

The Vair Fax



From the Editor

Well, it looks like after a long hiatus I am back as your newsletter editor, I can not thank David Clamp enough for doing it for so long. He even helped with this one since the conversion from Mac to Excel hasn't gone as I hoped it would. I have some great articles to add but it looks like it will be next month before I get them all in.

Thanks for your patience,
Clay

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SEPTEMBER 2017 MEETING - SEPTEMBER 16, 2017

The **September Meeting** meeting will be at the Indian Spring State Park in Flovilla, GA at shed 3 on September 16. See the events section for details.

There is no October Meeting due to Vairs at the Fair on October 6 & 7.

The **November Meeting** meeting will be at Ole Times Country Buffet in Warner Robins, GA at 11:30 am on November 11. The address is 1208 Russell Pkwy, Warner Robins GA.

**September meeting one week
later than normal on
September 16
at Indian Springs State Park,
Shed 3**

LOCAL CRUISE-INS**1st Saturday of the Month:**

**Peach Outlet Mall, I-75 exit 149,
Byron, GA**

Contact:

Marvin Shealy at 478-956-4144 or
Rick Goulding at 478-922-6383

**Sonic, Hwy 27 and Monroe St,
Tallahassee, FL**

Contact:

Rueben at 850-894-5815

2nd Saturday of the Month:

**Steak & Shake at 2999 Watson
Blvd in Warner Robins, GA**

Contact: Paul at 478-396-2622

3rd Saturday of the Month:

Dairy Queen in Thomasville, GA

Contact: Steve Gordon at 229-226-2266

**What-A-Burger at Appalachee
Parkway, Tallahassee, FL**

Contact: Rueben at 850-894-5815

4th Saturday of the Month:

**Smokin' Pig BBQ at Old Macon
Mall in Macon, GA**

Contact: Rick Goulding at 478-922-6383

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Emily Taylor - September 3

Terry (Howard) Pershey - September 6

Allen Miller - September 7

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**September 16, 2017**

September Joint Picnic: Corvair Atlanta and Heart of Georgia Corvair Clubs will hold their annual picnic at the Indian Springs State Park, 678 Lake Clark Rd, Flovilla, GA 30216. Clubs will furnish meat and guest will bring covered dish. Lunch will be served at noon. There will be a \$5.00 per auto admission fee. We will meet at Shed 3, More details as they become available. Contacts: Lillian Law 229 883 4123, cell 229 291 0567 lawjandl@aol.com or visit our web site www.georgiacorvairs.com or Al Hilderbrand 678 655 2553 or hilderbrandal@aol.com

From Atlanta: I-75 south to exit 205, turn left, 10 miles to Jackson. Take Hwy 42 south, 5 miles to the park.

From Macon: I-75 north to exit 188, turn left, 15 miles on Hwy 42 to the park.

Enter the park at the gate located at the bottom of the hill. Follow this road around to the stop sign, and turn right. Go about 1/4 mile and turn left on swimming area road. We are at shed # 3.

There is a fee to enter the park, \$5.00. This is required in any of the state parks.

October 6-7, 2017

Vairs at the Fair-Warner Robins, GA, sponsored by Heart of Georgia Corvairs. Friday night hospitality, Saturday we lead the parade into the Georgia National Fair and display our Corvairs. Saturday night dinner. Host Hotel is Quality Inn and Suites, 215 Margie Dr., Warner Robins, GA. More information at a later date. Contact Lillian Law at 229 883 4123 or lawjandl@aol.com.

December 2, 2017

Heart of Georgia Annual Christmas Party at James and Lillian Law's home. We plan to eat around 5:30 pm. RSVP by Nov 28 to Lillian Law at 229 883 4123, cell 229 291 0567 or lawjandl@aol.com.

April 27-28, 2018

"Springfest 2018" 34 years of Corvairs in Helen, Georgia, sponsored by Corvair Atlanta, Heart of Georgia, Queen City Corvair, and Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts. More details as they become available.

THE SWAP SHOP

FOR SALE: 1962 Corvair 4DR sedan. New ignition system, new carbs, new A/C compressor (installed, but not completely hooked to system). Good black interior seats, original tube radio works, almost new tires, good paint (Candy Apple) with just a few spots of surface rust under paint. In addition I have what I believe to be a complete engine for a 1960 Corvair, new pistons, cylinders, bearings, just is not put together, along with a transmission. I also have a complete engine for a 1963 (ran when pulled out). It has a new torque converter, new starter. Distributor is off of engine as well as carbs. I have the carbs as well as more parts for the 63 engine. Will sell every thing for \$2000 or best offer. Contact Steve Weigandt at triglidel941@yahoo.com

Updated 09/2014

FOR SALE: 1964 Monza convertible 4 speed car that I am not going to be able to complete restoration. It was running when I put it in storage. It is a 110 HP engine. Also have a 140 HP that I would like to go with the car. (needs to be rebuilt) This leaves me with a 1963 Spyder and a 1970 Chevelle SS that are giving me all that I can handle. The car is in storage in Eatonton, Ga. My number is (478) 968-0239. Contact Mack McCrary at mccrary0239@yahoo.com
Posted 05/2016

AUGUST MEETING MINUTES - DAVID CLAMP

We met on August 5 at the Ole Times Country Buffet. Those attending were Joe & Rhonda Gail Gleaton, James & Lillian Law, Billy & Wendy Price, Kevin Price, Chuck Smith, Shirley Smith, Clay Grant, Vernon Bryant, Tim Vossler, Paul Llewellyn, Chuck Wofford and his granddaughter Madeliene, Mike & Dale Niday, and David Clamp. Billy and Eleanor Bruce were going to be here, but their car broke down on the way to the meeting. Tye and Janet Howard could not make it because Tye's aunt is in the hospital.

Keith Burkingstock called and said he and Sharon had a accident July 29 on their Motorcycle. He was behind a car that had not given a signal. When he realized it was stopping it was too late. A big embankment was on the left so he swerved to the right striking the side of the cars bumper but another car hit them. They were thrown into the air overturning more than one time according to witnesses. They were wearing their full riding gear that surely protected them. They were taken to Grady Hospital. Keith sustained a large contusion on his leg and a cut hand and of course other bruises, did not have broken bones, was released earlier. Sharon has 5 broken ribs and a bruised lung and many other bruises. She was released today Wednesday, came home with a walker and is able to move around. Broken ribs are very painful. They realize they are lucky to be alive and so thankful it was not worse. Motorcycle was destroyed I believe. Please keep them in your prayers and let others know that care for Keith and Sharon.

David and Heidi are moving moving to Oklahoma. Heidi is already there and David is awaiting his job transfer to Tinker AFB. The club purchased and designed a very nice award for them as a parting gift.

Clay Grant has graciously volunteered to take over the newsletter. Please help him and send him Corvair related articles and pictures for the newsletter.

The Club has decided to purchase the "feather flag" for display at car shows and other events.



Al and Paula Hilderbrand are moving to Ohio soon. The fair plans are in place and it should be another good year, and hotels are already being contacted for Springfest 2018.

Dean will take pictures at Springfest this year in the event that David cannot make it.

The September meeting will be one week later than normal on September 16 in Forsyth. This year we will be at shed #3. We'll be having a picnic with Corvair Atlanta.

Christmas party will be at James and Lillian Law's home on December 2, 2017.

From David and Heidi: I sent Heidi a picture of the award you gave us and she thought it was awesome. We will miss all of you because Heart of Georgia is more than a car club, it is an extended family. It seems really strange knowing I won't be attending our monthly meetings anymore, something I have done for 16 years.

While we embark on a new chapter in our lives out in Oklahoma, you will forever be in our hearts. I hope we can attend some shows such as Springfest or the Hilton Head Concours in the future with the club. I will continue to send out the newsletters I receive from other clubs so you know what is going on in other clubs around the country. I won't say goodbye, but I will say take care until we see you again.

GOOD WEEKEND for SHOWING and TELLING” CHOO CHOO SHOW August 11-12, 2017

Quoting Dean Gmberling “It was a good weekend for Showing and Telling”.

Several Heart of Georgia Corvair Club members attended the Choo Choo Show held each year at the Choo Choo Hotel in Chattanooga, TN. The Friday activity was a drive through the city down to the River Park. Chattanooga has an interesting down town with many shops and restaurants. A picnic had been planned in the park. Due to the uncertain weather, we had the picnic in the hospitality room.

Several of our group caught the shuttle down town Friday night for the free concert in the park.

Saturday the People’s Choice display is in the Rose Garden. This is a very lovely place to display the Corvairs. The covered paved areas provide shade for the show.



The weather co-operated and the sun shined for the show. It was a fun time visiting with our Corvair friends from Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and South Carolina, making new friends and looking at the interesting Corvairs.

Russ Thuleen brought the 3-cylinder Corvair engine that Heart of Georgia purchased earlier in the year from Ken Arnold. It drew a lot of attention. Russ started it up several times for the attendees.



Kelly Cooper hosted a Wine and Cheese Party for the Ladies Saturday afternoon. The ladies enjoyed the refreshments, Kelly's knowledge of wine and making new friends

The awards banquet began with Richard Payne in uniform presenting the Nation's Colors. Travis Lowery lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Richard recognized our veterans and thanked them for their service.

The food at the banquet was very good for Hotel food and the service was excellent. Plaques were given to the People's Choice winners. Kelly Cooper made photos of the Corvairs for the awards. Kelly had also prepared



Notes from the convention by Billy Bruce



On to Independence, Mo. In Sara Van-Our 1963 Greenbrier Deluxe with Front and Rear Air Conditioning

By: Billy Bruce-Heart of Georgia Corvairs

As typical I spent about a week getting our van ready for the 850 mile trip from our home in Tyrone, Ga. to Independence, Mo. In fact, I spent 10 hours on my 82nd birthday working on the Van. Apparently, it payed off since we had no real problems during the 1800 total miles. {1700 miles round trip plus 100 miles running around at the Convention} I had put on a new fan belt so I had to adjust it a couple of times plus added one quart of oil. Not too bad for a 55 year old vehicle.

To regress here a little; I guess we go through stages in this hobby; At one time we had a couple of pretty good show cars [my red 64 Spyder Convertible and my wife's 66 Monza Green Convertible] which I spent weeks getting them prepared for CORSA Conventions and always hauled them in enclosed trailers. I have out grown all of that and now there is nothing like driving your Corvaire to Conventions which I have for the last twelve years or so with my 63 Greenbrier, 63 & 64 Rampsides and my wife's 64 Monza convertible. The thumbs up, picture taking and waving, this year a first for us. On the way home just East of St Louis ,a lake shore line ran parallel with I 64 and a large group of July 4th revelers in Ski Boats, Jet Ski's, pontoons, swimming, and partying went crazy waving, yelling and jumping up and down in the water.

Back to the story; My dear wife Eleanor and I along with good friends Mike and Dee Dee Gassmann [their first convention] in their very nice 65 Monza Convertible with 140 HP engine left home at 7:00 am Saturday morning for the Convention. We always like to get to Conventions on Sunday before the Convention starts. I have to regress a little here again and tell you a little about Mike & Dee Dee. I first met them at our April 2016 SpringFest, Helen, Ga. Show which has become one of the largest Shows in the Southeast. He told me he had just purchased a 68 Monza and this was his first show with the car. I asked him if this was his only Corvair and when he said yes; I told him "Mike you can't just have one Corvair". He recently purchased his third, a 61 Rampside and is now one of the newest members of Corvanatics. He is now hooked.

This is a two day trip for us and our over night stop was at a Holiday Inn Express in Paducah, Ky. Of course we got the usual conversations about "we use to have a Corvair" as we were registering and unpacking at the hotel. The young folks want to know "what kind a car is that?" After a couple of adult beverages [if you know me, you know I will drink a beer now and then] and dinner we retired for the evening.

We were up and on the road again at 7:00 am for the remaining 400 miles which was uneventful. At one of our pit stops [you know the sound- Honey I have to use the rest room] on I 64 between St Louis and Independence was a small country Restaurant in the middle of no where called MARENE'S- only place open. Inside the Restaurant was a small excellent museum that was owned by a true Ford buff with a Model A plus much more. My wife asked me if I saw the Corvair Rampside Camper model which I had not. Sure enough, the green Structo camper we are use to seeing. Buddy Mike examined it pretty close and discovered they had put a Rampside Camper on a Ford Econoline, go figure. Anyway, we made it to Independence around 3:30 pm and checked in at the Holiday Inn Express. Our reservation didn't start at host hotel until Monday.

I won't go into details about the Convention other than to say the folks from Heart of America Corvair Owners Association did an outstanding job putting on one of very best Conventions we have been to. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. I did experience a first which I wish I could have recorded. I mentioned in the heading of this article that our van has front and rear air conditioning. My dear wife would not let me turn it on during our 850 miles to Independence. On our way back to the hotel from the AutoCross I heard a quite voice from the back seat (Mike & I were up front) say "Honey could you please turn on the air". I did turn it on again just north of Atlanta on our way home but when I saw wife reaching for her coat, air off and vents open which I am use to after 60 years married to this dear women who puts up with my Corvair foolishness. Our 850 mile trip back home was uneventful and we are looking forward to Pittsburgh in 2018. I promised my dear wife we would drive her Green 66 Monza Convertible (Flagstaff Mitchell Award Winner) to the convention which has a total of 120 miles on it since it was restored in 2002. We did have it at a local Cruise-In last weekend (which was the first time she has driven it) and won "Best of Show" out of about 90 very nice vehicles.

One foot note for future Conventions "Please do not schedule them when you have to drive home on the 4th of July

The Heart of Georgia Corvair Club presents the 28th annual Dixie Corvair Classic Vairs at the Fair (October 6-7, 2017)

Schedule

Friday

Registration and Swap Meet 12:00pm – 7:00 pm
 Hospitality 6:30pm – 8:30 pm

Saturday

Coffee and doughnuts 6:30am – 7:45am
 Leave Motel 8:00am
 Meet in parking lot on Hwy 41 8:30am
 Leave for Parade 8:40am
 Line up for Parade 9:00am
 Parade Starts 10:00am
 Leave Fair* 3:00pm or 5:00pm
 Bar-B-Q dinner 7:00pm
 (door prizes following)

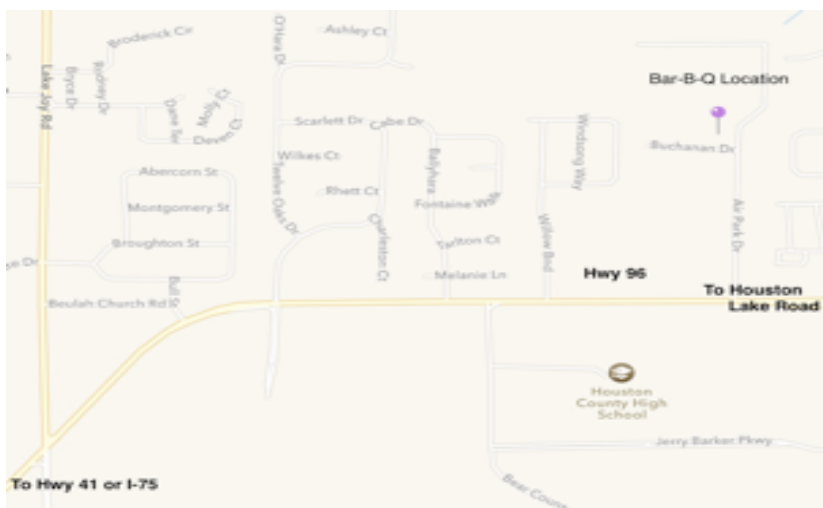
*Note: We must exit fair in a group through designated route.

From Hotel:

Margie Dr. south 0.4 miles, turn left on Smithville Church Rd
 Go 0.8 miles on Smithville Church to Houston Lake Rd
 Turn right and take Houston Lake Road for 4 miles
 Turn right on Hwy 96
 Go 0.6 miles on Hwy 96, turn right onto Air Park Drive

From Fair:

Take Hwy 41 7.7 miles north to Hwy 96 and turn right on Hwy 96
 Take Hwy 96 east 3.4 miles and make a U-turn, then go 0.1 miles and turn right onto Air Park Drive.



Dixie Corvair Classic / Vairs at the Fair

Registration Form / Entry Application October 6-7, 2017

Name _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Club Affiliation _____

Registration Fee (each adult \$12.00) _____

Please choose your preference, Turkey _____ Pork _____ Bar-B-Q Dinner

\$15.00 each adult _____

(\$8.00 under 12) _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Will you be participating in the parade and displaying your car at the Fair this year? Yes _____ No _____

Car you will drive in Parade _____

In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate; entrants, participants, and spectators, by execution of the entry form, release and discharge Heart of Georgia Corvair and the Quality Inn & Suites, their officers and employees, agents, representatives, and anyone else connected with management or presentation of the Dixie Corvair Classic of any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant to his/her person or property.

Signature: _____

Mail forms / checks made to: Heart of Georgia Corvair Club

Lillian Law
163 Laurelbrook Drive
Leesburg GA 31763

Heart of Georgia Corvairs

presents its 28th Annual
Dixie Corvair Classic
Vairs at the Fair

October 6-7 2017
In Perry, GA

Friday Night Southern Hospitality Party

Friday Swap Meet in the hotel parking lot

Saturday Parade and Display at the Georgia National Fair

Saturday Night Bar-B-Q Dinner, Raffle, 50/50.
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Host Motel is the much improved Quality Inn & Suites located at
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Phone 478-953-6866 for reservations.

Ask for Corvair Room rate of \$65.00 per night, or \$75.00 per night
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