



ACORNEWS

ACORNS - Association of CORvair NutS
Rochester, NY - Corsa Chapter 148
February 2025 Newsletter

Pres Says by Brandon Carmo

Hello ACORNS!

We held our planning meeting in the middle of January, and it was a productive session. We had a good turn out, which included member Ed McLean, who I met for the first time. It was a pleasure to meet him. Secretary Jim Bartasevich kept notes on the session and the details are laid out in the activity report.

Some issues tackled were dues, how long individuals will stay on the membership roster, plans for the parts stash, and laying out the calendar for the year.

We will continue trying to have our events on a 3rd weekend of the month schedule, unless there is a holiday or other event conflict.

Our next event will be a breakfast at Peppermint's on 2/8/25 at 9am.

Sorry for the short notice.

Please RSVP to me via email or phone by 2/7/25 so we can set the table appropriately.

George Conboy is holding his winter warm up on 2/15 from 10am to 1pm. Stop by to see hear about the new construction and also help make our first plan for handling the parts stash we have there.

Hope you're all doing well! Stay warm!

-Brandon

From the VP's Desk:

Written by the Pres after speaking to the VP:

Mark sends his best to the club and wishes for everyone to have a good year!

Dues are due, so be sure to start getting those payments in. See below for the address to send your check, or you can always use Venmo.

Treasurer's Report

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

Club funds as of 1/1/2025:

Club funds entering : \$1510.67

Best regards,
Mark

**** Note from Brandon: Mark is currently handling affairs with his family and will update the treasury amounts as soon as things settle down. He is still able to receive dues payments, so feel free to send those along to him.**

ACORN January Activity Report

We had a good turn-out for the meeting. Thanks go to Brandon for arranging for us to use the Rochester Police Locust Club meeting room. The club provided pizza and soft drinks for lunch. We had some good laughs too! It was great seeing everyone!

ACORNS attending:

- Brandon Carmo - President & ACORNews Editor
- Allan Lessing
- Paul Rader
- Jim Cleveland
- Ed McLean [Wow! Long time, no see, Ed!]
- Dave Ellis
- Marissa & Sam Andolino via Zoom
- Dave Pulhamus
- Jim Bartasevich - Secretary & Membership

** V. P. & Treasurer Mark Webster was unable to attend.

Meeting Minutes

Old Business

- **Officers**

The officers remain the same [Disappointed? The next time, YOU can be an officer!]:

- Brandon Carmo - President & ACORNews Editor
- Mark Webster - Vice-President & Treasurer
- Dave Ellis - Historian
- Sam & Marissa Andolino - Webmaster
- Jim Bartasevich - Secretary & Membership

- **Treasurer's Report**

Because Mark was unable to attend, we did not have a report. However, the treasury probably has about \$1600 in it since we haven't had any significant expenses from last year. And, no; we're not going to buy lottery tickets with it. An official amount will be forthcoming.

- **Membership Dues**

The dues will be the same as 2024:\$12/year. However, it was decided that the staggered dues structure will be dropped because new members get their first year free. Then their renewal will come up on the date when they joined. If dues are not paid on time according to our by-laws, membership will be changed from active to inactive, so pay up when you get a friendly reminder from Mark! You don't want to be listed on the roster as inactive, do you? [How embarrassing!]

New Business

- Calendar of Events **An RSVP for each event is required unless otherwise noted.**

February 8: Breakfast Meeting at Peppermint's 9AM, 4870 W Henrietta Rd, Henrietta, NY RSVP to Brandon

February 15: George Conboy. Winter Warm-up at the Rush Rod & Piston Club [RR & PC] 10 AM to 1 PM [No need to RSVP for this activity]: Rush Rod & Piston Club, 540 Woodruff Rd., Rush.

Winter is cold, boring, and car-deprived, so we're having a Winter Warm-Up on Saturday, Feb 15 from 10 am – 1 pm. Feel free to drop in! We'll have hot chocolate and mulled cider (rumors of brandy are not misplaced). Maybe there will be snacks (anything is possible). It will be a chance to start your car, let it warm up and circulate the fluids, and trade tips & stories with your fellow car enthusiasts. Come see what crazy vehicles have found their way to the RR & PC this winter! Our Winter Warm-Up is a great cold-weather get-together for motor heads to gather and celebrate the midway point of the off season. Hope you can join us – and dress warmly!

March 15: Breakfast Meeting at Peppermint's 9AM, 4870 W. Henrietta Rd, Henrietta, NY RSVP to Brandon

April 26: ACORN Parts Reduction at Dave Pulhamus' after breakfast at Abe's on the Ridge, 5232 W Ridge Rd, Spencerport; 9 AM; RSVP dmpul80@gmail.com

May 17: ACORN Parts Reduction at RR & PC after breakfast at Peppermints; 9 AM; Parts will be sorted section by section. NFCC and CNYCC will be notified of the sale of our excess parts after the sorting is done. RSVP to Brandon

June 13, 14, 15: Central NY Corvair Club Recall [see brochure elsewhere]

June 21: ACORN Parts Reduction at RR & PC; time TBD

July ??: MGCC Car Show @ NY Museum of Transportation [There's a Corvair class. It was a great time in 2024 so mark your calendars!], Rush The New York Museum of Transportation Train Rides Rochester (nymtmuseum.org)

August 16: ACORN 50th Anniversary Picnic!

Hosted by Pres Brandon [more details are on their way]; Historian Dave Ellis is preparing a retrospective look at the club.

September 14 [Sunday]: Corvairs on the Hills, Fred Marsh [tentative]

October 18: Fall color tour and meal; TBA

November 15: Year-end dinner or breakfast

NOTE: If you have something you want to do to maintain or repair or just have questions about your Corvair, contact us! You don't have to wait for a date on the calendar above.

Car Nuts Breakfast: A group of car nuts meets for breakfast the second Thursday of the month at Bay Front Restaurant, 1075 Empire Blvd. Some of our members have attended, including me. You'll be with about 40 other car nuts. You know what that means: Talking about cars, of course! In good weather, it's almost like a mini car show in the parking lot too. It's a good time, so come on out!

The quote of the day: "ACORNS: The Club of Friends" from Brandon

ACORNS 50TH Anniversary

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...

Photos from 2025 Planning Meeting





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

Not an official club event, but a casual meeting of car enthusiasts. Join in 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 to find seating....and LOTS of parking!! hope to see you soon!...Annabelle

Next one should be 3/13!

ACORN OFFICERS

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 Secretary: Jim Bartasevich _____ corvair@frontiernet.net
 Historian: Dave Ellis _____ ewe@rochester.rr.com
 Webmaster: Marissa Andolino _____ smandolin@outlook.com

From the editor...

I'm excited to have the opportunity to work on the ACORNews! 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.

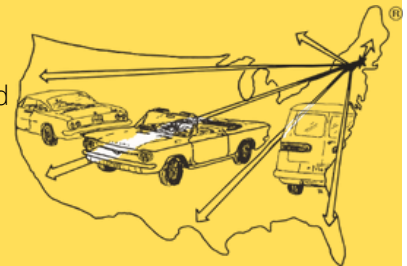
Submissions can be sent to bwcarmo@gmail.com

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

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



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



AVAILABLE PARTS FROM THE BARTASEVICH 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

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STARTERS
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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!!!



Membership Application

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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): _____

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

PHONE #s: HOME _____ WORK _____
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PLEASE, TELL US ABOUT YOUR CORVAIR(S)

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

ANY OTHER HOBBIES OR INTERESTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?



Central New York Corvair Club

Presents the 49th Annual



June 13-14-15, 2025

Just some of the events:

Ice Cream Cruise on Friday night

Saturday AM Judged Car Show
Awards

Valve Cover Races

Banquet Saturday Night at Jakes
Grub & Grog

Sunday Farewell breakfast

50/50 Raffles & Door Prizes

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For more information and registration forms contact:

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