

*Central Oklahoma Corvair Association
Newsletter*

February 2023



THE PREZ SEZ

Hello All,

Hoping this find every Corvair enthusiast in our club doing well.

Yesterday and today have been a trip down memory lane for me. I was doing some file maintenance in my phone yesterday. As I was listening to voice mails (just short of 500 voice mails) some of them really took me back. Messages from Pat and Delia Silver, Phillip Morgan, Randy and Gayle Dekker, Bob and Janet Welch, David Main, Loren and Liz Capron, Ken Drye, David and Cheryl Castiaux, Richard and Colleen Law, Jim Gailey, Joe Nels, Larry Duvall, Cliff Nieman and many more. Listening to them again reminded me of how many things our club was doing and how active we were. We were getting together and going places to just spend time together. If we weren't working on our cars, we were driving them everywhere.

This evening I was looking at the I-Pad and came across COCA pictures that Ann has saved. There were pictures of all our gorgeous cars. Wow, we used to have real caravans as we travelled around. We drove to cities in Oklahoma (Rush Springs, Bartlesville, Tulsa, Chandler, Stroud), and travelled to cities in other states Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri. We travelled!

I found myself looking at these pictures of members and their cars. As I thought about the cars we have in our club and the hours each one of you put into them bringing them back to their former glory. There is lots of restoration time. Time and \$\$\$ invested so we can drive them. Again, it made me remember all the great times we have had.

Over the last few years our caravans have gotten smaller. I miss the conversations, the car repairs on the roadside and the travel friends. I'm hoping we can travel again. So, pull the covers off of those cars and let's travel somewhere together. Being one with the road and feeling the road under the seat; let's put some miles on them.

So, for now, find a road with some curves and drive!



James Ergenbright
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COCA Minutes January 28, 2023

President Ergenbright opened the meeting at 10:00 AM on January 28, 2023. The meeting was held at the home of Colleen and Richard Law. James welcomed 27 members, there were no guests and three Corvairs were driven to the meeting.

Old Business - The October 2022 minutes were reviewed. Scott Law made a motion to approve, and his motion was seconded by Pat Silver, the motion carried. The November-December minutes were revised to state that the club will not be fronting any money for bulk item purchases. The individual members will pay for those items before they are ordered. Scott Law made a motion to accept the minutes as amended and David Castiaux seconded the motion. Membership voted and approved the amended minutes. James introduced the new board of directors to the membership. He also stated if anyone had any club questions that they could contact any of the officers or board members.

Treasurer's Report - Ken Drye gave the monthly treasurer's report. Pat Silver made a motion to accept the report as given and the motion was seconded by Jim Gailey. The motion was passed by the membership.

New Business - James noted several upcoming milestones at this meeting:

*It is the 60th anniversary of the 1963 Corvair, we have several members that own these vehicles.

*This is the 44th year that COCA has been in existence.

*Clark's Corvair is celebrating their 50th of business. They are celebrating by giving a few goodies with your 1st purchase of the year. They will also be having monthly specials.

The new members welcome booklet will soon be ready for distribution. It will include a lot of important information and will include the club's by-laws. Once the by-laws are completed Colleen will e-mail those to all paid members. If you are unable to receive the by-laws in that form, she can make a hard copy for your records.

This year's St. Patrick days parade will be held in the Oklahoma City Stockyards on the 11th of March at 10:00AM weather permitting. A hand count showed approximately 5-6 possible paraders. James will submit the necessary paperwork for this event.

David Main gave information on swap meets that will be occurring in the next few months. The swap meet at Shawnee will be the 3rd and 4th of March 2023. Duncan will have their swap meet on the 25th through the 27th of March 2023.



COCA Minutes Continued

David also informed the club that the organizers of the Norman Swap Meet have offered the club a space free of charge for us to promote the club. David will check and if there is still another space and if so Pat Silver has volunteered to pay for that space. Hopefully with the extra space we will be able to display a vehicle or two. This will be held the 7th and 8th of April. Set up can begin as soon as noon the Thursday before the event. There is a ton of stuff to look at and it is a great opportunity to promote COCA. It will be a Friday/ Saturday event.

It is time again to renew your dues for CORSA. James encourages everyone who isn't a member to become one.

Scott Law made a motion to raise the yearly dues to \$20.00. There was not a second and the motion died. Bob Welch made a motion to table the raise until after the Roundup is over so the club can better determine if the extra money will be needed. Scott Law seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the members.

David Castiaux is looking at spear heading an effort to buy harmonic balancers. He has contacted an individual who does this repair. If we could send 10 balancers, we could get a price of about \$120.00 a piece plus shipping there and back. There can be no chips or pieces missing on the balancers in order to qualify. If you are interested in getting one of yours done get with David Castiaux.

James and Pat are asking if there is any interest in buying some carburetor rebuild kits for our cars. They are broken down by years. 1960-1963 and 1964-1969. If interested get with James Ergenbright or Pat Silver.

Roundup Update -

*Hotel- The hotel is set. We have 40 rooms located on the first floor of the Territorial Hotel in Guthrie. Cost is \$75.00 per night with use of the code "Corvaír Club"

"Committee Heads"

*Registration- Colleen Law, Chairman

*Advertising/Publicity- Kate Moore, Chairman

*Activities- Richard Law, Chairman

*Hospitality- Delia Silver, Ann Ergenbright, and Janet Welch, there will be an arm-wrestling competition to determine the Chairman.

* Car Show- Richard Law

*Valve Cover races and track setup- David Castiaux

*Banquet- Bob Welch

* Model Car Display- David Allin

*Miscellaneous Items- James Ergenbright

James wants us to start collecting items for the gift bags whether from Local Parts stores, businesses in the community or anywhere else you can think of.

COCA Minutes Continued

Tech Talk - John Sargent relayed that his Spyder is getting closer to being finished, he's working on some wiring issues. Pat Silver has been putting time in on Delia's station wagon, stuff like thermostat rods, bellows, etc. Joe Nels and Bob Welch tore Joe's car down at the Busted Knuckle Garage and found almost every ring was broken. (Hence mucho blow-by). They had to find 5 stock cylinders, rehone them, installed new piston rings, head gaskets and rocker bearings. They put it all together with a minimal amount of extra parts left over and there is no more oil leak. Thank you, Bob, for your invaluable wealth of knowledge and patience.

On a tech note side Bob is looking for topics to discuss in the newsletter. Please contact him with your request.

Next Meeting - Scott Law made a motion to hold next month's meeting at the Page Building at Wiley Post Airport. Bob Welch seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the membership. The address and map are located later in the newsletter.

Door prize tickets were sold, and prizes distributed among the lucky ticket holders. David Castiaux made a motion to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Bob Welch. The motion carried; the meeting was adjourned.



Kate Moore

February 10 at 7:44 PM · 🌐

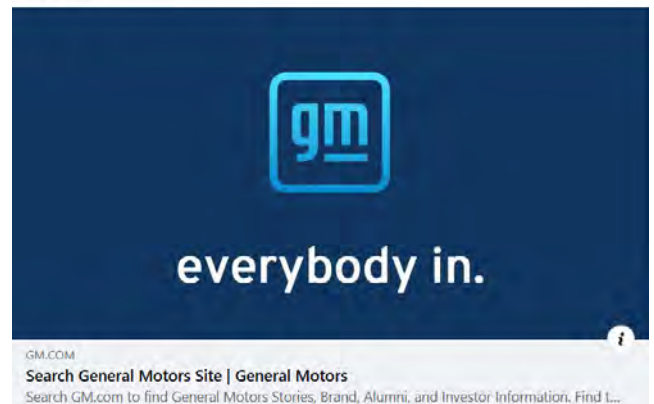
Well it's not a Corvair but we have babies



Melinda DuVall

January 28 at 11:01 AM · 🌐

Link to GM



Mark Webb

February 8 at 10:35 AM · 🐾

Anyone have an alternator for sale. Need one for my 64 to replace generator.

8 comments Seen by 40



By David Allin

COCA

Member Profile

Cliff Nieman

Cliff is originally from Alva, Oklahoma, and moved to Oklahoma City in 1962. He has a BA degree in Chemistry, and he went to work for the Oklahoma State Department of Agriculture. In June he will have been married to his wife Laurretta for sixty years.

Cliff's first Corvair was a green 1960 four-door, which he bought used in 1962. Two years later he traded it in on a white 1961 Lakewood station wagon. He and his wife took it on a tour of the Talimena Trail back when it was under construction, and they used it to go camping in Arkansas.

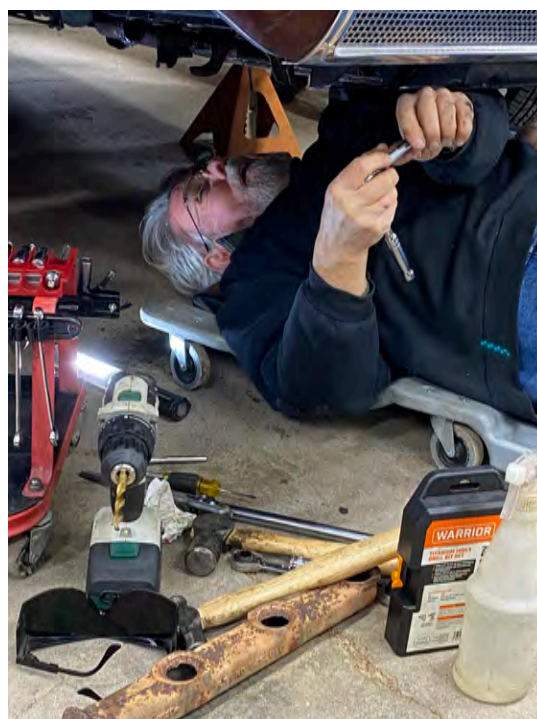
Sometime around 1962 he bought a 1964 Spyder coupe, and he still owns it. It was really good in snow, as all Corvairs are, and his coworkers were envious of that ability. IN 1984 he bought a 1964 convertible, which he also still owns. Then he bought a 1963 Greenbrier from a fellow club member, replaced the differential, and still has the van. He also still owns a 1965 Monza coupe.

After he retired from the Department of Agriculture, Cliff started a Corvair parts business, and Bob Welch has bought a lot of parts from him. He now lives just southeast of Guthrie. He has probably been a member of the club the longest of anyone, and his grandson is also a member of the club. His grandson owns a 1965 Monza that they are working on together.





New Facebook Members Ride and some pictures of the recent Cold Tuna





Bob's Tech Corner

Corvaír friends...

Although the winter is almost over, lets look at our defroster!

The defroster cable is very short and actuates the defroster "valve" under the dash and opens up the heat to find its way to the Defroster diverter. The "Y" up under the dash. This gives the passenger side windshield most of the warm air when it is desperately needed on the driver's side.

I have found two styles of valves for the defroster. It would seem that there is a 65 style and a 66-69 style. The only difference is in the outlet to the driver's feet!

SEE pictures below

65



66-69



When removed from my 65 it was cracked in two on the valve. I "plastic welded" the cracks with an old soldering iron and used Harbor Freight plastic welding rods to get the job done then painted the outside.



The next job was removing the staples on the little valve "door" to replace the sealing material. Although mine has been replace, in my research I find many that do not replace the foam rubber seal . So we will leave that issue to your best judgement!

Here are some pictures of my staple removal and replacement with stainless steel wire.



After finishing sealing the edges of the “valve”, I proceeded to weld the worn screw holes in the heater duct and the defroster duct.

In the first picture, I sandwiched a small washer on the right side where it screws to the floor. The next picture shows the deformed and missing plastic on the Defroster Duct “Y”. The tape is heat proof, glass tape used for a backer so the hot plastic does not fall through!



The following two pictures show the different types of windshield diverters that can go on the defroster “Y”. The one on the left was made out of stiff cardboard and was simply glued to the plastic “Y”. An extra support on the side you see was added. This diverter is more like the one that is sold by our favorite Corvaír vendors, minus the support.

The defroster on the right is sporting a different style of diverter that was found in the Tech tips some years back and is made with a support integrated in the design! Shown here is one diverter made of small gauge aluminum, the other side is of stiff cardboard. Both of these are temporarily taped on. You should also notice that the two sides are simply flipped over to best fit the outlets of the “Y”.



Although the originals were stapled to the plastic, your new ones can be simply pop riveted on, as they are for my aluminum diverters in my 68 Monza.

There is another little trick that you can do to get more heat to the driver side as well! By installing a small “gate” or “door” in the short side for the “Y, you can better regulate how much of the defrost heat gets to you, the driver. We can cover that in the future if anyone is interested.

Hope everyone is staying warm. With this little tip, you should also be able to keep your windshield free of fog.

Have fun with your new project!

Bob

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Colleen Richard Law
 Admin · January 31 at 2:17 PM ·

Car show September 9 at the Guthrie park

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2023 Corvaír Tri-State

May 19-21, 2023

Salida, Colorado

The Pikes Peak Corvaír Club (PPCC) is proud to announce that registration is now open for the 38th Tri-State meet to be held in Salida, Colorado the weekend of May 19th-21st, 2023. The host hotel is the completely renovated Hampton Inn & Suites, located at 785 E. Highway 50. PPCC has secured a Tri-State special rate of \$119/room plus tax for either a King room or a double Queen room. Breakfast is included. To register for the event, order tee-shirts, reserve a room, and sign up for the banquet to be held Saturday night, please log onto the PPCC website <https://pikespeakcorvaírcub.wixsite.com/ppcc> and click on "2023 TRI-STATE" on the top menu banner. This will open the information page with all the information you need to do on-line registration, or to print the registration form. There is also a direct link to the hotel registration site to register at the hotel and a schedule of events and times.

If you have any questions, please email ppcctristate@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there at the Tri-State next year in Salida, the Heart of the Rockies.

38th Corvaír Tri-State



The Heart of the Rockies"
 May 19-21, 2023
 Salida, Colorado



Corvair Ladies Shared Recipe Corner

This months recipe shared by Colleen Law

COCA Puffy Egg Bake Casserole

Ingredients

12 Eggs
16 oz of cottage cheese, small curd
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 cup of flour
1/2 cup of melted butter
16 oz of shredded Mexican blend cheese or your cheese choice

Prep Time - 20 Minutes Cook Time - 30 Minutes Total Time - 50 Minutes

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350F
2. Whisk together the eggs and the cottage cheese until combined, then add the melted butter. Whisk until combined set aside.
3. In a small bowl whisk together the flour and baking soda, and whisk into the egg mixture.
4. Stir in cheese with a wooden spoon or spatula.
5. Pour batter into a 9x13 greased baking dish. (I used butter to grease the pan)
6. Bake for 30-50 mins. Serve with hot sauce or salsa

You can make a smaller batch just halve the recipe and several ladies said that they put sausage or bacon in with the recipe. Make it to suit your tastes..... Enjoy.....

Meeting at Wylie Post Airport Saturday 25 Feb, 10:00 AM

CE Page Building
5810 Tulakes Ave
Bethany, Ok 73008



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Newsletter items must be sent to the editor and received by the 25th of the month for it to be included that month's issue. Email newslettercoca@gmail.com with your submissions

WE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ENCOURAGE YOU TO JOIN CORSA, ASK ANY OFFICER FOR AN APPLICATION. The Dues are \$45.00 for 12 months or \$90.00 for 26 months. This entitles you to the monthly publication of the CORSA "Communique", and other benefits.



Club Stats:

NUMBER OF MEMBERS	64
NUMBER AT LAST MEETING	21
NUMBER OF CORVAIRS DRIVEN	3
NUMBER OF GUEST AT LAST MEETING	0
NEW MEMBERS	1

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SPECIAL SALES EVERY MONTH- each month we'll send an email (if you have signed up) and also list in a special sale section on our Home page www.corvair.com

FREE 50th MEMENTO gifts with your first order in 2023

FREE CATALOG WITH AN ORDER- if you have not received a free 2019-2025 catalog yet, just ask for one.

LIST YOUR CORVAIR FOR SALE- NO CHARGE- sell your Corvair or a spare you just don't have time for! For all of 2023 we will list it on our website at **NO CHARGE-** check the website for details (Corvairs For Sale)

CLARK CAR SHOW & PARTS SALES- See our 2023 supplement or website for more details. We expect around 130 cars, and will offer tours of our buildings including the Upholstery Dept. Cal will be giving an old fashion "slide show" showing the building of our complex and history. Parts on sale! **SEPT 16, 2023 -rain or shine**

2023 SUPPLEMENT- On our website or as a hard copy -many new repros & updates.

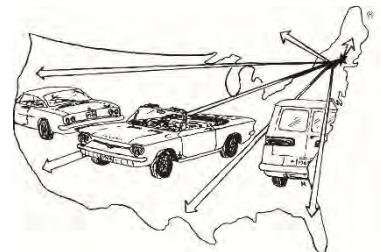
INTERNATIONAL CORSA CONVENTION-Wisconsin- We will be there Tues, Wed & Thurs with lots of recent repros on display. Stop by and say hello. Convention dates June 19- June 24

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January 28 2023	Monthly Meeting - The Law Family Home, 7701 Deer Meadow Dr OKC
February 25, 2023	Monthly Meeting - Wylie Post Airport CE Page Building 5810 Tulakes Ave Bethany, Ok 73008
March 25, 2023	Monthly Meeting - TBD
April 22, 2023	Monthly Meeting - TBD
May 27, 2023	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch (The Ergenbrights) Heart of Texas - May 5-7 2023 hosted by Corvair Houston in Brenham Texas Corvair Tri-State May 19-21 Salida Colorado
June 24, 2023	Monthly Meeting - TBD Corvair National Convention -Wisconsin Dells WI
July 22, 2023	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch (The Ergenbrights)
August 26, 2023	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch (The Ergenbrights)
September 24, 2023	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch (The Ergenbrights)
Sept 29-Oct 2	2022 Great Plains Roundup Sept 29-Oct 2 St. Guthrie OK.
October 28, 2023 Oct 14-16	Monthly Meeting - Diamond E Ranch (The Ergenbrights) Corvair Heritage Days ?
November 25, 2023 ?	Monthly Meeting - Location to be determined
December 2023	Meeting at Christmas Party and election of officers
1st Saturday	Cars and Coffee North Park Mall
2nd Saturday	Cars and Coffee Norman at Crest Foods W. Robinson
3rd Saturday	Cruise in for Coffee Midwest City Santa Fe Steak House parking lot May - Oct
1st and 3rd Thursdays	Thursday Night Cruisers - Mustang Apr - September
Sundays Wednesdays	Coffee at Kens