

FANBELT FLYER

Prez Sez

By John Seaman

First, I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. Second, I want to remind you December 5th is our Christmas and Installation Dinner. We combined them this year. It's at Miner's house in Apache Junction. The club will furnish the meats and we ask that you bring a dish to share and non-perishable food items for the food bank along with a small unwrapped toy for the less fortunate kids. We most likely will give the toys to the Police Department seeing they deal with children from time to time. Also, seeing that we are putting the Installation Dinner together with the Christmas Party, don't forget to bring your Yankee Swap present with you. If you're a lady, wrap it and mark it for a women, men wrap it and make sure your present is marked for a man. We have had a lot of fun with this in the past so please come and enjoy the fun. Price limit on the present is \$15.00

I have received a lot of invites to car shows so I will have a list of them with me. I think it would be great if we could all get together with our Corvairs and show up together.

Our annual dues are due so please make sure that they are in by the end of the year please. I will be working on a few more things to get our club more involved with other clubs so we can all enjoy the thing we love, our cars. We will be having our spring fling up at the Lost Dutchmen State Park in April. I should have info on possible dates so we can choose one at the meeting.

That's all I have. Hope to see you all at Miner's for dinner and fun. Bring your car if you can, if not, come join us any way you can. Thank you for being part of the best and oldest active Corvair Car Club in the U.S.

Your Pez. John Seaman.

My First Year with "Vairs.

By Dr. David Dean

A little over a year ago I attended the Cactus Corvair Club 2014 Car Show at Thorobred Chevrolet. At the time I was neither a Corvair owner nor a club member. I can say now, things change fast!

My devotion to the Corvair began in the summer of 1984 as my dad and I we're looking at cars for me to drive while at school. We stumbled upon a dark blue '66 coupe in Sunnyslope that seemed perfect. Unfortunately the price was a little higher than my budget; so I settled on something else.

In 2013, my interest in the Corvair turned into a gentle search for a 'classic, affordable' mid to late Chevy that my dad (now retired mechanic) and I could work together as a project. I studied eBay prices, read what I could online, and quietly nudged the idea of owning and working on an old car along to my spouse. There were several cars I found desirable. One red on red Monza in Maryland that I was the accidental high bidder for about 20 minutes. I knew I needed help.

So October 2014 I attended the CCC show at the Chevrolet dealer just over a mile from my house. I met many of the great members, joined the club, asked for some advice, and admired the machines on exhibit. That is when things started to happen fast. A week after that show, I owned my first Corvair!!

I purchased a 1965 Monza coupe that Dave W found for me on Craigslist. After a test drive with my dad, we brought the car home and I started my Corvair adventure. It was not long after before I was joining online forums (and asking rookie questions), ordering parts and accessories, and proudly showing off pictures of my car.

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Treasurer's Report By Joe Lewis

Beginning Balance as of	10/28/2015		\$2,120.23
INCOME			
50-50			\$ 16.00
RENEWALS			\$ 60.00
NEW MEMBERS			
			\$ 76.00
EXPENSES			
Car show expense			\$ (72.23)
Refund of dues overpayment			\$ (15.00)
			\$ (87.23)
ENDING BALANCE	11/30/2015		\$2,109.00
PENDING CHECKS			
Pending Deposits			
BOOK BALANCE	11/30/2015		\$2,109.00



Secretary's Report by Mary Seaman

Meeting Date Nov 4th, 2015

John opened the meeting at 6:57 PM

A motion was made by Dave W. to accept the Secretary's Report as published and seconded by Gary S. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Gary S. to accept the Treasurer's Report as published and was seconded by Jim J. The motion passed.

We had a new visitor at our meeting. Jeff Kloth- When he was in Chicago he had two late models. Presently has a 1961 4-speed and needs parts.

Brian Jackson and his girlfriend Nicole attended. Brian has a 61 Rampside and 65 Corvair Convertible that he had to clean out a rats nest to even start the restoration. The Rampside was his dads who bought it when it had only 7 miles on it.

OLD BUSINESS

Lunch for the Tucson Club members who came to the show was paid for by the club. Everyone who went had a great time. The car show was a great success. There was a great turnout of people this year coming to see the Corvairs due to the AZ Republic newspaper listing our show in the paper the Thurs. before the show.

The total of food and donations from the car show that went to Matthew's Crossing Food Bank in Chandler was 215 lbs. of food and \$15.00 in cash donations.

There was discussion about where to have the Installation Dinner and the Christmas Party. After much debate about when and where to hold them it was decided to have them combined this year. Miner has opened up his house to this event. The date is Saturday Dec. 5th at 2:00 PM. We will be having ham as the main course. Please bring a side dish or desert to share with your fellow Corvair members. We will be having our Dec. meeting at this event too. We will be doing a Yankee Gift Swap. The limit for the gift is \$15.00. Make sure you bring the gift wrapped and marked with either lady or man. Participation is not mandatory. We will also have a Toy/Food drive at this event. Please bring non-perishable food and a new unwrapped toy for the Apache Junction Food bank and Police Dept. Toy Drive.

Secretary's Report (Continued)

We need to select a date for our annual Lost Dutchman Picnic. John S. has volunteered to get the open dates from the park and bring it to our meeting. Once we have the date, we can notify the Tucson Corvair Association about joining us. Maybe we can have some other clubs there too like we've had in the past.

Upcoming shows announced were;

All Chevy Show at Thorobred and AJ Car Show salute to veterans on Nov 7th, C.O.P.S. and Cars at Poston Butte High School in San Tan Valley and Hot Chili and Cool Cars at The Islands in Gilbert on Nov. 14th, 2015. AJ ROTC Car show Feb 16th, Caliente Clown Car Show will be on Feb. 20th in Florence. The Bridges Car Show is coming up in Dec. More details at the next meeting or on the web.

Joe L. volunteered to review the By-Laws to see if he can clean them up some. More to come after his review.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave W. won 1st Place in the Corvair Forum for Late Model Corvair. His Corvair will be in the Forum Calendar being released soon.

Joe L. had a list of suggestions for possible outings for the club to participate in.

1. A possible outing to tailgate before one of the Cactus League games. He is going to reach out to the organization to see if this could be a possibility. Look for updates in the coming meetings.
2. Coffee and Cars for Corvairs- It could be set up as a monthly get together at different area's coffee shops or randomly whenever someone posts a get together on the website. Look for updates at the next meeting.
3. Possible joint outings with other Car Clubs in the area. John suggested that we join up Desert Customs on the 2nd Sunday of each month at Old Country Buffett on Southern. There is a free dinner included in that venture for those who bring their cars.
4. More Tech Sessions, he would like to have one at his house when he has Joe do the Pin Striping on his Corvair. A date will be given at the next meeting.

Other suggestions made by Joe not related to outings were:

1. Is there a possibility of getting a club banner? The cost would be around \$100.00 per banner and he thought since Thorobred was allowing us to have our meetings there, we should make one up to advertise that also.
2. Maybe get some Cactus Corvair T-shirts made that shows what our club is about and how old we are. Brain's girlfriend Nicole volunteered to get pricing and can arrange the artwork. Thanks for the help.

David D. brought up an outing to the Heritage Square Festival. It is on Feb. 6th Time is 10:00 till 4:00. More to come at the next meeting.

David D. also suggested that we have an outing with the Tucson club. Previously we have had them at Picacho Peak in between Phoenix and Tucson. More to come at future meetings.

Other possible outings brought up were another trip to the Dwarf Car Museum, The Titan Missile Museum and the Pima Air and Space Museum. More discussion at the Dec. meeting.

Dave W. volunteered to have a Tech Session at his house in March. After the Tech Session there may be a possible cookout. Dave and Cathy will have a date at the next meeting.

TECH SESSION

Joe L. brought in a Seth Emerson customized dash to show the group. This dash allows you to put in modern gages.

OTHER ITEMS

No update to give on Larry A. Keep him in your prayers.

The Good Guys Show is coming up Nov 20-22. There has been a boycott rumor due to some members being able to sell their cars on the main floor while others have to put their car in the Car Corral and pay a high fee. The Corvair Convention coming up is in Springfield Illinois and it being hosted by Prairie Capital Corvair Club. 50/50 Drawing was won by Jim J. for \$16.00.

Meeting ended at 8:30 PM

Sincerely, Mary A. Seaman

My First Year with 'Vairs (continued from page 1)

Over the last year I've accomplished much with my car. We've been to club meetings, drive-in shows at the Pavilions, road events (Dwarf Car Museum and Caliente Car Show), and occasional commutes to/from work. I've replaced the interior, installed a modern stereo system, and performed the usual maintenance tasks that are common to these cars. I've also bought parts, parted out other cars for parts, and ordered parts from across the country. Someone said when you stock a spare set of bumpers and a rear deck lid, you've really got Corvair fever! Now I am in the middle of rebuilding a donor motor for an upcoming engine swap.

My first year with 'vairs ended on a high note. Just before the 2015 CCC car show in October, I acquired a second car. This one is a 1965 Monza convertible that is much more original than my first car. We have plans to fix-up/restore this car this coming year. While some might say these cars are not very fast, life with Corvairs is always in the fast lane!

David R. Dean, Ph.D.



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Thorbred Thunder All Chevy Car Show Report by Dave Wenzlick

November 7th 2015.

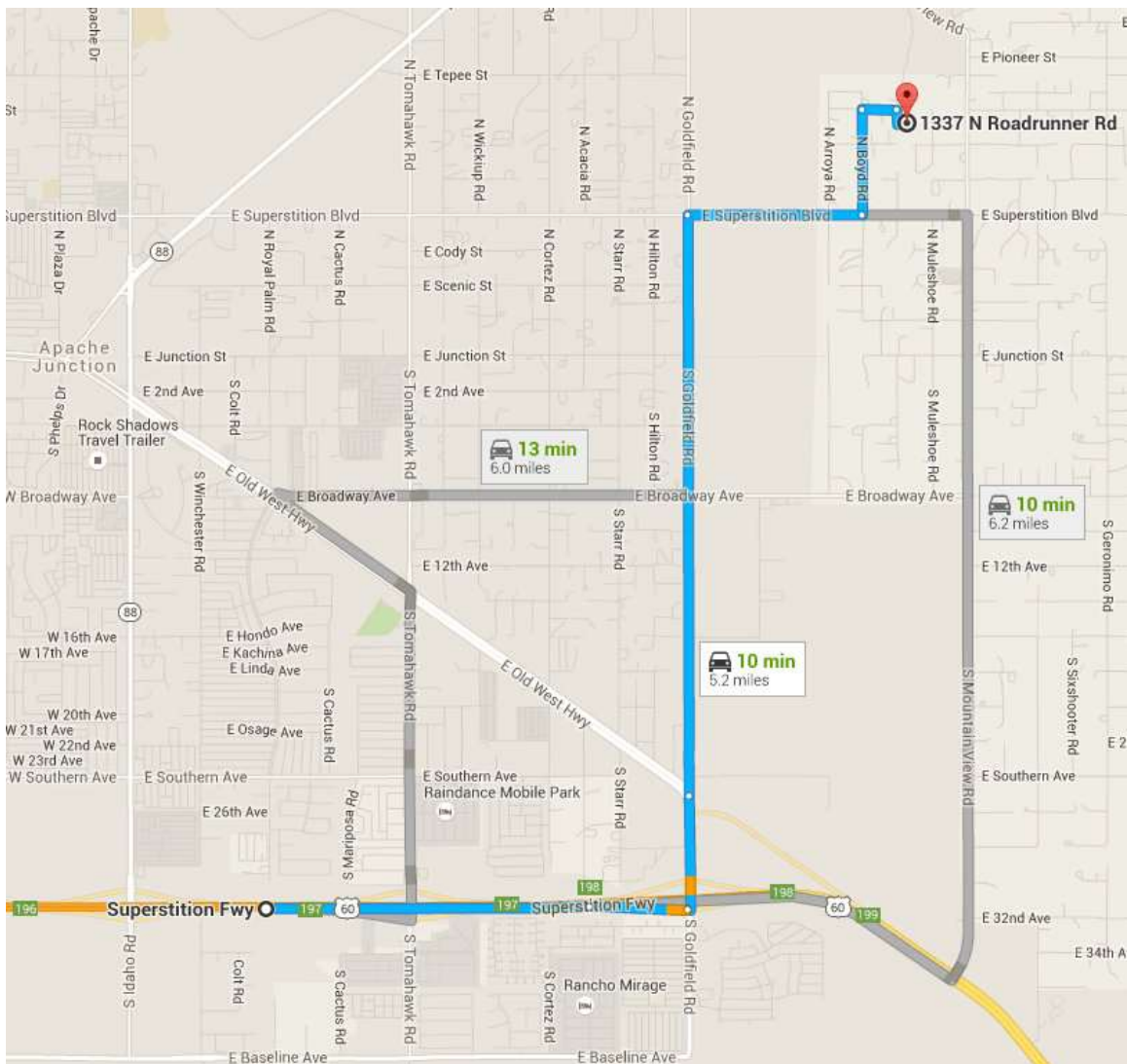
We had seven Corvairs at the show including two beautiful late models driven up from Maricopa. One belonged to member Ernie Cottrill and the other to his brother-in-law Joe Kenney. Bill Rhode was there along with Miner Fleming, Joe and Jonathan Taitafong, Dick Royal and Dave Wenzlick. Ernie won first place with his blue Monza. Bill won second with his Spyder. Miner got third with his Rampside. The yellow 1966 coupe also has air conditioning. Ernie and Joe have been busy winning awards at several events in Tucson too. It was a great day with perfect weather and lots of car talk.



Directions and Map to Miner's Home

Directions:

- Take the US 60 east from Mesa to the Goldfield Rd exit.
- Turn left onto Goldfield Rd.
- Go about 2-1/2 miles to Superstition Blvd.
- Turn Rt. onto Superstition Blvd. and go about 1/4 mile to Boyd Rd.
- Turn Left onto Boyd Rd.
- Go north on Boyd Rd and take the second right on Shiprock St.
- Go the end of Shiprock and turn right on Roadrunner Rd.
- Second house on the left is 1337 N Roadrunner Rd.



Upcoming Events:

Dec 5th Installation Dinner/Christmas Party/December Meeting at Miner's Home

Map and details inside this issue and on the web.

Jan 6th Regular Club Meeting Night 7 PM

Installation Dinner and Christmas Party details are inside this issue and on the website.

We are now collecting dues for 2016. Please note the dues have been reduced to only \$15 per year!



Monthly Meetings

*Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month (except for June, July and August)
Location is at [Thorobred Chevrolet 2121 N. Arizona Ave - Chandler AZ 85225](#)
Meetings start at 7PM. Driving a Corvair is encouraged but not required.*

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