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**JUNE 2015**



**We are having a potluck and tech session at Paul Green's house on June 13<sup>th</sup>, mark your calendar!**

# **VEGAS VAIRS, CHAPTER 891 OF CORSA**

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## FROM THE PREZ:



Vegas Vairs Club President

Hi Corvair Fans, Another Month has gone past and the year is moving fast.

In May I was able to spend a week in San Diego area. I had the opportunity to go visit some of my favorite places. I was born and lived in S.D. for fifty years so going back to visit was fun.

One place I stopped at was Cooley's museum, he was the best Lionel train store in San Diego when I was a young boy, He is now 95 and has a warehouse of antique cars, and a great collection of electric trains. He has three cars in his collection that are called "Bush" I have never seen them before now. He also has three or four Franklin's that were built in the 20's and were air cooled, he also had one engine on a stand that looked like a VW motor 4 cyl. air cooled, amazing.

I went to San Diego for my aunts Memorial who died a few weeks ago. So I stayed a week to do all the things that I have been wanting do for a few years. Some of the family members and I decided to make a trip up to the mountains to a little town called Julian, It is 60mi from San Diego. That is where my Great Great Grandfather was a gold miner and we have family members graves there so we visited the old home stead and memorial sites of the family. Julian is now a weekend trip for visitors to come to a little town that is famous for their apple pies and home made breads it also has great antique shops.

I also spent a day at the Southern Pacific railroad museum in Campo, CA 60mi east of San Diego and is close to the town of Tecate, Mexico where the Tecate beer is brewed. The Southern Pacific Railroad Museum is the R. R. that I worked for, My dad was the train master, for that R.R. and my grandfather was a stern locomotive engineer for 40 years. My Grandfather's locomotive is on display #2354. I made a donation of pictures and time tables to give the museum.

We have planned to have our spring picnic at the Greens home in our garage on June 13th at 11:00am to 3:00pm the club is buying the burgers & dogs Mel Jackson is the chef. Our address is 511 Racetrack Rd Henderson Paul's cell 702-279-2550 any question call him. There will be a show and tell on my hoist on wheel alignment with John Charaska's help. Bring your own chairs please. The LA roadster show is at the Pomona fairgrounds on fathers day weekend June 20th & 21st. Remember the national Corvair convention in Knoxville TN the week of June 23.

Hope to see you all at the picnic.

Paul Green President

# ***VEGAS VAIRS - CORSA Chapter #891***

## ***MEETING OF***

The meeting was called to order by President Paul at 7:15 pm. The following members were present: Vic and Ingrid Howard, Jack O'Shea, Jerry Chocek, Marty Katz, Kevin Britt, Arlon and Suzan Sibert, Paul Green, Bob Helt, John Charaska, Harry Ransom, Paul and Vicki Bernardo, Bill Peterson and Pandora Hart. We had no guests this month

Paul asked for the treasurers report, Ingrid said the club has \$885.70. Vic was called on as newsletter editor. He asked for help from all the members. If you attend a function with your Corvair please take some photos and if you can write a small article or send the details of the event to him so it can go in the newsletter. He will write the article if needed.

OLD BUSINESS: Marty and Paul Green went to Kingman for the Route 66 gala. The Monday night dinner with the Make A Wish foundation cross country tour fund raiser dinner on May 4<sup>th</sup> had several of our members present at Denny's. (more on this in the newsletter) Paul gave us an update on the Goodfellow's shop tour and the visit to the shop where the racecar is being rebuilt. Harry had updates on coming events including the July 3<sup>rd</sup> boat races at Speedway Track. He also reported that the Cactus Corvair Club and Tucson Corvair Association had a joint function and twenty Corvairs were driven to the event.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Paul Green proposed we have a potluck and tech session at his house on June 13<sup>th</sup>. It was voted on and approved with the club paying for the main course (hamburgers and hotdogs with all the trimmings) with participant bringing some dish to share be it salad, chips or dessert. More discussion of particulars will take place at our regular meeting of June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Harry suggested that those people who drive a Corvair to our meetings be given two (vs the present one) free doorprize/and 50/50 raffle tickets , it was voted on and approved.

Vic gave a presentation and handout about a fellow he met at the Hotrods & Harleys show at the AVI Casino/Hotel in Laughlin who has several Corvairs he wants to sell. More details are included in the newsletter.

Marty Katz was our speaker giving us a story on his introduction and love for Corvairs . He not only owned businesses that catered to repair and parts sales but also has owned upwards of 100 Corvairs since his introduction to them many years ago. He still professes a love for our favorite cars and is a good source for info and parts.

Paul Green hand out a sheet pertaining to formula's for speed. We did not have a 50/50 drawing this month due to a low attendance and small number of door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectively submitted by Ingrid Howard, Secretary/Treasurer

## **A CORVAIR IN FORD COUNTRY**

**Submitted By Harry Ransom**

**What do get when you park your cute little classic economy car next to a RED fire breathing supercharged 700 h.p. Shelby *Mustang Cobra Super Snake* convertible? Uh, try invisibility!**

**Yeah, that's right. People walked OVER my car to get a closer look at that monster at *Team Ford's Second Annual Open House and Car Show*. I mean, okay, it's a Ford dealership, but Hell's Bells, one third of the privately owned cars on display were those *Falcons with Super Glue!* On the other side of my parking spot were two *new* (for sale) *Fiesta* hatchbacks. Like I said, invisible.**

**But, that's okay - you never know what you'll find at a car show. I met some nice people, got another tee shirt, and had the usual opportunity to defend the *Corvaire* marque and to explain why my car hadn't flipped over whilst we talked!!! You must also remember that most folks under 40 are *not familiar with our little jewels*. Sometimes I admit to taking advantage of them. Yes, I've told more than a few that my "metal mistress" was a prototype for a four-door *Camaro*. It does sound logical, right?**

**Permit me to finish by relaying a conversation I had with one of those high priced Bow Tie "fiberglass" water pumper drivers. I was answering some questions for a very nice young couple when this arrogant 'Vetteophile explained to them that he used my little engine as a starter motor for his ZO6. I further enlightened the couple that a Corvaire was the air cooled version of the Corvette. However, it uses lock washers so it doesn't squeak you into a rage! Plus, it's soooooo affordable.**

**- - - Happy motoring, Cora's Daddy**





## A Corvair Powered Tank?

Submitted by Roderick Kennen

I found a link to a craigslist ad of a Corvair powered tank for sale in upper Michigan. The vehicle was listed as a Weasel in the advertisement. It could not be a Weasel, as the Weasel was manufactured by Studebaker during World War II. After some additional research I found out this vehicle was a CL-91 manufactured by Canadair in the 1960's. After making about 68 units production ceased. Most of the tanks went to the U.S. Army. It is unknown how many are still around. The unit in the article ended up selling on EBay a few weeks ago.



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## **FROM THE EDITOR**

One of our members, Mike Wade, also offers tee shirts to club members. He took orders from a number of the members at the March meeting and has delivered them at the April meeting. If you wish to order one, he will be at future meetings and may have a few extras for sale.

**WE'RE HAVING A POTLUCK AND TECH SESSION AT PAUL GREEN'S HOME. IT WILL BE ON JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup> AND STARTS AT 11:00 A.M. TIL ??? A TECH SESSION ON WHEEL ALIGNMENT OF AN EARLY MODEL CORVAIR WILL TAKE PLACE IN PAUL'S GARAGE SO BRING YOU QUESTIONS AND EXPERTISE AS THIS COULD BE VERY INFORMATIVE FOR US NOVICES WHO DON'T KNOW HOW TO DO THIS AT HOME. ALSO, PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH YOU CAN SHARE BE IT A SALAD, CHIPS/DIP, OR DESSERT. THE CLUB WILL FURNISH THE HAMBURGERS AND HOTDOGS AS WELL AS ALL THE GARNISHMENTS FOR THEM. SOFT DRINKS AND COLD WATER WILL BE AVAILABLE.**

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## **Activities To Consider (No Entry Fees)**

- 1. - June 20th. - 8:00-2:00 - Findlay Chevrolet Father's Day Car Show  
Free Food - All Makes - Trophies - Rainbow & CC215**
- 2. - June 26th. - 11:30 am - Kingman, AZ. Powerhouse Restaurant - Meet  
and Have Lunch With The Interstate Battery's Great American Race  
Participants**
- 3. - July 4th. - 11:00-2:00 - Chapman Mopar Car Show - All Makes - Free  
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All Makes - Trophies - 3175 E. Sahara**

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## FOR SALE ITEMS:

**MARTY KATZ** 63/64 Spyder Convertible, 95% restored, never any rust, Original silver/blue exterior with black top and interior, runs beautifully Asking \$12,000 or will entertain reasonable offers

N.O.S. 62/63 rear exhaust grill- \$1200

NOS Corvair Wire Wheel Covers for 64-66 with spinners or 67-69 center caps. \$1000 for the set

MARTY is also has Corvair parts for sale. Contact him at: phone: 702-303-7829 or email: [martykatz53@yahoo.com](mailto:martykatz53@yahoo.com)

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**PAUL BERNARDO** Custom built corvair engine/transmission run /test stand for \$450 it would cost well over \$1000 to duplicate and this one is proven. May trade for corvair stuff? Paul Bernardo 702-398-3972 evesbest

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Bonnie Hillmer of High Desert Embroidery made an offer where we could each proudly display our membership in Vegas Vairs by purchasing shirts, hats jackets and even club patches to put on our favorite clothing articles. The patches are available for a limited time of just \$5.00. I have put access to her websit on the links section in our Vegasvairs.com website. Contact Bonnie directly for order and special pricing she is offering club members.



**TWO CORVAIRS RECENTLY CAME UP FOR SALE :**

**John Miller, who was a Vegas Vairs member, passed away and his wife, Jennifer, is attempting to sell his collection of cars which includes a 1963 Monza Convertible, white with red interior (original), 110 hp with 4 speed transmission. Contact her at 702-595-2926. Asking price is \$4800**



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**ALSO, RuthAnn Garr, in Kingman, Arizona, has a 1963 2 door with 4 speed transmission for sale. The interior is good, body is solid but needs paint, front bumper and the rest of the trim and wheel covers are included. It has been several years since the engine has run and the tires are showing age. Contact her at 707-372-3232 for more information. She is asking \$2000.**



# CARS FOR SALE IN TOQUERVILLE, UTAH

DURING THE HOTRODS & HARLEYS CAR SHOW AT THE AVI CASINO IN LAUGHLIN, NEVADA THAT TOOK PLACE APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup> -19<sup>TH</sup> , I HAD SEVERAL PEOPLE STOP BY WHO HAD OWNED OR THEIR PARENTS/RELATIVES OWNED A CORVAIR SOMETIME IN THE PAST.

ONE FELLOW HAS A FRIEND, DOUG HENDRICKSON, WHO LIVES IN TOQUERVILLE, UTAH, WHICH IS JUST A SHORT DRIVE FROM ST. GEORGE, UTAH, HAS A NUMBER OF CORVAIRS THAT HE WANTS TO SELL. I GAVE HIM MY CARD AND ASKED HIM TO HAVE DOUG CALL ME.

ON APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup> I GOT A CALL FROM DOUG. HE PRESENTLY RUNS A SHOP THAT BUILDS HOTRODS BUT ALSO HAS BEEN AN ENTHUSIASTIC CORVAIR LOVER. HE HAS SEVERAL RAMPSIDES, A CORVAN AND CARS HE WANTS TO SELL. ONE OF THE RAMPYS HAS A 454 V8 CHEVY ENGINE JUST BEHIND THE CAB THAT HE WANTS \$7000 FOR. IT HAS THE INTERIOR FINISHED BUT NEEDS SOME BODY WORK AND PAINT.

THE VAN IS A 64' WITH A 110 ENGINE, 4 SPEED AND A CAMPER SETUP INSIDE. IT ALSO HAS A/C AND HE IS ASKING \$2000 FOR IT.

HIS NICEST RAMPY HAS A NEWLY BUILT 110 ENGINE WITH 4 SPD. TRANNY AND IS SUPPOSEDLY SHOW CONDITION AND HE WANTS \$8000 FOR IT.

HE HAS A 66' CORSA, 140HP WITH 4 SPEED AND I DIDN'T CATCH MUCH MORE ABOUT IT FOR PRICE.

HIS 63' MONZA HAS FACTORY A/C WITH SOME BODY DAMAGE TO A FRONT FENDER. NO PRICE

HE ALSO HAS ANOTHER EM , HE ISN'T SURE WHETHER IT IS A 62' OR 63' BUT IT HAS A 150 HP TURBO ENGINE. NO PRICE

HE REMEMBERS PAUL BERNARDO SINCE HE PURCHASED A CUSHMAN SCOOTER FROM HIM SOME 8 YEARS AGO.

DOUG IS NOT A COMPUTER PERSON BUT CAN GET SOME PICTURES OF THESE VEHICLES TO ME AND I WILL EITHER POST THEM ON THE WEBSITE OR POSSIBLY PUT THEM IN A FUTURE NEWSLETTER, IT ALL DEPENDS ON HIS TIMING.

ANYONE WISHING TO CONTACT DOUG BY PHONE, HIS NUMBER IS 435-635-4256.