



# CORVAIR FAN



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## THE PREZ SEZ

This presidential message is being sent to you live from Plymouth MI. As Willy Nelson says " On the road again". We are at the Corvaire Home Coming, looking for more Corvairs. The weather is great , and I just got done talking with some of Tim's friends. There will probably be close to 100 cars here, Corvaire shows, great time, buy more cars.

The cruise to the Binghamton area, Phil's Chicken, and over 40 in attendance, great weather, every one had a super time. Thanks to Gloria, and all involved with preparations for a super job. Great entertainment compliments to Janet and Darrel, 1/2 of the Cobblestone Crossing, thank you.

Terrific shows coming up, Wampsville, Clarks Corvaire Show, and Jordan ( ham sandwiches, donuts ), hope to see most of our members at some of these events. Our next meeting will be held on 9/5/13 at Denny's N. Syracuse, hope you can attend. Till next month, later gator.  
Phil CNYCC

## GEORGIA ROVING

By Len Smith

The weather is finally beginning to cooperate so that we can attend car events again. On Thursday, July 25, we drove to nearby Commerce to attend a show put on by the wait staff at Ryans, a buffet restaurant. The sky was overcast, but no rain fell. Due to the threatening weather and lack of widespread publicity, the attendance was low, consisting of a few VWs, a couple of dune buggies, and a Rambler and a Corvair (us). Despite the small turnout, we had a good time talking to the others and enjoying a free meal (an unexpected bonus). The highlight of the show for me was a homebuilt one-person vehicle built around a motorcycle engine and rear end, and a VW front suspension. The vehicle has a steering wheel and a dashboard like a car, with a hinged "canopy" that opened like that of an airplane. It was well built and very unique. The owner has a lot of effort in it. It received an award from the kids judging the show. Another VW Bug looked like a mini monster truck with its raised body and big tires. We enjoyed ourselves and got to see cars that we hadn't seen before. See the photos in the usual place.

On Saturday the 27th, we took a longer ride to Winder for an evening cruise-in put on by the Dixie Cruisers, which we found is a local club. They have a monthly cruise-in during the summer season. This was a larger show (most cruise-ins down here seem to be car shows, with an entrance fee) which attracted cars from the 30s to the 2000s. John and Ruby came in his Mustang and Sher and I brought the turbo. Again, no other Corvairs, but a mix of hot rods, street rods, restored, and modified cars. One of the more unusual entries was an 81 Citation X-11 with a V-6, with a few upgrades. This show also hosted a VW, but much more radical than those at the other show. This Bug body, painted in camo, was mounted on a full frame with a V-8 up front. Nearby was an orange 67 Chevy panel truck with a hopped-up 6. Also on scene was a black 51 Chevy hardtop with a V-8 and upgrades, a sharp red 53 Chevy hardtop, again with a V-8 and upgrades, a pair of 55 Chevys, one stock and very optioned, the other slightly modified. A stock-looking early Chevelle with 283 emblems hid a 383 stroker under the hood. A 56 Chevy 2 door wagon had an upgraded interior and engine with a body set off by ghost flames. Of course, there were a few non-GM entries, such as John's 65 Mustang GT-350 clone. An orange early Falcon had a tunnel ram dual quad V-8 under its hood scoop. A real eye catcher was a 39 Ford sedan in 2 shades of purple (obviously not stock). The hit of the show was the firing up of a sixties-era A/FD with (naturally) a blown V-8. The rear end was up on jack stands, so the driver was able to spin the tires without a chance of moving and hitting something of someone. This demonstration lasted for about 5 minutes until the blower belt popped off. Quite a bit of noise before it ended. We had a good time and I was able to inform several people about the unique aspects of the Corvair. Check out the pictures.

The good weather continued the next Saturday. In the morning, John and I went to the monthly swap meet at Atlanta Dragway. This was the largest collection of vendors and display cars that I have seen since I have been going here. There were over 200 vendors and about 40 cars on display. I even found some Corvair parts - a 65 dash panel and a Spyder dash. Neither was in great shape nor do I need them, so they stayed with the vendors. We spent about 3 hours roaming the aisles and checking out the car display. John found a blower mount for a Paxton blower for a Mustang, which he picked up for a good price. Look for the pictures.

Saturday night, we caravanned south to Hoschton for a cruise-in/show. The club sponsoring the outing, the American Street Rodders, holds a cruise-in here about once a month in town at a small area with several restaurants nearby. There were about 60 cars registered, including several that we hadn't seen before. We set up our chairs on a sidewalk under an overhang, which provided nice shade. We saw some cars that we had seen before, including some from the car display that morning at the swap meet. One really neat car was a black Avanti with a blower engine. Large GM cars were represented by a 59 Pontiac Bonneville and a 61 Buick convertible. There was the usual mix of Novas, Camaros, Mustangs, etc. and one lone Corvair. Several people stopped to reminisce about Corvairs in their past as well as to compliment the car. There was, of course, a selection of street rods and street machines and trucks. I also spotted a mid-engine Ferrari with a 400 horsepower V-8. The window sticker displayed with the car showed an MSRP of around \$156,000. The owner had gone to college at Fredonia. Small world. There was also a pair of early 50s Chevy convertibles, a yellow 51 and a red 53. An unusual combination was a Fox body Mustang sporting a big block Chevy engine. It was big and loud. By some quirk of fate, John's GT-350 and my Corsa each won a plaque. Probably felt sorry for us. Pictures on the website. Anyway, we had a good time, met some of the club members, and were invited to their meeting the following Monday. We attended the meeting on the 5th, met more nice people, and joined the club. Everyone was so friendly. Many people came up to us, introduced themselves and others, and welcomed us to the club. They seem to be a fun group. We have not yet joined a Corvair club, since the closest one holds its meetings 2+ hours away.

The good weather held on Saturday, the 10th, so we journeyed to the Lions Club show in Jefferson, taking both the Corvair and the Rambler. This turned out to be a fairly large show, hosting about 120 cars. The day was hot, but we found a shady spot to set up our chairs. Several members of the American Street Rodders were there showing their cars, so we chatted with them for a while. John and Ruby arrived in the Mustang, and later, Jody and Pam showed up sans his 65 Riviera, which is not quite ready for its debut. We checked out the cars, frequently ducking into the shade to cool off. There was the usual bunch of Tri-5 Chevys, Chevelles, Novas, Mustangs, Vettes, GTOs, etc., but there were also some rarely-seen vehicles, many of which I hadn't seen before. One to catch my eye was a green International pickup from the early 50s along with a yellow 50s Studebaker pickup. Two of our club members brought a pair of modified 35 Buicks, one a coupe and one a 4-door. A few interesting muscle cars were a Plum Crazy 68 Mopar, a Cobra replica, a real 68 Shelby 500KR, and a 60 Chevy with a 348 and 4-speed. A couple of oldies were a 1901 Olds replica, a stock Model T touring car, and interestingly, a Ford 8N "Red Belly" tractor. I talked to the owner of a three-owner 67 Chevy pickup with 42,000 original miles. One neat rod was a custom Studebaker pickup with a Hemi. The car I really liked was a 51 Henry J powered by a 331 Hemi with a pushbutton Torqueflite. We didn't register to be judged, so no trophies. We drove home and got in the pool to cool off. About 15 minutes later, the thunder started. Short swim. We had planned to attend the Maysville Cruise-in that evening, but I guess that the threatening weather (it wasn't raining) scared off most of the participants. I drove by and saw only 2 cars. Oh well, maybe next month. Check the photos.

# ACTIVITIES

Business meetings are held at Denny's Restaurant, 201 Lawrence Rd ( corner of Lawrence Rd and South Bay Rd ) in N Syracuse. The meeting will start at 7:00 but our waitress is available at 5:30 so you can have something to eat before the meeting if you'd like. Meetings are in the back room, we're given separate checks and if you have an AARP card you can get a 20% discount on your meal.

September 5th  
Business meeting Denny's

September 8th  
Wampsville car show. We'll meet at McDonald's in Canastota and caravan to the show so we can all park together. Leaving McD's at 9:30 so come before so you don't miss us.

September 22nd  
Jordan car show — Come early. If you've been there before you know it's almost impossible to "save" car spots because of the number of cars. Lots of entertainment, lots of cars and all the most delicious food you could ever want to sink your teeth into. Registration form was E mailed to everyone separately since the pre-reg date was short after receiving it. See you there!

October 3rd  
Business meeting Denny's

October 13th  
CNYCC Fall Tour. Still working on the route but we'll try to include the north country so our north bound members can maybe join us.

November 7th  
Business meeting Denny's

November 10th  
Our annual Corvair family Thanksgiving dinner at Tabatha's, Baldwinsville. Tabatha will open at 1:00 for us and we'll have our usual family style dinner with all the trimmings.

December  
No meeting or event — HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

January 2, 2014  
Regular business meeting, Denny's

January 5th  
After Christmas dinner. NEW LOCATION This year we're moving our dinner to Inn of the Seasons. We'll be able to order off the menu and they'll give us separate checks. More info to follow.

If you have any ideas please let us know. Everything is always subject to change. If there's subjects or projects you'd like covered at tech sessions, please let Tim know so we can plan that too. This all takes advance planning so please try to let us know early enough so we can make our events what you'd like.

Call Tim or Rita at 689-3366 or E mail Tim at N2VZD@aol.com or Rita at ritac44@aol.com



## Kitchen Corner

### Farmhouse Pork & Cabbage Sauté

4 bone in pork chops  
 ¾ tsp salt, divided  
 ¼ tsp pepper, divided  
 6 slices bacon, cooked & crumbled  
 ( reserve drippings )  
 1 onion, thinly sliced  
 1 ( 16oz ) pkg shredded coleslaw mix  
 2 golden delicious apples, cored & sliced  
 ¾ lb redskin potatoes, cubed  
 ¾ c cider  
 ¼ tsp dried thyme  
 1 Tbl cider vinegar

Sprinkle chops with ¼ tsp salt and 1/8 tsp pepper. Set aside. Heat bacon drippings over med-high heat. Cook chops about 8 mins or till golden. Remove chops. Add onion to pan. Cook until golden; gradually stir in coleslaw mix. Cook until wilted. Add apples, potatoes, cider, thyme and remaining salt & pepper. Bring to boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 15 to 20 mins or till potatoes are tender. Stir in vinegar; return chops to pan and heat thoroughly. Sprinkle with bacon.

### Quick Poppyseed Dinner Crescents

1 can crescent rolls  
 soft butter  
 grated cheese – your favorite type  
 poppy seeds  
 very finely minced onion  
 1 egg, beaten

Open dough & separate into triangles.  
 Spread with butter. Sprinkle with a little cheese,  
 A pinch of seeds and onion. Roll into crescents  
 And put on parchment paper. Brush with egg.  
 Top with a good sprinkle of seeds and bake as  
 Directed on package.

### Buckeye Brownies

1 ( 191/2oz ) pkg brownie mix  
 2 c powdered sugar  
 ½ c plus 6 Tbl butter, softened & divided  
 1 ( 8oz ) jar creamy peanut butter  
 1 ( 6oz ) pkg semi sweet chocolate chips  
 Prepare and bake brownies in greased 9 x 13  
 Baking pan. Let cool. Mix powdered sugar,  
 ½ c butter and peanut butter. Mix well and spread  
 over cooled brownies. Chill 1 hour. Melt together  
 chips and remaining butter in saucepan over low  
 heat. Spread over brownies. Let cool; cut into  
 squares



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## Secretary's Report

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013

Vice President Pete O'Kussick called the meeting to order at 7:05.

Secretary's report- motion made by Dave and seconded by Gloria to approve as printed in the fan. Motion approved.

Treasures report- Kevin stated that as of October a minimum of \$1,500.00 must be in the account at all times or the bank will charge a fee to the account. Kevin went down and put in \$500.00 of his own money to bring the account to that amount. The August picnic will bring the account balance way down again.

### Old Business- Recall

Dash Plaques/Trophies- Discussion was brought up about the fact that \$1,200.00 being spent on trophies was way to high and that maybe we should go back to just 24 trophies being given at Recall.

Mutual fund- motion was made by Nick and seconded by Barb to cash in the mutual fund and put those funds into the checking account. Dave added that in the future if things changed as far as things going back with money getting better for the club then the money could be put back into a mutual fund in the future. all were in favor. Motion passed.

50/50 Drawing at the August Picnic- everyone was in favor of a drawing at the August picnic.

### New Business

Nick will do research on plaques and cost.

Reminder for everyone about the upcoming BBQ Picnic on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Greenwood Park.

50/50 was drawn and the winner was Kevin Fear in the amount of \$20.00.

Dave made a motion and it was seconded by Tim that the 50/50 money stays in the club rather than being donated to a group until the club is in better financial shape. Motion was passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pete and seconded by Tim and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted.

Pam O'Kussick  
Secretary

Those attending the August meeting: Tim and Rita Colson, Nick and Jane Lombardo, Dave and Barb Robinson, Dick and Tina Gaffney, Dave McCarty, Pete and Pam OKussick, Kevin and Gloria Fear, Wayne Goppelt, Lew and Clara Halstead.



*Circa 1962. This Chevrolet Corvan is the first delivery truck the farm had to deliver its products to restaurants and stores. The business was much smaller at that time and we had three or four delivery routes each week. We called the customers on Monday to obtain their needs for the week.*

Forward control Corvairs were used for Work , and Fun.

< I found this black and white picture in a new book by Bob Bitz of Plainville Turkey Farm

The 65 Camper conversion is Betsy and Doug at a show this summer .>



### TIM'S TECH TIME AND RAMBLIN'S

HI THERE , it sure is hard to believe another month has gone by already!

This summer has flown by!. Most of it has been focused on a project that went way beyond what I expected. It has been a hard job for me , but so far everything I have done is looking good. I finally got to test drive it yesterday. It really runs good , but true to form , I found more that needs attention. Driving it , I found problems with braking , that I doubt will get better by driving it . This car sat a long time without being driven... The first real problem came up when I went to shift it (still in the air) and it did not feel right. It seems that the shift tube assembly had a bad weld on the steel "knob" that the floor shifter sets in. I think this has been that way a long time , because it had rust in the cracked area. So I repaired that , had tons of fun installing that mess back in the car alone , but got thru it ok. At least it runs great and shifts good .

We had a very nice time at the picnic at the Greenwood park in Lilse NY with Corvair people from down yonder. Good food , good group , and a great day weather wise. The truck is now broke in on the highway . It ran just fine on rte 81 at highway speeds (uphill and down). I still have several items to finish on it , but it drives good now. The body turned 175,000 miles today on our 125 mile ride. In spite of experts saying the 270 cam might be too much for the powerglide , so far I like everything but the mileage. It goes good , pulls better and is a joy to drive now. I am now looking for some of the old Carter Knock eliminator kits , complete or not ,to play with. It may be the final tweak I need, but they do not make them any more. If money was no object , I would attempt fuel injection conversions on all of my stuff. That would be a huge upgrade , especially for Forward Control vehicles , which are a different animal to work with. They are heavier , and have 14inch tires .

There are a few people calling in with recently acquired Corvairs asking for help and directions on repairs. This could mean new members for our club soon , you never know.

Latest in the new upcoming rules and regulations that will make a difference in our lives : Tire plugs will be illegal , and any small hole repairs will require tire teardown and patched from the inside. Reasoning is , several accidents ? Were caused by not seeing internal damage to sidewalls from running them too soft. Let the Government save our lives again.?

Looking forward to the Clark's show , and other last shows of this season. See you there?

**It is VERY important that you get E mail versions of my posts , or you WILL miss a lot of important information. Mainly show events and application blanks needed to put your cars in them, plus other newsletters from around the state and the country.** Also watch carefully for attachments , most show blanks are now PDF files.

We just can not mail all of this out.

We hope to see you all at the next event! Remember register early for car shows you are going to. Sometimes it gets you surprise benefits! .

Be sure to keep your eye on the club website <http://www.cnycorvair.com/CNYCorvair.php> Jim does a great job of keeping things interesting and up to date.

**PLEASE RESIST TEMPTATION TO "REPLY ALL " TO ANY OF MY POSTS! Thank you.**

Regards, May all your electrons and oil drops go where they are supposed to...Tim Colson

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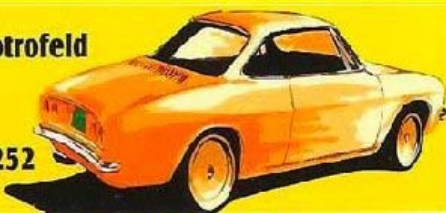
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## A FEW PICTURES FROM THE LILSE PICNIC



REMEMBER THAT I ALWAYS SAY , ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN ANY HOBBY , IS YOUR COLLECTION OF BOOKS AND INFORMATION. THEN COMES THE PROPER TOOLS TO DO THE JOB CORRECTLY.

OLD SAYING IN THE CAR WORLD (started with inspections ) “if you do not have time to do it right the first time , why bother?”

A 66 four door monza three speed for sale in Montrose PA....

Good to excellent shape...asking 6 g for it. call me and I'll give you directions. Nice guy..talked with him face to face for about 15 mins.

Darrell Varley darrell@dougmedia.com

John Check contacted me and asked if we could mention his car he has for sale in the fan. He has a 1964 Monza convertible 110 with a powerglide. It is yellow with a black top, the back window has a small tear in it. He states that the car is solid, has good floors. The paint job is good except for a few bubbles from past work. The interior is good, the car runs good and drives good and has good tires with factory hubcaps. He told me that he bought the car to sell so he does not have a lot of history to this car. He is asking \$5,000.00 and he is from Delaware. If anyone is interested, his # is 610-909-7873.

From Pete O”Kussic



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