Activity

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**M** **Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

 **Saturday, July 23, Cripple Creek All Corvair Show:** In conjunction with Cripple Creek's annual Pioneer Days celebration, the Heritage Museum has invited all Corvair's to beautiful Cripple Creek for a show featuring only Corvair powered vehicles. Information on special Hotel rates coming soon. See more details [here](#).

**A** **Saturday—Sunday, July 30-31, Race Against Kids Cancer:** High Plains Raceway, Deertrail, CO. Information available [here](#).

 **Rocky Mountain Car Show & Swap Meet, Saturday, August 6:** PPCC and RMC attend this annual event. We will be showing SeeMore and a section of the show will be set aside just for our Corvair's. We would like to see 30 Corvairs or more at this event. Detailed information including registration forms is available [here](#) and in the flier later in The Drip Line.

**M** **Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

 **August ?, Centennial Airport Show:** PPCC is currently seeking information as to whether this event will become an annual activity.

 **Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** PPCC will provide details. Current information available [here](#).

**M** **Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

**A** **September 24 or 25 OR October 1 or 2, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.

**A** **October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. 130 Mile Trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.

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**M** **Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.

**M** **December 11 or December 18, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

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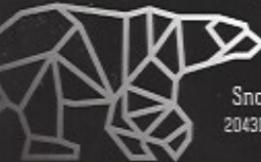
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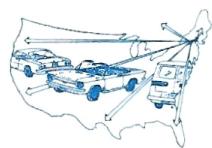
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## Cover :

*An aerial picture of Corvairs on display at Tri-State. After a snowy registration day, show day was beautiful. SeeMore was on display, and as always garnered much attention.*

## Upcoming Meetings

**Sunday, June 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 12:00 noon. Meeting will be held in conjunction with Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream in Palmer Lake.  
**Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** Time and location TBA.  
**Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** Time and location TBA.

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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Other than being really busy at work and preparing our house for some painting and flooring upgrades I didn't think I'd have a lot to write about. Silly me! It seems that there are all sorts of challenges lurking in the shadows.

As I attempt to type this, we are on the verge of the 37<sup>th</sup> (not annual) Tri-State. We came up on Thursday so we didn't have to rush and could get some sleep before the check-in and car cleaning process started. It was 80+ degrees in Denver but windy in places. The car was running fine, pulling hills no problem despite the back seat being pretty much full. I was going to easily make it with the fuel aboard.

We were about 40 miles from Glenwood Springs running comfortably at about 80 MPH and KABLOOIE, followed by two smaller pops. My wife is not super comfortable with our 57-year-old car on road trips so when the really loud bang happened, she jumped about a foot. She said later that she thought someone was shooting at us, but she didn't know how they got that close.

The car was coasting along in 4<sup>th</sup>



gear, my two idiot lights were on, and the engine was not running but still turning. Fortunately, we had a wide shoulder to work with and there was an even wider spot where I could push the car and get it pretty far from the heavy traffic. My first thought was the fuel pump, and it went lean. Nope, pump was working. My electronic fuel pump monitor did exactly what it was supposed to do. Loss of tach signal shuts the pump off. I could test it using the priming function. I fiddled around a bit, tried starting it; the engine turned fine. I finally pulled the coil wire and had Karen crank the engine. No blue spark, no snap, no ignition. Then it's down to my Stinger ignition distributor or the coil. I'll add here that I've had about 25,000 miles of excellent service from the distributor so leave Seth Emerson alone... As we were sitting there waiting for AAA a really great State Patrol person showed up to check on us and he ended up pushing our car with his push bar up to the Gypsum exit and around to

the Shell station. The car was now really safe. I talked with Steve Goodman several times and he asked me to take the distributor cap off and turn the engine over to see if the distributor was turning. The inside of the cap and the rotor were covered with soot. The rotor was turning. Not normal to be full of soot! I cleaned things up and still no fire. The team here in Glenwood pitched in to help; some advice was good, some not so much but we concluded if we could locate a stock distributor and coil I could limp back home. It would be easier to find someone's Corvair parts lying around rather than trying to come up with another Stinger distributor. Ironically, I have a complete tune up kit for a stock distributor with me in case OTHERS need it. There is a distributor and coil on the way.

The AAA driver found us at the Shell station and hauled us here to the Antlers in Glenwood. He is also an exceptional example of a helpful human being. He was really concerned about the car, took great care of it and put it pretty much exactly where we needed it. Unfortunately, it is now covered with snow which is another story but when the res-

## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

Submitted by  
Mike Piper

cue parts show up, we can roll it under the awning so if not warm, I'll be dry.

I should thank the folks here too. When we arrived, we had many waiting on us and we had a group of Sherpas from Corvair-dom to haul our stuff up to our room. That was helpful to the point of being embarrassing.

If there is a moral or lesson here it is this particular failure would be hard to see coming. I thought about putting the stock distributor and coil in the trunk but my trunk is pretty full. I probably should have but you and can't bring everything along you might need short of a spare car. When something fails like this do your best to stay calm and deliberate and get you and your car to a safe place. If it is not safe to get out, stay in your car unless maybe it is on fire. We were pretty lucky, but I was on the interstate side of the car checking the fuel pump and Karen said several drivers got pretty close. I was down low, against the side of the car, 10' from the edge of the lane and still. The state trooper was also nervous about being on that side of the car, so he came to Karen's window to talk with us. He moved his car back to act as a warning, but he still had to

wave at a few to get over a lane as required by state law.

If you need to troubleshoot something, remember that despite all the electronics there are really only three things a petroleum engine needs to run. It needs air, so if it's getting air, check that off. It needs fuel, hence my check of the fuel pump. I didn't go through it in detail, but I had fuel in the tank and the pump was running and I could smell the fuel in the engine bay from the hot carburetors. Then the engine needs ignition. With the electronics and distributorless ignition systems that may not be easy to check, but in a Corvair, you can pull the coil wire off of the coil hold it about  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the tower on the cap or coil, have someone crank the engine and listen for a snap or watch for a spark. Of course, you need for nothing to be broken and adequate lubrication but all things being equal the fundamentals are fairly simple...

Since I've gone on at length, my theory of the kaboom is that I was running about 4000 RPM with the throttle pretty wide open (140 to boot), so a lot of fuel and air was flowing. I have turbo mufflers which are pretty much large open tin cans. When

the ignition failed, I was putting a lot of unburned fuel into the mufflers and one last spark may have ignited the mix. I feel fortunate I did not leave part of the exhaust system lying on the highway.

With that, I wish you safe trouble-free travels and warmer weather!

Mike



The newly purchased PPCC car door magnet displayed on Randy's car. This will be a great addition to club activities and parades. Thanks, Randy, for making this happen!!



## VP VOLTAGE—READY FOR SUMMER?

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Hello from your “ready for summer” VP. So, let’s slide back down memory lane and sing along with this summer-time song from the past:

**“Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer  
Those days of soda and pretzels and beer,  
Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer,  
Dust off the sun and moon and sing a song of cheer”**

Gotta love Nat King Cole’s version of the lazy, hazy, crazy days summer song. There are a bunch of other summer songs (“Summertime, and the livin’ is easy” is one) that can help us to get into the mood for summer. But for us in Colorado, and particularly for me living here in Monument, summer takes a wild path to get here. Officially, the first day of summer is June 21<sup>st</sup>, but the path to summer includes many 85° days and some 35° days, including much wind and cold and snow. We’ve had snow well into June before, so late May snows are not unusual for us. Such was the recent Tri-State weekend winter snow. I’m writing this just prior to the snow, but projections of 12-15” of snow get our attention. Sometimes we forget that the path to something or somewhere is not always a straight



line, as in the adage “as the crow flies”. Part of what makes things interesting is variety. We used to live in California, where the weather was good, but pretty consistent. No 4 seasons there. We’ve had Christmas with the air conditioner on and wearing shorts many times. So it is with our life, it is always better when we’re able to enjoy the journey along the way. Somebody I’ve heard even said the journey is more enjoyable than the destination. We’ve had some trips where we remember the events on the way to the destination more than when we got there. I remember the 2 flat tires (at separate times) on a folding camping trailer during a trip to Crater Lake actually more than what the lake looked like (I was told it was beautiful) ....

This summer my wife and I are “doing life” on a cruise vacation that has been cancelled the last 2 years (thanks to Covid ☺) and we’ve

planned a few things to do but mainly want to be able to just have the flexibility to investigate new ports of call. Someone told me when I retired to expect 3 phases in retirement: the Go Go phase, the Slow Go phase and the No Go phase. I think we’re entering into the Slow Go phase, as we still have things to see and do. Not looking forward to the No Go phase just yet ☺.

So, whatever you guys have planned for the summer, I hope you enjoy doing something that makes you happy. And to get you into the fun mood, you can start with this happy summertime tune.

*“It's summertime, summertime, sum sum summertime  
Summertime, summertime, sum sum summertime  
Summertime, summertime, sum sum summertime  
Summertime, summertime, sum sum summertime, summertime”*

***\*Bonus question is who sang that tune?***

If you have a favorite summertime song, sing it to me when we’re together again at a meeting or car event.

Enjoy the journey,  
Jerry

***\*Ever heard of ‘The Jamies?’***

**MEETING MINUTES- MAY 15, 2022****Valley Hi Golf Club**Submitted By  
KeithAnn Peevyhouse

Meeting called to order at 9:34 a.m., 12 members present, and 1 joined via Zoom.

**M****50/50**

No 50/50 at the meeting.

**E****Minutes**

April meeting minutes were discussed. Motion to approve by Kathy Green, second by Chris Kimberly, approved. General consensus that the meeting minutes can be printed in the newsletter which is distributed monthly by e-mail, and that e-mail copies to individual members are no longer necessary.

**E****Treasury Report**

Available to all PPCC members on request.

**T****Mail**

Randy reported that we received dues from one member, and a flyer from Tri-County Family Care Center advertising a "Cruisin' Festival" car show on Saturday, June 4th in Rocky Ford, CO. Kathy will add the event in the Newsletter for anyone who is interested in attending.

**I****Membership**

Randy informed us he will send e-mail to members who have not paid dues indicating they will be removed from the membership. However, if they pay the dues at a later date, they will be placed back on the list.

**N****SeeMore**

Randy stated that he purchased 2 new tires for the trailer and they have been installed. Of the 5 trailer tires (one is a spare), two were from Date Code 2016, and two from 2018, and one from 2019. The 2 new trailer tires were purchased and installed at a cost of \$321.00. These are trailer tires and installed one on each side of the trailer.

**M**

Randy did some additional work to the trailer. He put in a new block of wood to reinforce the hasps to the metal frame, and greased the wheel bearings. It is now ready to go. He will double check the tie-downs on SeeMore before taking it to Glenwood Springs.

**I****Old Business**

Chris asked about the magnetic door signs the club approved last month. Randy said he received them and sent a picture to the Board. He will send a copy of the picture to Kathy to put in the newsletter. Jerry passed the picture from his phone around. The signs will be stored in the trailer.

**N****New Business/events**

Chris received a call about the Pueblo show which is Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at the Rosemont Museum in Pueblo. There is no cost to register. The Museum will give out goody bags full of things, and the feature car is 1926 Pierce Arrow, which belonged to the Rosemont family which has been fully restored. They are making a special place for SeeMore. Registration forms are now available and no special insurance is required. There are other car shows scheduled on the same weekend in the area so hotels can be pricey for the weekend.

**U**

Chris was given a flier from the Orphan Car Museum in Yuma, CO, regarding an upcoming event this summer. The museum exhibits orphan cars that are no longer in production. They have a special ex-

**T****E****S**

**MEETING MINUTES- MAY 15, 2022****Valley Hi Golf Club**

Submitted By

KeithAnn Peevyhouse

hibit each month and the show exhibit will be Radiator Caps & Hood Ornaments from 1900-1990. The event is Saturday, Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, and Chris added it would be a good event to add to the calendar if the Club is interested. Chris passed around the flyer. Kathy stated that she will add the info to the Newsletter and suggested we put it on the calendar and as the date approaches, we'll gauge the interest level.

Chris suggested we look at Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup> for rescheduling the cancelled April gathering at the ice cream shop in Palmer Lake. Members agreed.

John Green reminded the club that our next club meeting will be at the park in Palmer Lake, with the meeting starting at noon, and the Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream Car Show following the meeting.

Kathy and John reported that they took their cars to Crest Hill Middle School in Highlands Ranch as scheduled last week. They said the kids' biggest interest was the crank windows and the engine in the back with the trunk in the front. The kids had fun comparing them to today's cars. All in all, the kids had a great time and it was fun to be there with them.

**Tri-State**

Mike has an extra hotel reservation if anyone needs it.

John reported that a group is going up on Thursday and they will meet at Rick Beets' house to drive together. He said a few are meeting them in Idaho Springs as well. It is reported this group plans to travel up Hwy 6 up through Clear Creek on back roads to avoid as much of I-70 as possible.

Jerry and Jeff are planning to go up on Friday, we'll meet at Rudy's on Hwy 24 to drive the back road to Glenwood Springs.

**Tech**

Gary has a complete gas heater with all included (fuel lines, etc) if anyone needs one.

Mike is getting a steering box from Jerry.

Chris update on her Corvair – Charlie and Rick will get it back to her this afternoon. They are in process of test drive to be sure transmission doesn't leak.

General discussion on power-glides.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:19.**

Motion by Gary, second by Jerry, adjourned.



# John Thomas Neal—1936 - 2022



John Thomas Neal (86) of Black Forest, Colorado passed away peacefully Friday evening, May 20, 2022, after a fall at his home resulted in a traumatic brain injury. John was with his family at Memorial Hospital, Colorado Springs, Colorado when he passed away.

John, also known as Tommy, was born April 1936 in West Fork, Arkansas to Samuel J. and Icie Jane (Carter) Neal. He grew up in Pawhuska, Oklahoma. He joined the Army in 1954, learned to be a stenographer, and traveled throughout Europe. Upon return, he attended college at Northeastern Oklahoma University and received a bachelor's degree in Secondary Education and, later, a master's degree in Mathematics and Astrodynamics. He married Phyllis Ann Wehnes on January 24, 1959. They lived in Tahlequah, Oklahoma; Oceanside, California; Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Wewoka, Oklahoma before settling down in Colorado Springs, Colorado in 1964. He taught mathematics and science at Mitchell High School before being recruited by North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) as a programmer. John retired from NORAD in 1995 after 30 years.

John enjoyed many hobbies, such as pocket watch and clock collecting and repair. He was self-taught in Horology and was highly sought after to repair complex watches. He was a long time member of the National Watch and Clock Collectors. He liked to work with his hands and helped family members with construction projects and car repairs. He rebuilt and repaired many cars: Corvairs were his favorite, and he was a long time member of the Pikes Peak Corvair Club. John was also a pilot and flew small aircraft for several years.

He loved to travel with his family all over the United States. He was a superb conversationalist and was known to spend several hours talking with someone he just met at a garage sale, which was a favorite pastime.

He is survived by his three sons: Larry Neal of Colorado Springs, Colorado; David Neal (Sue Ellen) of Bridgeton, New Jersey; and Roger Neal (Anika) of Glenwood Springs, Colorado. He is also survived by four grandchildren, Samantha Neal, John F. Neal, Mallerie Moore, Zachary Neal, and five great grandchildren. He also leaves many special cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends. He is preceded in death by his wife Phyllis, brother Harold, sister Wilma Hawkins, brother Howard, and his parents. A loving father and husband, loved by all who knew him, he will be greatly missed.

A visitation will be held at 9:30 a.m. followed by a funeral service at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 27, 2022 at the Shrine of Remembrance "America the Beautiful" Chapel, 1730 E. Fountain Blvd. A graveside service will be held at noon at Evergreen Cemetery.

## TRI-STATE REVIEW

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

This year's Tri-State (the 37th edition) was held in Glenwood Springs, May 20-22. The event was hosted by RMC, and they did a great job. The month of May in Colorado can always be a little dicey as far as weather is concerned, and this year's event really ran the gamut!

On Thursday, the 19th, a group of seven PPCC/RMC cars met in Idaho Springs to head off to Glenwood. Included in the caravan were Rick Beets, Tony and Diane Lawler, Richard Espinosa (Tony and Diane's friend), Chris Kimberly, Ken Schiffner, Charlie Beets and John and I. After we all connected in Idaho Springs we began our trip west. The weather was sunny and downright hot, and the winds were ferocious!

We arrived in Glenwood and began some preliminary setup, had some dinner, stuffed goodie bags and went back to our rooms in shirt-sleeves, as the temperature was still in the upper 70's.

Fast forward through the night to Friday morning, where we were greeted by rain and snow. The good news was that this was registration day, NOT show day. Attendees that had not come in on Thursday arrived throughout the day, including Randy Karl towing SeeMore—thank you Randy (and Tony)!!!! A great selection of raffle items and silent auction prizes were on display and generated a lot of interest.

Registration went through the afternoon, with registrants telling their tales of travels through rain, snow, sleet, hail and fog. Mike Piper's car arrived on a tow truck after having had a distributor fail on the trip up. Fortunately, Phil Degroot had that part he needed and hadn't yet



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left for Glenwood. He brought the needed part and a group of gear heads worked for a couple of hours in the cold weather to repair the car.

Friday evening, instead of the scheduled cruise, we all headed to Bart Victor's (RMC member)

shop where he provided dinner for everyone. Originally everyone was to go to Bart's restaurant, grab a burger, and take a cruise. Thank goodness for people able to pivot, and for Bart's generosity in providing a delicious dinner free of charge for everyone. He has an amazing shop full of collector cars and trucks, and an entire floor of period collectibles. He also had a tow truck that had most of the attendees drooling and coming up with all sorts of great ideas about how it could be used. After dinner everyone went back to the Best Western Antlers to hit the hay, honestly wondering what Saturday would bring...

Well, typical of Colorado weather, it was a gorgeous day—a little breezy, but sunny and pretty perfect! We had 24.5 cars on display at the Glenwood Springs Mall. Bart fed us a lunch during the show (again, free of charge) of BBQ brisket, pulled pork, burgers, cole slaw, potato salad, and cookies.

Mid-way through the Show & Shine three additional cars arrived, including two locals and one family driving through and heard about the show. It was a wonderful showing, and everyone had a great time!

After the show drivers and passengers scattered to take in the sights of Glenwood while waiting for the banquet which was held at the historic hotel Colorado, just down the street from the Best Western. We were treated to an

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Italian buffet that included breadsticks, salad, spaghetti, roasted vegetables and cheesecake for dessert.

The guest speaker for the banquet was RMC member Eric Schakel. He walked us through his history with Corvairs, specifically as he wanted, coveted, obtained, restored and began racing an Yenko stinger. He was very engaging, and got me interested in taking in some classic car races.

After Eric spoke, we moved into the awards portion of the banquet. This year there were 1st and Second place awards for each category, as well as a Speciality category and Best of Show. Winners were announced and presented with an award. Winners were as follows:

- ◆ 1st Place Early Open—Chris Kimberly
- ◆ 2nd Place Early Open—Ken Schiffner
- ◆ 1st Place Early Closed—Phil Degroot
- ◆ 2nd Place Early Closed—Chris Jackson
- ◆ 1st Place Late Open—Don Young
- ◆ 2nd Place Late Open—Doug Dumler
- ◆ 1st Place Late Closed—Mike Head
- ◆ 2nd Place Late Closed—Jim Williams
- ◆ 1st Place Wagon—William & Trezjna Pearce
- ◆ 2nd Place Wagon—Jennifer Victor
- ◆ 1st Place FC—Jim Williams
- ◆ 2nd Place FC—Diane Lawler
- ◆ Speciality—Chris Jackson
- ◆ Best of Show—Don Young

Mike and Karen Piper received the dubious Hard Luck award. Several other awards were given out including the long distance award.

Rick Beets gave special recognition to all of the RMC planning committee with special recognition given to Diane and Tony Lawler for their superb co-chairing of the event.

There was also special recognition given to Bart Victor for being such an excellent 'host' to all of us.

Jerry Peevyhouse and Chris Kimberly shared the location and date of next year's Tri-State which will be hosted by PPCC. The 38th event will be held in Salida, Colorado on May 19-21, 2023. Mark your calendars now to attend, and please plan to pitch in to help make the 38th event as great a success as the 37th turned out to be!

We were pleased to welcome participants from both PPCC and RMC, as well as three groups of folks from CNM. None of the CNM folks drove their Corvairs because of the distance, the mountain passes they had to traverse, and mostly the inclement weather. We also had two groups of attendees from Wyoming and a couple from Oklahoma. We enjoyed getting to know Vince Petrie, the Western Division representative from Corsa, who with his wife traveled from California to join us at the meet. They had a great time and were a delightful couple!

The banquet wrapped up with the presentation of door prizes and the 50/50 winner. All of the raffle items were on display, and winners of the prizes left carrying their treasures with them.

Sunday morning most of the participants enjoyed breakfast at the hotel, and fond farewells were shared. As far as we know everyone arrived safely at home. Mike and Karen Piper got the going home hard luck award, when the water pump went out on the way back. Hopefully next year will be better for them!!

Make plans now for next year!

**TRI-STATE PICTURES**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

Photos left to right from top left: A caravan of cars in Idaho Springs—from left Ken Schiffner's Convertible, Chris Kimberly's Convertible, Green's Coupe, Rick Beet's Convertible, Tony Lawler's Corsa, Tony Lawler's Turbo coupe, Diane Lawler's Rampside; Tri-State registration; Enjoying the hospitality room; Items / cars on display at Bart Victor's shop (where we enjoyed a delicious BBQ dinner of tri-tips, pulled pork, cole slaw and potato salad with cookies for dessert) - Bart is a member of RMC who lives in Glenwood Springs and he fed us dinner on Friday and lunch during the car show; Cars on display during the Show and Shine

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Kathy Green

Photos left to right from top left: Chris Jackson's Corvair 4 X 4 which won the Speciality car award; Members and friends enjoying conversation and beautiful weather; Jennifer Victor's beautiful Lakeside wagon; Lunch time!; Raffle items at the banquet; Enjoying a delicious Italian buffet.

**TRI-STATE PICTURES**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

First Place award winners left to right from top left: Early Open: Chris Kimberly; Early Closed: Phil Degroot; Late Open: Don Young (also People's Choice Best in Show); Late Closed: Mike Head; Wagon: William and Trezna Pearce; Forward Control: Jim Williams

Specialty car: Chris Jackson's Corvair 4 X 4 pictured on previous page.

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Second Place award winners left to right from top left: Early Open: Ken Schiffner; Early Closed: Chris Jackson; Late Open: Doug Dumler; Late Closed: Jim Williams; Wagon: Jennifer Victor; Forward Control: Diane Lawler

**OUTSIDERS DAY AT CRESTHILL MS**Submitted By  
John Green**A Day with Middle School Students**

I received an email from Emily Schwartz, a Language Arts teacher at Cresthill Middle School in March. The eighth grade Language Arts classes were doing a unit on The Outsiders, a coming of age story about class distinctions in the 60's.

The book featured Corvairs and Mustangs as the cars of the upper class, "Soc's" vs the "Greasers". She asked if we could bring two Corvairs and two Mustangs on their "Outsiders Day". Well, we had the two Corvairs covered, so I reached out to a couple of other clubs. From the Vintage Car Club in Castle Rock, Bill Burruel volunteered his 1966 convertible with a 289.



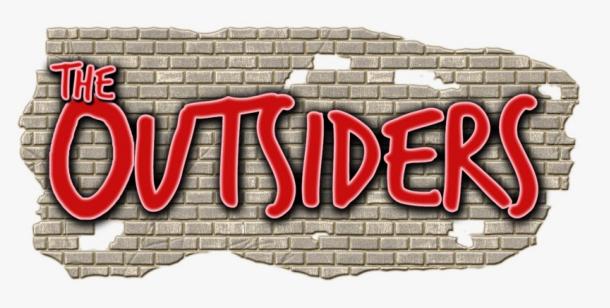
From the Front Range Mustang Club John McNurney volunteered his 1966 Shelby GT350, which he and his son restored from scratch.



Throughout the day we had 14 scheduled classes and around 350 middle schoolers come out and look at the cars.



Most of the students and staff were dressed up either as the 'Greasers' with leather jackets and rolled up jeans or the 'Soc's' with cheerleader skirts and sweatshirts, or letter jackets and slacks. We had several un-scheduled classes as well as staff members and bus drivers stop by during the day.



**OUTSIDERS DAY AT CRESTHILL MS**Submitted By  
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The students had a great time climbing in the cars and looking at all the different interiors.



The students were fascinated by the roll up windows, the push button radios, the floor vents, the high beam button and where the shifter and emergency brakes were. They thought the way to get into the backseat of the coupe was interesting. They also had trouble figuring

out how to get the doors open from both the outside and inside. Several were trapped inside until they figured it out.

Based on the incredible excitement level (if that Middle School energy could be harnessed, there wouldn't be an energy problem) and the giggles and laughs, we think the students had a good time with the cars. Some of the comments were "the Lakewood was the family car", the cars were "fun" and "sporty". They also commented that the front trunk was like a Tesla (yeah right, just like)!



Never have so many selfies been taken in four old cars, with the students pretending they were driving and taking each other for a ride. The students were very respectful of the cars and made sure they thanked us for our time and bringing the cars out for their special day.

We had a great day showing off and explaining all the special points of the Corvair. We've already been invited back for next year's Outsider's Day. Oh, and Coda had a fun day of being petted, too!

## DRIP QUIPS

Seen in the May, 2022 edition of 'The Connecting Rod', the newsletter of Corvair Atlanta, Inc.



As published in the Denver Post, Wednesday, October 20, 2021

Baldo by Hector D. Cantú and Carlos Castellanos

October 20, 2021 



If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

- A **Saturday—Sunday, June 4-5, Big Bore Thunder:** Pueblo Motorsports Park. Information available [here](#).
- A **Saturday, June 4, 16th Annual “Cruisin’ Festival!” & “Keep Kids Safe Fair”:** 10:00—5:00. Sponsored by Tri-County Family Care Center. South Main Street from Railroad Park to 9th St, Rocky Ford, CO 81067. Information available [here](#).
-  **Sunday, June 5:** Concours d'Elegance benefitting Colorado Ability Connection. The Colorado Concours d'Elegance & Exotic Sports Car Show is large-scale, highly-visible and well attended. Local and regional car clubs showcase 300+ rare cars from early collectibles to the latest exotics. Many venture out once a year, for this show only, to help kids. These prestigious beauties are treasures that few people ever get to experience. ***We have filled our spaces for this wonderful event—thanks to all who have committed their cars!*** Details and registration information available [here](#).
-  **Saturday, June 18, Castle Rock Cruise In:** 10:00—3:00—downtown Castle Rock. Information available [here](#). Registration is now closed as the allotted number of entries has been reached.
-  **Sunday, June 19, Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream Car Show / PPCC Club Meeting:** Monthly club meeting at noon, followed by Pie & Ice Cream as part of Palmer Lake's annual celebration. Car Show runs from 2-4. We should have the cars in place by 1:30 for those who don't attend the meeting. The newly renovated Town Hall and Museum will be open, live music, and of course the free pie and ice cream.
-  **July 9, Rumble at the Rosemount Antique and Classic Car Show in Pueblo that will feature SeeMore:** 9:00—2:00, The Rosemount Museum, 419 West 14th Street, Pueblo. Cars will park on the grass around the museum. Entrances will open at 9:00 a.m. **Please do not arrive before 7:45 a.m. to line up.** Show is free, but cars must register. Participants will receive goodie bags filled with items and coupons and discounts from local business. [Registration forms](#) are at the end of The Drip Line.
- A **July 10, April Palmer Lake Ice Cream & Cars:** Rock House Ice Cream & More, 24 Highway 105, Palmer Lake, CO. Additional information coming soon!
- M **Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Saturday, July 23, Cripple Creek All Corvair Show:** In conjunction with Cripple Creek's annual Pioneer Days celebration, the Heritage Museum has invited all Corvair's to beautiful Cripple Creek for a show featuring only Corvair powered vehicles. Information on special Hotel rates coming soon. See more details [here](#).
- A **Saturday—Sunday, July 30-31, Race Against Kids Cancer:** High Plains Raceway, Deertrail, CO. Information available [here](#).

**Key:** M—Meeting;  —Car Show; A—Activity

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**Rocky Mountain Car Show & Swap Meet, Saturday, August 6:** PPCC and RMC attend this annual event. We will be showing SeeMore and a section of the show will be set aside just for our Corvair's. We would like to see 30 Corvairs or more at this event. Detailed information including registration forms is available [here](#) and in the flier later in The Drip Line.

- A Saturday, August 20:** Road trip to the Orphan Car Museum in Yuma, Colorado. Check out the museum information at [orphanageyuma.com](http://orphanageyuma.com). Time and cost for admission / lunch coming soon!
- M Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** PPCC will provide details. Current information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A September 24 or 25 OR October 1 or 2, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.
- A October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. 130 Mile Trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.
- M Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M December 11 or December 18, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

**Recurring Local Events:**



**Second Saturdays of the Month April—September, 2022, Stockers Car Show:** 10:30—1:00, on the corner of Maizeland and Academy.

**See you there!**

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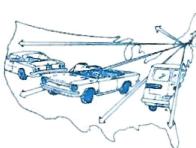
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## Cover :

*It was a beautiful day and a lovely farewell for beloved club member John Neal. Pictured is his Corvair, driven by his children to the memorial and prominently displayed as friends and family entered the chapel. In the background Green's Lakewood, Peevyhouse's Convertible and Fox's Coupe can be seen.*



**The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held July 17, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.**



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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Still busy at work which is generally a good thing, plus we just got through with almost 3 weeks of continuous contractors cycling through our house doing painting, new flooring and floor finishing and new railings, but we're not done yet. Now it is up to me to do a lot of small pieces, detailed trim work to finish up the projects. We've lived here about 25 years so I suppose it's time to do some updating... At least it is a little bit calmer in the house and our blinds are back up so the house doesn't heat up as fast.



I need to replace the top engine cover on our '66 Monza to solve a noisy cooling fan bearing. In the process of bringing the car home from



storage I discovered the battery is kaput, and if you have a car with a Powerglide transmission and a leaky shift cable, it may fill up your drip pan with transmission fluid and it will drop out of drive when you go around a corner. It seems it may be difficult to catch up with everything that needs to be done at times.

Our post Tri-State breakdowns report is that I have my original distributor back in the car with a stock Corvair resistor wire in place and a resistor wire style coil. I have not taken the HEI style distributor apart to see what the back of the circuit board looks like. This is NOT a Pertronics electronic ignition, so it is more complicated to fix on the road. The car is running well and got almost 24 MPG on the way back from Palmer Lake last weekend. It seems the reason for the fuel pump to

quit on the way out of Glenwood Canyon on the way home was I must have disturbed a wire in my accessory wiring harness in the engine bay when I was mucking about trying to reconnect the distributor resistor wire. We got a 148-mile ride home on a flatbed tow truck and when I started working on the wiring, I fiddled around wiggling wires and fixing connections until I couldn't get my pump relay to drop power to the pump anymore. I can't tell you which wire was the culprit, but I fiddled with many of them when trying to find the evil wire. I'm hoping soon I'll be done messing with trim, dead batteries, dead HEI distributors and electric fuel pumps so I can get back to working on the blue Corsa project. I have one wire harness connection and 4 bolts to remove the engine and I can move forward again.



## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

Submitted by  
Mike Piper

I owe a compliment to the pie and ice cream event in Palmer Lake last weekend along with our mini car show. It was a very nice day, and the pie & ice cream were plentiful, and I was impressed with the number of people who came by to look at our cars. Wayne Russert thanked me for coming and he said he'd have a spot for us next year. Hopefully those of us who could not make it for various personal or travel reasons this year can make it next year.



I'm sure it's listed down the newsletter, but our next club event is the Rosemount Museum show in Pueblo. After that is the Cripple Creek Corvair show. Kyle & I plan to go to Cripple Creek; our room is booked. Kyle wants to drive the white Monza, hence the need to fix the bearing. If nothing else, I'm looking forward to the donkey expressing its thoughts from the mu-

seum. Finally at the end of July there is the race against Kids Cancer at High Plains raceway. I made it to one race last year in Pueblo and that was quite entertaining so please consider all of these events. They can be fun, and the Corvairs seem to be popular.

I almost forgot... We owe Tony Lawler thanks for his efforts hauling See More around, and for letting Randy use his truck to get the car to Glenwood Springs.

We also decided during the meeting at Palmer Lake to give Tony extra funds to offset the mileage on his truck because Diesel fuel costs are so high.

aged and required replacement. The club as a whole, not just the board or the regular attendees will need to discuss the future of See More and how to replace Tony and his truck as the tow vehicle and driver, or if it is time for See More to find a new home. The mishap in Glenwood Springs highlighted some of the flaws in our current process.

Not to end on a negative note, but these issues need to be discussed and decided upon. I will send a follow-up email asking for input. Meanwhile, I wish you safe trouble-free travels and pleasant weather!

Mike

A MASSIVE  
THANK  
YOU



Finally, the club has decided to reimburse Tony for the tire on the trailer that was dam-

## HAPPY SUMMER—JULY EVENT REMINDERS

Submitted by  
Chris Kimberly

Here are a few reminders of events coming up in the month of July.

The first one is Saturday July 9: The Rosemount Museum Car Show, 9am-2pm. You need to register for this even though it is a free event. The [registration form](#) was in the newsletter last month and this month. **Please mail it back to The Rosemount Museum, 419 West 14<sup>th</sup> St., Pueblo, Co, 81003-2707.** They will be giving out goodie bags for all registered cars. We will be on the grounds of the museum and it's the first time we've been invited.

We can enter the grounds after 8:00 am. I think we can plan to gather a few blocks away and enter together. More info on that later as the date approaches. There are several other big car shows in Pueblo that same weekend so if you are going down Friday night, be sure to book a room early. Those going down Saturday morning, can caravan and more info on that will be coming soon.



Next is Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup>: We have rescheduled the Palmer Lake Lunch and Ice Cream outing for 1:00 pm. Bring those Corvairs out and meet at the Rock House Ice Cream Shop in Palmer Lake for a fun social gathering, food and ice cream! I will need to let Jeannine, the owner how many to expect so she can order enough food and help to serve everyone.

***Please let me know if you plan to attend and how many will be in your group by Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.***



The last event for July is Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>: The Cripple Creek All Corvair Car Show hosted by the Cripple Creek Historical Museum and sponsored by town merchants. This show begins at 9 am but we start placing the cars at 8 in the museum parking lot. It will last til 4 pm. This FREE show is open to any Corvair and doesn't need to be a club member. Trophies are awarded for People's Choice, and the Sponsors Choice. The Pioneer Days are the same weekend and so there's lots of activities going on. If you want to go up early book your reservations.



Any questions, just let me know.

Keep Vairin',  
Chris Kimberly

**MEETING MINUTES- JUNE 19, 2022****Palmer Lake Historical Museum Park**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

Meeting called to order at 12:15. 9 members and one visitor in attendance. Wayne and Bonnie Russert were here, but working on getting Pie & Ice Cream ready for the annual event. Kathy Green is taking minutes in lieu of a permanent secretary.

**M**

Thanks to Wayne Russert for arranging for us to have our meeting in the park and to park our cars on the grass across from the museum.

**E****Visitors**

Mark King's daughter Elyna joined us for the meeting.

**E****Minutes**

May meeting minutes were discussed, approved and seconded. Motion to approve by Rick Beets, second by John Green.

**T**

**Treasurers Report**—Available to all members on request.

**I****Mail**

There was no new mail this month.

**N****Membership**

Randy distributed updated membership lists and asked for feedback.

**G****SeeMore**

Mike began by explaining that Tony indicated that the mileage reimbursement was not enough to cover costs with the increase in fuel prices. Randy wrote a proposed change that we use the government reimbursement rate. Suggestion was that we go ahead and get that information out to the club for approval as this requires changes to the minutes. For the Glenwood trip Tony received a check using the government rate, minus the actual gas costs that were paid by PPCC during the trip.

**M**

There was a suggestion from the board that we give Tony an extra 10 cents per mile to cover costs associated with wear and tear, the higher price of diesel, and DEF (DEF additive for the engine emissions catalyst unit). Consensus was that this was a good suggestion, so Randy will cut a check for the additional 10 cents per mile. Mike will contact Tony to let him know what the additional check is for.

**I**

At Tri-State there was an incident in the parking lot with the SeeMore trailer. While the trailer was being moved to load up SeeMore, the trailer clipped a corner which caused it to hit Jerry's Subaru and peeled off the front bumper skin. It also took a chunk out of one of the SeeMore trailer's new tires, damaging it enough that is needed to be replaced. There was a Big O in the parking lot of the mall and Randy and Tony went over and got a new tire. Randy offered to pay for the tire, and Tony declined the offer at the time, so he covered the cost of the tire. Thanks to getting parts relatively inexpensively, the repairs to Jerry's car will not be overtly expensive, and Tony was planning to cover these costs. We did not have the road hazard warranty on the tires, but will plan to get this when new tires are purchased.

**N**

Discussion followed regarding whether we should pay Tony for the tire. Consensus was that this \$166 should be added to the check being sent to Tony to cover the extra 10 cents per mile.

**U**

Tony asked the club to see if Jerry would pay part of the costs of repair to his vehicle. Club consensus

**T****E****S**

**MEETING MINUTES- JUNE 19, 2022****Palmer Lake Historical Museum Park**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

was that this is something Tony should take up with Jerry and is not a club issue.

Tony also suggested that RMC and PPCC should split the costs for SeeMore. RMC made an initial donation for SeeMore, but the donation was made with no strings attached and no additional involvement on the part of RMC. Consensus was that this is something that Tony believes should be done, he should bring it up with RMC.

Tony has indicated that he will no longer haul SeeMore or offer his truck for use. Since SeeMore has already been committed to the event at the Rosemount Museum and Cripple Creek in July, and the Rocky Mountain airport show in early August discussion followed regarding what arrangements were necessary to fulfill these commitments. Jeff wondered if we could just rent a truck to haul SeeMore (this has been discussed in the past and consensus at that time was that this could be accomplished). The issue continues to be needing someone to drive the truck even if we were to rent a vehicle. Suggestion was to send a message to the entire PPCC list to see if members have someone who would be willing to drive a truck hauling SeeMore to the upcoming events. PPCC would pay expenses and meals for this volunteer. Members present agreed this was a reasonable idea. Mike will send an email to the PPCC list asking for volunteers.

Mike asked if we thought it was time to find a new home for SeeMore. Discussion followed regarding the possibility of donating SeeMore to CPF. They do not currently have a permanent home. However, this may be an option. Kathy suggested that this be presented to the entire PPCC list asking for feedback, since SeeMore belongs to the entire club.

Kathy noted that based on the discussion, Mike's note to club members should include:

1. Can we get someone to drive SeeMore to Pueblo? Club will rent a vehicle and pay for a driver's expenses.
2. Is it time for SeeMore to be rehomed? We need feedback from the entire club regarding letting SeeMore go.
3. Request to review the recommendation to raise the mileage reimbursement rate to the government rate.

Since this is something that would need to be changed in the by-laws, club members will have two months to review this change before we vote on the by-law change in September.

Mike will send this out to the PPCC list and ask for feedback on a volunteer to drive SeeMore in July and early August ASAP, and feedback on the other issues before our September 18.

**Old Business**

Garrie shared that someone picked up an early model gas heater from the parts stash.

Rick noted that there is someone coming into town looking for station wagon parts. Garrie has the parts stash, and there was a question whether there were any Lakewood parts in the stash. Garrie asked whether a non-PPCC or Corsa member could have needed parts. This is not an option at this time.

**New Business/events**

Chris was out of town and asked that Kathy mention the upcoming events in July. The first one is Saturday July 9: The Rosemount Museum Car Show, 9am-2pm. *You need to register for this even though it is a free event.* The registration form was in the newsletter. Please mail it back to The Rosemount Museum, 419 West 14<sup>th</sup> St., Pueblo, Co, 81003-2707. They will be giving out goodie bags for all registered cars. We will be on the grounds of the museum and *it's the first time we've been invited*, so let's have a good showing. We can enter the grounds after 8:00 am. There are several other big car shows in Pueblo that same weekend so if you are going down Friday night, be sure to book a room early. More information on possible caravans and where we will meet to enter the grounds will be coming soon. Please let Chris and John know if you're planning to attend, and get that regis-

**MEETING MINUTES- JUNE 19, 2022****Palmer Lake Historical Museum Park**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

tion form in ASAP so you don't miss out on a goodie bag!

Next is Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup>: We have rescheduled the Palmer Lake Lunch and Ice Cream outing for 1:00 pm. Bring those Corvairs out and meet at the Rock House Ice Cream Shop in Palmer Lake for a fun social gathering, food and ice cream! Please let Chris know if you plan to attend and how many will be in your group by **Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>** so she can let the owner of the shop know how many to expect.

The last event for July is Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>: The Cripple Creek *All Corvair Car Show* hosted by the Cripple Creek Historical Museum and sponsored by town merchants. This is a really fun event, so please plan to attend – we want a good showing of our favorite little cars! This show begins at 9 am but we start placing the cars at 8 in the museum parking lot. It will last til 4 pm. This FREE show is open to any Corvair and doesn't need to be a club member. Trophies are awarded for People's Choice, and the Sponsors Choice. The Pioneer Days are the same weekend and so there's lots of activities going on. If you want to go up early book your reservations. See the poster in the newsletter. Please let Chris and John know if you're planning to attend.

We still need a secretary. Anyone who would be interested, please consider stepping up to this position. Currently Randy is getting the mail, John and Kathy are taking care of sending cards of encouragement, and KeithAnn and Kathy are taking minutes. We *really* need someone to take this on.

**Tri-State**

The event was a big success and those who attended really had a good time. Mike received the hard luck award for his travails on the way to Tri-State, and on the way home also had another issue which required his being towed home. The June edition of The Drip Line covered Tri-State in depth.

Next year's event, which is hosted by PPCC, will be held in Salida, Colorado. Watch for information, and plan to step up to help with next year's event.

**Tech**

Mark King is looking for a Spider fuse box. If anyone has one, please contact Mark.

**Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.**

**DRIVER(S) NEEDED!!!**

We are in need of a driver to transport SeeMore to and from the car show at the Rosemount Museum show in Pueblo on July 9, and to handle transportation to the from the Cripple Creek event on July 23. In addition, SeeMore is expected at the Rocky Mountain Car Show & Swap meet on August 6 in Broomfield.

PPCC will cover all expenses for the driver, and pay for gas. If you do not have a vehicle capable of towing the SeeMore trailer, PPCC will cover expenses for a rental vehicle.

If you or a friend are willing, able and interested in volunteering, please let a board member know ASAP.

These are events for which SeeMore has already been committed to be present.



## TECH TIP: CAPITALIZE ON THE ATTENTION OUR CARS DRAW

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

While both sitting as well as walking around the cars at the Concoeur's d'Elegance Car Show at Arapahoe Community College a couple of Sundays ago, I was amazed at the attraction our Corvairs always bring compared to some of the other marques. When I was wandering through Ferarri and Porsche displays, and then looking over at our display I was always pleasantly surprised that more folks were around our cars.

I know all of us were engaged in conversations with those walking through the area. I would like to think all of us did our best to promote (a) ownership of a Corvair and (b) joining our local clubs so that they can be part of the fun we were having that Sunday.

We hear the stories constantly at service stations or restaurant parking lots about how their parents had a Corvair when they were young or they owned one while in college, etc. In almost every instance the enjoyment they had with that family Corvair brings smiles of good times to their faces.

It is up to us to seize that moment and pull them into our circle with stories of how easy it is to find decent Corvairs for sale, as well as how much fun we have as an organization that gets together for social events/dinners and drives as well as the monthly business meeting. Telling them stories about drives into the mountains and lengthy drives to either coast for Corvair gatherings can be captivating and again bring back memories of the past that were lost until they saw our

cars.

I always ask if the family had their previous Corvair around here. I ask that on purpose because if they say 'yes' my next question is 'do you remember coming with your dad to the shop on Morrison Rd?' Again if 'yes', I ask for dads last name and luckily I remember *almost* every customer that came into my place and we make an instant connection.

Now I will say that only a few want to re-live those days now by buying another Corvair, but I have seen it happen. In some cases they admit to looking at Craigslist, etc. for a Corvair and sometimes the same one they remember from the past.

My real point is that the way we present ourselves to the viewing public might have an outcome of them deciding to find another car or just revel in the moment of past memories. Either way we have earned ourselves another gold star for being friendly and personable to the car people viewing our cars and I believe they will remember too.



## SURGEON GENERAL WARNING

Submitted By  
Phil deGroot

**The surgeon general warns that cigarette lighters may be harmful to your Corvair**

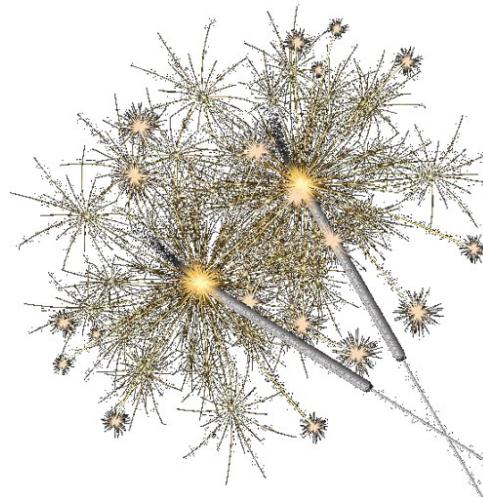


In the eight years that I have owned my 1962 Corvair it has been perfectly reliable. I have logged thousands of miles in several states attending numerous car shows including five Tri State meets. While traveling to this year's Colorado Concoeurs I was dealt a small dose of humility about the reliability of an old car on a 500 mile trip. I was quickly reminded that despite the reliability of my Corvair, the majority of the parts are 60 years old and subject to the ravages of time.

I left for the Colorado concoeurs shortly before 1 AM to take advantage of the cool weather and light traffic. The trip was pleasant and uneventful as the lights of Denver came into view. As I exited I-70 for C-470, my car suddenly lost all power and both warning lights came on. As the car coasted to the shoulder, my mind raced with numerous possible scenarios including a clogged fuel line, dead battery, or the dreaded thrown fan belt. Trying to diagnose a broken Corvair on the side of the freeway at 4 AM is a terrifying experience. Small dim tail lights, the absence of four-way flashers, and no ambient light seemed like a recipe for disaster and a target for a distracted motorist. As I opened the deck lid and surveyed the engine compartment I found the fan belt to be in tact and no visible problems. So the immediate order of business

became moving my car to the next available exit to further diagnose the problem.

As I got back in the car to attempt to restart it, I decided to unplug my GPS unit that was plugged into the cigarette lighter fearing an electrical drain on the battery. As I pulled the power adapter out of the cigarette lighter I was rewarded with a handful of bright orange sparks similar to a backyard Independence Day celebration.



Now, with multiple problems developing, I ran back to the car and unplugged the battery. Thinking quickly with the battery disconnected I reached blindly under the dash, felt for the wire behind the cigarette lighter and yanked it out. With the immediate danger of an electrical fire behind me I decided to attempt to start the car and move it to safety. To my surprise, the car started and ran perfectly.

After finally making it to the site of the car show, I attempted to go over the sequence of events in my mind to figure out what had happened. I came to the conclusion that the short circuit in the cigarette lighter was drawing power away from the ignition coil causing the car to stall out. After speaking to Steve Goodman and William Pearce my conclusion was verified. It was brought to my attention by Steve and William that the cigarette

**WARNING, cont.**Submitted By  
Phil deGroot

lighter on the Corvair draws power directly from the battery without going through the fuse block. I am not sure if this was a design flaw, or a cost cutting measure by The GM bean counters to keep prices low on Chevrolet's most inexpensive car. William shared a story about his Corvair suffering the same problem. When his cigarette lighter failed it filled the cabin of the car with smoke as the wiring harness slowly burned. Luckily, his quick thinking to disconnect the wire at the back of the lighter saved his beautiful wagon. Rick Beets also shared a story that upon purchasing his Corvair, he found the wiring behind the lighter to be badly burned prior to his ownership from the same problem.

Upon returning home, I performed a thorough inspection of the electrical system on my car including checking the entire harness, coil, distributor, and generator. Luckily, I found no damage other than the melted remains of the cigarette lighter. In the future, I plan to replace the entire cigarette lighter assembly and modify the wiring for safety. The plan is to splice an in-line fuse between the main harness and the lead that goes to the back of the lighter. Many thanks to Steve and William for sharing their knowledge about corvair electrics and to Rick beets for offering his nearby garage in the event I needed to conduct further repairs. Additional thanks to William and his determination to see myself and my corvair home safely at any cost- even if it meant retrieving his truck and trailer from home!

So learn from my ordeal, keep an eye on those cigarette lighters, even if you never use it. The heating element inside can corrode and short out with time. Consider either unplugging the wire on the back or wire in an inline fuse- an easy and inexpensive fix. If three club members have experienced the same problem, it should definitively raise a red flag with others. I shudder at the thought of a burned up corvair on the side of the road. My 62 monza has given up cigarette (lighters) for good. The surgeon general would be proud!

**HELP WANTED**

PPCC is still seeking an individual who will step into the role of club secretary. Currently we have a 'platoon' of people handling the secretary responsibilities in addition to their other club duties. Please consider volunteering for this important position. The club secretary is responsible for taking minutes at Board and General Club meeting, sending cards of encouragement, picking up the mail and distributing it as appropriate to club officers.



The duties are not extraordinarily time consuming, but extremely important to the club. If you enjoy your membership in PPCC, and believe serving is an important part of that membership, please consider stepping up. PPCC can only remain a vibrant and active club if our members are willing to volunteer for leadership opportunities. You may have said to yourself 'someday, maybe...' Please consider letting 'someday' be today!!

As noted previously, with the introduction of Zoom meeting opportunities, the secretary does not need to be physically present on the front range to serve (we have other members who can pick up the mail ☺). Contact any Board Member to express your interest.

**CONCOEUR'S d'ELEGANCE**Submitted By  
John Green

This year at the Concours D'Elegance, benefitting the Early Childhood Education Programs of Ability Connection Colorado, we had some new Corvairs join the group. Rod & Becky Begger brought their 64 Rampside, William & Trezna Pearce brought their 61 Lakewood, and Steve Goodman brought his Crown Mid-Engine V8.

There were eight other Corvairs that rounded out the various models for attendees to look at. They included: Mike Piper's 65 Corsa convertible, Phil deGroot's 62 Monza Sedan, Tony Lawler's 63 Rampside, John Dawson's 66 Monza, Chris Kimberly's 64 Monza convertible, Rick Beet's 63 Monza convertible, Ken Schiffner's 64 Monza convertible and our 68 Monza Coupe.

We had many people stop by and tell us their stories of when they had owned a Corvair. There were many that had not seen or knew that Chevy made the Rampside Pickup or the Lakewood stationwagon. The kids also had fun picking out a coloring sheet of their favorite model.

There were over 250 other cars to look at. The Triumph Spitfire was the featured car for its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary with over 25 cars. They were manufactured from 62 to 80.

Another interesting vehicle was the 1955 Ghia Streamline Jet turbine engine. There was also the old and new of Shelby with a 65 Cobra CSX4075 and a 2005 GT40.



## CONCOEUR'S d'ELEGANCE

Submitted By  
John Green

I want to thank John Dawson and Phil DeGroot for doing the judging this year. The awards they handed out were:

**Early Open** – 1<sup>st</sup> place Chris Kimberly's 64 (she also won 'Best of Show'), 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Rick Beet's 63



**Early Closed** – 1<sup>st</sup> place Phil deGroot's 62 Sedan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place William & Trejna Pearce's 61 Lake-wood



**Late Open** – 1<sup>st</sup> place Mike Piper's 65 Corsa



## CONCOEUR'S d'ELEGANCE

Submitted By  
John Green



**Late Closed** – 1<sup>st</sup> place John Dawson's 66 Monza, 2nd place Green's 68 Monza



**Forward Control** – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Rod & Becky Begger's 64 Rampside, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tony Lawler's 63 Rampside

See you there!

## CASTLE ROCK CRUISE IN—FATHER'S DAY PIE &amp; ICE CREAM

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

On Saturday, June 18, John and I attended the 14th annual Castle Rock Cruise In car show. The show featured 250 cars, ranging from early 1900's through 2020's. This is a show at which we have traditionally had a fairly large Corvair presence. However, this year registration filled up so quickly that only John and I were able to get registered.

The day was sunny and pretty hot, but there was a great turnout of attendees. All day long we heard 'there are the Corvair's', as attendees rounded the corner and saw the cars. We heard the usual 'when I was a teenager', or 'my uncle had...', stories throughout the day. So much fun!!

At awards time, we were thrilled when the Vintage Car Club of Castle Rock announced that our Lakewood wagon had been selected to receive 'The Survivor' award, presented to cars 50+ years of age, unrestored and unmodified. The members of VCC voted, and the Lakewood was chosen to receive the award! We had a great time and brought home a little 'hardware' too!

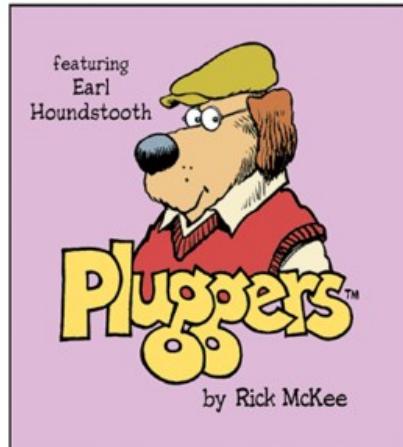


Sunday, June 19 we made the trek to Palmer Lake for the annual Father's Day Pie & Ice Cream and Car show. This year the Model A club only had one car at the event, but we had 6 Corvairs all in a row. A Camaro, a Mustang and a couple of pickups pulled in behind us after we arrived. Pie & Ice Cream were delicious, and the crowd really seemed to enjoy the cars! Thanks to Wayne Russert for arranging for the cars to be parked on the grass across the street from the park!



## DRIP QUIPS

As published in the Denver Post, Sunday, May 29, 2022



*Who knew we were onto something with those 'hybrid' Corvairs!!!*

If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

-  **July 9, Rumble at the Rosemount Antique and Classic Car Show in Pueblo that will feature SeeMore:** 9:00—2:00, The Rosemount Museum, 419 West 14th Street, Pueblo. Cars will park on the grass around the museum. Entrances will open at 9:00 a.m. **Please do not arrive before 7:45 a.m. to line up.** Show is free, but cars must register. Participants will receive goodie bags filled with items and coupons and discounts from local business. [Registration forms](#) are at the end of The Drip Line.
- A July 10, April Palmer Lake Ice Cream & Cars:** Rock House Ice Cream & More, 24 Highway 105, Palmer Lake, CO. Additional information coming soon!
- M Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Saturday, July 23, Cripple Creek All Corvair Show:** In conjunction with Cripple Creek's annual Pioneer Days celebration, the Heritage Museum has invited all Corvair's to beautiful Cripple Creek for a show featuring only Corvair powered vehicles. Information on special Hotel rates coming soon. See more details [here](#).
- A Saturday—Sunday, July 30-31, Race Against Kids Cancer:** High Plains Raceway, Deertrail, CO. Information available [here](#).
-  **Rocky Mountain Car Show & Swap Meet, Saturday, August 6:** PPCC and RMC attend this annual event. We will be showing SeeMore and a section of the show will be set aside just for our Corvair's. We would like to see 30 Corvairs or more at this event. Detailed information including registration forms is available [here](#) and in the flier later in The Drip Line.
- A Saturday, August 20:** Road trip to the Orphan Car Museum in Yuma, Colorado. Check out the museum information at [orphanageyuma.com](#). Time and cost for admission / lunch coming soon!
- M Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** PPCC will provide details. Current information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A September 24 or 25 OR October 1 or 2, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.
- A October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. 130 Mile Trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.
- M Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M December 11 or December 18, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** More to come!

**Key:** **M—Meeting;**  **—Car Show;** **A—Activity**

## CORVAIR PARTNERS & LOCAL BUSINESSES WHICH PPCC MEMBERS HAVE FREQUENTED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS

Here are just a few of the companies our members have had good luck with in the past.

*NOTE: These are only recommendations only, as we do not solicit sponsors for the Club, or the newsletter. So, do your own research as well.*



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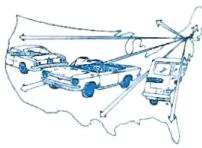
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Happy winners at Cripple Creek. Top left are Diane Tweedy-Lawler and Tony Lawler and their People's Choice winning Ramp-side; Lower right are Jeff Adams and Tonya Boudreau with their Judge's Choice winning Lakewood. Congratulations!!



**The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held August 21, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.**



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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Still busy at work, now with some projects that are somewhat start and stop or with random changes in direction which can cause moments of confusion... I'm on the verge of finishing up with the last few minor trim issues in the house. I'm down to the stuff that takes 30-45 minutes of prep for a 5-minute task. Sometimes work on our cars goes like this.

In about 5 hours, Kyle and I will, in theory, be departing for Cripple Creek. Before that I have to go with my daughter to the mini storage so she can retrieve her house stuff and so I can get the car. In the past, if Kyle and I did not start early enough, we ended up enjoying 5 MPH traffic during rush hour through Denver and on the way to Colorado Springs, followed by slow traffic in Colorado Springs and construction on westbound highway 24. Based on my latest trip to Colorado Springs, the major road work with the I-25 HOV lanes is about done so the road is much smoother, and the perceived unlimited speed limit HOV lane is open for the most impatient drivers. I'll look forward to not losing hardware from my dash-



board due to the bumps. Last year we drove through a lot of rain. Hopefully that will be better this year. The prep work on the cars is done but I'm going to make Kyle wash and vacuum the '66 Monza. It was placed in the mini storage after coming home from Albuquerque so the insect entrails on the car have had a lot of time to cure.



More quick unexpected Corvair stories... My boss' wife was a high school counselor. She has stayed in touch with one of her students. I was talking to her at a team gathering recently and she mentioned a former student. It turns out he has multiple posts about his 1968 Corvair. It looks like a very nice car, in good condition. I'm not clear if Steve Goodman knows him but he is a local guy, and his parents have a

local business. He works at a detail shop at the moment. I'll see if I can recruit him for one of the clubs.

The other story is I was at a retirement event for one of the leaders of the rescue team I've been affiliated with. A lesson from that is time passes for all of us and when you haven't seen someone for a while you are reminded of that. The Corvair part is our logistics manager had a '64 Corvair which he told me he regretted selling when he was 21. He asked me if I knew Steve Goodman because he used to buy parts from Steve. A moment of small world.

I told him if he wants a car we could probably find him one. It turns out his mom also had a red late model when she was a student at CSU, but she would have been about 4 years ahead of me. She was not the owner of the white convertible with a black top and Ansen sprint wheels that caused me to want a white late model convertible with a black top. I don't recall the girl, just the car which might strike some as odd for a 19-year-old male... In any case it was not his mom because her car was red, and I think he was somewhat relieved.

## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

Submitted by  
Mike Piper

Maybe I can recruit him for a club membership too.

Elsewhere in the newsletter Jerry Peevyhouse and I tag teamed for an article about the Rosemont Museum trip and my two interesting encounters with the public during that trip. I was surprised overall about the experience. I did not have low expectations, but the trip still exceeded them. There were no awards which was fine, and I certainly know how the Greens felt with their issue.



So, I've managed to ramble on for a while and not say much of use. I can point out that for those of us without AC in our cars the hot weather has been a stark reminder of how things were in the '60s. It was of course common to drive on hot days with all the windows open, the wind wings aimed at our parent's faces and try not to stop. I lived in St. George Utah in 1965 and I recall the scramble to try to find the little dab of shade when parking. I'll still make these trips it, but I'll bring more water in the future. The trip

home from Pueblo about roasted me.

My next event on my radar is the racing at High Plains raceway out on Highway 36. One tip if you're headed out there, when you leave Byers you won't see much. Once you think you've driven too far, about the next hill you drive over you will see it. It is a bit hidden. If you make it to Anton, you have gone too far... Sounds like that should be a fun event.



Another event is the CCCC car show and swap meet at the airport formerly known as Jeffco airport near Wadsworth and US 36. It appears I won't be able to make it due to a work commitment, but the goal is for both clubs to get enough cars there with other air-cooled cars (VW) to fill our own little show area.



Rick Beets (RMC) is leading this effort. John Green is our rep to CCCC as well. In the past this has

been a fun event with lots of cars. Last year had so much smoke from fires you could not see the foothills, but it was still fun, and we'll hope for better this year. The are more details in the events section below.

Last thing making its way to the surface, the club did have a discussion about the future of the cutaway car (See More) and there is another potential option in the not-too distant future, so we have tabled any immediate decision. Presently the car is in the trailer in a safe place and taking it to events will be considered on a case-by-case basis if we can find transport.

Happy and safe travels!

Mike



## VP VOLTAGE—CHARACTER

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Greetings again. Hope your summer is going well. My wife and I were recently on vacation after the Tri-State in May, and I didn't get to write last month about a conversation I over-

heard during registration that prompted this article. It's funny how sometimes you hear something that makes you realize how interesting our language is and how many words have several meanings and connotations. As I was passing through the lobby on my way outside, I overheard one of the club members say to a male member "I remember you from the last Tri-State, you are such a character". Now the word "character" has several meanings and usages, and in this case the lady who said this was paying a compliment to the recipient (names not necessary) in that she remembered him as a funny and personable person. It got me thinking about how this particular phrase "you're such a character" is not used much anymore, but I'm old enough to remember it being said about others and even to me a few times in my



younger days.

It also got me thinking about some of the other meanings of the word character. Someone could be a *character* in a movie, as in Hans Solo is my favorite Star Wars *character*, or that someone who is acting in accord with their usual qualities or traits would be behaving *in character*, or someone not in accord with their usual qualities or traits would be acting *out of character*. It could also be the sum of mental and ethical traits, such as the *character* of the American people. In addition, a *character* is a specific symbol or image used in writing – the words you are reading are letters (characters) that make up the alphabet. We even have to use special *characters* like a ! or # or \$ when creating passwords. Heck, even houses have *character*. *Character* can also refer to a person's moral or ethical quality. If you are a

person of good *character*, you are trustworthy and reliable. Someone has said that *character* is what you do or who you are when no one is around. That is an important trait to have.

So, what does this have to do with Corvair's? Not too much, except for *their characteristics*, which it seems everyone I meet at the gas station, or grocery store or car show comments on how they enjoy the characteristics of them and then invariably provide their "Corvair story". It really is a good reminder of how important Corvair's are in the history of transportation, and in telling the story of car development. Being unique is good sometimes ☺.

Hope you are getting out and driving your cars around town. Now that we're back in the groove of things again, I'm enjoying getting mine out. Even got to go to my first car show recently at the RoseMount car show in Pueblo. More on the show later in the DripLine.

Enjoy the journey,  
Jerry

**MEETING MINUTES- JULY 17, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
Kathy Green**PPCC Meeting Minutes  
July 17, 2022  
Valley Hi Golf Club**

Meeting called to order at 9:41 – 14 members were present. Mike had his computer setup on time and Zoom was up. No one joined us via Zoom. New members Kristal and Rex Harrison were introduced and welcomed. 6 Corvairs were at the meeting (4 convertibles ☺).

**50/50**

Tony distributed 50/50 tickets.

**M****E****E****T****I****N****G****Minutes**

June meeting minutes were discussed, approved and seconded. Motion to approve by John Green, second by Rick Beets.

**Treasurers Report**

The Treasurer's Report is available to all members on request. Please contact Randy Karl if you wish to receive a copy.

**Mail**

There was no mail this month.

**M****I****N****U****T****E****Membership**

We have two new members (joined today), Kristal and Rex Harrison, who own a '62 convertible they purchased in March.

**Rosemount Museum Report**

Mike, Jerry and KeithAnn were the only cars that made it to Rosemount. Green's had started that way when their Lakewood began smoking just north of Colorado Springs. Their son was driving their coupe and Jerry and KeithAnn were following. They pulled off and found oil coming out of the car, moved up to the next exit, and waited for a tow truck. So, the Green's trip south was called off, and the Lakewood is parked until Steve is available to work on it.

Jerry and KeithAnn went on south to Pueblo where they enjoyed a wonderful show at the Rosemount Museum with Mike. They had a great spot under big shade trees. There was a large variety of cars. They were able to tour the house that is the museum, and really enjoyed the day. Details on the trip will be shared in The Drip Line. Mike and Jerry both recommend we consider this show again next year.

**SeeMore**

We currently don't have a driver. Options have been discussed by the board.

The Glusick's have offered to store trailer with car inside at their place. They live in Penrose, so this location might be difficult. Consensus was that leaving SeeMore at Duane's still makes sense. The larger issue is getting SeeMore to and from events.

Is it time to find SeeMore a new home? Chris Kimberly recommended that we 'sit on it' at Duane's to see what the future might hold and if we have new options for a tow vehicle or storage. Renting a

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**MEETING MINUTES- JULY 17, 2022****Valley Hi Golf Club**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

truck could still be an option, which is something we could look at in the future – Garrie Fox mentioned that on occasion he might be willing to drive a truck hauling SeeMore. Consensus was that waiting at this time makes sense. However, this will be an ongoing discussion as no one at this point has volunteered to consistently drive SeeMore to events.

Tony noted that he has already committed to getting SeeMore to the Rocky Mountain Car Show and Swap Meet, so his truck will be available.

**Old Business**

Rick discussed the Rocky Mountain Car Show and Swap Meet, August 6 in Broomfield. Show runs from 10-2. He is really asking for people to come out with their cars as there is a special location for air cooled cars. He is counting on more Corvair's than VW's at this show. There is a swap meet location for those who wish to sell parts. Discussion was that RMC and PPCC could get a table for anyone who wants to sell parts, however no one has any parts to sell, so we won't be doing this.

**Coming Events**

Up next is the Cripple Creek all Corvair car show (July 23) open to all Corvairs. Please come!

Rocky Mountain Car Show and Swap meet is August 6.

August 13 is the Wilshire Memorial picnic (near Bandimere Speedway).

August 20 is the road trip to the Orphan Car Museum in Yuma, Colorado. They are offering a catered lunch to attendees for \$10 per person. Chris will need to know how many are attending by August 12. Show of hands indicated that currently there is not a lot of interest due to the distance to Yuma.

October 2 Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run from 10:00 – 3:00. This is a 130 mile trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West.

Colorado City (near Walsenberg) Lion's club is having an Autumn Spectacular car show on October 8.

Chris will have more information on the fall tour at the next meeting.

**Old Business**

We still need a club secretary!!!

**Tech/Parts Needed**

There were discussions throughout the meeting on various items members are working on.

Rick needs a YH carburetor for his Turbo.

Jeff needs a fan for his alternator.

Mark is looking for a fuse block wire harness for any year Spider. Rick and Tony both mentioned that they may have what he needs.

**MEETING MINUTES- JULY 17, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
Kathy Green**50/50**

50/50 was won by Kristal Harrison (\$15 to Kristal and \$15 to General Fund).

Meeting adjourned at 11:02.

**DRIP LINE EDITOR NEEDED**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

PPCC is in need of a newsletter editor who will be willing to take over the reigns of The Drip Line starting January, 2023. I have served as editor since 2019, quite honestly because no one else was willing to step up. Given health concerns, this isn't something that I will be able to continue to do.

Some have indicated that it is 'too much' to take on. When I took over after Ed Halpin stepped down, I too felt it was a lot. However, while it can be time consuming, it isn't difficult. It depends on how much you choose to put into it. That said, there are truly only a few things that are 'required' in our monthly newsletter. Those include:

- Information on our next meeting
- Club minutes
- Leadership Contact information



Everything else you receive on a monthly basis is in hopes of making The Drip Line a vital communication tool and an enjoyable read for the club.

Please consider stepping up. I'm more than happy to discuss my process, the software I use, and any other questions you might have. Please contact me at [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com) if you believe this could be a way you can serve the club.

Thank you!

## TECH TIP: CAPITALIZE ON THE ATTENTION OUR CARS DRAW PT. 2

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

Last month I wrote about how much attention our cars draw in car displays and on the street and parking lots. That article focused on those who had memories from the past of their own/family members and friends and neighbors who owned Corvairs. I need to say also that very seldom are there negative comments from this group. They might remember fan belt issues or oil leaks and smelly heaters, but I don't recall ever hearing 'hate' language about the Corvair.

There is another group out there with a different attitude and understanding about our cars. This group have never owned one and only know what they read/heard on the news or general gossip. It can be interesting to visit with someone from this group and the approach to having a conversation with them can vary.

The usual 'statement' almost always includes something about the car that made Nader famous or that he had written a book about how dangerous etc. I had one fellow tell me that Nader went to the president of the USA and forced him to outlaw the cars in 1964. He had a blank look when I told him my car was a 1968.

I have a 'pat' response developed through the years to dispel rumors that Nader was the sole reason the Corvair died. I start out by tell them that the Corvair chapter was only one small part of his book "Unsafe at Any Speed". I also say that Nader found fault with any rear engine car due to no protection in the front from crashes. This included VW and Porsche/Renault/Fiat but Nader singled out GM due to the fact that GM was a very large corporation.

After a breath I state that the blame for the demise of the Corvair was largely due to

the Mustang and GM itself. I ask if they remember the advertisements in car magazines and even Life magazine in 65-66. The ads for the Mustang depicted a convertible on the beach with a young couple nearby. Also a coupe or fastback at a ski lodge with again a young couple at the car, and last a Mustang on the race track. Ford showed off the car as a younger generation car plus a performance car. At the same time most (not all) of the Corvair ads showed husband/wife and 2-3 kids and a dog; in other words a family car. Yes there was the occasional ad for Corvair with a very small pic of a Corvette at a bottom corner of the page.

I finish my dissertation with a short reminder that GM had the Camaro on the drawing boards, and it was more competitive against the Mustang so GM made their choice. I also add that GM had plans to stop Corvair after the end of 1966, but felt that appeared to many that GM was 'caving in' to the public demands, so the Corvair continued through 1969 even with the added costs of the safety regulation changes and the emission controls added.

Now whether I have ever educated anyone about the Corvair is hard to say but I certainly try and if nothing else they walk away knowing they met a friendly Corvair owner who believes in the car.

Also if any of the readers here prefer to just call the unknowing person a name and walk away I darn sure wouldn't blame you.



## ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Submitted By  
Christine Kimberly

First of all, congratulations to Diane and Tony Lawler for receiving the Peoples Choice award up at Cripple Creek for their Rampy, and to Tanya Boudreau and Jeff Addams for receiving the Judges Award on their '61 wagon!

Hi Everyone! There are several events and activities to look forward to in August. The first one is **August 6<sup>th</sup>**: CCCC sponsored **Rocky Mountain car/airshow and swap meet**. The cost for admission with your car is \$10.00. There will be a special area set up for Corvairs, so it would be great to have as many cars there as possible. See the flyer in the Drip line for more info.



The next event is a **day trip and tour on August 20 to Yuma, CO., to the Orphanage Car Museum**. This museum is affiliated with Forney Museum in Denver. (they currently have an American Bantam Woody on display from Forney.) They specialize in cars that are no longer in production. They also have an extensive collection of radiator caps and hood ornaments from 1900's to the 1990s, until the end of August.

The museum will cater a fried chicken luncheon with sides, dessert, and beverage for \$10.00 per person. **Since they are preparing lunch, we need to give them a number count of folks who will be there by August 11.**

Please let me know if you will be attending this trip and how many in your group by this

date. Since we live all over the Springs and areas north, we will meet at the Limon exit (Interstate 70) at the Pilot Travel Center, at 9:30 am. Then we can caravan from there to Yuma. If you're coming from Denver, you can meet in Limon or get there on Interstate 76. This should be a really fun day drive, no mountain passes (LOL), to a car museum we've never visited before.



Any questions, let me know and keep Vairin'!  
Chris Kimberly



**JERRY & MIKE'S ROSEmount ADVENTURE**Submitted By  
Jerry Peevyhouse and Mike Piper

OR 'Rumble at the Rosemount' car show

"It was a hot and sultry day", as the line goes, in Pueblo this past July 9<sup>th</sup> at the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Rumble at the Rosemount car show. The event was held at the Rosemount Museum (more on that later) and was very well attended by a variety of antique, classic, custom, street rods, muscle, cruisers, and of course a couple of Corvairs. The plans were for more Corvairs to attend, but it ended up only Jerry and Keithann Peevyhouse in their 65 Red Convertible and Mike Piper in his 65 Red Convertible actually made it down there. As you can see from the picture, we had fraternal twins there, not identical twins ☺.



The day started out as a caravan that started in Castle Rock with John and Kathy driving their Lakewood and their son Douglas and his wife Cassie driving the 68 red coupe, and picking up Jerry and Keithann in Monument on their way south. The plan was executed perfectly until we got down close to Colorado Springs when the Lakewood began to smoke and we pulled off to investigate. A quick look under the car showed there was a pretty healthy leak of oil apparently dripping onto the muffler crossover pipe and causing the smoking. Car was running fine, just leaking oil. Not able to confirm the exact cause of the leak, but after a conversation with Mike (already down in Pueblo) it was determined that it was probably best not to drive the car down to the car show. So, unfortunately, John called for a tow truck and both sets of cars returned to Castle Rock. ☺ They were missed, not the outcome they were expecting.

This is the first time for PPCC attending this car show, but maybe it's one we might consider doing again as it was very well run and with no entry fee was very affordable. There was plenty of big trees around the museum that provided great shade in the morning, not so much in the afternoon. As you can see from the pictures, there were a good variety of car types there, which made it interesting for everyone attending. Mike and I had a great location that drew a lot of foot traffic by our cars. In addition to all the car related stuff, they even had shaved ice for the kids (adult kids too) which was a big hit on such a hot day.

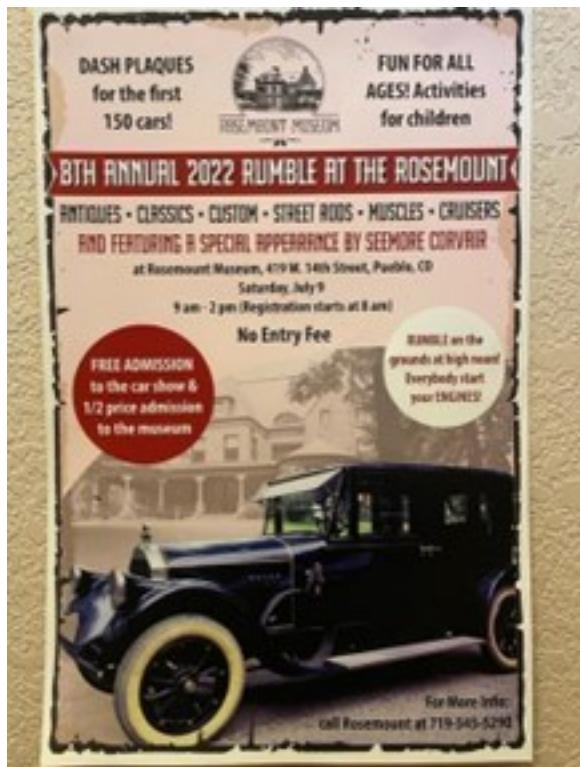
Originally, SeeMore was scheduled to appear, but we couldn't find a way to transport the car down there. One of the organizers of the show mentioned how disappointed they were that SeeMore wasn't there.

The other interesting thing they did was having a noon "rumble" where everyone started up their cars and made some noise. Obviously, the hot rods blasted us out of the water, but it was fun to do.



## **JERRY & MIKE'S ROSEmount ADVENTURE**

Submitted By  
Jerry Peevyhouse and Mike Piper



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As part of the admission registration for the show, there was free admission to the Rosemount Museum, which was the home of the John and Margaret Thatcher family who built the 37-room mansion in 1893. Over 85% of all the furniture and items in the mansion are original to the family. At Christmas they put up 37 Christmas trees inside the mansion and decorate it for the holidays.

Since this is a combined article, the following are thoughts from Mike's perspective of the car show and travels to it.

I've determined I'm not great about getting up early for an extended drive to a car show so I decided to stay overnight in Pueblo near the venue. We had a kids movie night at our office in a drive -in format so I went there first, then left at about 21:00 hrs (9:00 PM) to drive to Pueblo. In the process, the father of one of my co- workers, and a former Corvair owner said I should put my top down. I did and it started raining in about 10 minutes. I put the top back up and it quit. The handy thing was my seats and car were wet so in the process of drying them off I cleaned up a bunch of dust.

Away I go. The car has run fine since all of the hassles during the tri-state weekend, so I made good time to just north of Tomah Road on I-25. 75+ MPH to full stop. I spent the next 30-40 minutes at less than 9 MPH trying not to abuse my clutch. I assumed a multi-car accident which turned out to be a paving operation to almost where the old rest stop was south of the Larkspur exit. Off we go again. I'm looking at a lot of lightning that looked south of Colorado Springs, headed east. I thought the mess around not moving would help me miss the storm, but nope. I was into some pretty serious splash back by the time I got to the eastbound highway 24 exit. I was muddling along in rain and road construction until almost Fountain. Then I got into intermittent rain and sprinkles. Some of the northbound folks were driving so fast that when they hit a water puddle, they either had their tires go smack into the water or they threw a wave up over the wall. Fortunately, the waves missed me since my windows were wide open, but I worry about hydroplaning in Corvairs when going fast with water puddles around.

I'd slowed down to about 65 and it was pretty boring until a tired looking Honda came up and hung out in my blind spot for a while. Then he pulled up ahead of me with his interior light on and was waving. I was puzzled at least but I kept going and dropped in behind a couple of cars going about the same speed, and he went ahead. I was staying at a Hampton Inn on the south end of Pueblo, and I pulled in at about midnight. I was getting out of

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the car and the guy following me came up and asked me where I got my parts and complimented me on my car. It turns out he has two Corvairs, a '65 and a '66, one of which is a convertible. One runs and the other is a box of parts. We talked until about 1:00 hrs (1:00 AM) and another guest even commented on how long we talked. He knows of Steve Goodman, he tried getting parts from Corvair Ranch, but they were rusty, he knows of Clarks... I suggested some other sources but truthfully, I was not at my sharpest. He lived in Pueblo and commutes to work in the Springs. I invited him to join PPCC and he took a photo of my decals as a reminder.

My return home was also somewhat interesting. We spent the day in the shade, but it was hot. I needed fuel and went to a Shell station. I think I pulled up to the store to use the restroom but as I parked the young attendant (maybe early 20's) came out to ask me what kind of car that was, and so on. We probably spent 15 minutes. It turns out he likes old cars, and he has a friend that works in an upholstery shop. He really liked the car and said his friend would like working on one. I suggested PPCC again and had him take a photo of my front emblem, so he'd have a reminder of the type of car. He took several other photos too. He was very diligent because every time a customer entered the store, he left me and took care of them. A very nice guy.

Aside from my eyeballs feeling like baked eggs, it was otherwise a dull trip home. I did stop off at the Palmer Lake ice cream shop to get my ice cream a day early and to cool off. I will definitely try to go next year. The car owners there were different from some of the other shows as were their cars, which I think were mostly local. Their tee shirts for sale were very nice and the dash plaques were quite the works of art too.

As they say, "this one's a keeper" and so as we plan next year's events, this is one to put on the calendar again.

**SECRETARY NEEDED**

PPCC is still seeking an individual who will step into the role of club secretary. Currently we have a 'platoon' of people handling the secretary responsibilities in addition to their other club duties. Please consider volunteering for this important position. The club secretary is responsible for taking minutes at Board and General Club meeting, sending cards of encouragement, picking up the mail and distributing it as appropriate to club officers.



The duties are not extraordinarily time consuming, but extremely important to the club. If you enjoy your membership in PPCC, and believe serving is an important part of that membership, please consider stepping up. PPCC can only remain a vibrant and active club if our members are willing to volunteer for leadership opportunities. You may have said to yourself 'someday, maybe...' Please consider letting 'someday' be today!!

As noted previously, with the introduction of Zoom meeting opportunities, the secretary does not need to be physically present on the front range to serve (we have other members who can pick up the mail ☺). Contact any Board Member to express your interest.

**CRIPPLE CREEK**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

This year's All Corvair Car Show in Cripple Creek did not disappoint!! I'd like to begin by thanking Chris Kimberly for her tireless efforts to provide wonderful opportunities for us to gather and share our cars. While it may seem easy to put together an event like Cripple Creek, behind the scenes Chris is contacting local representatives of the Museum, making connections with the Hotel, printing People's Choice ballots and car placards, and countless other things to assure a successful event. This year was no exception. Also, special thanks to Tony Lawler and Diane Tweedy Lawler for bringing a canopy, table and chairs to not only provide respite from the heat, but also a comfortable place to shoot the breeze with participants and guests alike. They also made sure every young guest received a coloring sheet, and took care of emptying the ballot box multiple times and assisting with the counting of award ballots. Thank you, thank you, thank you!! And, to everyone who came out with or without a car and spent time in Cripple Creek, setting up feather flags, educating guests and just generally being wonderful, thank you as well!

A large, stylized, blue, three-dimensional text graphic that reads "Thank You!!". The letters are slightly slanted and have a drop shadow, giving them a three-dimensional appearance.

Present at this year's show were: Jeff Addams and Tonya Beaudreau, Rick Beet, Garrie and Patricia Fox, John and Kathy Green along with their son, Douglas and daughter-in-law Cassandra, former member Joe Hoeschen, Randy Karl, Chris Kimberly, Diane Tweedy Lawler and Tony Lawler, Mike and Kyle Piper, and a gentleman who lives in Cripple Creek. While this show doesn't include a 'Hard Luck' award, if it had been offered it would have gone to Chris Kimberly, whose beautiful baby blue convertible had shifting problems in Colorado Springs, and after multiple phone calls and emails to club members, was towed back to Castle Rock. The verdict on its diagnosis is still unknown at this time. Ever the trooper, Chris climbed into her 'truck' and headed back to Cripple Creek.

Several attendees came in on Friday, while the rest drove in on Saturday. Car parking began shortly before 8:00 a.m. on a one of those amazing crystal clear days you only see in the Colorado mountains. The sky was brilliant blue, and throughout the day puffy white (then gray) clouds offered welcome relief from the sun. Though it was warm, it certainly was not as hot as it had been the previous few weeks, and attendees and participants seemed to enjoy the day. All show car owners and their guests were given free admission to the museum and several took the opportunity to check out the variety of historical items on display.

**CRIPPLE CREEK**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

With feather flags flying and the Cripple Creek to Victor train puffing out clouds of smoke the show began at 9:00 a.m.. There was a Kettle Korn vendor setup in the parking lot with the cars, and I noticed quite a few bags being enjoyed by club members! Throughout the day we were greeted by a steady stream of guests enjoying the cars and voting for their favorite car. Chris even got a few 'mercy votes' (her words ☺) by sharing the show poster, pointing out her lovely car, and explaining why it wasn't there!

Shortly after 2:00 the ballots were counted and Diane Tweedy Lawler and Tony Lawler took home the trophy for People's Choice for their Rampside pickup. The Judge's Choice award was presented to Tonya Beaudreau and Jeff Addams for their Lakewood station wagon. The museum curator explained that their decision was based on the fact that they really liked 'old and original'! Congratulations to our big winners.

It should be noted that every vehicle that was shown received some votes for People's Choice—so don't forget that beauty truly is in the eye of the beholder! Each of our cars will 'speak' to someone in a unique way.

The show was scheduled to run until 4:00 p.m. However, at 3:00 p.m. huge gusts of wind filled with dust and soot from the train knocked over feather flags and threatened to uproot the canopies over the club tables and Kettle Korn vendor. In addition, lighting was popping all around, so discretion being the better part of valor, everyone packed up and headed home. All in all this was a wonderful, successful day.

Let's all plan to attend next year! Show pictures are on the following pages.

**CRIPPLE CREEK**

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

Pictured: Rick's Spyder; Jeff and Tonya's Lakewood; John and Kathy's Coupe; Garrie and Patricia's Coupe; Mike's Convertible; Mike's second Convertible



**CRIPPLE CREEK**

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

Pictured: Randy's Coupe; Joe's Convertible; Diane and Tony's Rampside; a few 'Artsy' shots'.



## ITEM OF INTEREST

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

# 300 Corvair fanciers hold their convention despite Ralph Nader

Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Elwood Schwartz, who said that all told, 1,700,126 of the things were manufactured, smiled when someone asked him how many he owned himself.

"Fourteen," he answered, then explained that seven are junks which he cannibalizes for parts, so he really owns only seven that run — seven Chevrolet Corvairs.

Schwartz' Corvair-collection fervor is shared at least to some degree by about 300 persons from all across the United States who converged on the Holiday Inn in Gaithersburg, Md., over the weekend for the second annual convention of the Corvair Society of America.

Corvair, it might be recalled, was the rear-engine economy car manufactured by the Chevrolet Division of General Motors between 1959 and 1969. In its best year, 1961, Corvair sold 317,389 models. In its last year it sold fewer than 3,000.

In 1965 midway between its high point and its end, Corvair was singled out for a special one-chapter attack in consumer advocate Ralph Nader's book, "Unsafe At Any Speed."

Nader alleged that Corvair tended to have rollover problems, that it handled turns badly. General Motors denied the charges, then in 1967 made history by making Corvair the first American economy car to be recalled for modification. The announced cause: possible steering defects.

Later, Consumers Union reported its tests showed that the Corvair heating system had a nasty habit of blowing deadly carbon monoxide into the passenger compartment if defects developed in the exhaust or gasketing systems. And so it came to pass that

the Corvair was discontinued, its population dwindling, never to rise again. It has joined Packard and Kaiser and Hudson and DeSoto and Falcon.

Schwartz, who organized the convention, and his flock of diehard Corvairophiles spent much time comparing notes, trading and selling parts and mechanical knowhow, and, inevitably, talking of things past and things that might have been.

"I mean the Corsa was a real thoroughbred," observed one young man. "It had 180 horsepower, it moved well, handled well, it was a real sport car. But instead of pushing it for what it was, Corvair tried to sell itself on the economy angle."

The Corsa, anyone at the convention could tell you, was manufactured only in 1965 and 1966. In other years, the less fancy Monza was at the top of the line.

Schwartz, 30, is campus director of Youth for Christ, a privately sponsored organization promoting Christian revival among youth.

A soft-spoken, earnest young man, he tended to speak guardedly about his objections to Ralph Nader. "Some of (Nader's) arguments bear truth," Schwartz said. "The car must be maintained and it becomes unsafe if it is not properly maintained.

"With proper tires and brakes and shocks, it's a good, easily manageable car. But we're not a platform to berate others. We get together because we dig the car."

Others were not so diplomatic.

"Ralph Nader? We all think he's-----," declared Dennis Verdaak, 30, a Toyota salesman who lives in Annandale, Va.

Washington Post  
news article:

1972  
2nd Annual  
CORS  
Convention  
Gaithersburg,  
MD

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## DRIP QUIPS

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## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

-  **Rocky Mountain Car Show & Swap Meet, Saturday, August 6:** PPCC and RMC attend this annual event. We will be showing SeeMore (if a driver can be secured) and a section of the show will be set aside just for our Corvair's. We would like to see 30 Corvairs or more at this event. Detailed information including registration forms is available [here](#) and in the flier later in The Drip Line.
- A Saturday, August 20:** Road trip to the Orphan Car Museum in Yuma, Colorado. Check out the museum information at [orphanageyuma.com](#). Contact [Chris Kimberly](#) if interested no later than **August 11**. Museum staff will provide a catered lunch for \$10 per person.
- M Sunday, August 21, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd .
-  **Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** PPCC will provide details. Current information available [here](#).
- M Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A September 24 or 25 OR October 1 or 2, Fall Drive:** Date, time and location TBA.
- A September 29-30, Corvair Roundup:** St. Joseph MO Sept 29 and 30 Concours News. Don Wagner will be running concours at the Roundup in St. Joseph, MO on Sept. 29 & 30. For people that are going to be in concours they will need to be pre-registered for concours. Unit 6 will be done on Thur. Sep 29 afternoon 1 to 5 with concours to be held on Friday morning Sep. 30 - 8 to noon. For information contact Don Wagner Ph 816-324-4870.
- A October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. 130 Mile Trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.
- A October 8, Colorado City/Rye Lion's Club 7th Annual Autumn Spooktacular Car Show:** 10:00—3:00, \$30 registration fee. Rain/Snow/Wind date, October 22, 2022, Greenhorn Meadows Park, Colorado City, CO 81019. See flier and registration form at the end of The Drip Line.
- M Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M December 11 or December 18, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** More to come!

### Recurring Local Events:

**Second Saturdays of the Month April—September, 2022, Stockers Car Show:** 10:30—1:00, on the corner of Maizeland and Academy.

**Key:** **M**—Meeting;  —Car Show; **A**—Activity

## CORVAIR PARTNERS & LOCAL BUSINESSES WHICH PPCC MEMBERS HAVE FREQUENTED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS

Here are just a few of the companies our members have had good luck with in the past.

*NOTE: These are only recommendations only, as we do not solicit sponsors for the Club, or the newsletter. So, do your own research as well.*



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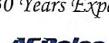
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**PPCC  
Admin**

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<https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc>

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# ROCKY MOUNTAIN CAR SHOW, SWAP MEET

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**7TH ANNUAL AUTUMN-SPOOKTACULAR CAR SHOW**  
Greenhorn Meadows Park, Colorado City, CO 81019  
October 8, 2022 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.  
Rain/Snow/Wind Date: October 22, 2022



\$30.00 Registration Free; we are a Nonprofit Corporation. Spectators Free. Donations accepted. Proceeds to provide Scholarships for Rye High School students, support for children's eye care, Christmas food baskets and toys for needy in our community. Help for our Community. WE SERVE!

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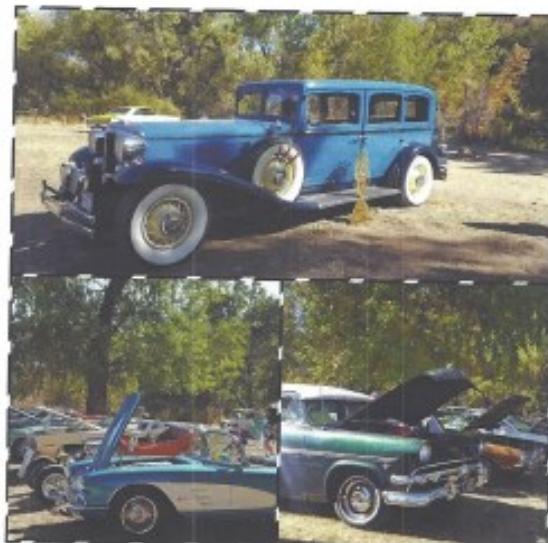
Judging by Participants for **TOP 20 CAR PLACQUES**. **People's Choice Award**.

Lions Trophy for **BEST OF SHOW**. Door prizes every 30 minutes. 50/50 Raffle.

Participants requested to donate bag of candy for Trunk or Treat for children.

Adult Halloween costume contest

Lions Chuckwagon to provide lunch.



**A FUN FAMILY EVENT!!**

(Registration form on back)

**COLORADO CITY/RYE LIONS CLUB 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AUTUMN CAR SHOW  
GREENHORN VALLEY PARK, COLORADO CITY, CO - OCTOBER 8, 2022**

**Rain/Snow/Wind Date: October 22, 2022**

**10:00 am to 3:00 pm.**

**Registration 9:00 am to 10:00 am**

**\$30.00 Registration Fee – We are a Nonprofit Corporation.  
Spectators Admission Free – Donations Accepted.**

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**All roads lead to the Greenhorn Valley Park where the changing colors of the leaves will be  
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**Lions will be selling raffle tickets for door prizes and tickets for the 50/50 Drawing.**

**Plaques will be awarded to the TOP 20 CARS with a Trophy for the BEST OF SHOW.**

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**LIABILITY  
RELEASE**

**I understand by permission to participate in the Colorado City/Rye Lions Club Autumn Car Show, I assume all risks and indemnify and hold harmless the Colorado City/Rye Lions Club, its coordinators, officers and or members, the City of Colorado City or the County of Pueblo from any responsibility or liability for any physical injury, mishap, accident or complication arising from my participation in this private event.**

**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_**

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PPCC and RMC cars at the Rocky Mountain Car Show and Swap Meet.

Pictured top left to right: Beets's convertible, Seyforth's Coupe, Piper's Convertible, Green's Coupe

Bottom left to right: Beggar's Rampside, Schiffner's Convertible, Belanger's Convertible



**The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held September 18, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.**



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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Still busy, more with life now, still suffering from random changes in direction and starting and stopping...I remain moderately confused...I'm still on the verge of finishing up with the last few minor trim issues in the house but I'm resisting dragging an air hose around on my hands and knees. One more project to go in September and I told the contractor I DO NOT want them to build up my bathroom floor higher than the hardwood outside the door, so I'll be tearing out the existing vinyl floor and subfloor material ahead of them. A nuisance to do but I look at the end result being better.



My post Cripple Creek event message...Kyle and I both had a good time although we did miss the presence of the donkeys at the museum. Our trip up was uneventful, and slow due to traffic, but Kyle seems to have figured out how to get up the hill quickly in the 140/PG car. He was going about 60 MPH through the winding part of 67 near Cripple Creek. I had to work pretty hard to keep up. During the day Kyle's friend dropped in and I pretty much hung around the cars alt-



ough we did wander down the street to eat breakfast and Kyle brought me lunch. Kyle said he was going down highway 67 to Deckers on the way home. He left early to get to Fort Collins. It turns out that due to traffic on highway 24 and I-25 he didn't beat me by much. I went via Highway 67 to Deckers, got confused about how to get to highway 285, and made it home. There was almost no traffic on highway 67 and many corners so that was a fun trip. One nervous part was when a group of motorcycles coming uphill in a blind curve crossed into my lane. My practice in blind curves driving fast is to keep my car away from the lane line by staying in the middle of the lane tending to the outside. On a motorcycle I stayed away from the lane line because the paint can attract moisture and be slicker than the pavement. I may have scared the motorcyclists but we're all in one piece.

I attended the RMVR vintage racing event "Race Against Kids Cancer" at the High Plains Raceway. The weather was good although a bit hot, and traffic on 36 was light enough it was actually a pleasant drive despite being a pretty barren landscape. There are some trees

here and there, and a hill or two. Wheat harvest time out there can be pretty exciting since the grain semis go up and down hills about as fast as they can. There are quite a few more McMansions near Byers than I remembered...If you haven't seen one of these events, I recommend it. Eric Schakel and Jon Whitely were both racing their Corvairs. Dale Nielsen (RMC webmaster) came for a while to take photos. Rob Brereton (RMC Secretary) was stopped by a car fire on I-70 by Watkins and did not make it. There are four groups of cars in these races, (Big Bore, Formula Ford, Small Bore and Formula V) and each race is about 20 minutes. The most interesting race I think was the big bore group where a Corvette and a Porsche had quite a battle going. The Porsche would catch the Corvette in a corner but didn't have enough horsepower to pass him and the Corvette could get away in the straights. The interesting part was the different lines and abilities of the cars, rear engine versus front. There were a pair of Mustang fastbacks that would lift their inside wheel in corners. I thought that was exclusive to Corvairs...The most fun race was the "fun race" where people could donate money to move drivers up or down in the starting order. Jon started #2 and Eric started #3. As soon as the race started, they passed the #1 starter and had a battle going for 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> for most of the race. The track announcer even

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Submitted by  
Mike Piper

pronounced Eric's last name properly. In the end I believe the highest placed Corvair was 8<sup>th</sup> "after the faster cars caught up". Eric had an odd failure at the end of the race where his oil filler tube popped out of the engine. Oil was everywhere inside his engine bay and running down his license plate. The mishap took out his oil pressure sensor, so he had no oil pressure warning available and did not race Sunday. One spectator noticed the Corvair exhaust note was more pleasant than the other cars. I agree, the Corvairs don't sound like angry bees.

My grandson Kyle brought my red Corsa to the CCCC event at "the airport formerly known as Jeffco Airport". Rick Beets secured an area by itself for the Corvairs. Kyle reported that the Corvair folk there were friendly and welcoming and there was a lot of interest in the cars. I think he had a good time, and I don't think it was too hot and there was no wildfire smoke to block the view of the mountains. I was messing around with air handlers at my work...

One of our long-time RMC members is ill so Paul Seyforth (reluctant RMC newsletter editor) put together a drive-by of Jerry and Nancy's house on Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. I didn't happen to count the Corvairs, but there were quite a few. We made 3 laps of the neighborhood and Jerry and Nancy had family and friends on hand. It is interesting when you do

this because the rest of the neighborhood doesn't necessarily know what is happening so there were random looks and waves as we circled about. Marcus Miller was ill a while back and lives a few houses from Jerry and Nancy and we did this for him, so this neighborhood has seen quite a bit of us...I'm happy to say that Marcus was the lead car in our event, and he seems to be doing well after a pretty serious rough patch.

I've been working on my kids and grandkids cars lately, so I have no particular Corvair work to report. One thing to note is the '65 Corvair Corsa Coupe in a salvage yard "in Aurora." I've gone in 3 times now and done some pretty serious salvage work on cars like this and based on the photos at least there appear to be some useful and probably good parts. Unfortunately, I'm not going to be able to pick this one apart although I see some items I could use if they are still there. I will offer to coach/assist if someone wants to go out, and I could probably spend an hour or two depending on the timing. If it's the yard I think it is, the tire guy will probably remember me. Typically, this place will crush a car after it has been on the lot for 30 days although an older car may survive longer. It is \$2 to enter, bring your own tools, no corded power tools (battery OK), and they do not clean the ground. I like to hide under the cars in the shade when possible. If someone is

interested I think I can find my tools list.

I've managed to ramble on quite a bit here, and I apologize about there being so much RMC stuff, but I live up north...Please take a look at the events calendar for what is coming up.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

I'll be helping my grandson move to NM on the 19<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> so I'll miss the meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> unless I do it from the front seat of my Expedition via phone. Jerry Peevyhouse will MC the meeting, and if folks call in on Zoom, I believe I have it set up to where folks can attend without me necessarily being on-line.

As always, happy and safe travels!

Mike

*Safe Travels!*

## VP VOLTAGE—MAINTENANCE MONTH

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Greetings from the garage. Hope your summer activities have included some fun things to do. Turns out my August activities have included some unexpected maintenance on my car (yes, I know it happens to everyone sometime ☺). Had a great July with family visits and driving, but recently had a couple of events with the car that have me in the garage working unexpectedly on the convertible.

First off, have you ever done something stupid? Rhetorical question I know ‘cause we all have at some point, but at least the one I recently did didn’t kill or maim anyone ☺. So, at the end of July I attended the car show put on by Rosie’s Diner here in Monument. Had a great time, and all was well when I backed the car into the garage after the show. Fast forward to a week or so afterwards when I went to start the car and drive it around. Put the key in, turned the switch, and, nothing. No starter sound or anything. Dead. Checked the battery and it was charged. Since I have heard of ignition switches going bad, that’s what I assumed it was since the starter cranked when using a remote starter. Cranked just fine. So, found a spare switch from Mike, drove up there to pick it up and installed it. Of course, same result. Now is where the realization of “stupid” comes in as I looked up to the gear selector lever on my Power-



glide transmission lever and (you guessed it), it was in Reverse..... Why I hadn’t moved it to Neutral before trying to start it, or checking it before I replaced the switch is beyond me, but you can bet it won’t happen again. Now I know why pilots have check lists to work off of! So, problem solved, but on to the next big issue.

With ignition switch “problem” fixed, I started it up and was driving out of the garage when I heard and felt a locking up of rear wheels. Put it in reverse and backed up a little, and then it seemed to be ok so I pulled out of the driveway and stopped. That’s when I found this little item on the garage floor ☺.



It’s not normal to see a universal joint bearing cap on the floor, so my interest was piqued at this. I pushed the car back into the driveway and jacked up the rear end to observe that one of the bearing cap retainers on the yoke was missing and the left universal joint was off the differential yoke. This is a big deal and I’m

very lucky that it didn’t come off while I was tooling down the freeway or highway. In tracing back events that lead up to this, I have to conclude that during the installation of this engine/transmission into the car when I bought it, one of the lock washers was not installed when bolting in the u-joint retainer. Stupid event #2. Now I’m hoping that the “bad things come in threes” rule is not going to kick in for me in the near future ☺. So, now I’m in the process of fixing the u-joint to get the car running again and back out on the road.

Hopefully, the rest of the summer and fall will be better, and I won’t have to have another maintenance month ahead. I know Chris is dealing with an engine swap on her car, and I’m sure others are dealing with other maintenance issues on their car (s). Since summer is the time to really get out and enjoy driving your car, let’s try and get out. There are still a few more events this year scheduled, including the fall drive, to get out and enjoy getting together with club members.

Enjoy the journey,

Jerry



## MEETING MINUTES- August 21, 2022

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
KeithAnn Peevyhouse

Meeting called to order at 9:35 – 7 members were present, one new member, Glenn Dowling, Mike joined by Zoom for a few minutes.

**M**

**50/50** – Chris sold 50/50 tickets today.

**E****Minutes**

July meeting minutes were approved as printed. Motion to approve by Chris , second by KeithAnn.

**E**

**Treasury Report** by Randy is available to all members on request.

**T****Mail**

Randy reported there was no mail this month.

**I**

**SeeMore:** Chris shared pictures of SeeMore with the new members. General discussion of the fact that, for now, we will store SeeMore at Duane's and there were no further events that SeeMore is scheduled to be at this year.

**N**

**Membership:** Randy reported one new member since the last meeting, Steve Woods (has a late model Corsa). Glenn joined today.

**G**

**Tech Talk:** Glenn shared with the group about his barn and the Mini train he's building for his property that will be his project he's doing before his Corvair restoration, and his plan to restore his 66 Corsa convertible Corvair. He also shared that he is planning to learn more about electric motors in order to possibly use for hub power and to possibly power his air conditioning. Group advised him to talk with Mike regarding electronics in his car. Chris informed Glenn and the group that Wayne is a member of the Pikes Peak Trolley Museum and about Wayne's barn, tools and antique train expertise.

**M**

Chris told the group that she is trailering her Corvair to New Mexico this weekend to install a used 110 engine in her early Power Glide model 64, with help from Tony & Rick. She purchased the engine and transmission from a member of the New Mexico Club, who will help with the installation.

**I**

**Old Business:** Difficulty finding someone to drive SeeMore to events. SeeMore not scheduled for further events this year. Glenn volunteered that he has a truck that can be driven or borrowed. Glenn said he works full time as a doctor, so time is still an issue for him. Randy said next year in the Spring is probably the next opportunity to display it.

**N**

**New Business:** E-mail went out for Christmas Banquet – Chris informed that Edelweiss German Restaurant in COS has been reserved for Sunday Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 PM. She requested that the Club pay for appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages. Each person to pay for their own dinner. She passed out the menu and asked the group to choose 4-5 items so they can create an itemized menu for us to choose from on the day of the Banquet. Group chose the items from the menu to include as choices. Chris will inquire about gluten free items to include. KeithAnn made motion to pay for appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages, seconded by Randy. Motion carried. Chris will ask about possibility of 3-5 choices for dessert, since the restaurant is known for their desserts. Chris will have more information at the next meeting.

**U**

**Coming Events:** Fall Drive will be with Denver Club this year. Drive to Pine, CO – Zoka's Restaurant, 16940 Pine Valley Road, Pine, CO (Hwy 126). Sunday, Sept 25<sup>th</sup>. PPCC members in the Springs will

**T****E****S**

**MEETING MINUTES- August 21, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By

KeithAnn Peevyhouse

meet at Rudy's on Hwy 24, 10:30 am. Chris has other directions for RMC members or those coming from the north. Contact Chris to reserve a spot.

Chris and a group went to Yuma Orphan Car Museum on August 20th – great time was had by all. Chris will do a write-up for next month's newsletter.

**Tech/Parts Needed:** Jerry asked about removing and replacing the differential yoke because of his U-joint issue. Car not drivable at this point. Randy said he has removed and provided some input.

**50/50:** \$13 to winner, Randy (donated to the club General Fund). Club \$12.00

**Meeting adjourned at 10:47**

**DRIP LINE EDITOR NEEDED**Submitted By  
Kathy Green

PPCC is in need of a newsletter editor who will be willing to take over the reigns of The Drip Line starting January, 2023. I have served as editor since 2019, quite honestly because no one else was willing to step up. Given health concerns, this isn't something that I will be able to continue to do.

Some have indicated that it is 'too much' to take on. When I took over after Ed Halpin stepped down, I too felt it was a lot. However, while it can be time consuming, it isn't difficult. It depends on how much you choose to put into it. That said, there are truly only a few things that are 'required' in our monthly newsletter. Those include:

- Information on our next meeting
- Club minutes
- Leadership Contact information

Everything else you receive on a monthly basis is in hopes of making The Drip Line a vital communication tool and an enjoyable read for the club.

Please consider stepping up. I'm more than happy to discuss my process, the software I use, and any other questions you might have. Please contact me at [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com) if you believe this could be a way you can serve the club.

Thank you!

## TECH TIP: OVERLOOKED LUBE PLACES

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

Is your door difficult to close after being fully opened? There is a stop built into the lower hinge that allows the door to stay open as you get in or out of the car. The piece is spring loaded and places a heavy load against the stop as the door is brought back into closed position. IT NEEDS TO BE LUBRICATED ON A REGULAR BASIS!!

The 65-66 cars seem to be the worse for needing this little dab of maintenance. The hinge is poorly cast metal and the spring will break the pin it swivels on. When the spring falls off, then the door will no longer stay open on its own.

On all models you should shoot a little bit of aerosol lube or even WD-40 onto the hinges and around the springs at least a couple of times a year.

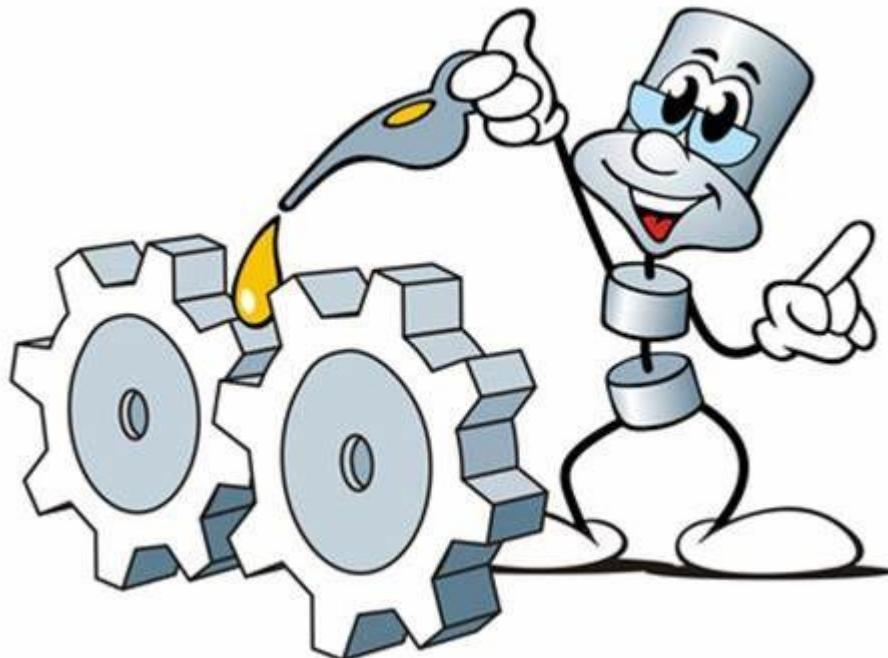
In addition to normal ball joint/tie rod ends and idler arm (if fixed with grease zerks) use a rubber/vinyl lube such as Armor-all or similar on sway bar bushing/sway bar hanger bushings as well as the front strut rod bushings.

Same on rear suspension bushings, and use a spray lube such as WD-40 or other lube on E-brake cable between the rear wheels.

Particular attention is needed on the sheath/housing that the brake cable passes through.

If you remove the tunnel covers under the car, then lube the pulleys and shifter linkage too. If you feel agile, shoot a bit of lube on the pulleys under the dash too. A little WD-40 or similar in door locks and/or keys before inserting in ignition and glove box works too. Just a couple of times a year on all of the above is enough too.

HAPPY CORVAIRING



**DELTARADO DAYS CARS SHOW**Submitted By  
Phil deGroot

July 23 was the 99th annual DeltaRado days car show put on by the delta street rodders car club. DeltaRado days was started in Delta County to celebrate the farming and ranching heritage of the area. Activities during DeltaRado days include parades, beauty pageants, a rodeo and, of course, a car show.

The show had a great turn out, drawing cars from all over western Colorado and eastern Utah. Most importantly, there were three Corvairs in attendance! Mike Head brought his beautiful gold late model coupe, William Pearse brought his stunning wagon, and of course I brought my early sedan. The three of us met up early and parked together for a great representation of several different Corvair models.

Also in attendance were representatives of the National Street Rod Association (NSRA) who were offering free safety inspections for anyone interested. Naturally, the three Corvairs passed the safety inspection with flying colors. William was presented with the NSRA safety award for his 1961 wagon. William has been a long time collaborator with the NSRA and remarked that a good percentage of the classic cars in attendance had at one time or another been in his shop in Delta County for repairs.

Despite the rather oppressive heat, it was a great show and I was thrilled to see our Corvair clubs represented on the western slope. Congratulations to William for the award!

And thank you for championing the cause of periodic safety inspections on our classic cars. Often times it is easier to overlook safety issues on a vehicle that is infrequently driven. Next year will be the 100th anniversary of Deltarado days, I would love to see more Corvairs there next year!



Top right: Williams Pearse with his NSRA safety award; Below from left: Mike Head's late model coupe, William Pearse's Lakewood, Phil DeGroot's Sedan

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN CAR SHOW AND SWAP MEET**Submitted By  
John Green

The Rocky Mountain Car show and Swap meet turned out great this year. We had a nice showing of 10 Corvairs. The weather was pleasant, topping out in the mid 80's. We were shaded under a tent and it seemed like everyone had plenty of cold drinks. There were a few food trucks that some members visited for lunch.

Three clubs were this year's featured car clubs. Those included the Buick club, Mopars and Corvairs (represented by both the PPCC and RMC).



The event DJ played lots of car music, including a Corvairs song I hadn't heard before. There were some War Birds planes, some vintage military vehicles and several fly bys by the Rocky Mountain Renegades.



## ROCKY MOUNTAIN CAR SHOW AND SWAP MEET

Submitted By  
John Green

Corvairs brought by RMC members were Paul Seyforth, Kory Levin, Marcus Miller, Jim Reich, and Steve & Barbe' Belanger. The Rampside was brought by PPCC members Rod & Becky Begger. Cars shown by dual members belonged to Rick Beets, Ken Schiffner, John Green and Mike Piper (driven by Mike's grandson, Kyle).



Rick helped in the morning guiding cars into the gate, while Ken was helping Corvairs park in our designated area up front by the registration tent and food trucks. We all had a good time sharing stories with each other and the hundreds of spectators that came by looking at the cars. We didn't hear too much about Ralph ☺. There were, as usual, lots of stories about how folks used to have a Corvair. There were a lot of photos taken of our unique cars. I talked to a Buick club member that had known both of my uncles who had '49 and '59 Buicks in the club.

All in all I'd say a good day for Corvairs.

## DRIP QUIPS

*As published in the July 2022 edition of The Connecting Rod,  
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*If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.*

## 2022 PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

-  **Saturday, September 17, Florence Pioneer Days Parade:** If interested, current information (including registration form) available [here](#).
- M Sunday, September 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd, Colorado Springs and via Zoom.
- A Sunday, September 25, Annual Fall Drive:** This year we'll be heading to beautiful Pine, Colorado. We'll meet at Rudy's on Hwy 24 at 10:30. We'll be stopping in Pine to have lunch at Zoka's Restaurant, 16940 Pine Valley Road, where we'll be meeting up with RMC members and those coming from the north (separate meet up instructions were send to northern travelers). Zoka's will be serving a modified menu, so reservations are necessary. Please let [Chris Kimberly](#) know **no later than September 17** the number of folks in your party.
- A September 29-30, Corvair Roundup:** St. Joseph MO Sept 29 and 30 Concours News. Don Wagner will be running concours at the Roundup in St. Joseph, MO on Sept. 29 & 30. For people that are going to be in concours they will need to be pre-registered for concours. Unit 6 will be done on Thur. Sep 29 afternoon 1 to 5 with concours to be held on Friday morning Sep. 30 - 8 to noon. For information contact Don Wagner Ph 816-324-4870.
- A October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. 130 Mile Trek from Pueblo City Park through Westcliffe, Canon City and ending in Pueblo West. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.
- A October 8, Colorado City/Rye Lion's Club 7th Annual Autumn Spooktacular Car Show:** 10:00—3:00, \$30 registration fee. Rain/Snow/Wind date, October 22, 2022, Greenhorn Meadows Park, Colorado City, CO 81019. See flier and registration form at the end of The Drip Line.
- M Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M Sunday, December 11, PPCC Club Meeting and Annual Christmas Party:** 1:00 p.m. Edelweiss German Restaurant in Colorado Springs. PPCC will pay for appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages. Each person to pay for their own dinner. Menu choices and additional information coming soon!

### ***Recurring Local Events:***

**Second Saturdays of the Month April—September, 2022, Stockers Car Show:** 10:30—1:00, on the corner of Maizeland and Academy.

**Key:** **M—Meeting;**  **—Car Show;** **A—Activity**

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*NOTE: These are only recommendations only, as we do not solicit sponsors for the Club, or the newsletter. So, do your own research as well.*



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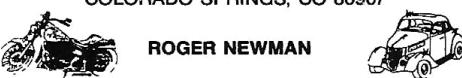
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**PPCC  
Admin**

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**Membership & Dues:** PPCC dues are \$25 per year, payable each January for the coming year. Membership in CORSA is encouraged, but is not a prerequisite for membership in the PPCC. Please refer to the Club's website below to obtain a copy of the current membership application and guidance for submission. Checks for dues should be made payable to "PPCC" and mailed to: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935.

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*A beautiful line up of Corvairs at our September meeting. From bottom left: Jeff Addam's coupe, Steve Wood's Corsa, Mike Piper's convertible, Green's coupe, Karl's coupe, Tony Lawler's Corsa, Rick Beet's convertible (our 'token' early model), and Peevyhouse's convertible*



**The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held October 16, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.**



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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Still busy... Two major activities taking time this month. One was another salvage yard adventure with Charlie Beets (Rick's son) and a week-long trip with folks from the City of Westminster to check out some sites in Colorado, heavily related to some unique railroads.

Along the way I did manage the 9-11 stair climb at Red Rocks Amphitheater (9 laps of the seating bowl), I finished nailing the last bits of trim in place for our house refurbishing effort, and the bathroom contractor asked for a month delay due to worker shortages so I didn't need to tear out underlayment a day after our vacation. You'll notice there is not a lot of direct Corvair activity except for the salvage yard adventure which turned out to be considerable even though there was not much I "needed."

The salvage adventure with Charlie came about when the president of the CCCC discovered a '65 Corsa at You Pull & Pay in Aurora. Some of you probably saw the various emails about the car. The pictures showed a fairly complete car in useable condition. I've done something like major salvage work on three cars before, so I have a pile of tools I take and a list of what to look for. John Kull needed some parts for a PG to 4-speed conversion and Paul Seyforth was looking for a front sway bar and the links. There were some things I could use, or I thought



others could use. As Steve Goodman tells me, "You can't save every car" but I also hate to see potentially useful items like transmissions and differentials become rebar. A Corsa also has some unique trim items and there are general items like door latch and window regulator pieces that can be useful.

Charlie did some recon on the car because he needed some bits for other customer cars he was working on. On the big day I went to the wrong yard because I failed to read an email thoroughly but when I did find the car there were many parts in the original photos that were already taken. I gathered up some stuff like trunk mats in the area to put under the car so I was not lying directly on broken glass. I got a number of parts for John immediately. The car had pretty significant front-end damage underneath (the drag link was bent into a frown) so the front suspension was not viable. The driver's side rocker was ripped loose from the floor of the car. I picked away on the car and got the rest of the parts available that John could probably use. By the time we got there the doors were gone in their entirety, the seats were gone, the dash was gone in the photos and the glove box door was gone. I

did end up with some spare items like the windshield wiper linkage and motor and some door sills and one piece of rocker trim that is better than mine. We got the rear window because it might be tinted. When I got it home and cleaned it up, it was not tinted so I'm still on the hunt for a tinted rear window for a coupe.

Ultimately, I spent two long Saturdays and two short Sundays in hot weather. I ended up with the trans-axle and the clutch cover, clutch disc and flywheel, and some miscellaneous trim items. The engine was left on the ground under the car in the event Charlie wanted it. He also got some parts he could potentially use for Corvair projects he is working on. He was a big help and it's always good to have company. I was also the tool crib for a group of fellow salvagers at times. Really a pretty decent group of folks. I say this a lot but I'm getting to the point where this stuff is not as easy so I'm happy to be a coach in person but would prefer not to be a heavy wrench operator.

Regarding the 9-11 stair climb, I was uncertain about my ability to complete all 9 laps due to lack of time to train climbing stairs at Westminster Rec center, but I went anyway. I ran into a friend I've climbed with before but did not contact because I was unsure I would make it. It was a nice day, and the crowd was about as big as usual but I did not see a

## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

Submitted by  
Mike Piper

number of people I've worked with and climbed with in the past. As in past years there were many firefighters in bunker gear with SCBAs and tools. I achieved all 9 laps. As usual, this is a moving experience.

Our train travels started less than 24 hours after the stair climb so I was pretty stiff. It started on 9-12 and we were home on 9-16. Since this is getting long, here are the highlights: We were on a tour bus between venues. I think the driver was enjoying himself in particular during the canyon run from Salida to Canyon City. We started out in Glenwood Springs for cave tours and hot tubs. Next was Ouray where we did an open jeep tour (complete with rain) over the Corkscrew trail to Silverton. Then we rode the train to Durango. The engine was a narrow-gauge diesel. Next was the bus to Chama NM to ride the Cumbres & Toltec narrow-gauge train to Antonio, CO with a lunch stop in Osier, CO. This is a long ride and very scenic. We had a coal fired steam engine followed by an oil-fired steam engine. They would uncouple the first engine to reduce weight when crossing the bridges. From Antonio we went to Alamosa, and then to Canyon City to ride the train in the Royal Gorge. Then off to Colorado Springs where we toured the Cave of the Winds and rode the Pike's Peak Cog Rail. The new visitors center is really nice. Ultimately we ended back where we started from.

The next adventure on the horizon is the fall drive. Christine has worked hard to set this up. We'll have our grandson Dylan. Since is not reasonable to put his car seat in the back of a Corvair convertible we'll be in the tail end of the line driving a Brand-X car.

I've managed to ramble on quite a bit here, and I apologize about there being so much non-Corvair stuff. Please take a look at the events calendar for what is coming up. I also want to welcome two new club families Glen and Kelly Dowling and Steve Woods. Many thanks to our ***new club secretary Kristal Harrison***, who may only have 4 months or less to try to sort out what I'm trying to say...

Please note that we will need an Activities coordinator next year to allow Christine to focus on co-hosting the Tri-State. Also, we will need a newsletter editor to replace Kathy after her very dedicated term of service.

I'll continue to put up a Zoom link for meetings in case you can't attend in person. Zoom attendance has been pretty light but I've paid for the service so I'll keep doing the Zoom links. I try to set them up to allow anybody to join at any time, even if I haven't joined at that point. I'm still working at less than 30 minutes to get everything hooked up.

As always, happy and safe travels!

Mike

## PPCC CLUB SECRETARY

**Welcome to our new club secretary, Kristal Harrison!!! Many thanks for  
stepping up to fill this very important club position!!!!**



## VP VOLTAGE—UPDATES

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Greetings from the garage again. This time it's some better news, as my previous issue as noted in last month's DripLine with the missing U-joint retainer on the differential yoke has been fixed. As we all know, sometimes our plans change as we go from Plan A to Plan B to, in this case, Plan C. As I indicated last month, I had my u-joint retainer bracket come off the yoke after one of the bolts had loosened and backed out and the other bolt broke off inside the yoke. After opting for the Plan A "on car" attempt at removing the broken bolt by the drill and easy out method failed I moved on to Plan B, the oversize drill and tap method. That was only partially successful, so it was on to Plan C, which should have been Plan A to begin with, which was to replace the bad yoke with a "new" one. Steve had one (thanks Steve), along with associated retainer brackets and bolts, so after a trip up north to pick it up I replaced the bad yoke and the drive train is back to normal and running great. I did check the other side bolts, and have checked all bolts after driving the car for a couple of weeks. All are tight, and with proper lock washers and correct torque should continue to be solid. So, for me, it enforces the old adage that "we learn by doing", but also, sadly, sometimes it's "we learn by our mistakes".

I did manage to get the car running in time to participate in the Tri-Lakes Cruiser's Monument Car Show here in Monument, to support a local benefit and to have the only Corvair amongst all the classic and vintage cars ☺. There were a good variety of cars, and lots of Corvettes. It was a beautiful day and I got to talk to several guys that had Corvairs about



joining PPCC, so we'll see how that goes. I didn't win one of the awards, but had a fun time. Tri-Lakes Cruiser's had a videographer for the show, and you can see the video at the YouTube site here:

<https://youtu.be/Vowr6wTYM0M>

I was next to a really nice '56 Chevy Bel Air so my car is in the video, about 1:30 into the video. He came around when I wasn't there ☹ and before I put my top down, but it was a great local show they put on every year. Here is a pic with the top down.



Aside from their July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, this is the biggest town event for Monument.

Next up is the changing of Summer to Fall, so let's get our cars out while the sun's out and windows can be down (or tops if you got 'em).

Enjoy the journey as we get ready for Halloween.

Jerry



**MEETING MINUTES- September 18, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
Kristal Harrison

Meeting called to order at 0950 – 15 members and no visitors on site, 1 person joined via Zoom.

**M****50/50**

Tony distributed 50/50 tickets.

**E****Minutes**

August meeting minutes were discussed, approved and seconded. Motion to approve by Rick, second by Kathy.

**E****Treasury Report**

Treasurer's report available to all members on request.

**T****Mail**

American Red Cross – seeking donations x2; Lost membership check postmarked Dec 2021. Member has been notified and the check will be destroyed.

**I****Membership**

New members - Steve Woods, and Glen Dowling and his wife Kelly. They joined last month and Glen has a 65 Corsa convertible on blocks, Steve has a 68 that he's owned since 1971.

**N****SeeMore**

Museum at Yuma has expressed an interest in displaying SeeMore for a time – possibly 3 months.

**G****Old Business**

Nil

**New Business/events**

We have a new secretary – Kristal Harrison.

**M**

Request for By-laws to be updated at next board meeting.

**I**

Mike shared a junkyard adventure –65 Corsa in Aurora. Charlie and Mike got a bunch of parts, but someone had beaten them to the car, so they didn't get all they wanted, but they did get the transmission. The car had obviously hit something in the front end. Tony also got some parts off the car.

Events attended since last month:

John Green attended a Castle Rock outlets car show – about 30 cars

**N**

John and Kathy Green attended the Auto school opening featuring a car show at Elizabeth High School – about 200 cars

**U**

Jerry Peevyhouse attended a Monument car show

**T**

Upcoming events:

Fall drive to Zoka restaurant in Pine next Sun 25 Sept. 17 – 21 people confirmed. We're hoping for some fall colour, but it will still be a nice drive.

**E**

Christmas party Dec 11 at 1pm at Edelweiss restaurant. Toys for Tots contributions will be collected, and there will be a gift exchange.

**S**

Car show in Pueblo Oct 2 Poker run.

American Cancer fund raiser car show Oct 1 Castle Rock outlets 1000 – 1400; Fan belt toss in Palm Springs.

## MEETING MINUTES- September 18, 2022

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Submitted By  
Kristal Harrison

Please send all activities suggestions in early, as the events calendar gets built in January. If anyone wants to be events coordinator, please volunteer, as Chris will be busy with Tristate hosting duties next year.

Newsletter editor will be needed in January. Thanks to Kathy for all her work editing the newsletter.

### Tri-State

May 2023 in Salida. Plans are under way, update to be provided next month.

### Tech

Chris's car – was taken to New Mexico for a new engine and transmission. Still having some minor issues, (fuel pump, shift cable) but hopefully will be ready for the fall drive. Chris is grateful for all the help and support she has received from the club and the Corvair community in general.

Pat Hall in Albuquerque is liquidating his stock of everything Corvair – parts, cars etc. It's advertised in Corvair traders on Facebook.

Mike is looking for a tinted rear window for his coupe.

### 50/50

50/50 was won by Randy \$25

Meeting adjourned at 1101

## OFFICER ELECTIONS



We're nearing the time of year when we start talking about officer elections for the following calendar year. If you are interesting in volunteering for one of our Board member elected positions, or one of the many committee chairs that keep PPCC moving, please don't hesitate to reach out to any board member for more information or to throw your hat into the election ring!!

Elected positions include: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Member-at-Large.

Appointed positions include: Activities Chair, Facebook Administrator, Membership Chair, Newsletter Editor, SeeMore Chair and Web Master.

Descriptions of all of these positions can be found in our club by-laws.

If you like the direction the club is heading, or you would like to see us consider different options, please consider whether 2023 is the year YOU want to make a difference in PPCC.

## TECH TIP: WINTER IS ON THE WAY

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

Fall is in the air which means winter isn't far behind.

Winter means crummy road conditions which can curtail our interest in driving our shiny cars. I don't drive my nice cars on snow/slush/mag-chloride treated roads and certainly none of us should treat our nice cars that way. Rust and corrosion are hard to beat back.

On the other hand our cars suffer from non-use. Fuel systems and brakes are the two worst problem areas. Luckily we have enough nice weather between the bad spells when the roads are dry and temps are mild. That is the time to give your car some exercise. It only takes 15-20 miles of driving to warm up the engine and gearbox and wheel bearings plus of course doing a lot of stopping around traffic.

Getting engine to temperature dries out the exhaust system as well as circulating the oil and filtering the hot oil.. Many times the heater gets some use too during the drive.

Watch your tire pressures during the winter months too. Even in a garage the cold tends to drop the psi

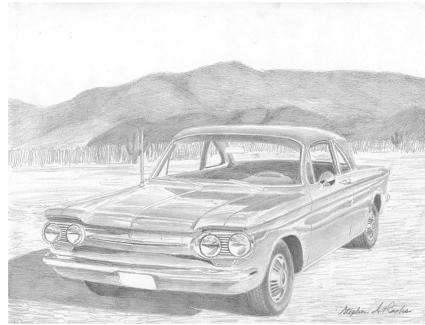


just a bit. Same with battery, if used at least once or twice every month through the cold season you should not need battery tender etc. A good battery will hold a charge for a couple of months with no use at all.

Hopefully your oil change and tune-up schedule is good. I always suggest keeping your fuel close to full during the winter time too. After a couple of drives 'fill er up' but only to automatic nozzle shutoff, NOT to running out of the filler neck. Your garage will have a fuel smell for a while if that happens.

Lastly the common warning: DO NOT just run your car for 15 minutes in your driveway. The engine does not warm up and the brakes aren't used and the bearings in the trans-axle as well as wheel bearings do not turn and steering linkage is not used. Your car gets NO exercise by doing that.

DRIVE YOUR CORVAIR when weather and roads permit.



## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

It's that time of year again! It's time to start thinking toward the new year, and time to dig deep into your wallet and pull out that \$25 to send in for renewal of your membership in the Pikes Peak Corvair Club. Club dues are due in January, but can be sent in before then (and we'd love it if you could renew early to help with paperwork).

We don't take your membership in this Club for granted, and are deeply appreciative of the support every member provides in being able to keep the Corvair out in front of the public to enjoy. So, thank you all for all you do, and now go get that checkbook and renew today! Don't wait!

To help our Treasurer, Mr. Randy Karl, manage the books effectively, we would ask that everyone **please send their dues renewal check in no later than 15 January, 2022** to the following address: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer-2022 Dues, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. Or, you can always pay in person at the November or December meeting. We'd like to close the books on the 2022 Membership Drive by the end of February, and your support in meeting that goal would be greatly appreciated.

\* A reminder that while membership in CORSA is not a prerequisite for new membership, or renewal in the PPCC, we do strongly encourage support of the national organization, which works to supports our local efforts through an event liability insurance policy, advertising of events in national publications, and inclusion in online tech sessions and meetings.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

## *Annual Dues*

## DRIP LINE EDITOR NEEDED

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

PPCC is in need of a newsletter editor who will be willing to take over the reigns of The Drip Line starting January, 2023. Item that are 'required' to be included in the newsletter each month include:

- Information on our next meeting
- Information on new members which is typically included in,
- Club minutes
- Leadership Contact information

Everything else you receive on a monthly basis is in hopes of making The Drip Line a vital communication tool and an enjoyable read for the club.



Please consider stepping up. I'm more than happy to discuss my process, the software I use, and any other questions you might have. Please contact me at [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com) if you believe this could be a way you can serve the club.

Thank you!

## THE ORPHANAGE MUSEUM, YUMA, CO

Submitted By  
Chris Kimberly

Early this year, the club received a mailer about a recently opened car museum in Yuma, CO. It was unique in that it was for cars no longer manufactured, so it was given the name 'The Orphanage.' The club decided August would be a great time for a day trip so on August 20, Rick Beets, Tony Lawler and Chris Kimberly drove to Yuma. It was a beautiful day on the High Plains with wild flowers in bloom especially the wild yellow daisies.



**Ford 'Flying Quail'  
Radiator Cap**

The Orphanage Museum is in restored historical building in the middle of Yuma. We were greeted by the owners, Richard Birnie and Ronald Wenger.

They kindly took us personally around the museum talking about the cars on display, local artwork, and radiator caps and hood ornaments displayed in glass cases. The featured cars on their turn table were a 1940 Bantam Woody (on loan from the Forney Museum), and a 1969 Scampurr (a combo go-cart/ snowmobile). We were also welcomed to town by several local merchants and community members who came to look at Rick and Tony's cars parked in front of the museum.

Richard and Ronald then had a delicious lunch for us of fried chicken, potato salad, slaw, and homemade lemon meringue and cherry pies. We sat at a lovely linen covered table, to enjoy lunch and great conversation. We were also joined by a local couple, who had recently purchased a Corvair from Chris Shade in Hastings.

Afterwards, we went across the street to the shop where all the cars are restored to check out their 'orphan cars' in the process of getting a new life. At least 4 cars were up on lifts, and all the others lined up in back. Richard and Ronald personally own these cars and take great pride saving these cars from the past in their museum. This was definitely a day trip worth taking!!



**1962 700 Model Corvair; A lovely old Buick**

## ADVENTURES IN SWAPPING ENGINES

Submitted By  
Chis Kimberly

As you all know, my Corvair decided at the end of July to 'give up' while driving on the freeway in Colorado Springs heading toward the Cripple Creek Show. So, a quick recap.... the car was towed home and Rick and Charlie Beets came over to listen to her motor make bad noises idling in the garage. The diagnosis wasn't good! It seemed they heard a possible rod knocking on the piston and a replacement engine was needed. You all know I sent out letters looking for a possible rebuilt engine sitting in the back of someone's garage/shop. I received many responses from club members, and want you to know I appreciated all the responses offering help and advice.

One club member who lives in Albuquerque, Jim Pittman, read my plea for help and contacted another CNM member, Pat Hall, who rebuilds Corvair engines in his spare time. Pat gave me a call and let me know he had a rebuilt 110 engine sitting on one of his engine-stands ready to go!! I told Pat I also needed a new PG tranny and torque converter since my tranny fluid showed signs of gear wear with LOTS of silver glitter in the red fluid. He said no problem. We agreed on a price and arranged a weekend at the end of August to trailer the car to his home/shop in Los Lunas, NM.

I talked with Rick Beets and Tony Lawler and they both agreed to go to NM with me to help Pat do the engine swap. Tony offered to trailer my car and on Thursday, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, my car was loaded up and off we all went to Los Lunas, NM. We left in the late afternoon and were quickly caught in delayed traffic in Colorado Springs due to a large accident. South of the Springs, we stopped for a quick dinner and then back on the road. We arrived in Los Lunas at 11:00 pm, tired and ready for a good night sleep.

I had had several conversations with Pat about the engine swap prior to arriving in Los Lunas, and on one occasion we talked about some of the CNM members I knew. One of the members we spoke about was Tarmo Sutt. He and I met at the Durango Tri-State. Pat said he would let Tarmo know we would be coming down with my car for the engine swap. Later that night, Tarmo called me and said he would be happy to meet up with us at Pat's place to help swap out the engines. I was thrilled to have so much help from the Corvair community!

Early Friday morning, we met Tarmo and Pat at Pat's house and he showed us around. Then we all drove together to one of Pat's favorite breakfast restaurants, where he treated us all to a hearty breakfast!

Back at the house, the guys unloaded my car and we all listened to the newly rebuilt 110 that would soon be in my car. The guys started the prep work to drop the engine on my car and shortly Pat announced that lunch was ready! His stepson, Tim had made burgers, hotdogs, and chips for us all! After that, it was back to work. My job was collecting the bolts, and screws as the guys handed them to me in variety of cups Pat had available. While the Rick, Tony



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Submitted By  
Chris Kimberly

and Tarmo were busy, Pat showed me his outbuildings and all his driving Corvairs. He was on hand often for the guys, giving them all the necessary tools they needed and helpful advice as well. I power-washed some parts that would later go back on the car.

Finally, the car was moved to the lift and up she went! Pat drove his fork lift with a wood pallet and the guys all worked together releasing the remaining bolts and lowered the old engine out of the car. What a day!! We all went to dinner and enjoyed lots of conversations about the day and the car. Tarmo told me he planned to spend the night at the hotel where we were, and continue working with us the next day. We dropped Pat off and headed back to the hotel. Tarmo and I sat up visiting, sharing stories, and enjoying some wine, while Rick and Tony headed for their pillows for the night.



Saturday morning came and we were all up bright and early! We met Pat at another fun breakfast restaurant that had a 50's theme and then it back to Pat's to continue working on the swap. The guys had a plan and they worked as a team getting the new engine ready to install. Pat was ready with the tools as the guys needed them.

Pat would often stop to sit with me in his shop to rest and he showed me other outbuildings with his parts stashes. It was extra hot and everyone stopped for breaks out of the sun and Pat had plenty of water to go around. I fixed lunch of more burgers, hotdogs and chips for everyone and we were glad to be out of the sun for a while.



After lunch, the guys were ready to put the rebuilt 110 in the car. Pat pulled out the fork lift and the guys guided Pat as he skillfully got the engine in place so they could bolt it down. I was impressed with how Pat could move the pallet with the engine on it just an inch at a time in the direction the guys were telling him....'up two inches; to the right one inch,' and so on.



**ADVENTURES IN SWAPPING ENGINES**Submitted By  
Chris Kimberly

The car came down from its high perch on the lift, as Rick, Tarmo and Tony began the process of reattaching wiring, various lines, and parts. Finally, it was time to start the engine.....I jumped in and started it up! It was humming; however, it wouldn't shift into gears. The car went back up and the guys found the shift cable was damaged and a new one would have to be ordered. Pat thought he had a spare cable but unfortunately, he didn't. We lowered the car and decided we'd load the car up, trailer it back to Denver and work on the shift cable there.

It was getting close to 6:00 by the time we loaded the car into the trailer, and cleaned up the shop and tools for Pat. Pat was feeling a bit shaky to stand and walk and we told him he needed to go inside and get some rest and dinner. He was just going to lock up his shop, when he tripped on some loose asphalt at the entrance to his shop, falling face first to the ground. Tim yelled for me and I yelled for the guys! I got Pat up and supported him to his chair in the shop while Tim got an icepack and wash cloths to put on the wounds on Pat's face. Tony pulled Pat's car up and we helped Pat to the car. Thank you to Tarmo for taking Rick back to the hotel on his way back to Santa Fe. Tony and I drove Pat to the VA hospital ER in Albuquerque. The ER wasn't busy and got Pat in right away. I kept in touch with both Tim and Pat's sister-in-law and Pat was given many tests and eventually released for Tony and I to drive him back home.

Sunday morning Rick, Tony and I drove to Pat's to hook up the trailer to the truck and found Pat greeting us at the door. He said he was feeling better but not going to work in the shop that day. We agreed he should be resting in his chair and taking it easy. Tim was going to watch him. I called Tarmo with updates as we got on the freeway and headed home. We stopped for a quick brunch which turned into a 2 hour stop in Las Vegas NM. It seems the place we chose, must have been the number 1 restaurant to go to for Sunday brunch!!

Back in Denver, the Corvair has been sitting patiently in Tony's trailer while the shift cable was ordered. Clarks sent the cable out via USPS and it reached Denver, then traveled back to New Jersey and back to Denver! Its always fun tracking packages and seeing where the post office sends the box between point A and Point B! The car is now at Rick's garage and with fingers crossed the shift cable will be installed and the Corvair will soon be seen, driving happily around the Castle Rock/ Denver area again!

I again thank the club members for their help in the past several months, especially Jim Pittman for connecting me with Pat Hall. I'm forever grateful to Pat Hall for having a rebuilt, ready to go engine and was so giving to a new friend. Many thanks and appreciation to Tony Lawler and Rick Beets for offering the use of Tony's trailer, traveling with me, and the hours spent working on the swap. I'm very thankful to Tarmo Sutt, for offering to spend his weekend and spending the night to help a long-distance friend with the engine swap. The Corvair community is the best!!



## **DRIP QUIPS**

*As published in the September 2022 edition of The Connecting Rod,  
The Newsletter of Corvairs Atlanta*



*If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.*

## PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

- A **Saturday, October 1, Charity Car Show:** 10:00—2:00, Castle Rock Outlets. Presented by Poor Boy Cruisers to benefit the American Cancer Society. \$20 entry fee donation.
- A **Sunday, October 2, Pueblo Kiwanis Classic Car Poker Run:** 10:00—3:00. Proceeds benefit area youth. Information available [here](#)—see flier at the end of The Drip Line.
- A **Saturday, October 8, Colorado City/Rye Lion's Club 7th Annual Autumn Spooktacular Car Show:** 10:00—3:00, \$30 registration fee. See flier and registration form at the end of The Drip Line.
- M **Sunday, October 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- M **Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- M **Sunday, December 11, PPCC Club Meeting and Annual Christmas Party:** 1:00 p.m. Edelweiss German Restaurant in Colorado Springs. PPCC will pay for appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages. Each person to pay for their own dinner. Menu choices and additional information coming soon!
- M **Sunday, January 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, February 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, March 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, April 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Friday-Saturday, May 19-21, 38th Annual Tri-State Meet:** The 38th event will be held in Salida, Colorado on May 19-21, 2023. Mark your calendars and think about where you fit into this exciting event. Details coming soon!
- M **Sunday, June 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, August 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, September 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A **Last week of September or first week of October:** Fall Drive. Date, and location TBA.
- M **Sunday, October 22, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M/A **December, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

**Key:** M—Meeting;  —Car Show; A—Activity

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**PPCC  
Admin**

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<https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc>

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Rain/Snow/Wind Date: October 22, 2022



\$30.00 Registration Free; we are a Nonprofit Corporation. Spectators Free. Donations accepted. Proceeds to provide Scholarships for Rye High School students, support for children's eye care, Christmas food baskets and toys for needy in our community. Help for our Community. WE SERVE!

**OPEN TO ALL YEARS, MAKES & MODELS OF ANYTHING WITH WHEELS!**

Vendors welcome @ \$30 per booth.

Judging by Participants for **TOP 20 CAR PLACQUES**. **People's Choice Award**. Lions Trophy for **BEST OF SHOW**. Door prizes every 30 minutes. 50/50 Raffle. Participants requested to donate bag of candy for Trunk or Treat for children. Adult Halloween costume contest

Lions Chuckwagon to provide lunch.



**A FUN FAMILY EVENT!!**

(Registration form on back)

**COLORADO CITY/RYE LIONS CLUB 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AUTUMN CAR SHOW  
GREENHORN VALLEY PARK, COLORADO CITY, CO - OCTOBER 8, 2022**

**Rain/Snow/Wind Date: October 22, 2022**

**10:00 am to 3:00 pm.**

**Registration 9:00 am to 10:00 am**

**\$30.00 Registration Fee – We are a Nonprofit Corporation.  
Spectators Admission Free – Donations Accepted.**

**Proceeds to provide Scholarships for Rye High School Students; support for Children's eye care;  
Christmas food baskets and toys for the needy in our community.**

**All roads lead to the Greenhorn Valley Park where the changing colors of the leaves will be  
spectacular, the people friendly and the cars HOT!!**

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**Lions will be selling raffle tickets for door prizes and tickets for the 50/50 Drawing.**

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**Mail Completed Entry forms to: Donna Walker-Hulben, Secretary, Colorado City/Rye Lions Club, P. O. Box 19112, Colorado City, CO 81019 or bring them with you for registration on the day of the show. CONTACTS: For more information contact Donna Walker-Hulben at 719-251-6097.**

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**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_**

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## On the Front Page :

*This year's fall drive took us to beautiful Pine, Colorado.*

**Top:** The 'south enders' met at Rudy's before heading to Pine.  
**Bottom:** Hail, hail, the gang's all here! After meeting up with the members from the north, we enjoyed a wonderful lunch at Zoka's Restaurant in Pine.



**The next meeting of the Pike's Peak Corvair Club will be held November 20, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs and via Zoom.**



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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Still busy... Traded the salvage yard adventure and major train adventures with epoxy flooring in my daughter's garage, moving the stuff out of the mini storage into ½ of her garage, a minor train adventure, and some health issues.

All of the sudden we are in the middle of October. Unfortunately, Karen celebrated her birthday with a COVID diagnosis. She did the five days of anti-virus drugs, and she is better now. So far, I've had what \*might\* be mild COVID symptoms but no positive test. I've been staying at home generally to avoid exposing others. I also had another episode of problems with my right "great toe". The wound nurse concluded I need to see a specialist about orthotics for my shoes to protect my toe. I should not be on my feet climbing stairs and finishing epoxy flooring...

Viewing fall colors has been a bit elusive. When I rode the Pike's Peak Cog train there were a few golden leaves, but



it was early. About a week ago we bundled up, masked up and rode the Georgetown loop. Again a few leaves. After the train ride we decided to go over Guanella Pass which is usually a reliable source of fall colors. The east side leaves had already fallen but the west (south?) side had quite a few leaves. Since the last time we drove this road, it has been paved (it's been a while) and there was almost no traffic on our side of the road. We found fall colors. We decided to go back to Zoka's, restaurant where the fall drive ended. There were some colorful leaves over there. The restaurant was short staffed so it took a while to get our meal, but it was good. We were driving a brand X so there were no breakdowns. It turns out the best displays of fall colors are in our front yard (photo) in our neighborhood and in the creek and river bottoms back and forth along I-25 to Loveland. Often our Autumn Pur-

ple Ash tree gets snowed on before the leaves turn this color.



The major Corvair activity for me was epoxy painting my daughter's garage floor and moving all of the parts for the blue car out of the mini storage to my daughter's garage and onto shelving. It turned out to be much more work than I remembered but I did my garage 25 years ago.

When I put the parts in the mini storage it was in a hurry, with the parts piled up in their boxes, and left alone. When I moved the parts onto shelves, I discovered what was in the boxes and what I did or did not need. I'm now more encouraged. I was also able to move some of my collection from our basement and put them together with the rest of the project parts. The last thing was to drive the white

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Submitted by  
Mike Piper

car up to Loveland at 80 MPH and park it in the garage. The car ran very well. It will be safe, and I'll pay my daughter the rent I've been paying to the storage place.



Another thing, (random brain dump time) welcome to our new club members. They have good information and good stories to share. I think we can all help each other keep our cars going.

Look elsewhere in the Dripline for updates on the Tri-State. During the club meeting today, it was evident there is a lot of energy and interest in this event, and I believe it will turn

out well. Jerry and Chris are already working hard. The venue is very scenic and there is that canyon...

Club officer season is in front of us too...

After all of my ramblings about health, fall colors and dealing with moving my car and parts, I want to finish by noting at this point that as we head through fall and into winter, we need to take care to protect our cars when we are not frequently driving them. Steve Goodman has written several good articles which I need to follow myself. I need to change oil and be sure my fuel tanks are full. The battery in the red car is pretty old so I will put a battery tender on it. I do not have a good solution to rodents moving in over the winter, so suggestions are welcome. Mostly if I drive the cars fairly frequently that seems to discourage the rodents.

As always, happy and safe travels!

Mike

## DRIP LINE EDITOR NEEDED

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

PPCC is in need of a newsletter editor who will be willing to take over the reigns of The Drip Line starting January, 2023. Item that are 'required' to be included in the newsletter each month include:

- Information on our next meeting
- Information on new members which is typically included in,
- Club minutes
- Leadership Contact information

Everything else you receive on a monthly basis is in hopes of making The Drip Line a vital communication tool and an enjoyable read for the club.

Please consider stepping up. I'm more than happy to discuss my process, the software I use, and any other questions you might have. Please contact me at [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com) if you believe this could be a way you can serve the club. *P.S. You don't have to know anything about cars to do this job!*



## VP VOLTAGE—HERE WE GO AGAIN

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Ok, it's time again to adjust the time again, one more time, again. Certainly repetitive, but it seems like we'll be doing this forever. I've complained, oops, I mean discussed ☺ this before earlier this year in April when I talked about Congress trying to pass the Sunshine Protection Act (passed by the Senate unanimously and dying in the House) that would make daylight savings time permanent across the US next year. As happens in our government, sometimes nothing happens in our government. So come November 6<sup>th</sup>, we once again get to "fall back" an hour, and gain back that hour of sleep we lost earlier this year. Whoo hoo, I was missing that hour all summer, but I really hope that some year or decade in the future we don't have these time changes twice a year. Some of the states have got it right. Actually, now that I think about it, I'd not have anything to talk about in the DripLine twice a year if that happened ☺.

Actually, that's not true, I'll always have something to talk about, since life is always providing us with a fast ball, curve ball, slider, or change up to deal with. This month, my wife and I got a "shocker ball" thrown at us with our "water pumper" car, our 2013 Subaru. It's been a great car for us since we bought it new, but just recently we got a 'check engine light' that came on out of the blue. So, got out the trusty OBD checker and got the dreaded 'P0420' code. Now, that is



generically a Catalyst System Efficiency Below Threshold code, which, theoretically, is an indication that there is something wrong with the emissions system. It could be O2 sensors, wiring issues, coolant temperature sensor, etc., or, as in our case, an underperforming (failed) catalytic converter. That was the repair shops diagnosis, but what came next was the "shocker ball" price tag. Before the big price reveal, a bit of history. Normally, a catalytic converter doesn't cost a tremendous amount, but thanks to our neighbor to the west, California and their California Air Resource Board (CARB) draconian requirements, that has changed. You say what does California have to do with Colorado? Well, our illustrious Colorado legislature and government has adopted their CARB requirement, along with 3 other states. This results in repair shops having to install CARB Certified catalytic converters when they replace them. So, what does that cost, you say? Well, here is the shocker price quote we received.

Ready? Fortunately, I was sitting down, but the price was \$3,800 out the door. Anyone want to buy a used 2013 Subaru Forester with a bad catalytic converter? ☺ Looks like we'll be driving with a check engine light on for a while, while we decide what to do. Stay tuned, we might have a new car soon. Lol



## VP VOLTAGE—HERE WE GO AGAIN

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

On the brighter side, my 65 Monza convertible is running fine, so I'm getting it out more for local shopping, etc. runs. Plus, it gets a lot more positive attention than the Subaru ☺. Hopefully our weather will continue to be conducive to us getting out and driving our cars. There still are a couple of more events, like Halloween trunk or treat events coming up, along with our Christmas Party at the Edelweiss restaurant on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>.

Also, if you have any suggestions regarding a club meeting place that is more northerly located than the golf club we normally meet at, please let us know. It's a long way for our club members from the Denver area to come,

so we are in search of a location closer to the Monument/Castle Rock area.

I think that's it for now, so as we get ready for Thanksgiving, we do need to be thankful for all we have and the blessings we have each day. I'll get over the sticker shock of car repair prices, since in the grand scheme of things, that is not nearly as big a deal as our health and welfare. So, here's to the journey ahead.

Enjoy the journey,

Jerry



## TRI-STATE IS COMING!

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse & Chris Kimberly

It's not too late to get your calendars out and reserve the dates of May 19-21, 2023 for the 38<sup>th</sup> Corvair Tri-State to be held in Salida, CO. As your Co-Chairs of the event next year, we have been very busy for the past several months securing hotel, banquet room, caterer, and car show location arrangements.

We are pleased to announce that the hotel selected is the newly renovated Hampton Inn & Suites, which was previously the SureStay Best Western, on Highway 50. All the rooms, lobby, and breakfast area have been renovated and updated. Free breakfast is included too. Also, they are blocking off group rate rooms for Thursday night the 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday night the 21<sup>st</sup> for anyone wanting to come early and/or stay late. There is lots to do in the area, as Salida is in the Heart of the Rockies. They are excited to have us, and they will be providing a great area for us to use as the hospitality/raffle room. They have a large parking lot that we are looking at as one of the possibilities for using as our car show venue, but we are also looking at other options.

Also, we have identified the Chaffee County Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall as our banquet room for Saturday night. It's just west of the hotel and is a large hall with plenty of room for our

**TRI-STATE IS COMING!**

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse & Chris Kimberly

group, and includes a cash bar. The caterer has also been secured, as well as the menu that provides non-meat/gluten free options too.

We've identified several committees needed to make this successful. We are hoping for many volunteers to help as we need you and your input to make this a tremendous event. The committees we've set up, and those that have already volunteered to serve as chairman are:

Registration: Kathy has volunteered to chair  
Hospitality Room: Keithann has volunteered to chair  
Car Show Events: John has volunteered to chair  
Raffle & Door prizes: Diane and Tony have volunteered to chair  
Publicity: Jerry has volunteered to chair  
Banquet (setup and teardown): Chris has volunteered to chair

We have had a great response already from many members, but please consider contacting either the committee chairmen or Chris/Jerry to volunteer to help in one of these areas. The chairmen cannot do this alone.

Stay tuned as our committees plan out what we are expecting to be a great event. Updates will be provided in coming months to keep us all informed and excited about the Tri-State meet. As we're getting our cars ready for next year's Tri-State, let's hope for some great weather for the trip and event, and a great time getting together with those we haven't seen in a while. The best is yet to come.



**MEETING MINUTES- September 18, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
Kristal Harrison

Meeting called to order at 0933 by Jerry Peevyhouse as Mike is unwell and attending via zoom – 14 members and no visitors on site, 5 joined via Zoom.

**M****Visitors**

None this month

**E****50/50**

Chris distributed 50/50 tickets.

**E****Minutes**

September meeting minutes were discussed, approved and seconded. Motion to approve by Kathy Green, second by KeithAnn Peevyhouse.

**T****Treasury Report**

Treasurer's report available to all members on request.

**I****Mail**

No mail this month

**N****Membership**

New members – A prospective member has contacted the club, and was planning on attending this month, but did not. He doesn't have a Corvair yet, but is on the lookout for a Corsa or Spider. The advice that will be provided is to buy the best car you can, not just the first you see.

**G**

Membership dues are able to be paid at any time.

**M****SeeMore**

No further outings planned for SeeMore until the Spring. Jerry and Randy will accompany Glen to inspect SeeMore and the trailer to ensure that Glen's truck is compatible to tow the trailer.

**I****Old Business**

Nil

**N****New Business/events**

The Board has met and is proposing a change to the By-Laws.

Proposed changes:

**U**

Page 8 Expenditures – C : Change '\$0.50 per mile' to 'current Government rate per mile' Also add hyperlink to website to get current Govt rate - [Privately Owned Vehicle \(POV\) Mileage Reimbursement Rates | GSA](#)

**T**

This change will eliminate the need to update this in the future, as the rate will keep up with inflation and gas prices. Discussion included a request to include the start and end odome-

**E**

**MEETING MINUTES- September 18, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
Kristal Harrison

ter readings for calculating total distance to be included. The proposal will be discussed at the next meeting, and then voted on, including the odometer method of calculating mileage.

Election nominations requested. Kristal Harrison has volunteered to be Secretary, and Randy has volunteered to be Treasurer. Nominations/volunteers are still required for the positions of President, Vice President and Member-at-Large. Please ask the member before you nominate them, and send your nominations to any Board member.

An editor for the Dripline will be required by the beginning of next year, as will an events coordinator. Please register your interest with any Board member, or Kathy (Dripline) or Chris (events).

**Upcoming events:**

Christmas party Dec 11 at 1pm at Edelweiss restaurant. Toys for Tots contributions will be collected in the form of unwrapped gifts. There will also be a gift exchange – if you wish to participate, please bring a wrapped gift to the value of \$20. Please RSVP to Chris no later than December 1<sup>st</sup> if you plan to attend. The club will cover the cost of appetizers and non-alcoholic drinks. Meals and alcohol will be at members' expense.

Please send all activities suggestions in early, as the events calendar gets built in January. If anyone wants to be events coordinator, please volunteer, as Chris will be busy with Tristate hosting duties next year

**Tri-State**

19-21 May 2023 in Salida.

Some Tri-State history: In 1976 the bicentennial year national Corvair convention was held in Philadelphia. Couple of folks in this area decided that they would hold their own mini-convention closer to home. Members from New Mexico, Denver, Colorado Springs and Utah attended in Montrose. This was meant to be a one-time only thing, but the next one was held 10 years later, and decided to be an annual event, with hosts alternating between the clubs. It is now open to anyone with a Corvair. Possibly cars from 6 states will attend next year.

2023 Tri-State planning: Jerry, KeithAnn, and Chris took a trip in April to liaise with the Chamber of Commerce at Salida, and to look at hotels. Hampton Inn and Suites has been selected as the hotel of choice, but it has been under renovation, and management has also changed. Jerry, KeithAnn, and Chris will take another trip to Salida in the next month to meet with the new management of the hotel. Room rate has been negotiated at \$119/night for the event. Hotel can be booked now using 'Tri-State Corvair' to get negotiated room rate. A link to hotel registration will be provided with the registration information coming soon.

A possible location for the banquet is the Fairground event center. The Fairgrounds will provide the space, tables and chairs, full cash bar and bartender. Club needs to provide tablecloths. Kalamatapit Catering to provide menu for buffet, also plated, cutlery etc. Chamber of commerce to

**MEETING MINUTES- September 18, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
Kristal Harrison

provide goodie bags, club to supplement. Request to collect bits and pieces to fill bags. Website build in progress, using the domain that the New Mexico club created last year. The website will provide registration details, hotel details, merchandise details and payments once available. A possible design for event t-shirts was circulated, but needs to be converted to vector format. Randy has volunteered to help with this.

A suggestion that the club purchase 'volunteer' t-shirts that will be different from the event t-shirts was well received by members at the meeting. Details still to be decided.

A list of committees was circulated – please volunteer to help with the Tri-State in any way you can. See Jerry or Chris to volunteer.

The local 50's diner **50 Burger** in Salida has been reserved for Friday 19<sup>th</sup> dinner and photos of the cars outside.

There was a call for donations for raffle baskets, silent auction items, door prizes etc.

A list of committees required was distributed. Please contact Jerry or Chris to volunteer.

**Tech**

Rex told his tale of woe following the trip to Pine, and ongoing issues with the oil filter and lights.

Ed Halpin in Castle Rock has a sit/stand workbench for free, and two cars for sale – 1963 red convertible \$8K and 1967 Monza sport sedan \$12K. See Chris for details.

Steve Woods took a long day trip to see Pat and got many things for his car, and had a good visit with Pat. He realizes now that he also needs a right side diff adjuster.

**50/50**

50/50 was won by Gary \$30

**Meeting adjourned at 1048**



## TECH TIP: UNUSUAL NOISES

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

If we have been driving our Corvair for any length of time we know the 'normal' noises that the engine makes or road noises from tires. How about when a strange noise pops up?

A rattle inside the car when finding a ripple in the road or worse a pothole or manhole cover usually points to something in the instrument panel/ash tray or radio mountings becoming loose. While driving on open road, reach around and push against the area where the noise is coming from. You may need help if it's coming from the rear or passenger side. Check the glove box for things rattling against each other, and also under the seats for something rolling around. Push against the ash tray too, it is common to hear it rattling. Plus there may be car wash quarters stored inside. For most of the fasteners around the dash a small Phillips screwdriver will fit everything. Actually it is kinda fun to just start gently tightening every screw head visible in the instrument panel/heater control and glove box door.

Instead of inside the car, the noise you hear could be from the front or rear under the car. Shock mounts/sway bar bushings are most common in the front. Of course a worn ball-joint or suspension bushing can also make noises when hitting bumps, etc. Noises in the rear are suspension bushings most of the time. In particular the inner strut rod bushing on 65-9 cars. If it's a 65 car with the original style rear engine mount, the mount could have failed and the mount has bottomed against the rear frame of the car. If transmission mounts or the mount on 66-9 are failing there can be noises too, because the rear suspension is mounted to the powertrain and those same parts can cause noise in the early cars too. Loose/worn shock mounts in the rear will rattle/clunk too on every year. Another noise-

maker in the rear of every year is exhaust system moving around, as well as spare tire being loose on the bracket or even things stored inside spare tire or along side battery

If you hear a clicking sound from rear as you coast to a traffic light that slows as the car slows, and of course it stops clicking when car stops moving, that is typical indication of a worn U-joint. On early cars and all FC it can also point to a worn axle flange. This flange is at end of axle and U-joint is attached to it. The flange is a very tight fit to the end of the axle by a spline plus bolt/washer in the end of the axle. The flange can come loose from wear from the axle and start moving around. To check this, the car must be in the air and then try to move the end of the axle up/down and watch for movement either at the flange or the U-joint assembly. For 65-9 cars there are 2 U-joints per side, but noise as well as checking is same as above. It's very seldom, but it can happen that the bolts holding the U-joint straps in place can come loose or break if not the correct bolt. A quick check for tightness is never a waste of time.

If a grind/squeal noise happens as your stick shift car clutch is engaged from a stop either forward or reverse, that typically is the pilot bushing becoming dry in the end of the crank-shaft. The only cure is to remove the engine or powertrain and replace the bushing along with any questionable clutch parts and the input shaft seal inside the release bearing shaft. The pilot bushing is oilite bronze and must be oiled before installing in the crank.

Watch for chapter 2 next month.



## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

It's that time of year again! It's time to start thinking toward the new year, and time to dig deep into your wallet and pull out that \$25 to send in for renewal of your membership in the Pikes Peak Corvair Club. Club dues are due in January, but can be sent in before then (and we'd love it if you could renew early to help with paperwork).

We don't take your membership in this Club for granted, and are deeply appreciative of the support every member provides in being able to keep the Corvair out in front of the public to enjoy. So, thank you all for all you do, and now go get that checkbook and renew today! Don't wait!

To help our Treasurer, Mr. Randy Karl, manage the books effectively, we would ask that everyone **please send their dues renewal check in no later than 15 January, 2023** to the following address: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer-2022 Dues, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. Or, you can always pay in person at the November or December meeting. We'd like to close the books on the 2023 Membership Drive by the end of February, and your support in meeting that goal would be greatly appreciated.

\* A reminder that while membership in CORSA is not a prerequisite for new membership, or renewal in the PPCC, we do strongly encourage support of the national organization, which works to supports our local efforts through an event liability insurance policy, advertising of events in national publications, and inclusion in online tech sessions and meetings.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

## *Annual Dues*

## OFFICER ELECTIONS



It's Officer election time again! If you are interesting in volunteering for one of our Board member elected positions, or one of the many committee chairs that keep PPCC moving, please don't hesitate to reach out to any board member for more information or to throw your hat into the election ring!!

Elected positions include: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Member-at-Large. Randy has indicated he will continue as Treasurer and Kristal as Secretary, so think about the other opportunities.

Appointed positions include: Activities Chair, Facebook Administrator, Membership Chair, Newsletter Editor, SeeMore Chair and Web Master. Descriptions of all of these positions can be found in our club by-laws.

If you like the direction the club is heading, or you would like to see us consider different options, please consider whether 2023 is the year YOU want to make a difference in PPCC.

## FALL DRIVE 2022

Submitted By  
Chris Kimberly

Our Fall drive took place on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> and was planned with RMC to go to Zoka's Restaurant in Pine CO. One group met up at Rudy's, driving up to Woodland Park and cutting off on Rt 67 toward Deckers. They enjoyed a scenic drive through the back roads towards Pine.



The group in the north met up at Chatfield Botanical Garden and drove through Deer Creek Canyon winding down to a back road along the Platte River. It was also very scenic with the leaves beginning their color change.

Both groups arrived at Zoka's within 5 minutes of each other and were able to park the Corvairs in small groups along with a few 'brand x' cars. Everyone enjoyed a group social gathering in the parking lot, sharing the sites they each had along their routes.

Zoka's had a special area and menu ready for us to order our lunch. Attending this year was Randy Karl, John and Kathy Green, Jerry and KeithAnn Peevyhouse, Kristal and Rex Harrison, Tanya Boudreau and Jeff Addams, Glen and Kelly Dowling, Wayne and Bonni Russert, Mike, Karen and Dylan Piper, Rick Beets, Tony and Diane Lawler, Andrew Childs, Linda Thomas, and Chris Kimberly. We all enjoyed our meals and socializing at the tables. Afterwards, after inspecting a few engines, everyone headed home looking forward to more 'leaf peeping' along the way.



Members and guests from RMC and PPCC enjoying good food and great conversation!



## AN INTERVIEW WITH A CORVAIR

I read this article in the October, 2022 edition of The Four Wheel Independent, the newsletter of the Central Pennsylvania Corvair Club (CPCC). I enjoyed it so much I reached out to their editor who graciously shared it with us. This was written by CPCC member Paul Miller.

### ***Very First Interview with a CORVAIR!!!***

In a breakthrough of recent machine/human communication technology it is now possible to talk with **YOUR** Corvair. The below interview was conducted with a prototype of such a software/machine and is the **FIRST** of its kind:

#### **Q- Tell me about yourself.**

CORVAIR- I am a product of the sixties but have DNA in the fifties- my creator was Edward Cole & many other people who labored long & hard to bring my unique characteristics to reality. Now that I am approaching late youth (since my "birth" on October 1959) it is evident the creator & those engineers really knew their business.



#### **Q- Unique Characteristics?**

CORVAIR- Absolutely- I am an aluminum/steel based life form with a heart in my derriere. My wheels are independent. My physical form can take many shapes & sizes -convertibles, p/u, vans, 4 doors, 2 doors, wagons- but my DNA remains the same- a pancake 6 cylinder heart in the rear.

#### **Q- Can you tell me some of your favorite things?**

CORVAIR- Just love sunny days without salt on the road. I really like the feel of wax on my skin. Furthermore, I just adore it when people spend a lot of money on keeping me looking gorgeous. But most of all, I like to be driven- preferably on country roads away from muscle and electric vehicles. What's more, my favorite things to eat are ethanol free gas and lotsa & losta of oil.

#### **Q- Can you tell me some of things that you dislike?**

CORVAIR- Ya' know, I have had professional help emotionally getting over the Mustang & Ralph Nader. Another thing is when people get my origin wrong- I've been inappropriately called a 4 cylinder, unsafe, old, and many other uncharitable names. This sort of profiling is really hurtful. Also, I avoid salt at all costs. Lastly, I don't like being with Corvair hanger queens - they are all image but no substance.

#### **Q- Describe your perfect day.**

CORVAIR- Probably May 23- it is not too hot & not too cold.

## AN INTERVIEW WITH A CORVAIR

**Q-No, I meant how would describe your perfect day?**

CORVAIR- Sorry- I don't have a large electronic brain- in fact, I don't have any brain. But to your question- My owner would carefully wash me, fuel me and then take me on a ride of about 50 miles or so to an event where I can meet family members- cousins, brothers, aunts, uncles etc. The recent Corvair Days near Gettysburg is especially lovely & always a special treat.

**Q- What do you think of current political leaders?**

CORVAIR- I think JFK & LBJ have a difficult job- And I wish the best to them.

**Q- As you are now in late youth how are you holding up?**

CORVAIR- Really don't like to talk about my medical condition- but... I have arcing electrical contacts, my bearings rumble, don't like getting my front tires twisted too hard... (Editors Note: Answer was shorten to fit space for the interview- this went on for 13½ minutes- Jeez!)

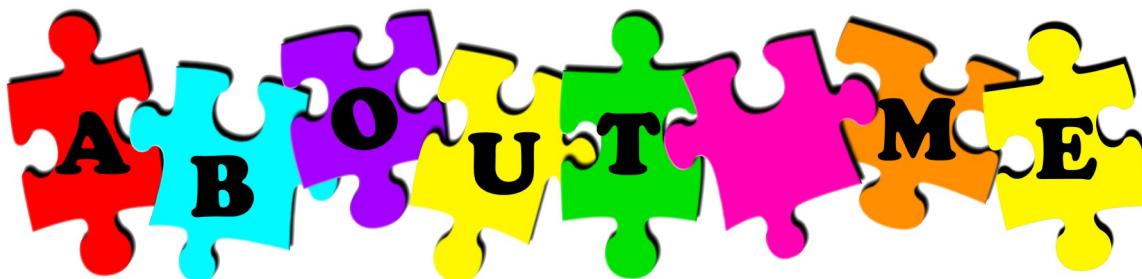
**Q- When your time comes where do you want to be laid to rest?**

CORVAIR- Difficult question. Would like to believe I 'am immortal- but that is just hubris talking. In the end, it is my desire to be placed at the Corvair Ranch in Gettysburg, PA- preferably with a good view of the surrounding countryside.

**Q- Any last (non-medical) thoughts?**

CORVAIR- Most of my kind have been through many owners- some great, others not so much. All of my kind appreciate the efforts of our owners to keep the Corvair name strong & vibrate. These folks are my friends & heroes. Also, I think I need help with my back.

The interview was terminated when a software bug was detected & the Corvair's battery inexplicably went dead.



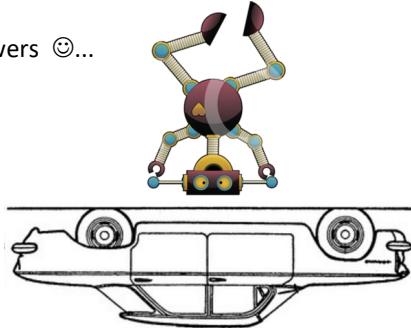
## DRIP QUIPS

*As published in the September 2022 edition of Leaky Seal, the Newsletter of  
Corvair Minnesota*

### Corvair Quiz Test your knowledge!

- 1) What did they call Corvairs before production?
- 2) Did Corvair make a right hand (side) drive?
- 3) What Country and State was the Corvair used for testing? (bonus if you know the city)
- 4) How many basic designs (types) of Corvairs were made? (bonus if you can name them)
- 5) How many years was the Greenbrier made?
- 6) Did Corvair make more than 1 truck?
- 7) Did Corvair have a motorhome?
- 8) What engine was used in the Man from UNCLE car?
- 9) What former TV Talk Show host owns a Corvair?
- 10) What Country did the first test on Corvairs?

Stand on your head to read the answers ☺...



- 1) Holden
- 2) Yes
- 3) Ely, Minnesota, United States
- 4) Corvan; Greenbrier; Rampside; Lakewood; Early Models (60-64); Late Models (65-69)
- 5) 4 years (61-65)
- 6) Yes, Rampside and Loadside
- 7) No - Ultra Van was manufactured by Ultra Van Mfg Co., but did have a Corvair engine
- 8) 140 hp
- 9) Jay Leno
- 10) Australia

*If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.*

## PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

- M **Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., Valley Hi Golf Club, 610 S. Chelton Rd., Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- M **Sunday, December 11, PPCC Club Meeting and Annual Christmas Party:** 1:00 p.m. Edelweiss German Restaurant in Colorado Springs. PPCC will pay for appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages. Each person to pay for their own dinner. We will be collecting Toy's for Tots again this year. Please RSVP with Chris Kimberly no later than December 1.
- M **Sunday, January 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, February 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, March 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, April 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Friday-Saturday, May 19-21, 38th Annual Tri-State Meet:** The 38th event will be held in Salida, Colorado on May 19-21, 2023. Mark your calendars and think about where you fit into this exciting event. Details coming soon!
-  **Sunday, June 4, The 40th Annual Colorado Concours d'Elegance:** Watch for information [here](#).
-  **Saturday, June 17, Classic Rock Cruise in Car Show:** Castle Rock, CO Registration opens April 15, 2023. Information available [here](#).
- M **Sunday, June 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, August 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, September 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A **Last week of September or first week of October:** Fall Drive. Date, and location TBA.
- M **Sunday, October 22, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M/A **December, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Key:** M—Meeting;  —Car Show; A—Activity

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**PPCC  
Admin**

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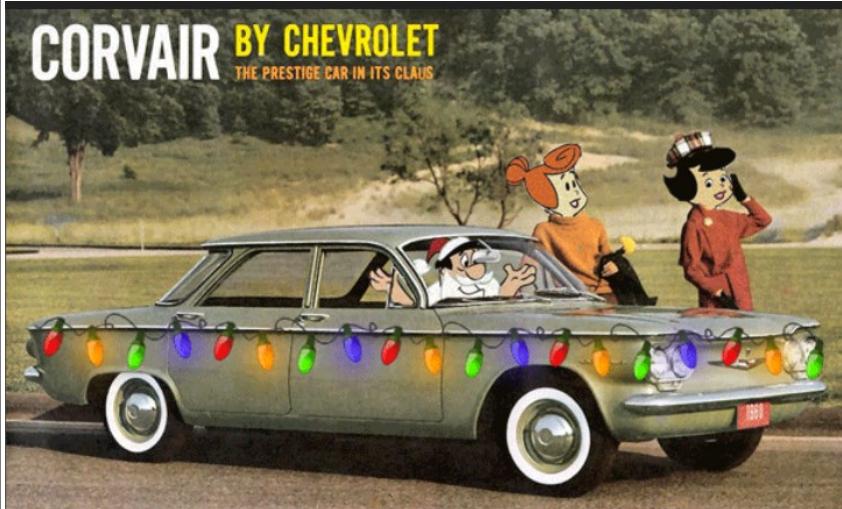
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*Happy Holidays from PPCC.*  
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## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS

By Mike Piper  
PPCC President

Hi all!

Still busy, still healing... I'm "late" with my article, which has been pointed out to me. My primary adventure this month has been dealing with a staph infection in my problem toe which included a 2-day stay in the hospital for IV antibiotics. The pieces of good news are that the infection was in the skin (cellulitis) versus in the blood or bone. I also have discovered I am NOT allergic to a medication my mom said I was. The last act in the hospital was to try taking the oral version of this medication and if I reacted badly, they could treat me immediately. No problems so there is another group of antibiotics that I can tolerate. My toe is healing; hopefully it is healed enough before we head to the Big Island on December 3<sup>rd</sup> so I can hike and Snorkel. Meanwhile, missing a week of work wrestling with my toe has my bosses in a bit of a state. I have not reminded them I'll be gone for a week in a week. I guess I don't have much time to dwell on packing which can be very minimal when going to Hawaii where there are mini washers and dryers in almost every place you stay.

On the blue car front I made some token progress getting the stacks of random dirty parts in my garage cleaned up, painted and/or refurbished and moved into Michelle's garage. There has been some progress, but it is difficult to see. One



thing I'm confronted with is the parts for the car came in boxes and bins when I bought them, which was helpful because I didn't have to take it all apart. The downside is you may not know where something specifically came from or what fasteners it has. Add to that a bunch of duplicate parts from another CORSA coupe in a salvage yard. The benefit is if you have a less than great original part you have a spare, but what am I going to do to store all this stuff after I put the car back together? I suppose that's a good problem to have in the end.

Another personal project is we have had our "family" bathroom redone. Mostly my effort involved answering preference questions while we provided the (considerable) money. I was also obligated to paint the bathroom in a narrow timeframe to allow the tile guy to proceed. I got it done and I have one more minor touch-up. Glad that's over... It's ridiculous how much time it takes to mess with a room that is roughly 5' x 8'.

On the club front, we are about to enter into our annual dues effort. Randy mostly deals with this, but it seems like we just finished doing this. There will be a note elsewhere

in the DripLine about how to make the payment. Jerry and Christine also continue to make progress on the Tri-State in Salida. Most of the arrangements have been made for the hotel, the banquet room and the parking lot for the Show-n-Shine. I've tested the hotel Registration link and registered. This is certainly something to look forward to. We also have the Christmas meal coming right up. There is a note about this in the DripLine too. Keep in mind that this will also be when we elect the officers for 2023. Karen and I will return from Hawaii that morning so if we are awake we will be there, possibly somewhat confused as to time of day. You leave the big Island at Midnight, fly all night, switch planes someplace in CA and fly to Denver.

Finally, I'd like to offer inadequate thanks to Kathy Green for her work as the DripLine editor. She has assured us she is serious so we're looking for a new editor to take over.

As the robot boss told George Jetson in the Jetson's cartoon, "Back to Work, Work! Work! Work!" Take care all and Save travels,

Mike

## VP VOLTAGE—WE'RE ALMOST THERE

Submitted by  
Jerry Peevyhouse

Happy December. It's been quite a year, hasn't it? As we look back, I'm sure there are many memories of both good and not so good times this year.



The Club has been active in many summer events, and will wrap up the events with our Christmas Party on Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. More on that in another part of the newsletter. Looking forward to seeing what kind of Yankee gift I get.

Not sure I'm looking forward to this, but we're also only a month away from turning the weather corner from Fall to Winter (brrr) on Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, when the Winter Solstice arrives. That's when we have our shortest day of the year (8 hours, 45 minutes), but, good news is it's all uphill from there ☺. Now if it just wasn't so darn windy during the winter, I could handle the cold better. More hot chocolate, please. Me, I'm looking forward to the Summer Solstice on June 21<sup>st</sup> next year to have our longest day of the year. Aww, the little things in life that make us happy.

So what else makes us happy? Car shows make us happy. How about getting out next May and showcasing our cars at the 38<sup>th</sup> Tri-State in Salida, CO., the Heart of the Rockies. The dates are May 19-21, 2023, with the option of coming in early on May 18<sup>th</sup> and/or staying late through May 22. As one of the co-chairs with Chris, we have been very busy in securing the hotel (newly renovated Hampton Inn

& Suites), banquet facility (Chaffee County Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall), Committee chairpersons, etc.



As identified in last month's newsletter, the following committees have been set up and are fully functioning:

**Registration:** Kathy has volunteered to chair

**Hospitality:** Keithann has volunteered to chair

**Car Show Events:** John has volunteered to chair

**Raffle & Door Prizes:** Diane and Tony have volunteered to chair

**Publicity:** Jerry has volunteered to chair

**Banquet (setup and teardown):** Chris has volunteered to chair

The committee's have already had their first meeting, and are actively soliciting volunteers to help in whatever area you feel you could help. They cannot do this alone, so please consider what area you could help in, even if it's just for a short

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time. Contact either the committee chairperson or me/Chris to volunteer. Kathy and Randy have been busy getting the on-line registration forms together and getting the payment system up and running. We hope to make this an easy process, one that will allow you to register to attend, order tee-shirts, make hotel registrations, and pay on-line easily on one page. Let's also hope for some great weather for the Tri-State.

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, we are looking for suggestions regarding a club meeting place that is more northerly located than the golf club we normally meet at. It's a long way for our club members from the Denver area to come, so we

are in search of a location closer to the Monument/Castle Rock area.

So, as we get ready for Christmas, I hope all of you have a Merry Christmas and are able to spend time with family and enjoy time together. I'm not sure what we'll be doing, but we will be here and enjoying time with Keithann's family here. We are thankful for all we have and the blessings we have each day. Also, I hope to get my car out some this month to keep it in shape for next year's activities. As Steve says, gotta run 'em during the winter to keep the engines and systems in good shape. So, here's to the journeys ahead. Enjoy the journey,  
Jerry

## OFFICER ELECTIONS



It's Officer election time again! If you are interesting in volunteering for one of our Board member elected positions, or one of the many committee chairs that keep PPCC moving, please don't hesitate to reach out to any board member for more information or to throw your hat into the election ring!!

Elected positions include: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Member-at-Large. Randy has indicated he will continue as Treasurer and Kristal as Secretary, so think about the other opportunities.

Appointed positions include: Activities Chair, Facebook Administrator, Membership Chair, Newsletter Editor, SeeMore Chair and Web Master. Descriptions of all of these positions can be found in our club by-laws.

If you like the direction the club is heading, or you would like to see us consider different options, please consider whether 2023 is the year YOU want to make a difference in PPCC.

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

It's that time of year again! It's time to start thinking toward the new year, and time to dig deep into your wallet and pull out that \$25 to send in for renewal of your membership in the Pikes Peak Corvair Club. Club dues are due in January, but can be sent in before then (and we'd love it if you could renew early to help with paperwork).

We don't take your membership in this Club for granted, and are deeply appreciative of the support every member provides in being able to keep the Corvair out in front of the public to enjoy. So, thank you all for all you do, and now go get that checkbook and renew today! Don't wait!

To help our Treasurer, Mr. Randy Karl, manage the books effectively, we would ask that everyone **please send their dues renewal check in no later than 15 January, 2023** to the following address: PPCC, ATTN: Treasurer-2022 Dues, P.O. Box 15034, Colorado Springs, CO 80935. Or, you can always pay in person at the November or December meeting. We'd like to close the books on the 2023 Membership Drive by the end of February, and your support in meeting that goal would be greatly appreciated.

\* A reminder that while membership in CORSA is not a prerequisite for new membership, or renewal in the PPCC, we do strongly encourage support of the national organization, which works to supports our local efforts through an event liability insurance policy, advertising of events in national publications, and inclusion in online tech sessions and meetings.

## EDITORS FAREWELL

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

We have had a couple of volunteers to take over the editing duties of The Drip Line. At our last meeting two of us discussed that we needed to put all of our heads together to determine who will be handling the newsletter, so more to come on that.

While I can't say it has always been a pleasure to be your editor ☺ (as Mike noted, it was my job to tell him he was "late"), it has been a honor these past four years to have been able to produce a newsletter that has helped keep club members informed and, hopefully, entertained each month with club news, articles, cartoons and more 'trip reports' than I can even remember. I have also learned a lot about cars that I didn't know before from the many tech tips that Steve Goodman has provided (THANK YOU STEVE), as well as outside articles that I've read and included for your reading pleasure.

I'm not going anywhere, just focusing on other club activities including getting registration information up and rolling for Tri-State. As soon as all of the i's are dotted and the t's are crossed we'll have registration forms available.

Thank you for trusting me with *your* newsletter. Hope to see you soon!



**MEETING MINUTES- November 20, 2022**

Valley Hi Golf Club

Submitted By  
Kristal Harrison

Meeting called to order at 0935 – 9 members and zero visitor on site, 2 joined via Zoom.

**M****Visitors**

Nil

**E****50/50**

No-one was here to distribute 50/50 tickets.

**E****Minutes**

October meeting minutes were discussed, approved and seconded. Motion to approve by Kathy, second by Randy.

**T****Treasury Report**

General Fund: \$1782.38

**I**

SeeMore Fund: \$2096.02

**N**

Total: \$3878.40

**G****Mail**

Three items

From Corsa re: website. They are upgrading to a new site. Users will be redirected to new site automatically. We will need to talk to the web admin to get the data from the old site – e.g. Pictures

**M**

From Corvette re: raffle flyer

**I**

One junk and recycled

**N****Membership**

Nil new members. Membership dues are payable now via check or cash. Randy is working on getting PayPal set up for online payments. Kristal/Rex and Mike paid memberships in cash at the meeting.

**U****SeeMore**

Glenn, Jerry and Randy went out to see SeeMore. They wanted to make sure that Glenn could connect to the trailer – he can. They moved the trailer to allow for better access. Left tail light on trailer did not work, but unsure why, could be a loose connection. This will be checked and fixed as required before taking it anywhere. Small amount of rust/small hole on left side door of SeeMore, possibly due to hail. SeeMore will be moved to Glenn's place to get ready for Tristate, closer to the event. Glenn has offered to fix this hole when it's at his place.

**T****Old Business**

Second reading for by-laws change. The wording was questioned to clarify that it would be start of trip to end of trip (to include from home to trailer location to event and back to home) Move Randy, Second Kathy, nil opposed. Randy to update bylaws and send to board for final approval.

**E**

Still looking for volunteers for President, VP, member at large. Suggestion to ask Glenn if he wants to be member at large. Positions will be voted on at the December meeting/Christmas party. Both President (Mike) and VP (Jerry) have offered to continue if no other takers.

**T**

Christmas party 11 Dec at 1pm at Edelweiss. Club will buy appetizers and non-alcoholic drinks, members to pay for own main meal. Please rsvp to Chris by Dec 1<sup>st</sup>. Toys for Tots collection – unwrapped

**E****S**

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toy suitable for up to age 15. Gift exchange – bring a wrapped gift marked guy/girl/either to the value of \$20.

Business cards are here – old ones to be discarded. Kathy has the patches and business cards.

**New Business/events**

Nil

**Tri-State**

Jerry mentioned that we might be able to host a Tri-State tune-up day at Glenn's place before Tristate. He has a big barn and a lot of equipment.

Hotel is secured, banquet location secured, and car show location has now been secured. It will be held at the Faricy Boys lot next to hotel. There will be space for about 40 cars. It is right on Hwy 50, with good passing traffic and potential for advertising which will be done closer to the event in Salida. Jerry will send the contact info for Faricy Boys to John.

The website has been updated to include a link to Tristate (under the 'more' tab on the home page), with links to the hotel. Randy is still working on the link to register for the car show.

Chris is making progress on the t-shirts.

Kathy has a sample registration form/email response that was passed around the meeting, with positive response. Randy will more than likely incorporate this form into the link to the car show.

Volunteers will be needed for the event. All committees have chairs, but will need volunteers before, during and after the event. Raffle baskets, door prizes required.

**Tech**

69 brake kits are NOT available from Napa, fronts are.

**Meeting adjourned at 1014**

**PPCC CHRISTMAS PARTY**Submitted by  
Chris Kimberly**PPCC Christmas Party Time**

Well, 2022 has quickly passed and we find it's once again time for our last event of the year, the club Christmas party. We will be having our election of officers before all the festivities of enjoying a delicious meal with friends, and then our traditional 'yankee' gift exchange which is always great fun!

The Christmas party is Dec 11 at 1pm at Edelweiss Restaurant. (address: 34 E Ramona Ave., Colorado Springs) The menu will be a modified menu for us, with a nice selection of meals. The club will be covering the cost of appetizers, and non-alcoholic drinks.

Toys for Tots contributions will be collected in the form of unwrapped gifts. These will be given to children in the Colorado Springs area by the Marines from Toys for Tots. There will also be a "yankee" gift exchange – if you wish to participate, please bring a wrapped gift to the value of \$20. Please label the gift if it's for a man, woman, or either. Kids, of course, are welcome at this family gathering. (Please bring a gift for them for the gift exchange labeled kids).

**Please RSVP to me no later than December 1st of the number of people in your group attending.** Send me an email at [ckimberly4749@gmail.com](mailto:ckimberly4749@gmail.com) or give me a call at 775-830-4739.

See you all on Dec. 11.

Chris K.



## TECH TIP: UNUSUAL NOISES, PART 2

Submitted By  
Steve Goodman

Last month several noises that are not normal were listed. Here are several others you might want to listen for.



If you have a stick shift Corvair and hear a rattle at idle in neutral that goes away when clutch pedal is pushed down a bit, the cause is almost always a loose flywheel. Stock flywheels are 3 pieces riveted together and the rivets come loose with age and use. The only cure is to replace with bolted or welded or solid flywheel. If noise happens when clutch is pushed down, then typically that is dry release (throw out) bearing. Again, the only fix is replacing the bad part. Either of these require removal of the engine or complete drivetrain. A powerglide equipped car can have a rattle/ratcheting sound from the torque converter being loose on the flex plate, or the flex plate is cracked. This is not the most common of failures but certainly has happened.

If a head loses its' torque a head gasket will fail by burning through the thin head gasket ring. The noise is a puffing sound in a rhythm as engine is idling it most likely is the head gasket leaking. It can be caused by a head stud that has pulled from the case too. If caught early enough the head can be re-torqued but if ignored, or if stud

has pulled then head must be removed and proper repairs done. Of course the engine is not running on 6 cylinders either so repairs should be done quickly. Another cause of puffing can be an exhaust leak but the engine will run on all 6 cylinders.

Stick shift gear box noises come in two places; the transmission and differential.

**TRANSMISSION:** The typical transmission noise is in the reduction gears and whether a 3 speed or 4 speed the noise is gone in high gear. The cause is the countergear roller bearings and subsequent wear to the countergear shaft. If noise is in all gears then the mainshaft bearings are usually worn. If the gears clash during a shift change, then either the clutch is not releasing properly OR the brass synchronizer rings are worn. Remember it is imperative to use GL-4 gear lube only in stick shift Corvairs. Also finding good synchro rings can be a search.

**DIFFERENTIAL:** If the noise is present during a 'coast' (meaning no throttle down) and becomes quiet during the opposite by being on the throttle, then the usual first place to think about is wear between the pinion gear and ring gear. The presence of 'power' pushes the pinion into the ring gear and much less noise is the result. This noise is usually caused by lack of gear

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lube in the differential causing wear on rear (against the engine) pinion bearing thus resulting in wear of the gears. If your car has a posi-traction (locker) differential carrier and there is noise as the car is turned usually tightly in corners/parking then the usual culprit is the clutches in the posi are making the noise. Sometimes the incorrect gear lube may be to blame and sometimes just wear of the clutch pack. Changing the gear lube and ensuring the gear lube has the correct additives for the posi unit are important and sometimes will quiet a noisy posi. Needless to say it is important to use the correct gear lube and check the level at least once a year. Check more often if there is gear lube leaking on your garage floor. Obviously as always fixing the leaks is the most important repair and cheaper than rebuilding either transmission or the differential.

I have saved the most common noise until last, a tapping/clicking/clacking coming from the engine, usually when started cold and having sat for a while without running. Even though the noise can be ominous it goes away either within a minute or two or in some cases after a few minutes of running/driving down the neighborhood street. The noise is a rocker arm that is loose because the lifter has bled down (oil drained from it) by sitting and the pre-load

adjustment is absent. If gentle driving a few minutes makes it quiet then it is a normal Corvair engine. If it refuses to go away then the engine should be checked for worn rocker arm/poor quality lock nut on a rocker arm stud or possibly a lifter that will just refuse to pump with oil. The noise can also be a warning that the oil is thin or dirty and time to be changed.

Needless to say there are other places and parts in our cars that can make noise. The bottom line to all of the above is paying attention to the noises your Corvair is making and almost always with a good maintenance schedule many can be found and adjusted/repaired without huge repair costs and down time.



## TRUNK OR TREAT

Submitted By  
Kathy Green

This seemed to be the year of “Trunk or Treat” events. In Castle Rock alone there were three such events in the span of 24 hours (2 of them were even in the same location with different sponsors!). John and I took both of our Corvairs over to the event sponsored by New Hope Presbyterian Church. There were 29 cars and around 55 children who enjoyed great decorations, indoor activities (though it was a beautiful day), a bouncy house, and costumes and candy galore.

As ours were the only classic cars at the event, we garnered a lot of attention. We heard comments such as “We didn’t know we were also getting a car show”, and “I didn’t want to drive all the way from Colorado Springs just to do this for my granddaughter, but seeing your cars made it all worthwhile!”. We’ll definitely put this on our calendar again next year. If you participated in any such activities, or will be involved in any Christmas parades or shows, don’t forget to send a brief description and a couple of pictures in to be included in The Drip Line!



The wagon was the only car decorated on both ends, with balloons down the sides pointing to the “Trunk” and the “Treat”. We thought we should get “extra credit” for that ☺



The Coupe had a spooky purple cat and witch theme. We found small containers of play doh to hand out as treats—those were a HUGE hit!

Some of the other themes included from left, Under the Sea, Encanto, and Arabian Nights.



## THE NEW CORVAIR

Article available at <https://www.motorbiscuit.com/french-company-resurrected-chevy-corvair-you-can-buy/>

### A French Company Resurrected the Chevy Corvair That You Can Buy

by [Thom Taylor](#)

The Chevrolet Corvair, produced from 1960 to 1969, has always been one of GM's most controversial cars. It was also one of its most ambitious, with its air-cooled six-cylinder engine in the rear. Corvairs have mostly evaporated from the auto scene as classics, muscle cars, and sports cars take the forefront in collectors' eyes. But, incredibly, a company in France has completed a contemporary version of the 1965 to 1969 Corvair and has plans to start making them in Orange County, California.

#### Who makes the Corvair and is it a real Corvair?



The company is called NewRide, owned by Romain Roulleou, in Burgundy Dijon. It has been long in the works and was scheduled to debut at the 2020 SEMA Show, which was canceled over COVID restrictions. Other delays and projects pushed it off until this year when it made its debut this week at SEMA in Las Vegas.

The Corvair 2020 is a contemporary, reimagined Corvair, from the original design by Ron Hill. Its crisp, clean design and signature airy top resulted in one of GM's best designs of the mid-1960s. But by the time it debuted in 1965, the Corvair was in the crosshairs of consumer advocates like Ralph Nader for the first version's sometimes scary handling.

#### What is the Corvair's body made of?

Though the Corvair's body is made completely out of carbon fiber, it is placed over a sixth-gen Camaro. In this case, it is a 2018 Camaro SS. That means, unfortunately, the engine is not in the rear as in the original. But with the weight bias to the rear of original cars, this might be a good thing.

While the windshield is stock Camaro, the rest of the glass is custom-made. The only OEM pieces are the VW Polo mirrors, Dodge Demon headlights, and Ferrari 812 Superfast taillights. Alcantara and custom carbon fiber bits upgrade the basically stock 2018 Camaro interior. NewRide has also chosen to use carbon fiber for the headlight surrounds, and bumpers, as opposed to chrome as with the original Corvair.

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### What engine does it run?

The engine is the factory 6.2-liter LT1 V8, with custom stainless steel exhaust added. EBC brake rotors replace the stock versions, and the suspension is upgraded with Air-Lift Performance components. Vossen EVO wheels run 19-inch fronts and 20-inch rears. Michelin Sport Cup 2 tires hit the pavement.



NewRide carbon fiber Corvair | NR



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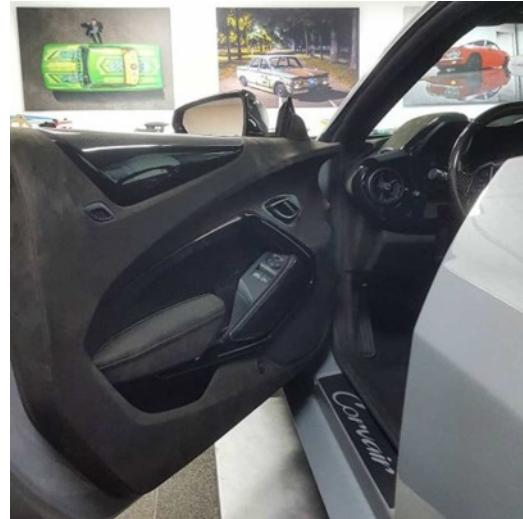
In all, the project took 5,600 hours to complete, which is an astronomical amount of time. But with molds, five-axis milling of components and panels, and flaying, then reskinning the Camaro, it is a time-consuming process. For series production, we expect that number to fall sharply.

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### When and where will it be made?

NewRide has already set up plans for production in Orange County and has other body styles to prototype. They include a convertible, and a sport wagon version. The convertible should be an easy variant. But the wagon will require still more custom glass and a reworked back half.

No prices or availability have been announced. In any case, once the operation is up and running we'll take a peek as they're in our back-yard.



NewRide carbon fiber Corvair | NR

## DRIP QUIPS

*However you get there—Merry Christmas!!*



*Images sources available by clicking on each picture.*

If you have a fun, amusing, touching or interesting story or picture you think can bring a smile, an 'aaaaah' or an 'eeek', please send your submission to [karmknecht@msn.com](mailto:karmknecht@msn.com), attention: Drip Quips.

## PPCC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

All club events will be noted on the Club's interactive calendar, located on our website, <https://pikespeakcorvairclub.wixsite.com/ppcc/calendar>

- M **Sunday, December 11, PPCC Club Meeting and Annual Christmas Party:** 1:00 p.m. Edelweiss German Restaurant in Colorado Springs. PPCC will pay for appetizers and non-alcoholic beverages. Each person to pay for their own dinner. We will be collecting Toy's for Tots again this year. ***Please RSVP with Chris Kimberly no later than December 1.***
- M **Sunday, January 15, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, February 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, March 19, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, April 16, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
-  **Friday-Saturday, May 19-21, 38th Annual Tri-State Meet:** The 38th event will be held in Salida, Colorado on May 19-21, 2023. Mark your calendars and think about where you fit into this exciting event. Make your hotel reservations now at <https://group.hamptoninn.com/vt61cw>
-  **Sunday, June 4, The 40th Annual Colorado Concours d'Elegance:** Watch for information [here](#).
-  **Saturday, June 17, Classic Rock Cruise in Car Show:** Castle Rock, CO Registration opens April 15, 2023. Information available [here](#).
- M **Sunday, June 18, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, July 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, August 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, September 17, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- A **Last week of September or first week of October:** Fall Drive. Date, and location TBA.
- M **Sunday, October 22, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M **Sunday, November 20, PPCC Club Meeting:** 9:30 a.m., location TBA.
- M/A **December, PPCC Club Meeting and Christmas Party:** Date, time and location TBA.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Key:** M—Meeting;  —Car Show; A—Activity

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Here are just a few of the companies our members have had good luck with in the past.

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**PPCC  
Admin**

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