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From the Editor

Hello everyone,

I hope everyone is enjoying a little cooler weather. It has finally arrived, just like this month's newsletter, a little late. LOL. Hope you can make the meeting Saturday in Warner Robins.

Clay

NOVEMBER 2019 MEETING

**Our November Meeting is Saturday the 9th.
Old Times Country Buffet, Warner Robins, GA
Meeting time is 11:30**

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:

**Ole Times County Buffet at Old
Macon Mall in Macon, GA**

Contact: Rick Goulding at 478-922-6383

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Please send me your birthday so I can update the list



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Upcoming Events

Heart of GA Christmas Party –December 7th
At the home of Lillian Law

Springfest Planning meeting January 11th
Details to come next month

Corvair National Convention- July 12 thru July 16, 2021
More details to come

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 triglide1941@yahoo.com

FOR SALE 1965 Monza sedan for sale. Blue exterior and white interior. This car was restored in 2004 and won its class at that year's Springfest. It has the 110 hp motor, powerglide, Clark's interior, dual exhaust, electronic ignition, high-output alternator, wire wheel covers, good tires, two new spare tires, Clarks's lower control arm bracket. Pictures can be seen on Craigslist- Savannah, GA(search Corvairs). The car is located in Glennville, GA(about 60 miles west of Savannah). Please contact Dennis Stanfield at dbscpa@windstream.net. phone number 912-654-3496(work) or 912-654-9594(home).

FOR SALE: For sale. 1963 conv. Light green, blue int, new white top. 110/auto new tires,brakes,shocks.bbRuns and drives good. Asking \$3500
Contact Wallace Clark 770 926 8735. Posted 05/19

For Sale: 1965 Monza Coupe, 140 engine, automatic transmission, does not run, complete car. Located in Watkinsville, Ga. David Gueth 706 614 6333, davidgueth@rocketmail.com. Pictures available, make an offer.. **Posted 11/27**

From Lillian:

BUSY OCTOBER: October has been filled with Corvair activities.

“Vairs at the Fair” was the first event. We welcomed old friends and a few new ones to our event. Attendance was off a little bit for various reasons. We had 56 Friday night, 58 Saturday night and 22 Corvairs in the Parade. No rain but it sure was hot.

Thanks to everyone that attended and a special thanks to everyone that helped with this successful event.

This was the first time in several years that I have been able to attend the event in Maggie Valley. I did not drive a Corvair but enjoyed riding with Billy and Eleanor Bruce. I go more to see my many Corvair Friends than for the Corvairs. The event was well attended, and all seemed to enjoy. The weather was a little cooler than it was for “Vairs at the Fair”. Nature played a trick on us and we missed out on any Beautiful Fall foliage colors.

Central Florida brought their event back to St. Augustine this year. I drove down on Friday, not in a Corvair for the event. Events included People’s Choice, Valve Cover Races and a nice Rally. Again, we were able to enjoy the band on Saturday night. Everyone seemed excited that the 2021 Corsa Convention would be in the South again. Many attendees said they planned to attend, and several offered their help if needed.

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We welcome new members to Heart of Georgia Corvair Club. Tony and Patti Ellison, Richard Gaffney and David Iwaniciki.

I will be adding their contact information to our roster.

Note: MARK YOUR CALENDAR

“Vairs at the Fair” will be October 9 and 10 in 2020. This will conflict with the Maggie Valley event.

You are invited to my home for the Christmas Party December 7.

Clay and Victoria Grant will host the Springfest Planning Meeting January 11, 2020.

Springfest 2020 is April 24-25,2020. Clark has confirmed that they will be attending to take orders and offer discounts.

Corsa Convention will be in Peachtree City, GA, dates are July 12-16, 2021.

Dues are due in January for 2020. New members do not need to pay again.

From the White House- Well I lived in a white house.....
From the Prez..... Chuck Smith

Hello, everyone! I hope all are doing well. Hard to believe, but the next meeting will be the last regular meeting of 2019. Time flies, whether you are having fun or not.

Speaking of having fun, 'Vairs at the Fair was a blast this year. We had some first time attendees, and everybody seemed to have a good time. Yes, it was hot, but there was a good breeze blowing, and some cloud cover occasionally. There were 23 Corvairs in the Grand Opening Parade and displayed inside the fair. As usual, there were many fine compliments about our Corvairs, and some stories told by the passersby, about how they or someone they knew having owned one. And of course, so called "experts", showing just how little they knew about Corvairs!

The weekend after the fair was the Maggie Valley event, in North Carolina. This is a laid back, relaxing get together. No judging, just people's choice voting at the actual show on Saturday. Attending the event from our club were Lillian Law, Billy and Eleanor Bruce, Shirley Smith, and Chuck Smith, Dean Gemberling, Tony and Patti Ellison and our newest members, David Iwanicki and Richard Gaffney. Billy brought home an award, for his '63 Greenbrier and Dean for his 1963 Rampside. David and Richard joined our club after the Maggie Valley event.

On Friday evening, the Maggie Valley Police Dept. escorts a parade of Corvairs up the highway through town, to a huge parking area, where the cars are staged for pictures. There were close to 60 Corvairs in the parade and gathered at the parking area. No way to get all of them in one shot!

Please don't forget the Christmas Party in December, at the home of Lillian Law. If you have never been, or haven't been in a while, please come and enjoy some good food, fellowship, and family time together. Also, club elections (ha ha) are held then. Be aware, if someone else would like to be president next year, I will save the time and trouble of impeachment proceedings; anybody is welcome to take a turn!

Hope to see you at the meeting in November,
Keep them 'Vairs on the road,
and do something nice for somebody.

Chuck

Here is some trivia, for the year 1966.

Mississippi was the last state to repeal prohibition on alcoholic beverages.

Top song was "I'm a Believer", The Monkees

Some of the top movies were: Hawaii, Sand Pebbles, and The Bible: In the Beginning

World population was 3,401,000,000

The dance, the "Batusi", was made famous by Adam West, who played Batman on TV.

World Series winner-Baltimore Orioles

NFL Champion-Green Bay Packers

AFL Champion-Kansas City Chiefs

NBA Champion-Boston Celtics

NHL Champions-Montreal Canadiens

Time Man of the Year for 1966, The Generation under 25, the Baby Boomers

Miss America-Deborah Bryant, Kansas

Miss USA- Maria Remenyi, California

Notable quotes- "Beam me up, Scotty", William Shatner as Capt. Kirk, Star Trek-" Have it your way", Burger King", " Fly the friendly skies", United Airlines.

Astro Turf was first used in 1966, at the Houston Astrodome

Desktop calculator cost almost \$1000.00

The 8-track tape player was a new-fangled option on many Ford cars

TOP TEN TV SHOWS

1- Bonanza,NBC

2- The Red Skelton Show,CBS

3-The Andy Griffith Show,CBS

4- The Lucy Show,CBS

5-The Jackie Gleason Show,CBS

6-Green Acres,CBS

7-Daktari,CBS

8-Bewitched,ABC

9-The Beverly Hillbillies,CBS

10-Gomer Pyle, U.S.M.C. CBS

My first experience with Corvairs – Joe Gleaton

Sometime around 1967/1968 my dad had a Corvair van. No side windows or seats. The shifter had so much slack in it that you just pushed or pulled the lever in the general direction of the desired gear, eased out on the clutch and hoped for the best. Rhonda Gail and I went to a movie in it and had a great time. I think there was a movie. Sometime later my Dad and his friend Jack Daniels were riding together. I don't know which one of them was behind the wheel, but they had a misunderstanding with a ditch and a power pole. Caved in the right side up near the roof. My Dad was a resourceful man, took the torch, cut the roof and we had the world ugliest Rampside. I don't remember the final disposal of that fine vehicle.

My second experience was in 1972. My workplace did not have maternity insurance coverage. When Rhonda Gail became pregnant, we needed money to cover the hospital and doctor. I went to the auto auction and bought Corvair cars to use the engine and transmission to make dune buggies. Paid \$165.00 each for a couple of them. Everyone else was using VW's so mine were much faster but the heavy engine made the front end too light. When you tried to turn quickly the front wheels just slid and you didn't turn. Solution to the problem, fill the front tires with water. Worked great off road but at about 50 MPH the water would throw the wheel out of balance to the point they would start jumping off the ground. Sold several of them to pay the bills. The day before Rhonda delivered our first-born son, she was popping wheelies and running up and down our street on the rear wheels.

I did not own another Corvair until about 12-14 years ago. A friend told me about Irv Brock who was head ranger at Ocmulgee Mounds in Macon. I think Irv was at least a member on paper in Heart of GA. He had bought 6 Corvairs from a man in Alabama. This included the 1964 Convertible I still have. He told me about Heart of GA. I went to a meeting in Perry, met James & Lillian and the other members. We have enjoyed many, many great times with ya'll. Thanks For the memories

Joe Gleaton



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