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## Cling Entry Deadline Extended!!

**We want to allow everyone to have their chance to enter their FC for our official 2025 Corvanatics Members Window Cling!**



Don't pass up this opportunity for YOUR Corvair van or truck to be the face of Corvanatics for 2025!

All years, makes, models, and conditions will be considered. From fully restored to rusty gold, we love 'em all, and we look forward to reviewing all entries!

Just answer a couple of questions and send us pictures of your Corvair FC.

### 3 easy ways to enter...

**Google Form:** The fastest, easiest way for any member with a Gmail account

Click [HERE](#)

**OR** email [corvanatics@gmail.com](mailto:corvanatics@gmail.com) and include your name and why your FC should be featured and your photos.

**OR** snail Mail: For members who still prefer to have Uncle Sam do the work! We can scan in photos that are printed and sent.

## The deadline to enter is NOW September 30, 2024.

You must be an active Corvanatics member to be eligible. The Corvanatics BOD will select the winner shortly thereafter and announced in our November newsletter!

**Good Luck!**



# 2024 Convention Coverage



## Corvanatics Members Who Participated in a Convention Event—see [page 3](#) for Cruise In Top 10

Name	Event
Allan Jones	Concours
Chris Law **	Concours
Christopher Heckel	Rally
Christopher Heckel	Valve Cover Races
Christy Barden	Concours
Christy Barden	Rally
Christy Barden	Autocross
Christy Barden	Econo Run
Dale Dewald	Ed Cole Award
Dale Dewald	Concours
Dale Dewald	Rally
Dale Dewald	Autocross
Dale Dewald	Econo Run
David Iwanicki	Autocross
Duane Baker	Model Car Concours
Eric Prosis	Rally
Eric Prosis	Autocross
Jean Allen	Model Car Concours
Lynda Neuner	Autocross
Lynda Neuner	Econo Run
Michael Slotwinski	Rally
Paul Sergeant	Concours
Seth Emerson	Autocross
Steve Spilatro	Model Car Concours
Steve Spilatro **	Concours
Tim Schwartz	Model Car Concours
** participated in an FC	



*ed—I apologize if I missed acknowledging someone*



# Cruise In TOP 10

Tough playing field—look at all those vehicles

WOW - Six members were winners



## FCs

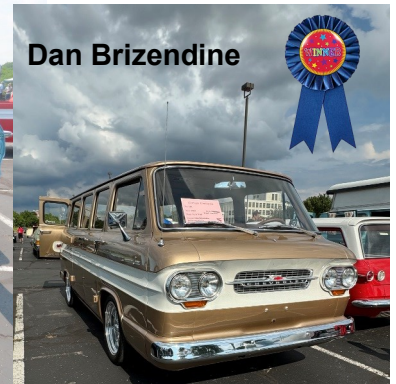
FCs entered and FC winners shown here - other members who also won listed below



Spence Duffy



Tom Downs



Dan Brizendine



Raven Hand



Joe VonDerHaar



Larry Woodfin

## Other members who won!!

Michael Slotwinski

Chris Brown (Molly Bacon)

Billy Bruce

# Concours at Carillon Park FCs - just three



Steve Spilatro



Chris Law

## Corvanatics' members with non-FC Corvairs



Lynda Neuner



non-member



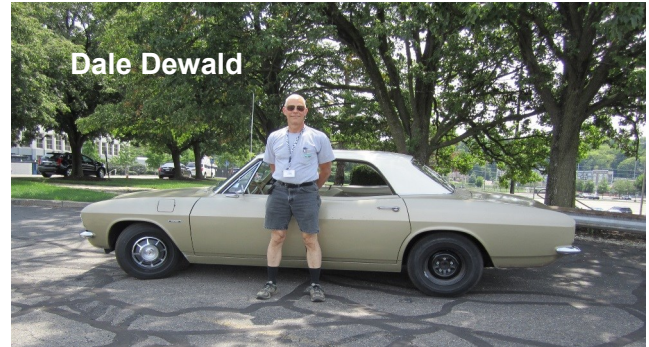
Christy Barden



Paul Sergeant



Allan Jones



Dale Dewald

More Concours photos on [page 5](#)

# Miscellaneous Concours Photos

65 entrants



# Autocross Kilcare Raceway



## Members

Christy Barden



Seth Emerson

## Only two FCs—non-members



Dale Dewald



Lynda Neuner



Eric Prosize (only pic found)



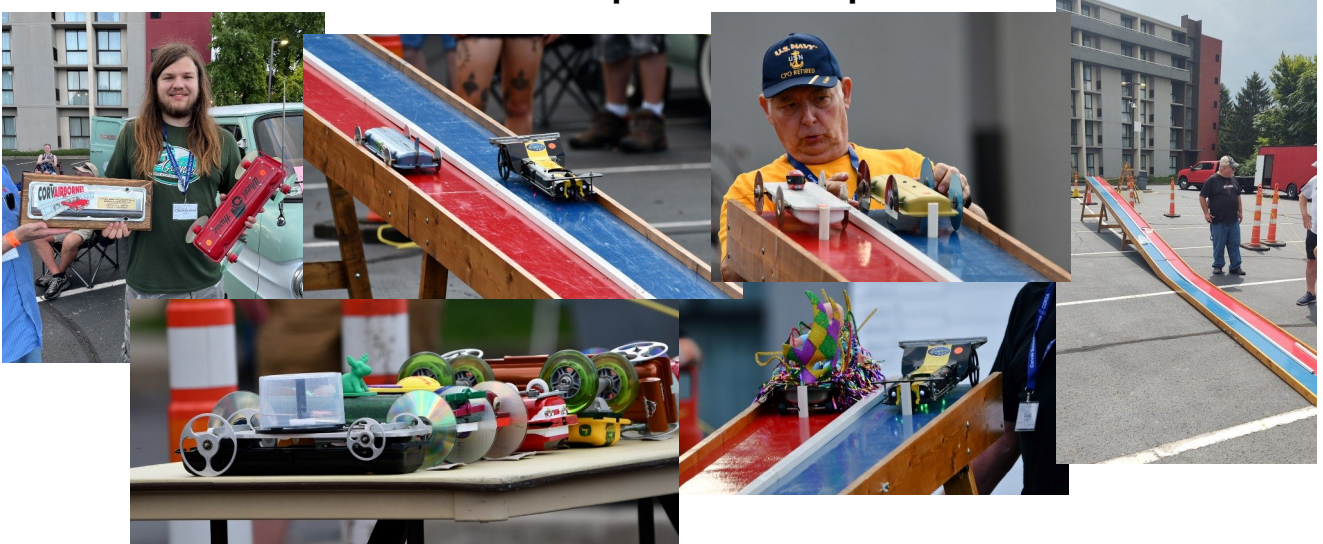
David Iwanicki



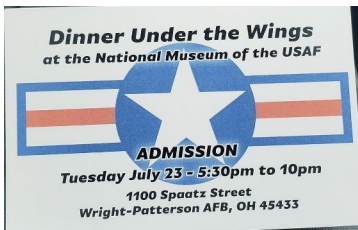
### Model Car Concours



### Valve Cover Races - 1st place Christopher Heckel



### Dinner Under the Wings



### Welcome Party



# Members at the Convention



Eva McGuire, Sunny, and Eva's Shriner car



Eva McGuire, Chris Brown & Molly Bacon



Ken Hand & Michael Bayman



Ben Boniminio



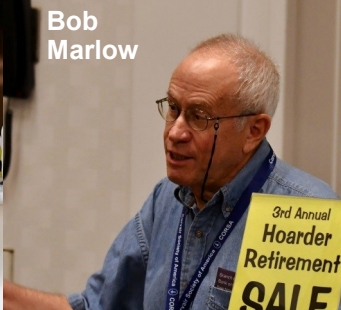
Michael Slotwinski



Lynda Neuner



Mike Hall & Duane Baker



Bob Marlow



Terry Kalp



Tom Burgess, Raven Hand, Chris Hand, Rich Blanchard



Christy Barden



# More convention photos



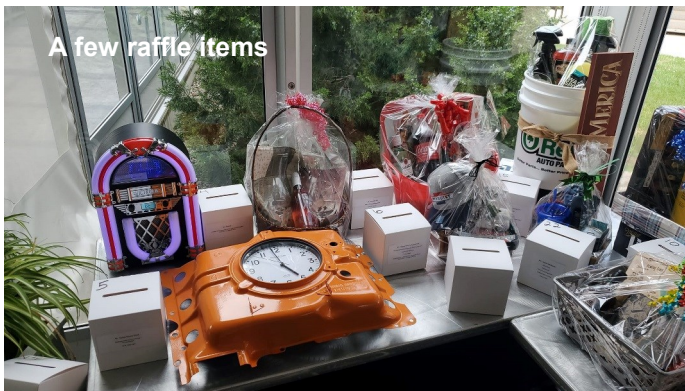
Pre-convention-prep time



Hospitality Room



Monza Jr Display



A few raffle items



Lynne Yenko



Corvanatics and Ultra Van tables



Indoor vending

# Miscellaneous FCs - some belong to members and some not

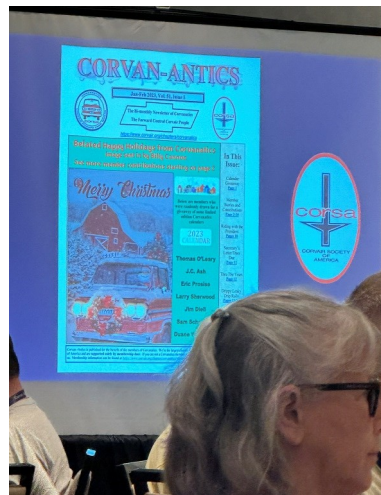


# Banquet - Convention finale

And this Corvanatics member, Convention Chairman Kevin Clark (center), made it all happen. Great job, Kevin!!!



Even our newsletter received a Second Place award



# Riding with the President—Ken Hand

## President’s Choice Award –Spencer Duffey—1962 Loadside

Hi Everyone,

I’ve been reminded that the Board of Directors elected me Prez! The BOD has been busy finishing and approving a policy and procedures manual. We are still working on one additional section of Publicist. The Policies and Procedures document will eventually be available on the website.



We are already working on next year’s convention meeting, and I do plan to be there and on time! The reason I say that is I was almost or was a few minutes late for this year’s meeting.

With all the Convention content, Molly needed me to make this short, so I won't bother you with any more mundane details!

**Ken Hand**

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### Daniel Vallée’s Rampside Storage

I got a lot of questions about the ramp latches on the other side of the bed in my Rampside on the previous Facebook post I made yesterday. To clarify, this is not a factory, nor a self-made ramp in there. This is the enclosure to "hide" the backing of the driver side exterior paneling. It is used to carry oil, carriage strap and other goodies not far from the driver.

My goal was to 'finish' the interior of the box with a similar panel as those on the rest of the surrounding. I had to work with my body man to even create an inside box corner. He even reproduced the similar cab angle and match point of attachment to one next to the ramp. I now feel that my Rampside box is complete.

Please also note that this is inspired by a fellow Canadian Rampside owner from B.C. I met at the Cedar Rapid Corvair Convention in 2010. I just don't remember his name at the moment.



# From the Secretary & Newsletter Editor

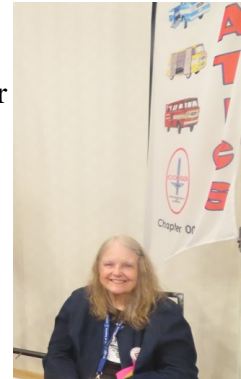
by Molly Bacon

Hi all,

I hope everyone has enjoyed the Convention coverage in this issue. It was a lot of fun, great weather, and we even got a Top 10 award, though not in an FC. It was our Ultra Van, which technically is a forward control vehicle.

**Since the last newsletter :**

- 320 members
- 8 new members
- 41 members renewed their dues
- 6 members dropped



**WELCOME !!** to our new members

<i>Tom Burgess</i>	<i>MI</i>	<i>1962 Corvan</i>	<i>Nick Ford</i>	<i>NJ</i>	
<i>Brenda Dood</i>	<i>MI</i>	<i>1963 Greenbrier</i>	<i>Arden Robinette</i>	<i>OH</i>	<i>1961 Rampsides</i>
<i>Odin Turner</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>1961 Rampsides</i>	<i>Brent Jacobson</i>	<i>NV</i>	
<i>Larry Asheuer</i>	<i>PA</i>	<i>1963 Rampsides</i>			
<i>Ron Hilliard</i>	<i>TX</i>	<i>1964 Greenbrier Delux</i>			

**Dues Expiring**

Easily renew online [HERE](#).

**You will not be penalized for paying early, your due month stays the same.**

**Due in Sept**

John Ackerman	John Amen
Danny Davis	Daniel Gersna
Randy Renick	Curt Sherrill
Trianna Smith	Nicole Smith

**Due in October**

Jim Angus	John Bailey
Gary Baxter	Larry Bush Jr
Billy Cannon	Tim Colson
Jim Davis	Gary Duncan
Anthony Gervasio	Mark Gibson
Larry Hickerson	Phil Mitchell
Timothy Palmer	Bill Prichard
Larry Sherwood	

**Due in November**

David Beck	James Crossland
Ron Lehman	Jeff Stonesifer
Steve Walker	Bob Weideman
William West	

**Due in December**

Ron Bloom	Dean Gemberling
Tony Gerhold	Ronald Hoff
Stig Holm	Eva McGuire
David Newell	Vincent Rohr
Doug Rojas	Michael Simmons



The Winner Is  
**Stig Holm**

**\$10 Clark's Gift Certificate**

**Remember, you can only win if your dues are current**

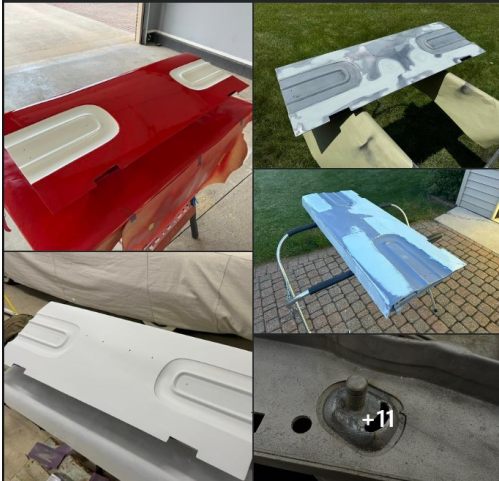
# Found on Facebook

Pictures of our members/their vehicles randomly found posted on Facebook

Visit the [Corvanatics—Corvair Trucks & Vans](#) Facebook group

**Catherine Gibb**

Finished up the replacement tailgate for our '61 Loadside over the weekend. When we bought our truck a few years ago, it came with a tailgate that had been severely damaged. Over the past few years we had been collecting parts to make a replacement. Found a donor tailgate, replaced the bottom 3", replaced the check strap pins, epoxy primer, filler, primer/surfacer and 4 coats of single stage red with a cut and buff. Color match from the paint shop was right on. It had been over 20 years since I picked up a paint gun but I am pleased with how it came out, especially since I painted it in the driveway.



**William Vecchiono**



**Dick Dean & Jim Diell  
Cruise Night Parry Sound**



**Raven Hand  
Back to the Bricks**



**John Miller**

Corvair Stuff  
Teresa Miller · 26 minutes ago ·  
time for seats to go in. Need to build the instrument panel, glove box insert and choose some carpet or a mat. Then, exhaust, brakes, e brake cable, some engine tin, etc. Doesn't sound like much, but with another project jumping ahead of this one...it won't be completely finished really soon. But it's getting closer!



**Bob Weideman  
First time out in 6 months**



**Paul Alford**

Paul Alford · 2h ·  
First camping trip with the van. Like sleeping in a small apartment. How are these things bigger on the inside?



**New member  
Brenda Dood & 'Vinnie'**



# Corvan - Antics - thru the years

Steve Spilatro - Historian

## 50 years ago, Corvan - Antics

The September issue in 1974 was volume 2-4. The FC Class Concours winners at this year's (the 4th) Annual Convention in Chicago, IL were:

Class 4 Rampsides & Loadsides Group

1st – Don Coburn, '63 Rampside - 322.5 points

2nd – Ted Malo, '62 Rampside - 315 points

3rd – Roger D. Harris, '61 Rampside - 307.5 points

4th – Richard E. Hires, '61 Rampside - 294 points

Class 4 Greenbriers & Corvans Group

1st – Nico H. Dejong, '61 Greenbrier Camper - 296 points

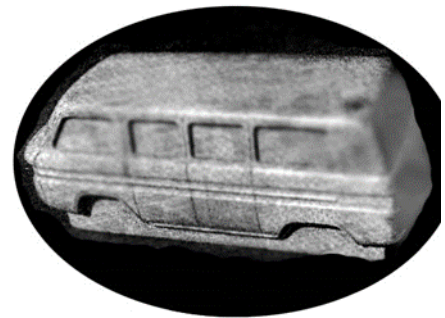
2nd – Bob Kuchler, '64 Corvan - 271 points

3rd – Michael A. Manthe, '62 Corvan - 262 points

4th – Ted Mick, 62 Greenbrier - 229 points

## 40 years ago - Corvan - Antics Volume 12-4, July-August 1984

In this issue Bob Kirkman described a recently discovered plaster model of an early Corvan design phase. The plaster was applied over sisal on a wood frame and measures 17 inches long. There is some uncertainty of which stage of Corvaire 95 design this model represents. Bob suggested it was a represents an early, 1957, stage, although Dave Newell in an article published afterwards associated it with later 1958-9 prototypes



## 30 years ago, Corvan - Antics - 1994

There was no newsletter in 1994.

## 20 years ago - Corvan - Antics Volume 32-3, July-August 2004

From the minutes of the Corvanatics meeting at the 2004 National Convention:

*“Billy Bruce reported on the drag races. Won by a Rampside. Cal Clark has asked for interest in FC rear reflectors. He will reproduce them if there is enough interest. The price would be \$50 each. Ken Hand reported he may be doing boomerang repairs again. Mike Dobie and Richard Gebhart presented a tech session on resealing front windows and wind wings with new rubber. Lon Anderson told about using Velcro to replace the fuzzies in the window strip as a quick and cheap method.”*

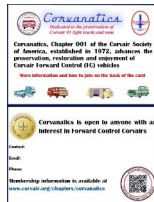
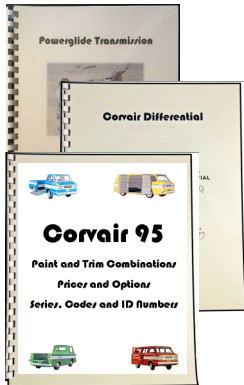
## 10 years ago - Corvan - Antics Volume 42-4, July-August 2014

Driving lessons began at an early age in Ben's Bus:



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Start preparing for the 2025 CORSA International Convention. Put those dates on your calendar now.

**Reminder:**

With the newsletter only being published bi-monthly, it is not practical to publish advertisements of vehicles or parts for sale. Too often they sell before publication date frustrating potential buyers. With so much online, the best bet for selling is either eBay, Facebook, or the ever-popular Corvair forums, Corvair Center and Corvair Forum. Thanks for your understanding.



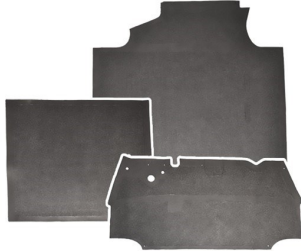
## Steve's FC Parts Mart

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### FC Floor mats with deluxe pattern

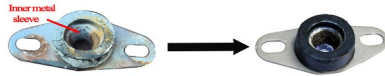
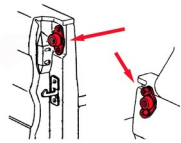
Cab \$250 (black) \$265 (color)  
 Center \$400 (black) \$425 (color)  
 Rear \$285 (black) \$300 (color)  
 Plus shipping \$50 discount with a set of all three



### Ramp-gate Pin Guide – rubber restoration of core.

Pin guide rubber is typically hardened and cracked and inner metal sleeve often missing.

Standard rebuild \$50 per unit; with replacement inner sleeve \$75 plus shipping



### Heater Fresh Air Intake Boot \$65



### Front door Check-arm grommets \$14



### Gas Filler Grommet \$29

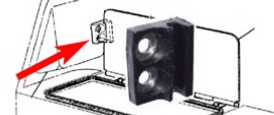


### Master Cyl. Floor Plug '63 - \$39 '64-'65 - \$69

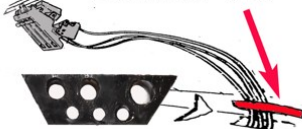


\$20 core refund for '64-65

### Battery Compartment Lid Retainer - \$24



### Cab Floor Cable Grommet - \$19



### Hinge Grommets (4) Side doors - \$25 Rear doors - \$23

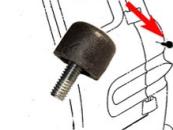


Colored - \$119 for 6-door van

### Side Door Bumpers (2) \$14



### Rear Door Outer Bumpers (2) \$20



### Carburetor Swivel \$23 Linkages



### Early Style Shifter Boot \$60



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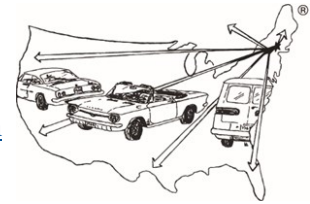
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CORSA Chapter Newsletter Award - 2024 2nd place, 2020 1st place, 2019 2nd place, 2018 2nd place, & 2015 3rd place

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