

Fanbelt Flyer

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Letter From The Editor – *Braden Pastore*

As you may have noticed, the Club has been going through some changes recently. Our esteemed former president, David Dean, has finally managed to avoid reelection by moving halfway across the country. I'm sure you'd all like to join me in thanking David and his lovely wife Marian for their years of service and for putting the Club in a position to remain active in the future.

Dave Wenzlick has agreed to take over the reins as president but he's also decided to delegate some of the tasks necessary to make the Club function—That's where I come in.

Let me introduce myself to those of you who don't know me. I'm the husband of Nancy Pastore, who has been the Club's secretary for close to ten years. We joined the Club shortly after moving to the Valley in 2015.

We've been the proud owners of "Duane" (as in "Duane de Banque-Account") for 40 plus years. Duane isn't a show car; in fact, he was Nancy's daily driver when we first met. He spent a few years rusting in a barn, but we brought him back from the brink because, hey, he's a Corvair.

I'm not the best mechanic in the world but I can follow instructions and I've come to rely on the help and advice of my fellow Club members. I'd advise you to take advantage of all the knowledge we have available to us in this Club.

Anyway, we're reviving the *Flyer*, which, like "Duane", had been rusting for a few years. The idea is to report on some of the events that we'll be hosting or attending and to give us a chance to learn more about our fellow club members and the Corvairs they drive (...and why).

I'll do my best to get this thing out on a regular basis, in PDF form and available on the website.

If you'd like to contact me or contribute an article you can email me at mummy178@yahoo.com

Thanks

2025 Officers Elected – *Braden Pastore*

The Club elected its officers for 2025 at the October meeting. They are as follows:

President – Dave W

Vice President – Chris S

Secretary – Nancy P

Treasurer – Jim W

Board Members – Bob C, Al F, Tim W

Annual Picnic – Braden Pastore

The Club held its annual picnic at Usery Mountain Regional Park in Mesa on November 17. The weather was a bit cold by Arizona standards but we managed to persevere. Beautiful sunshine and spectacular mountain views were just part of the reward that Club members got for making the trip. We got lucky as no one had to pay the park entry fee since it was National Hiking Day.

We had 7 Corvairs and about 20 members show up to take advantage of the scenery and enjoy the cuisine, the camaraderie and of course the cars. In a rare occurrence, our mini show was dominated by four 1964s. We had the ramadas to ourselves since no other groups had reserved them yet we still got a lot of foot traffic as hikers stopped by to ask questions, take pictures and of course tell us that their grandmother had had a Corvair.

Thanks to Nancy P for arranging the event; Dave and Cathy W for setting up; Bob C for getting the grinders (I'm from Connecticut and that's what I call 'em) and to all the members who showed up, contributed a dish or brought a vehicle.



Annual Christmas Party – Braden Pastore

The Club will be having its annual Christmas party at the home of Jim and Diana W in Litchfield Park. Details are on the [Events](#) page of the Club website