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**From the Editor**

Hello everyone,  
 Well it's that time. Springfest is here this month. I hope everyone can make it. Pictured above is Mrs. Shirley Smith's car. I had the pleasure of fixing it, having it detailed, then driving it around a few days last month. It brought back old memories of driving my Uncle Toms's 65 to shows all over the southeast in the late 90's and early 2000's. I have attached a blast from the past picture of that car from the Corvair Lovers Holiday back when it was at the Holiday Inn in Navarre, FL. I believe this was in 2000 or 2001. Hope to see everyone in Helen, I am steadily working on getting the trailer packed with cooking equipment.

Clay

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**April Meeting**  
**There will not be an April meeting**  
**Due to Springfest in Helen this month**  
**Hope to see you there!**

**Upcoming events**

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April 25-26, 2025 Springfest Helen, GA

**Local area cruise ins**

Cars Cruzin and Coffee  
8:30am 1st Saturday of each month  
5915 Zebulon Rd Macon GA

**Our 52<sup>st</sup> Year!**

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Support the club by buying apparel such as t-shirts & hats as well as coffee mugs and other merchandise imprinted with the official Heart of Georgia Corvairs logo.

100% of the royalties from every sale of merchandise imprinted with the club logo will be donated to the club.

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## **VAIRY COOL GRAPHICS IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS**

Dean and Judi Gemberling proudly announce that their new online merchandise store is open for business. Like many of you, we were frustrated with the hit-or-miss quality of t-shirts as well as the lack of fresh Corvair designs. After much prayer, time and effort, we started Vairy Cool Graphics. We encourage you to browse the neat Corvair designs that can be imprinted on a nice selection of apparel and merchandise such as coffee mugs, mouse pads, magnets and much more. As we continue to add more designs, if you have an idea for one, then please share your thoughts with us. Click the link or scan the QR code below to get started.

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**From The Prez-**

Hi guys and gals, it has been March Madness all month, oh wait a minute, that's basketball, but on that note, the SEC has been doing well. But seriously, we had another good meeting in March, at Lane's Southern Orchard, with 2 Corvairs, our Ramp and Lonnie Lewis's convertible in attendance. I explained the changes for Springfest and showed our tee shirts so they could actually be seen and touched, not just a picture. Joan Law discussed how the online registrations are going. At the time of this writing we have 90 preregistrations. Don't forget, Clark's is giving a 10% discount and we have a special goody bag for Preregistrations ONLY! We will not have an April meeting because of Springfest. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Springfest, so get those registrations in. Also, HEY it's SPRING, so let's get those Corvairs out on the road, go to car shows, but gettem out and drive'em

**March 2025 minutes**

Meeting called order at 12:30 pm by Club President  
Chris Law  
12 members and 1 guest present  
Springfest T-shirt was shown. Have to order yourself.  
Choice of colors. Link to order is on registration form.  
Event dash plaques were shown. They are round this year.  
Chris and Joan's State Farm agent is providing the goody  
bags  
Early registration cut-off is Monday, April 21st  
61 registrations as of this meeting  
Going to publicize, contrary to rumors, that  
Springfest 2025 is still on  
Saturday night meal will be spaghetti  
Report on Corvair Lovers Holiday was given  
22 Corvairs were there  
Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm

Respectfully submitted  
Chuck Smith

## Blast from the Past

### Tom Mays' (my uncle) 65 (the red one) at the Corvair Lovers Holiday in 2000 or 2001



## Cruise-in and Car Show by Chris Law

Joan and I decided to try out another weekend car show that we had not attended before, the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Cumberland Mountain Cruise-in and Car Show at Cumberland Mountain State Park in Crossville Tn. It is put on by 3 clubs, Knoxville Area CC, Music City CC from Nashville, and Choo Choo CC from Chattanooga. On Wed. 3/20 I was looking forward to just packing the Ramp, with no cleanup preparation, but I got a surprise when it was uncovered, it was COVERED in water spots. After our last trip, I washed it with car wash/wax and let it air dry in the garage for a day, then put the cover on it so it would stay clean. BAD move, it took about 5 hrs. of hard work to polish all the spots from the whole truck, so by the time I finished, it meant a late night packing so we could leave at 7:30am on Thursday. We started our journey bright shiny and DRY, but that didn't last very long, as it started raining and continued on and off pretty much all the way to the park. When we arrived at the Park, sitting discussing where our cabin was located, I told Joan GOOD NEWS, the misting rain had stopped, BUT it had started SNOWING, yep,

snowing. A short time later, we found our cabin and got unloaded, yes it was still snowing. We found out David Iwanicki was our next door neighbor, and while talking to him (in the snow), Richard and Robin Payne said let's go to dinner, they picked up Jim Frese and off we went to the Beef & Barrel restaurant, the food and service were both good. When Joan & I left, we went to the local Walmart to get a few things, I was a hoody sweatshirt for me ( I was very cold and put it on before I left the store), then we went to get gas. We had bought gas on the way up and started having a spitting, sputtering problem, so I thought more gas and a can of Seafoam might clear it up.

Friday morning we went to the Rec Hall early for some coffee, doughnuts and a fireplace for Joan, get the Ramp parked and clean up, again. Did I mention we drove in the rain all day Thursday? I will say it wasn't as hard as cleaning the spots. After a little while of cleaning and a lot of talking we got lined up for our 1<sup>st</sup> event, a tour and tasting at the Stonehaus Winery. As most of you know I am a beer, not wine drinker, but agreed to go anyway. It was very interesting tour then headed into the tasting room, where they had selected 7 wines and some mulled wine( a hot drink ), then we went to their bar, where we could pick 3 wines of our own choice and 2 frozen slush wines to taste. I found a few that I could sip, and Joan found a lot, as she really likes wine. Not very long after returning to the Rec Hall, it was time to line up for our Police escorted caravan to Ruby Tuesday in Crossville for dinner, everyone was pulling to the side of the road like it was a funeral.

Saturday morning, it was early down to the Rec Hall for coffee and doughnuts then get the vehicles lined up for oohs and ahhs. At 10:00 the men had a very interesting Tech Session headed up by Richard Payne that covered a variety of topics. The ladies meanwhile were engaged in a Craft Making Session. After lunch, the ladies had Bingo and the men were still showing and talking. A little while later Darrell Varley headed up Corvair Games, one I had not heard of and decided to try was Corvair hub cap tossing. Joan scored 1 point and I scored "0" points. At 3:00 there was a Powder Puff Tech Session for the ladies put on by Richard Payne. I went with Joan and thought he did a great job letting them know the many thing to check on a Corvair to get ready to travel. At 6:30pm it was PIZZA TIME! After dinner was the presentation Program, where Joan and I received the Long Distance Award, a Clark's Gift Certificate for 434 miles in the Ramp 1 way. Darrell Varley Gave out his Games awards, which was a lot of fun and then last but not least the 50/50 drawing, that I didn't win. Afterward we went back to the cabin and packed up for the trip home.



Sunday morning, we went to the Park office and booked our cabin for next year. Then, clear and sunny (and dry ) we headed home. The Ramp ran good and had no problems getting home. Joan and I had a great time, there was plenty to do, in a laid-back sort of way. Hats off to the 3 clubs volunteers(no pun intended),for all their hard work making the weekend a success. For anyone who has not been to this weekend “event”, I would encourage you to try it, you might just like it!





