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Potluck at the Elvick's

A great time was had by all in attendance on September 15, 2012 at what has become somewhat of a tradition: an annual barbecue at Allen and Maryanne Elvick's homestead. Those attending the gala affair were Charlie and Sandy Evans with their two sons, Lynn Marrs, Mike Lake and his close personal friend, Earline, Bob Moulton, Ken and Heidi Farr, and John and Amy Young.

Wonderful steaks and all kinds of salads and beans, and great company made for a very nice day. People were fascinated with Allen's workshop and museum. Everyone had to inspect John and Amy's beautiful red '66 Turbo Corsa convertible. Bob Moulton drove his "new" Corvair, and, of course, Ken and Heidi brought Tweetie.













Mike Lake on the grill



Heidi Farr

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TCA 2012 Events at a Glance

Sat, Oct 20 Kitt Peak Adventure. A cool day with an insiders tour!

Wed, Oct 24

Regular Monthly Meeting. Parking Lot
Bull Session at 6:30pm. Meeting starts
at 7:00pm. Golden Corral, 6865 N
Thornydale Road (just south of Ina).

Oct 26-28 Great Western Fan Belt Toss & Swap Meet: Palm Springs, California.

 $Sat, \ Nov \ 3 \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Cops and Rodders Car Show}, \ \text{Hi Corbett Field}, \ 8:00 \text{am to } 4:00 \text{pm}. \end{array}$

Nov 2012 Tech Session

Dec 2012 Annual TCA Christmas Dinner.

Sat, Feb 2 Tubac Car Show.



The Evans family at a Freddy's Thursday night cruise-in on a warm summer evening in September.

September Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the monthly meeting held September 26, 2012 at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 6865 N. Thornydale, Tucson Arizona.

The meeting was called to order by President Lynn Marrs at 7:15pm. Our visitors were Pauline Moore, Sandy Evans' mother and their two son's Charlie Jr. and Clayton. We all welcomed them.

In attendance were: Fred Nuñez, Allen Elvick, Jim and Terry Mills, Mike Strong, Ken and Heidi Farr, Charlie and Sandra Evans, Ron and Lynn Bloom, Van Pershing, and Don Murray.

Lynn announced that they had a fabulous time at Allen and Mary Ann Elvick's picnic and that everything was very good. Lynn also reported that she almost learned how to back out her car, when everyone started to move their cars out of the way. It had to be fun just to watch.

Lynn bloom got lost and didn't get to partake as Ron was out of town.

Vice President Charlie Evans reported how beautiful Allen's house and everything was. Allen said his steak tasted like leather. President Lynn found her way so this will be a challenge for Lynn to not give up. Everyone had a marvelous time and wants to do it again soon.

President Lynn reported on the Kitt Peak trip and asked how many were planning to attend. The trip will be October 20 and we will meet at McDonald's at Kenney and Ajo at 9:00am.

Ken Farr reminded everyone of the Nam Jam. You will find all information in the activity section in the *Corvairsation*.

Treasure's report by Allen Elvick: Beginning August balance was \$2,275.26 with and ending balance of \$2,245.26. If you have questions please contact Allen.

Don Robinson was not present to give a merchandise report.

Editor's report: Van Pershing reminded everyone that TCA business cards are available for purchase. Contact Van at 743-9185 if you'd like to get cards. If anyone would like to submit articles or other interesting information for the Corvairsation, please contact Van. If you would like to submit baby pictures of yourself or pictures of your car(s), let Van know.

The raffle winner was Mike Strong. Jim Mills, Fred Nuñez, Allen Elvick, and Ron Bloom agreed to bring raffle prized to the next meeting. Thanks for all who donate prizes for our raffle.

Tech talk was about transmission and motor mounts. Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.

Submitted by: Lynn Bloom



President's Message

Greetings Everyone:

This year is flying by. October 20th is the date for our trip to Kitt Peak. We will meet at McDonalds at 9:30am and all go

together. We will meet at the corner of Kinney Road and Ajo Way next to Tiny's Hamburgers. It will be approximately 58 miles to Kitt Peak and you may want a sweater just in case. Please bring a brown bag lunch and whatever you want to drink, as there will not be any restaurants along the way or there. Wear comfortable walking shoes, it is a beautiful place and we will have a great time. Bob Moulton will be our personal guide. Don't miss out on this.



Cops and Rodders Car show has been moved to November and The Tubac Show has been moved to February.

Sure hope to see you there.

Always Proud to be your President! *Lynn*

Former TCA member **Bruce Robinson** passed away on August 25, 2012 in Sedona, Arizona. He is the son of TCA members Don and Sue Robinson and veteran of the U.S. Navy. He was living in Sedona and working as a mechanic at the airport there. He was 52 years old.



Bruce (right) and Don Robinson enjoying the day at the Casa de los Niños Car Show in October 2000.

Phoenix Mini Convention - 1982

Back in the day, CORSA sponsored mini conventions so that more members could participate in concours events where a car could be judged and received national attention, since not everyone was able to attend the National CORSA convention. In 1982 such a convention was held in Phoenix.

It is interesting to see what the quality of restored and unrestored Corvairs was like 30 years ago. Here are a few photos taken at the 1982 CORSA Phoenix Mini Convention by Van Pershing.



Frank McKenna's '64 Spyder convertible(left) was one of the representative of TCA. Herb Berkman's Corsa X (right) was also at the show. Herb and Jonni had not yet moved to Tucson.





There were many nice cars at the Convention. Unfortunately, more information about the cars is not available









Nam Jam 2012

On October 6, 2012, several TCA members attended the 2012 Nam Jam Car Show. Ken & Heidi Farr, Ron Bloom, John Nichols, and Jim Mills brought their Corvairs to display.

Jim Mills took 1st place with his Rampside, John Nichols walked away with 2nd place with his red '66 convertible, and Ken Farr's Tweety went home with 3rd place. Ron Bloom won 2nd place in the air-cooled class.





Above: Ron Bloom's Greenbrier and John Nichols' convertible both won awards at the show. Right: Jim Mills Rampside, a 1st Place winner.



Ken Farr's next door neighbor parked his street rod between two Corvairs thinking some of the goodness would rub off.

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4th Annual Corvair Anniversary Show

On October 6, 2012, the Cactus Corvair Club of the greater Phoenix area sponsored a Corvair show at Thorobred Chevrolet in Chandler, Arizona in honor of the 52nd anniversary of the introduction of the Chevrolet Corvair . There were 17 vehicles in attendance. Van Pershing represented the Tucson Corvair Association.



Van Pershing and his '66 Stinger represented the Tucson Corvair Association.





Right: Dan Perry's '66 Turbo Corsa convertible won the People's Choice Award.

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Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the Fourth Wednesday of every month with a bull session starting at 6:30pm with the meeting starting at 7:00pm.



The November meeting is held on the third Wednesday. The December meeting is our annual Christmas party with the time and place to be announced.

MEETING PLACE:

Golden Corral, 6865 N Thornydale Road (just south of Ina), Tucson, Arizona.

Board of Director meetings are held at 5:30pm before the regular monthly meeting at the same location in the months of January, April, July and October . All members are welcome to attend.

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