



# Corvairsation

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## TCA Website Back Online

The Tucson Corvair Association Website ([www.corvairs.org](http://www.corvairs.org)) is up and running again after a brief hiatus. Under new direction from Van Pershing, the site contains updated information on members, photos of members and their cars, technical information, membership information, links, and lots more.

Van took over as Web Master earlier this year, and has been fine-tuning the site ever since. Members interested in having a current photo of their car, can send one to [van@corvairs.org](mailto:van@corvairs.org)

Paul Dunn, who initially set up the site, and is responsible for its format, has been keeping busy down in Bisbee, AZ with his stepson/business partner, Mark Drumheller. Their new auto repair shop has exceeded their expectations and makes it hard for Paul to devote any time to extra-curricular jobs like maintaining a Website.

All the information contained in the *Corvairsation* newsletter can now be found on the Website too. Links to other Corvair chapter's Websites and to vendor's Websites specializing in the Corvair are organized just a click away now.

## Useful Information Regarding Vehicular Storage in the City Limits *and how to get along with your neighbors*

Recently, collecting and storing cars outside in your yard has been a topic of concern, due to some careless and unsafe conditions. Most of the time, outside vehicle storage does not present a problem, but it only takes one poor decision to have a tragedy occur and that is exactly what happened last month when Jesse Hayes got trapped in the back of parked Suburban on the south side of town and died.

As with any hobby there may be dangers involved and those persons participating in that hobby should be aware of them. There are many people, I'm sure, that have non-running, unregistered, and unlicensed vehicles in their yards. They may be collectable or they may not be

collectable. The City defines a junked vehicle as *any motor vehicle which is, at a minimum, of a type subject to registration under A.R.S. Title 28 but does not have a lawfully affixed unexpired number or license plate assigned to the vehicle by any state, or any trailer or camper shell, that exhibits one or more of the following conditions: wrecked, partially or fully dismantled, abandoned, stripped, inoperative, inoperable, scrapped, or unable to be safely operated.*

If you have one of these, then it would be a good idea to make sure you have it stored safely and properly. The code, Sec 16-15, permits junked vehicles to be stored on private property if it:

- (1) *Is on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner and licensed by the city under chapter 19 of the Tucson Code, and the storage of the vehicle is necessary to the operation of the business enterprise; or*
- (2) *Is lawfully enclosed within:*
  - a. *An enclosed garage or other permanent building lawfully constructed of opaque materials without openings, holes or gaps other than doors and windows;*
  - b. *A carport, and an opaque car cover designed for that purpose (and not including tarps, bed sheets, plastic sheeting, or similar materials) completely covers the body of the vehicle; or*
  - c. *Any fence, wall or barrier, not less than five (5) feet in height, constructed of opaque materials without openings, holes or gaps other than gates or doors, completely enclosing the vehicle, and equipped with self-latching gates or doors. Such fence, wall or barrier must comply with section 16-12(e).*

I've been told that the enforcement of this code is strictly complaint driven. The cops aren't out looking for junked cars (let's hope). Therefore, it makes good sense to be aware of the code and the safety issues concerning the storage of any vehicle in your yard and to be on good terms with your neighbors.

*'Beauty in things exists merely in the mind which contemplates them.'* —

David Hume,  
Scottish philosopher (1742)



# Tucson Corvair Association Established 1975

**Corvairsation** is a monthly publication of the Tucson Corvair Association, which is dedicated to the preservation of the Corvair model of the Chevrolet Motor Division of General Motors. The Tucson Corvair Association is a chartered member of the Corvair Society of America (CORSA) chapter 857.

**Monthly Meetings** are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, except November and December. One technical/social event is planned for each month, except July and August.

**Membership Dues** are \$15 for individuals and \$18 for families. Initial dues are \$19 for individuals and \$22 for families (includes name tags). Make checks payable to Tucson Corvair Association.

**Change of Address:** Report any changes of address or phone number to the Membership Chairperson. Do not report such changes to the Corvairsation Editor.

**CORSA Membership Dues** are \$35 per year (\$70 for 26 months) and include subscription to the CORSA Communique, a monthly publication. CORSA membership is not required for membership in the TCA, but is highly recommended. See any TCA officer for more information.

**Classified Ads** are free to members and \$3 per 4-line ad to non-members. Deadline for materials submitted for publication in the Corvairsation is the 10th of the month.

**Business Mail Address:** 1026 South 7th Avenue, Tucson, AZ, 85701-3010.

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## Membership Memo

The club's treasurer has kindly informed the Board that annual dues are overdue for those who see a "past due" sticker on their address label.

Show your support of our great organization and renew when you receive this newsletter. Please include your email address with your renewal. If you don't mail your renewal to Allen, bring it to our July meeting.

It's a good time to bring a friend to a meeting too. If you know of someone interested in learning more about the Corvair, bring them along: Micha's del Norte, July 26th, 6pm.

**Welcome back to returning member Richard Fasanella.** Richard lives on the far eastside and hopes to make it to a meeting soon.

See you all on the 26th!

Chris Cunningham

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**TCA Tuneup Clinic May 21, 2006  
Maynard Chicken Ranch, Tucson, AZ**

Clockwise from left: Dave Baker, Barry Cunningham, Patrick Lynch, Dave Lynch, Bill Maynard, Ryan Green, and Allen Elvick. Allen's and Chris' '64 convertibles. A '63 convertible for parts. Bill and Allen prepare to lift Chris' front end off the ground. Mystery truck in Tucson. Bill's '60 4-dr parts car.



Pick your part on this EM convertible parts car. (above)



Can you identify this mystery truck?



## "Preserve, Protect, and Maintain"

"That's what the trustees have got to do." That's what Tom Hubbard wanted them to do. "If they don't want to do it, they need to resign as trustee. Get some trustees who will." Tucson Superior Court Judge Clark Munger said that on March 31st in a preliminary injunction proceeding on the fate of the Hubbard/Franklin Museum in Tucson, Arizona.

"He [Tom Hubbard] didn't want this property sold. He wanted it maintained. That's what the Trust says." Munger added. But that is not what the trustees want to do. Six of the seven trustees have resolved to sell the museum, and attempted to auction the artifacts Tom Hubbard spent a lifetime collecting. But the court issued a restraining order and a subsequent injunction to prevent those trustees from auctioning those artifacts. But for Bourke Runton, the artifacts would be gone. He is the sole trustee who filed the lawsuit and obtained the injunction preventing the other trustees from disposing of the artifacts and attempting to close the Tucson museum.

### Why the move?

The respondent trustees believe the museum, which sits on five acres, isn't big enough to display 22 cars. Instead of expanding the museum in Tucson, they want to build a new one in Cazenovia, New York. Instead of maintaining and preserving it, they have resolved to sell it off to the highest bidder...in spite of what the court said.

Tom Hubbard was from New York and the Franklin automobile was built in Syracuse, New York. Tom Hubbard could have built his museum in New York. "This gentleman clearly knew all the advantages of New York. And he didn't go to New York. He wanted it here. That's what's going to happen." Munger adds: "They can do it their way with their money."

So far though, the co-trustees have spent at least two hundred thousand dollars of trust money on land and architectural fees to relocate to New York State and close down the Tucson museum. Of course, the city of Cazenovia was very supportive of having this "treasure" in their area. "Treasure" is the word Tom Hubbard used to describe the home/museum here in Tucson. Contrary to what the non-Tucsonan respondent trustees say, Tucson is also very supportive. Since money has already been spent to bring it to New York, the trustees declared that the trust might have potential damages if the museum doesn't move to Cazenovia. "Not to the trust." the Judge says. "Maybe to the trustees individually, but not to the trust."

After five hearings on the matter of removing the trustees for having violated their fiduciary duty, Judge Munger

issued an order on July 6th. In it the court finds that there is a strong likelihood that the petition to remove the respondent trustees would succeed at trial. Judge: "Ultimately, the court will be required to determine whether [their] action constituted a breach and if so whether it is sufficient enough to require removal of the trustees. At this time it appears there is a strong likelihood of that conclusion."

Tom Hubbard left very specific instructions. The trust provisions are specific to this site in Tucson, Tom Hubbard's bequest, and the needs of the vehicle collection and local history. Selling assets to finance a move out of state is not a reflection of Tom Hubbard's wishes for his collection as expressed in his letter of instructions and the trust. Furthermore, any move away from its current location is a violation of the terms and conditions set forth in the trust.

A broad base of constituents, volunteers, friends and family, known as the Franklin Museum Concerned Friends, object to the move and seek to keep things the way Mr. Hubbard wanted them: protected and maintained - IN TUCSON. The local group, however, does not object to a museum in New York, but feel the trustees who want one should establish their own trust, seek incorporated non-profit recognition there, and obtain their own funds, NOT Tom Hubbard's, to reflect THEIR goals to bring a Franklin museum to that area.

A trial date has not been set.



1902 Franklin

*The H. H. Franklin Manufacturing Company built the most successful American direct air-cooled cars from 1902 to 1934. The company was run, during its first thirty-two years by Herbert H. Franklin, backer of the first die casting business, (for which he coined the term "die cast") and John Wilkinson, the engineer who built the first Franklin car and whose design principles combining high quality with light weight gave Franklins their distinct reputation for dependability and long life. Their legacy has been one of successful innovation and, of course, the unusual vehicles that survive.*

# TCA 2006 Events at a Glance

## JULY

25-29  
TUES-SAT      **CORSA International Convention •**  
Buffalo NY, The Four Clubs, Information:  
[www.shuffleofftobuffaloniagara.com](http://www.shuffleofftobuffaloniagara.com)

26 WED      **Regular Monthly Meeting** Micha's North,  
1220 East Prince Road, 6pm. Optional  
dinner at 6:20, meeting starts at 7pm.

## AUG

9 WED      **TCA Board Mtg.** Guillermo's Double L  
Restr. 1830 S. 4th Ave. 6:30pm.

23 WED      **Regular Monthly Meeting** Micha's North,  
1220 East Prince Road, 6pm. Optional  
dinner at 6:20, meeting starts at 7pm.

## SEPT

13 WED      **TCA Board Mtg.** Bum Steer Restr. 1910 N.  
Stone, 6:30pm.

27 WED      **Regular Monthly Meeting** Micha's North,  
1220 East Prince Road, 6pm. Optional  
dinner at 6:20, meeting starts at 7pm.

## CAR SHOWS

**Little Anthony's Show Dates:** 7/29, 8/12, 8/26, 9/9, 9/23,  
10/7, 10/28, 11/11.

**Route 66 Days, Flagstaff, AZ Car Show - Sept 9, 2006.** Open  
to all years - Information: John - 928-856-2816,  
[www.route66carclub.com](http://www.route66carclub.com)

**Run to the Pines, Flagstaff, AZ - Sept. 22-24 SOLD OUT**

**Cars in the Park, Sierra Vista, AZ, Oct. 14, 2006**  
[www.carmuts.com](http://www.carmuts.com) Info: Leo Klein - 520-378-3096.

**NOTE:** There are no TCA mid-month activities in July or  
August.

# May 2006 General Membership Minutes

May 24, 2006

**Members Present:** Bill Maynard, Lynn Marrs, Dave Lynch,  
Chris Cunningham, Barry Cunningham, Don Robinson, Bruce  
Robinson, Allen Elvick, Bruce Porter, Ryan Green, Oliver  
Stokes, Ted and Fred Christianson, and Ed Segerstrom.

President Bill Maynard called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

**Approval of the Minutes for April 20, 2006:** Ryan Green  
made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Don  
Robinson seconded it. The motion passed.

**President's Report:** Bill Maynard welcomed everyone to the  
meeting. As many of you know Bill has had a kit car in his  
shop half completed. Bill decided this was a project for a high  
school shop class to work on and finish. Bill donated his kit  
car to the Santa Rita High School automotive shop. The shop  
teacher and students were thrilled and will be eager to work  
on it this fall.

**Vice-President's Report:** Dave Lynch reported on the Tune-  
up clinic that was held May 21, 2006 at Maynard's Chicken  
Ranch. It was a beautiful day. There were seven people that  
worked on Dave Lynch and Ryan Green's car and several  
other cars. Barry went with Ryan Green to help him get a belt  
replacement and some hardware and soon showed up with his  
car repaired. Chris worked on his car, his heater hose had  
fallen. Bill had cleaned out his workshop and removed the Kit  
car. This left a large open area, air cooled for everyone to  
work in. There was room for a couple of tables and chairs.  
Allen brought chicken and others brought items to share.

The next outing will be June 10th at 7pm. Meet at Little  
Anthony's Diner for dinner and car show. This will be a fun  
outing, please get as many people to show up as you can.

**2006 Dues:** Some of our members have paid and some have  
not, so if you have not, please remember to pay.

**Treasurer's Report:** Allen Elvick reported that the beginning  
balance was \$3739.70. Income from Cans -\$10. Dues income  
was \$61.00. Expenses were \$120.76. Ending Balance was  
\$3670.94.

**Editor's Corner:** Chris Cunningham spoke about the  
progress of keeping the Franklin Museum in Tucson as the  
Trust instructed, and the action that the is court is taking.

**Committees:** Don Robinson will order Corvair t-shirts of all  
kinds, and cups and hats. Don said that each person will need  
to fill out a form for Van Pershing to order the t-shirts for the  
club.

**Website:** Van Pershing is doing the Website now, he needs  
any pictures of the Corvairs that you have, to post on the  
website.

**Library:** No Report

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**Raffle Tonight:** Raffle winner tonight was Bruce Porter.

**June Raffle:** Chris Cunningham, Ryan Green, Allen Elvick, Barry Cunningham and Dave Lynch will bring raffle gifts for the June Meeting. There were five Corvairs here at the meeting tonight, Don Robinson, Bill Maynard and Dave Lynch, Ed Segerstrom, Ryan Green and Chris Cunningham.

**Corvair Talk:** Allen Elvick spoke about driving his daughter's car and the left side carburetor stopped working. He replaced the fuel filter and it works great. Bill Maynard spoke of a piston with a big hole in it. This is what happens when you drive your car and hear it start ping. The pinging beats it up badly the rods get red hot and it goes out. Ed Segerstrom talked about his car and how it reacted on the way to Bisbee as it built up deposits between the wires. He pinched off the stuff and now it runs great. Oliver volunteered to help anyone on their car as he wants to learn how to do repairs.

Barry turned a donut on the pavement and lost a wheel.

**Adjourn:** A Motion to adjourn was made at 8pm by Barry Cunningham and seconded by Don Robinson. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lynn*

Lynn Marrs, Recording Secretary

## **June 2006 General Membership Minutes**

**June 28, 2006**

**Members Present:** Bill Maynard, Lynn Marrs, Dave and Patrick Lynch, Barry Cunningham, Don Robinson, Allen Elvick, Oliver Stokes, Ed Segerstrom, Frank and Chris Sharp, Amy and John Young, Bill and his friend, and Dave Baker.

Mr. President called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

**Approval of the Minutes for May 24, 2006:** Allen Elvick made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Chris Sharp, seconded this. The motion passed.

**President's Report:** Bill Maynard welcomed everyone to the meeting. Bill reported that the Sonoran Desert Corvette club of Tucson as invited the Tucson Corvair Club to join them at Lil' Abner's for the car show on Sept 28, 2006, also for a Mystery Meal Caravan to somewhere in October. Only the lead car knows where they are going. Details to follow (tentative).

**Vice-President's Report:** No report at this time.

**2006 Dues:** Some of our members have paid and some have not. So, if you have not, please check the address label on your next newsletter.

**Treasurers Report:** Allen Elvick reported that the beginning balance was \$3670.94. Income from cans -\$23.00. Dues income was \$33.00. Total income was \$72.00. Expenses were \$71.33. Ending balance was \$3671.61 for the June report.

**Member at Large:** Barry Cunningham reported on a car show and stated that most of the 1960 vintage cars took the awards. He also reported, in his brother's absence, that Chris is wrapped up in efforts to keep the Franklin Museum in Tucson as the Hubbard trust instructed, and the action that is court is taking.

**Merchandise Chairman:** Don Robinson will order Corvair t-shirts of all kinds, cups and hats. Don said that each person will need to fill out a form for Van Pershing to order the t-shirts for the club.

**Website:** Van Pershing is doing the Website now; he needs any pictures of the Corvairs that you have, to post on the website. The web site is wonderful. In case you have not seen it, you should check it out at [www.corvairs.org](http://www.corvairs.org).

**Library:** No Report

**Raffle Tonight:** Raffle winner tonight was Amy Young. Barry Cunningham and Dave Lynch will bring raffle gifts for the July meeting.

**Corvair Talk:** John Young spoke about needing a 1966 carburetor and the interior plastic cover for the windshield post. Dave Lynch responded that if John went on eBay John might be able to find what he needs or he may have to repair what he has. Frank Sharp stated that he was selling off the Corvairs he has. He has two - '65 Corvair convertibles, a 1962 Monza Station Wagon, one Greenbrier and lots of parts, hoods, etc. There is a truckload of parts.

**Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn was made at 8pm by Barry Cunningham and seconded by Don Robinson. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lynn*

Lynn Marrs, Recording Secretary



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# Spares and Vairs



**FOR SALE:** 1960 Corvair 4-dr parts car. O'Reilly Chevrolet/Tucson car. Rough but complete. Call Allen 883-4337 or Chris at 670-9676.

**FOR SALE:** 1963 Conv. Same Tucson owner last 25 years. Rebuilt everything, including recent tires, brakes, clutch, elec. fuel pump, rear window. Ask Bill Maynard about this car. Needs radio and minor cosmetics. \$3900. 326-2701 Dave Martin.

**FOR SALE:** LM shrouds - powder coated black, complete upper and lower, was \$400, now \$350, Al Crispin: 722-9445.

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Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month. November meeting is on the third Wednesday. The December meeting is an annual Holiday Party.



**Meeting Place:** Micha's North, 1220 East Prince Road, (formerly Mt View Restr.) Parking Lot Bull Session: 6pm. Optional dinner at 6:20, meeting starts at 7pm.

***Upcoming Events:***

July 26, Wednesday

***Regular Membership Meeting. Micha's del Norte, 6pm***  
Raffle prizes, good food, good company, and plenty of lighted parking.  
Raffle gifts provided by Chris Cunningham, Barry, and Dave Lynch.



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