



# ACORN NEWS

ACORNS - Association of CORvair NutS  
Rochester, NY - Corsa Chapter 148  
December 2023/January 2024 Newsletter

## Pres Says by Brandon Carmo

Hello ACORNS,

I hope everyone has been having a nice December and enjoying the holiday season!

This is just a quick newsletter to update on a couple of matters and to say Hello to Tom Martin!

1. No members of the leadership received any volunteers for taking over the leadership of the club, which means that the leadership will be as follows for 2024.
  - a. **Brandon Carmo: President/Newsletter**
  - b. **Mark Webster: Vice President/Treasurer**
  - c. **Jim Bartasevich: Secretary**
  - d. **Dave Ellis: Historian**
2. The dues structure for the club will be making one final adjustment. After looking at the dues structure that the VW club uses, they seemed to use a format that would be more manageable for their treasurer, so it was decided to follow their lead. Total price will still be \$12 a year. Dues are due in January and adjusted down quarterly. The structure will be as follows:
  - a. **January through December: \$12**
  - b. **April through December: \$9**
  - c. **July through December: \$6**
  - d. **October through December: \$3**
3. Dues payments can additionally be paid through Venmo to Mark Webster at :  
**@mwebby-1964**
4. The **ACORN planning meeting** will be **Saturday, January 20th at 1pm** at the **Locust Club, 1425 Lexington Avenue, Rochester, NY.**

I'm happy to serve as president for another year. I hope I can help the club have some fun and enjoy their cars this year! If anyone has any questions/suggestions/things to add to the newsletter, please let me know!

Pres Carmo

## Treasurer's report:

Here, too, is a reminder that we will be collecting dues again, and in 2024 the new amount is \$12/yr. This amount will cover other family members as well. You can make the check out to me and I will cash it and add to our club bank. You can mail the check to me at:

Mark Webster  
607 Winona Blvd  
Rochester NY 1461

Venmo payment is also available if you're interested: **@mwebby-1964**

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## ACORN November Activity Report

No Activities in November

### Meeting Minutes

### Old Business

No old business in November

### New Business

No new Business in November



Hello Car Nuts,  
C'mon out for breakfast.

Thursday, January 11, 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, separate checks and LOTS of safe  
parking.

hope to see you soon!...Annabelle

## **A THANK YOU to Tom and Pat Martin for their decades of support of the ACORNS...**

With the 50th Anniversary of the ACORNS fast approaching, it seems appropriate to say thank you to the folks who got us started, and were an important part of our ongoing history...

Tom and Pat Martin, since before 1974, they resided at 88 North Main Street, Newark, New York...

They were one of the original founding couples of our group. For many years, they hosted our November Dinner meeting in the service bays of Tom's automotive repair shop; which was attached to their home. Our members always kept their eyes open all year long for Black Scotty knickknacks and brought them to the November meeting where the Annual White Elephant auction was held as a fundraiser for the club. Pat bought every single one....even if she already had one like it already in her collection.

They had consistent companions in their always black, Scotty dogs....those mutts attended a whole bunch of Club Meetings over the years.....even the DETROIT CORSA NATIONAL Convention in 1979!!! The Lord took Pat home, somewhat unexpectedly; a few years ago....and Tom's health has been letting him down of late....A couple months ago he needed to relocate to a skilled care nursing facility located right up the road from the N. Main Street home, which is still looking like the last time we had a Dinner Meeting there....

Dave Ellis and Dick Gilbert stopped by to see Tom the second week of November and he immediately recognized us and was very pleased to see us...

listed below is the contact information for Tom. He would enjoy hearing from some of the folks that he has not been able to contact for a while...

Street address for the facility is as follows...

Tom Martin, c/o Demay Living Center, Room #233, 100 Sunset Drive, Newark, NY, 14513

Current cell phone number for Tom is as follows...1-315-521-8797

-submitted by Dave Ellis

Tom, his pipe & a Scotty!



88 N. MAIN, NEWARK, NY ~1975



Tom/PAT & Scotties  
FINGER LAKES VIEW



NOV DINER INSIDE SERVICE BAYS

TOM MARTIN ~1976



PAT MARTIN



ANOTHER  
'SCOTTY'  
for Pat!!



MATCHED  
PAIR

@ Dick GILBERTS



Tom & PAT & Scotties

## **ACORN 2024 Event Calendar [Subject to change]**

**1/20/24, Saturday 1PM:** Yearly planning meeting: Locust Club,  
1425 Lexington Avenue, Rochester, NY, food/drink will be provided  
**Bring your ideas to make a fun year!**

Winnowing the ACORN parts supply [see above]. To be determined by  
Dave P. who will let us know the dates he has available.

### **ACORN OFFICERS**

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Webmaster: Marissa Andolino \_\_\_ mandolin@rochester.rr.com

### **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.

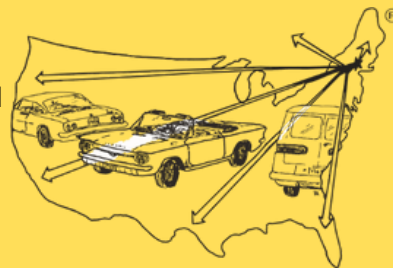
Submissions can be sent to bwcarmo@gmail.com

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

**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](mailto:dbvair@yahoo.com)**

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#### 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 Sam and Marissa Andolino**, email [mandolin@rochester.rr.com](mailto: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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ 1 - FC 4 speed inst. cluster [it has the shift points on the speedo]</li><li>❖ 2 - FC glove box doors</li><li>❖ 1 - Early car glove box door [don't know the year]</li><li>❖ 1 - Late Delco AM push button radio</li><li>❖ 1 - Early [I think] Motorola AM push button radio [a button is broken]</li><li>❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster &amp; glove box door [dusty]</li><li>❖ 1 - Corsa inst. cluster used as a parts donor</li><li>❖ 1 - Corsa air cleaner with carb cross-over</li><li>❖ 2 - Starters</li><li>❖ 1 - Alternator</li><li>❖ 2 - '65-'66 "A" pillar interior trim</li><li>❖ 1 - NAPA Belden plug wire set [NOS?] but in the box for a while</li><li>❖ 1 - Late power convertible top switch &amp; bracket</li><li>❖ 4 - Wiper/washer units</li><li>❖ 1 - Washer jug and bracket [rust on bracket]</li><li>❖ 1 - Washer bottle bracket [some rust]</li><li>❖ 6 - wiper arms</li><li>❖ 1 - NOS '65-'69 clutch rod</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ 3 - Clark's C2754 rear wheel cyl. rebuilding kits</li><li>❖ 3 - Clark's C2745 front wheel cyl. rebuilding kits</li><li>❖ Multiple stainless steel headlight rings [they hold the headlight to the light unit]</li><li>❖ 1 - late headlight unit</li><li>❖ 1 - FC headlight unit</li><li>❖ 2 - magnesium cooling fans; 1 for a '64, 1 for '65-'69 [both have surface corrosion]</li><li>❖ 5 - Various oil coolers; low to high HP</li><li>❖ 2 - Front hubs [I think for an FC]</li><li>❖ 2 - Early rear car shocks, used but work okay</li><li>❖ 5 - Early &amp; late gen. &amp; alt./oil fill/oil filter castings</li><li>❖ Multiple fan idler pulleys</li><li>❖ 1 - '62 80 HP PG distributor</li><li>❖ 2 - '63 102 HP distributors</li><li>❖ 2 - '64-'68 110 HP distributors</li><li>❖ 1 - '69 95 PG distributor</li><li>❖ Multiple clamps for ignition coils</li><li>❖ Multiple '62 stop light lenses</li><li>❖ Multiple '65 stop light lenses</li><li>❖ Multiple '66-'69 stop light lenses</li></ul> |
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# 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

AIR CLEANERS  
ALTERNATORS  
ARMRESTS  
ASHTRAYS  
AXLESHAFTS, SII  
AXLE,RR,S1,BEARINGS,NOS  
BALANCE TUBES  
BUCKET SEATS  
BUCK.SEAT-CHRM SIDE TRIM  
COIL SPRINGS  
CONV. TOP LATCHES  
CYLINDER HEADS  
DIFFERENTIALS  
DISTRIBUTORS  
DOOR HANDLS-EXTERIOR  
ENGINE BLOCKS  
ENG. LID SUPP.BRKT ASSY  
ENG. SHEET METAL PCS  
ENG. TOP COVERS, S.M.

Contact: Dave Ellis; 585-227-2439; dellis1@rochester.rr.com

EXH.C/O PIPE,84/95/110 NEW  
EXH SYSTM,COMPL,USED,84-110  
FASTENERS, ALL TYPES  
FLYWHEEL RETAIN, RINGS, MAN.  
FRT PNL EMBLM-1960 MODEL  
FUEL PUMP RODS  
FUEL PUMP RETAIN. BOLT ASY.  
GLASS,ALL  
GLOVE BOX DOORS  
HEADLAMP BEZELS, S1&2  
HEADLAMP/TURN SIGNAL, FRT  
HEATER COMPONENTS  
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!!!





# Corvair Society of America

Founded in 1969 by and for those who still appreciate the Corvair Automobile  
P.O. Box 68 • Maple Plain MN 55359 • 630/403-5010  
Web site: [www.corvair.org](http://www.corvair.org) • E-mail: [corsa@corvair.org](mailto:corsa@corvair.org)

## Membership Application

New Member    Renewal

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

- 12 month US Full Membership ..... \$45
- 26 month US Full Membership ..... \$90
- 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
- \_\_\_\_\_ Corvair Preservation Foundation donation . min. \$1
- \_\_\_\_\_ Racing Fund donation ..... min. \$1

**Corvair Preservation Foundation**  
Established to protect and preserve historic Corvairs and memorabilia

**Racing Fund**  
Provides cash incentives to winning Corvairs entered in national racing

Please make checks or money orders payable to CORSA.

Must be paid in U.S. funds drawn on U.S. or Canadian banks.

Full Membership benefits include access to the members-only area of our website, online and mailed versions of our magazine, the CORSA Communique, and the right to attend our International Convention. There may be a four to six week delay before you receive your first magazine by mail.

Virtual Membership includes all the benefits of Full Membership, except the CORSA Communique is available online only.

CORSA currently has over 120 chapters throughout the world. We encourage membership in our local chapters.

Please do not contact a CORSA chapter on my behalf. I belong to CORSA chapter # \_\_\_\_\_.

We respect your privacy. CORSA publishes a member roster as a benefit of membership.

**I do NOT want the following published in the roster:**  Telephone number  E-mail address  Any personal information

Visa    Mastercard    Discover    AmEx (fill-in account # below)

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OFFICE USE ONLY





**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): \_\_\_\_\_

(ACORN News, the club's monthly newsletter will be sent via email unless requested otherwise.)

PHONE #s: HOME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK \_\_\_\_\_  
 [optional] \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_

ANNUAL DUES FOR ACORN MEMBERSHIP IS \$12, DUE IN JANUARY.  
 AFTER JANUARY, DUES ARE REDUCED BY \$1 A MONTH  
 FIRST TIME MEMBERS/FAMILIES ARE FREE FOR THE FIRST YEAR!  
**Please make checks or money orders payable to:**  
**Mark Webster**  
**607 Winona Blvd**  
**Rochester, NY 14617**

IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO BE A MEMBER OF CORSA TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ACORNS.  
 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
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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ANY OTHER HOBBIES OR INTERESTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

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