



ACORNEWS

ACORNS - Association of CORvair NutS
Rochester, NY - Corsa Chapter 148
May 2024 Newsletter

Pres Says by Brandon Carmo

Hello ACORNS,

Spring has sprung and it feels busy as ever! I've had a crazy schedule, with trainings, overtime, and a semi-surprise trip to Massachusetts. A lot of my free time has been spent trying to keep up with the rapidly growing grass, but I did have some time to finally take the Lakewood out for its maiden drive of the season! It was just a trip to the gas station, but it felt good. Brakes were working well and it started pretty easily! However, I later found that there was a significant leak coming from the sending unit. I'm not looking forward to draining this tank again... ugh. On the way to the south coast of Massachusetts, I placed a phone order to Clarks and took a little detour through northwestern Mass and picked up a new sending unit o-ring and some oil filters. It was a fast and easy transaction. I wish there had been some sort of waiting room or display of parts or cars in Clarks, but I was just met at the door by a friendly employee and was on my way. Route 2 was a great driving road. I really enjoyed all the twistiness along Manning Brook and the Deerfield River. It also would have been nice to see the Hoosic Tunnel, which I didn't realize I was as close to as I was.

Dave Pulhamus, Dick Gilbert, Jim Bartasevich and I made a journey out to Tom Martin's place. It was impressive to see the set up and collection of parts and tools that Tom has. His Corvairs are nice drivers! The all seemed to run well. The red '64 will need a new fan or bearing, but it sounded nice. The 65 was very nice and also very smooth. All three were powerglide cars. Whoever buys these seems like they should be able to do some enjoyable motoring! Tom's collection of newsletters, manuals, and commemorative items was also impressive. Hopefully this will help fill in any gaps in our newsletter archive.

Some details have been firmed up for our ACORNS end of the season feast at Bella Pasta! **Mark your calendar for 11/9/24!**

There will be an impromptu breakfast on **Saturday, 5/11/24 at Peppermint's**, 4870 W. Henrietta Rd. at 9 AM. RSVP to Jim Bartasevich.

Also, don't forget Mark's gathering at his workshop on **5/18/24**. RSVP will be forthcoming.

MG Car Club show information is later in this issue, as well as some other area car shows! Get those cars ready and let's see some Corvairs cruising around!

Be well and happy spring!
-Brandon

From the VP's desk:

Hi All,

I hope everyone is enjoying the warmer weather! I am making strides to get things ready for the 18th out at my shop. This may end up being more of a consulting session, but who knows, we may get something done as well. If nothing else, we can have some coffee and refreshments, and you can see my jalopies. Please let me know if you intend on coming out. The Miata is out of the shop and home, and the '88 Mustang GT should be on the road by then, so I will then maneuver the vans so that we can assess Scooby and go from there. In other club news, some of the guys were able to go see Tom Martin's cars and tools last weekend, and I think it was a success. Be well!

Mark

Treasurer's report:

We had two more club members pay dues in April, so we are making headway. I have a feeling those on the roster who have not paid yet may no longer want to be involved with the club. That said, if you have not paid, and still want to be associated with the club, please send me your dues asap. I will also be sending a check to the MG car club for our sponsorship of the Corvair class at their show. That will be \$50.00. Let's make a concerted effort to have a good showing this year!

Existing members will pay the full \$12 for the year. You can write me a check, made out to me, Mark Webster, and I will cash it and deposit the funds into the club fund on your behalf, or you can Venmo me the dues and I will do the same. My address is

Mark Webster
607 Winona Blvd
Rochester, NY 14617

Venmo me at:
@mwebby-1964

- **January through December: \$12**
- **April through December: \$9**
- **July through December: \$6**
- **October through December: \$3**

Club funds as of 02/07/2024:

Club funds entering April	
Club funds entering April (including 3 members dues, and 1 for 2025):	\$1750.13
Two members dues paid :	+ \$24.00
MG car show sponsorship:	- \$50.00
New club total:	\$ 1724.13

That's it!

Best regards,
Mark

ACORN April Activity Report

Trip to Tom Martin's - April 27, 2024

ACORNers attending:

- Brandon Carmo - President & ACORNews Editor
- Dick Gilbert
- Dave Pulhamus
- Jim Bartasevich - Secretary & Membership

Four ACORNS got cozy in a Mazda 3 and went to Newark to check out Tom Martin's stash, then we went to Tom Wahls. I think a good time was had by all! No meeting, but enjoy some pictures!

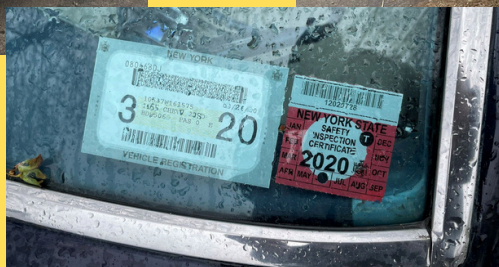
Meeting Minutes

Old Business

- No business discussed

New Business

- No business discussed



ACORN March Activity Report (cont.)



Blurb by Brandon C, Photos by Jim B 4-27-24

ACORN 2024 Event Calendar [Subject to change]

May 18: Disassemble a Greenbrier at Mark Webster's 9 AM

June 22: Motor trip and meal: TBA

July 21: MGCC car show, Museum of Transportation, 6393 E River Rd, West Henrietta, NY 14586

August ??: Joint event with Finger Lakes Region VW Club

September 15 [Sunday]: Corvairs on the Hills, Fred Marsh

October 19: Fall color tour and meal; TBA

November 9 [2nd Saturday]: Year-end dinner, Bella Pasta; Dave & Edie Ellis

ACORNS 50TH Anniversary

The Leadership Team has concurred that we will be celebrating our 50 Th Anniversary in 2025. That means we will have to be making some decisions and implementing some plans in 2024 to assure we can make sure our 50 th Anniversary events can be effectively implemented and enjoyed by all...

One topic to be discussed is what memorabilia are we going to create?... Three suggestions are currently under consideration,,,T-Shirts, Dash Plaques, and Patches.....only one item is going to be produced,,,so a decision needs to be made by mid year '24 so that the process of implemention can occur in a timely fashion...The Club would fund about ½ of the cost and the members whom would like to procure whatever the memorabilia item might be would have to place their orders upfront, and cover their portion of cost upfront to assure we have sufficient resources in place to make it happen....

This communication is being created to request your personal input on which of the 3 options presented above would you prefer...or if you have a suggestion for an additional candidate,,,please make it....Feed back should be made directly the Dave Ellis,,,at his cell phone number 585-503-9445...or to his email address dellis1@rochester.rr.com... Please make your inputs by the end of February... Results will be presented at the March Meeting....hopefully the decision will be made and presented in the April issue of the ACORNEWS...

Having an Anniversary Picnic during the Summer or 2025 would be a highlight of the year....Where to hold such an event was discussed at the January planning meeting.....The cost to reserve a shelter at which to hold the event was discussed...and it was decided that the cost to reserve the location could be better spent toward the food and fluids to be provided at such an event...Our treasury should have sufficient funds to cover the majority of the cost for food and fluids...At worst we might need a few bucks per person....Brandon Carmo has generously offered his home as a potential location...lots of room and we have held successful ACORN events there in previous years...August seems to be a reasonable month to schedule such an event....If you have any reason to suggest an alternative month...again,,,provide your input directly to Dave Ellis..

Looking forward to successful 2024 planning for a very enjoyable 50th Anniversary Year in 2025...

DME out...

MG Car Club Car Show

The MG Car Club Car Show will be July 21st at the New York Museum of Transportation. The ACORNS will be sponsoring a Corvair class there this year.

We did this last year, but no one made it, which is a shame. Let's not do this twice.

go to mgcarclub.com to register!

Only one trophy will be given for the class like they did last year and owners of either Alfa or Corvair will have the \$10 early registration cost extended to Day of Show registration.

If you have any questions, the new show chair is

Leon Zak: leon@zaks.com

Please contact him if you have any questions.

The museum is located at
6393 E River Rd,
West Henrietta, NY 14586

51st MGCC CAR SHOW JULY 21st, 2024

New Location:

NY Museum of Transportation
East River Rd, Rush NY

Trolley Rides, Indoor & Outdoor Exhibits
Boy Scout breakfast & chicken BBQ
Lions Club hots, burgers, sausage
(*& hopefully Ice Cream!*)

\$3 Parking fee, lots of space

Flyers & Show Car Registration soon

2024 CRUIZE'N TIME CAR SHOW SCHEDULE



5/27 Memorial Day Car Show at The Windmill Penn Yan NY	8/1 Next Level Open House AND Car Show Dansville NY
6/1 Dairy Festival Car Show Steuben County Fairgrounds, Bath NY	8/11 Springwater Gala Car Show Springwater NY
6/8 Crazee Daze Car Show Canisteo NY	8/17 Wallace Fun Fest Car Show Wallace NY
6/15 Minnehans Spring Car Show Lakeville NY	8/31 Prattsburgh Old Home Days Car Show Prattsburgh NY
7/6 Hammondsport Fireman's Carnival Show Hammondsport NY	9/14 Howard Old Home Days Car Show Howard NY
7/22 Steuben Center FREE CRUISE IN Bath NY	9/28 Fall Windmill Car Show Penn Yan NY
	10/6 Cohocton Fall Festival Car Show Cohocton NY



Thursday, June 13, 10:00 at
The Bay Front Restaurant
1075 Empire Boulevard, Rochester
(585) 482-2247

We'd love you to join us if you have the time, want a good, no-frills breakfast and enjoy plenty of car talk. No RSVP needed, just show up, the Bay Front has room for us all to sit together....and LOTS of parking!! hope to see you soon!...Annabelle

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From the editor...

I'm excited to have the opportunity to work on the ACORNNews! I am looking for tech article suggestions, as well as listings for parts or cars for sale. I am also interested in photos of member cars, ACORN outings, or photos and descriptions of any project car updates or new acquisitions you may want to share.

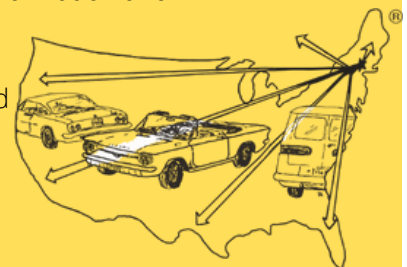
Submissions can be sent to bwcarmo@gmail.com

Thanks, Brandon Carmo

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PARTS SALES POLICY

We all know that there are Corvairs "out there" that are owned by people who do not belong to CORSA or ACORN. It was agreed and voted on to make our parts supply available only to our members.

Here are the specifics:

If a non-member contacts us for parts, we'll politely explain our policy and ask if he or she would like to become a member.

NOS parts will be sold at a 50% discount from Clark's prices.

Used parts will be sold cheaply!

FOR SALE

140hp Series II Convertible Corvair for sale, needs starter

Contact Will Seymour for details/pricing: 585-281-1706,

wseymour@rochester.rr.com



For sale: 1964 Corvair Spyder coupe. Black with white Clark's interior. Engine, trans. and diff. were gone through in early 2000's. Rear suspension bushings replaced. Runs well. Extra parts included. Car located in Oswego, NY. **Asking \$8,000.**

Dave Baker

Home: 315-342-5495

dbvair@yahoo.com

180 Turbo Engine for sale

call Jim Mruk 585-889-4587 for details

Parts include:

- Block I0420RL complete w/crank & cam
- Turbo housing complete 3856709
- 180 Distributor 1110329
- Intake crossover
- Set of 110 heads 3878566
- Turbo head 3856762
- Carter YH carb
- Air cleaner housing
- Misc. brackets & Tubing
- Series 2 Engine sheet metal parts

From the desk of Dave Pulhamus

The Ellis 64 Monza Convertible is going on the block. Great car! Only issue is with the paint wanting its freedom from the primer. Also needs encouragement to start if left sitting for a time. \$5000 for Club members and you get some spares! Dave Pulhamus 352-0149 or dmpul80@gmail.com

From the desk of Sam and Marissa Andolino

email mandolin@rochester.rr.com for further

- Early model (1960 – 1964) Corvair Monza windshield

- ORIGINAL PF4 Oil Filters

The following car is for sale by Fred Marsh [607-937-5223]:

'60 Monza - Restored, like new. Asking
\$9000



AVAILABLE PARTS FROM THE BARTASEVITCH PARTS STASH

- ❖ 1 - FC 4 speed inst. cluster [it has the shift points on the speedo]
- ❖ 2 - FC glove box doors
- ❖ 1 - Early car glove box door [don't know the year]
- ❖ 1 - Late Delco AM push button radio
- ❖ 1 - Early [I think] Motorola AM push button radio [a button is broken]
- ❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster & glove box door [dusty]
- ❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster used as a parts donor
- ❖ 1 - Corsa air cleaner with carb cross-over
- ❖ 2 - Starters
- ❖ 1 - Alternator
- ❖ 2 - '65-'66 "A" pillar interior trim
- ❖ 1 - NAPA Belden plug wire set [NOS?] but in the box for a while
- ❖ 1 - Late power convertible top switch & bracket
- ❖ 4 - Wiper/washer units
- ❖ 1 - Washer jug and bracket [rust on bracket]
- ❖ 1 - Washer bottle bracket [some rust]
- ❖ 6 - wiper arms
- ❖ 1 - NOS '65-'69 clutch rod
- ❖ 3 - Clark's C2754 rear wheel cyl. rebuilding kits
- ❖ 3 - Clark's C2745 front wheel cyl. rebuilding kits
- ❖ Multiple stainless steel headlight rings [they hold the headlight to the light unit]
- ❖ 1 - late headlight unit
- ❖ 1 - FC headlight unit
- ❖ 2 - magnesium cooling fans; 1 for a '64, 1 for '65-'69 [both have surface corrosion]
- ❖ 5 - Various oil coolers; low to high HP
- ❖ 2 - Front hubs [I think for an FC]
- ❖ 2 - Early rear car shocks, used but work okay
- ❖ 5 - Early & late gen. & alt./oil fill/oil filter castings
- ❖ Multiple fan idler pulleys
- ❖ 1 - '62 80 HP PG distributor
- ❖ 2 - '63 102 HP distributors
- ❖ 2 - '64-'68 110 HP distributors
- ❖ 1 - '69 95 PG distributor
- ❖ Multiple clamps for ignition coils
- ❖ Multiple '62 stop light lenses
- ❖ Multiple '65 stop light lenses
- ❖ Multiple '66-'69 stop light lenses

FOR SALE

ACORN PARTS SUPPLY

CONTACT: DAVE ELLIS: 585-503-9445, dellis1@rochester.rr.com

Fastener boxes now located at Mark Webster's shop containing items such as 1/4-20 bolts, top shroud bolts, distributor hold down brackets, u-joint keepers, and other specialty items

ACORN Parts Supply

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HORNS
HORN BUTTONS, STR COLMN
INSTR/DASH CLUSTERS,S1&2
INTAKE TUBES
INTERIOR TRIM PARTS
"JUGS" S1&S2 ???
LIFTERS, HYDR.

MOTOR MOUNTS, S1&S2
MOTOR MNT TO ENG BRKTS
OIL CLRS, SEVERAL TYPES
OIL FLTR/ALT MOUNT HSNGS
PISTONS W/CON RODS, SI&2-??
POWERGLIDE TRANS
RADIOS
STARTERS
TAILLIGHT/REAR -PARTS-S1&S2
THROTTLE LINKAGES 2 CARBI
TURBO EMBLEMS
VALVE CVR H.D. BRACKETS
VISORS,,,S1/2???
WHEEL COVERS- SERIES 1
WHEEL COVERS - SERIE 2
W.S. WSHR PARTS
WINDOW HNDLS, INTERIOR
WIPER ARMS, S1&2??

ACORN CLUB TOOL CRIB

All tools are currently available at Mark Webster's Shop, Contact Dave Ellis to coordinate.

Tools are signed out when the leave, and are signed back in when they are returned. "If you break it, you replace it"
Below are the tools available in the CRIB, as of 11/1/2018

-(3 Available)- Hot "Valve Lash Adjustment Valve Covers", have 6 holes in the appropriate places for socket access

-Coil Spring Compressors (pair)

-UNISYNC- Carb Balancing Tool

-(3 Available)- Series 1, AXLE York Removal Tools, you will need a MAPP gas torch,,,and a big hammer too,....

-Oil Pressure Tester, Oil Filter Bolt fitted with flexible tubing to an Oil Pressure Gage...great to check/assure oil pressure when first firing up a brand newly rebuilt motor.....

-Grease Gun Adapter- for greasing HD Universal Joints that have grease fittings in place...

-(2 Available)- Steering Wheel Pullers

-Harmonic Balancer Pulley Removal Tool...works with the engine in normal position,,,just remove the Oil Filter...

-Valve Guide Removal Punch

-Wire Brush Reamer - to clean out cross-drilled holes in Crankshaft during a rebuild -Differential Side Gear Adjuster tool

-Piston Ring(s) Compressor, used when installing a Piston/Con Rod Assy into Jug, then attaching con rod to crankshaft

-Fan Bearing Greasing Tool

-(2 Sets Avail.)-12 tubes-(Enough for one side of the Motor)- to hold JUGS in place whilst installing Piston/Com Rod Assys into the jugs, and bolting up the connecting rod cap around the appropriate Crankshaft Journal...VERY helpful!!!



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First Name _____ Last Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State/Prov. _____ Zip Code _____ Country _____

Telephone (____) _____ E-mail _____

- 12 month US Full Membership \$45
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- 12 month Canadian Full Membership \$49
- 26 month Canadian Full Membership \$98
- 12 month overseas Full Membership \$59
- 26 month overseas Full Membership \$118
- 12 month Virtual Membership \$37
- 26 month Virtual Membership \$74
- _____ CORSA donation min. \$1
- _____ Corvaair Preservation Foundation donation . min. \$1
- _____ Racing Fund donation min. \$1

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Association of Corvair Nuts
 APPLICATION for MEMBERSHIP to JOIN ACORN
 "A C O R N" is CHAPTER #148 of the
 CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA" (CORSA)



DATE: _____

NAME: _____ (MEMBER)

NAME: _____ (SPOUSE/SIGNIFICANT OTHER, CHILDREN, etc.)

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS(ES): _____

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 HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF CORSA, PLEASE CHECK HERE: _____ IF NOT, WE CAN
 PROVIDE AN APPLICATION FOR CORSA.

PLEASE, TELL US ABOUT YOUR CORVAIR(S)

YEAR HP	MODEL TRANSMISSION	BODY STYLE	ENGINE
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

ANY OTHER HOBBIES OR INTERESTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

