



The Vair Fax



From the Editor

I was hoping to drive my Corvair to the September meeting but Murphy's Law was in effect in my garage. I took a day off of work to finish the car but when torquing the head down, I had an upper stud pull out at 20 lb-ft of torque...well short of the 35 lb-ft spec. So, I'll order a long heli-coil insert and top cover gaskets and fix the threads and then I should be ready for Vairs at the Fair and also the November Jamboree in Hilton Head.

Remember, our September meeting is our last before we lead the parade into the fair! We hope to see you there.

If you have anything to submit for the newsletter, please email it to 66corsa@cox.net, or mail it to:

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 212 Old Bridge Road
 Warner Robins, GA 31088



Member News

Raymond Paul lost his mother Barbara in August. Please keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Eleanor Bruce had knee replacement surgery on her right knee and all went well.

Al Hilderbrand has had cataract surgery and is doing well.

Betty Collier has broken a bone in her foot and will be taking careful steps for a while. She is in a brace and has gone back to work. I

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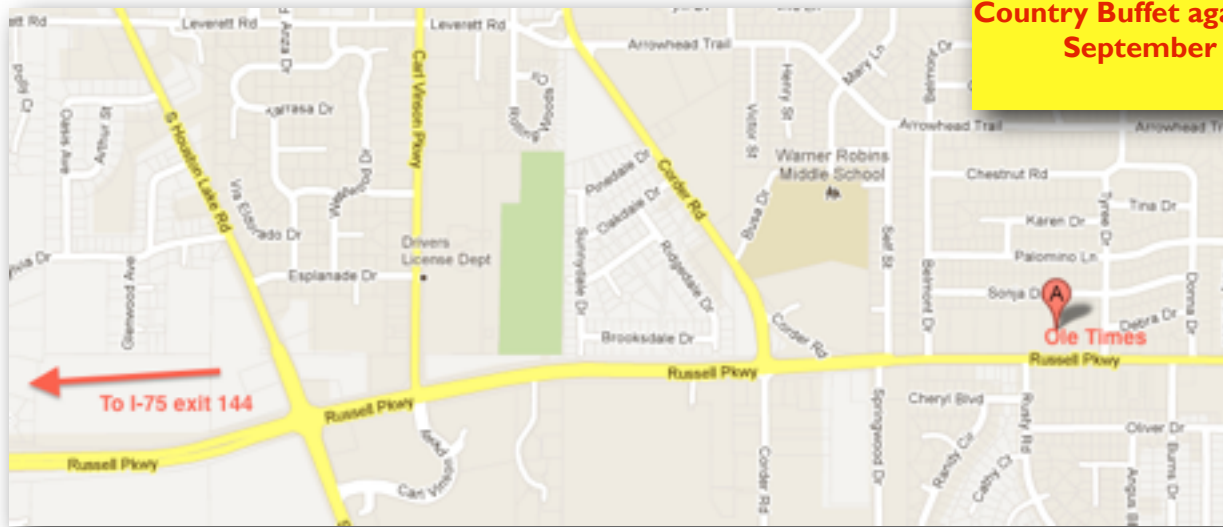
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SEPTEMBER 2012 MEETING - SEPTEMBER 8

Our September meeting will be at our NEW location in Warner Robins, GA at the Ole Times Country Buffet. Come by and say hello and enjoy a good lunch with your fellow Corvaair enthusiasts.

Meeting time is around 12:30, but show up early to load up a plate from the buffet.

We're at Ole Times Country Buffet again for September



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Emily Taylor - September 3
- Terry (Howard) Pershey - September 6
- Arnold Wallace - September 21



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UPCOMING EVENTS AND SHOWS



October 5-6, 2012

Vairs at the Fair in Perry, GA hosted by the Heart of Georgia Corvair Club. Friday Night Southern Hospitality Party, Friday Swap Meet in the hotel parking lot, Saturday Parade and Display at the Georgia National Fair, Saturday Night BBQ Dinner, Raffle, 50/50. No judging, just good fun with Corvair people. Host hotel is the Ramada 2024 Watson Blvd., Warner Robins, Ga. Phone 478-923-8871 for reservations. Room rates: \$55.00 upstairs, \$60.00 downstairs. Reservations need to be made by September 15, 2012.

Contact: Lillian Law (Show Chairperson) at 229-291-0567 or 229-883-4123 or email at lawjandl@aol.com

November 3-4, 2012

Car Club Jamboree at Hilton Head Island Motoring Festival & Concours d'Elegance. 8 of our cars will be presented. Host hotel: Holiday Inn Express, 35 Bluffton Rd., Bluffton, SC 29910, Phone 843 757 2002 or 866 757 2002. Room rates King room \$79.95, 2 Queen beds \$84.95, King or two Queen Suite \$89.95, taxes of 11% will be added, all rooms are non smoking. Ask for Group Code CLG Corvair Club-Heart of Georgia. Rate good until October 2, 2012, must cancel 24 hours in advance to avoid room charge.

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

Long John Silver's, 1805 North Slappey Blvd, Albany, GA

Contact:

Bruce Garey at 229-439-0546

Sonic, Hwy 27 and Monroe St, Tallahassee, FL

Contact:

Rueben at 850-894-5815

2nd Saturday of the Month:

What-A-Burger at 1101 Thomasville Rd, Tallahassee, FL

Contact:

Rueben at 850-894-5815

Steak and Shake, 2999 Watson Blvd, Warner Robins, GA

Contact:

roadrebels.org or 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

Austin's Firegrill & Oyster Bar, 2817 Old Dawson Rd, Albany, GA

Contact:

Bruce Garey at 229-439-0546

THE SWAP SHOP



For Sale: 1965 Monza 4 door, Factory A/C, 110 hp. Powerglide trans 15000 miles since complete restoration 1991, Interior like new, Has some rust in LH door \$4500.00 OBO

Contact Clay Grant, Email Clay.Grant@aimovers.com

Phone 478-973-3499

Posted 03/2012



For Sale: 1964 Spyder convertible. Turbo has been taken out and auto transmission put in. Still have Turbo and all parts. Four new tires. Manual top. No dents. Glass good. Interior excellent. Have repaired some rust spots. Will sell for what I paid for it, \$3000. Also have a ramp for sale, \$800.

Contact Arnold Wallace, Email corvair65@windstream.net

Phone 229-896-3810

Posted 03/2012

AUGUST MEETING MINUTES - HEIDI CLAMP

Chuck Smith welcomed everyone to the new meeting place, Old Time Country Buffet, on Russell Parkway in Warner Robins. Those in attendance were Chuck Smith, Shirley Smith, Tim Vossler, Josh and Jenifer Creel, James and Lillian Law, Vernon Bryant, Clay Grant, Joan and Tommy Couch, Janet Howard, Chuck Wofford, John and Doris Eakes, and Bill Trigg.

Folks had a great time at the Corvairst Convention in Massachusetts. They actually stopped counting on Saturday at 184 cars. About the only thing they didn't see there was a Loadside. Those who attended were very impressed with the show that was put on. There was a huge parking lot for display. They even had 2 races. A slow drag race and a back seat driver where they blindfolded the person really driving. Boy, talk about working through one's trust issues. Ha-Ha. James and Lillian received the "Most Traveled" award at the convention.

We have a busy schedule coming up. Monthly meeting in Warner Robins in September, Vairs at the Fair in October, and Hilton Head in November, Christmas Gathering in December.

For the Vairs at the Fair, Lillian had been trying to convince the Ramada Hotel owners on Watson Blvd to start accepting reservations but he hasn't fully caught on to the concept just yet. So for this year, continue to let Lillian know what kind of room you want and she will call it in. To date, the parade seems to be alright with throwing candy out to the children again like the previous couple of years but we need to be sure to get it to the kids and not have them running into the street. Maybe that little boy that I hit last year will remember me this year and bring a face mask. Ha-Ha. In addition, there are no registration dues at the Vairs at the Fair for the Friday night dinner if you bring a covered dish!

We look forward to seeing you!



RAMPSIDE DAMAGED - LILLIAN LAW

Having been invited to enter our 1963 Rampside in the "Keeneland Concours d'Elegance" in Lexington, KY, we started our journey early July 18. We usually travel a lot of back roads and enjoy our beautiful countryside. However, we were on I 75 north of Knoxville just north of Clinton, TN. It had been a beautiful day with a little rain to keep it cool and traffic had moved well. James was driving in the right lane of three lanes of traffic around 70 mph when all of a sudden we saw a piece of metal coming across the two inside lanes of traffic heading straight for us with no time or way to miss it. We hit it with our right front tire. The metal flipped up and knocked a hole in the side of the tire and then hit the body just in front of the rear tire, taking off an area of paint. James was able to steer the truck to the side without being hit or hitting any one

Before we left home James had installed disc brakes on the front of the truck, these call for 15-inch wheels. This little fact slipped his mind and to his surprise when road service arrived the spare would not fit. In the meantime an officer stopped to check out our problem. I had walked back down the road to see if I could find the "Beauty Ring" that was knocked off. A second trooper arrived to check out the "elderly lady" walking down the side of the road. He repeated "elderly lady" twice. We had called AAA and the tow truck arrived in less than an hour. By the time we discovered we would have to have a new tire it was late in the afternoon. The solution that the tow driver and the trooper came up with would be load the truck on the rollback and take us to the motel at the exit we had just passed, (assuring us that we did not want to stay at the next exit) to spend the night. I got to ride in the cop car but he would not let me blow the Siren.

The next morning the tow truck came to the motel loaded the truck back on the rollback and carried us to a tire store. The trooper came by to check on us while we were waiting for the tow truck the next morning. The tire store did not have the tire we needed. After making a few calls someone was dispatched to pick up one in Knoxville. The new one was installed and we were on our way.

Everyone we came in contact with was super nice. We are so thankful that no one was injured, as the trooper said "we did not need an ambulance or a fire

truck". We consider it just a bump in the road. When any one travels as much as we do something is bound to happen. We checked out the metal the next morning, James said it was a piece of brake drum and the truck driver probably did not know it busted until he put on brakes. We have no idea which truck or most likely trailer it came off of.

In the meantime I had called Hagerty Insurance to report the accident. Immediately I was asked if we needed a tow truck. We carry AAA because it is good on any vehicle and has a longer tow area than Hagerty. We told them we wanted to return home to get the repairs taken care of. Hagerty instructed us to send bill for tire, estimate for repairs along with a picture of the damage and they would cut a check. The check arrived in less than 10 days with no questions asked except for the details of the accident.

We continued on our journey, attending the awesome show in Lexington parked with the high dollar automobiles. Packard was the featured marquee. There were automobiles of all kinds from micro minis to the big name and one of a kind. We felt very honored to be asked to enter. If you ever get a chance, check out one of these shows. This show was on Saturday. It was held at the horse race track, because they have a huge show field. They also have clubs that come and display their cars to be enjoyed but not judged. We knew we would not win a trophy and that is not the reason we attended. We get as much attention as the best of the vehicles and it gives us a chance to meet wonderful people and share our knowledge of Corvairs.

We left Lexington early on Sunday morning and continued on to our destination The National Corsa (Corvair) Convention in Sturbridge Mass. What a beautiful drive. When we arrived home August 1, we had driven our 1963 Corvair Rampside 2986 miles. We received the longest distance Corvair driven award, a \$100.00 Shell Gas Gift Card. That helped a little bit on the \$648.00 gasoline bill.

We are hoping repairs will be completed in time for us to attend the Hilton

Head Island Concours d'Elegance the first week end in November.

CLARKSTOUR - CHUCK SMITH

During the week of the 2012 Corvaire Convention in Sturbridge MA. Clarks Corvaire Parts offered tours of their facilities. On Wednesday of that week, James and Lillian Law, Shirley Smith and I took advantage of this opportunity, and made the trip to Shelburne Falls MA., where Clarks is located. It was about a 90 minute ride to Clarks, through beautiful countryside, complete with thick green forests and rolling hills. In fact, we drove right past Clarks, as it was built into the side of these hills.

We were very lucky; as we got out of the car, we spotted Kathy Newton standing outside of the main building. Those who were at Springfest in April will remember Kathy and her husband, Mark; they were there selling parts for Clarks.

The four of us felt like we got the VIP tour, as Kathy guided us through the many phases of the operation. She is very knowledgeable about each phase, and took the time to explain everything in great detail. All of the employees were very friendly, and did not mind at all answering our questions, or explaining what their particular job was, and how it was performed.

There is absolutely no wasted space. Any available wall space was taken up by rolls of carpet or upholstery material. It is mind boggling to see all of the tools, machinery, dies and patterns necessary to manufacture the parts to keep our Corvairs on the road and support our hobby, not to mention the financial investment.

We would like to thank Cal and Joan Clark, Kathy Newton and the family of Clarks employees for opening their doors to us Corvaire enthusiasts, and letting us see just what it takes to produce the many parts to keep our favorite car on the road.

**VAIRS AT THE FAIR UPDATE - LILLIAN LAW**

I have checked with the Fair, we will be parking in the usual place by the lake. They are expecting us and appreciate what we do for them. We need convertibles for parade. Our jackets should be ready for September meeting.

We will go over food needs for the fair at the next meeting. Please be collecting door prizes. You can always put \$5.00 in an envelope for a door prize, does not have to be car items. Please mail your registration or bring to meeting.

From a 1990 newsletter
announcing Vairs at the Fair

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