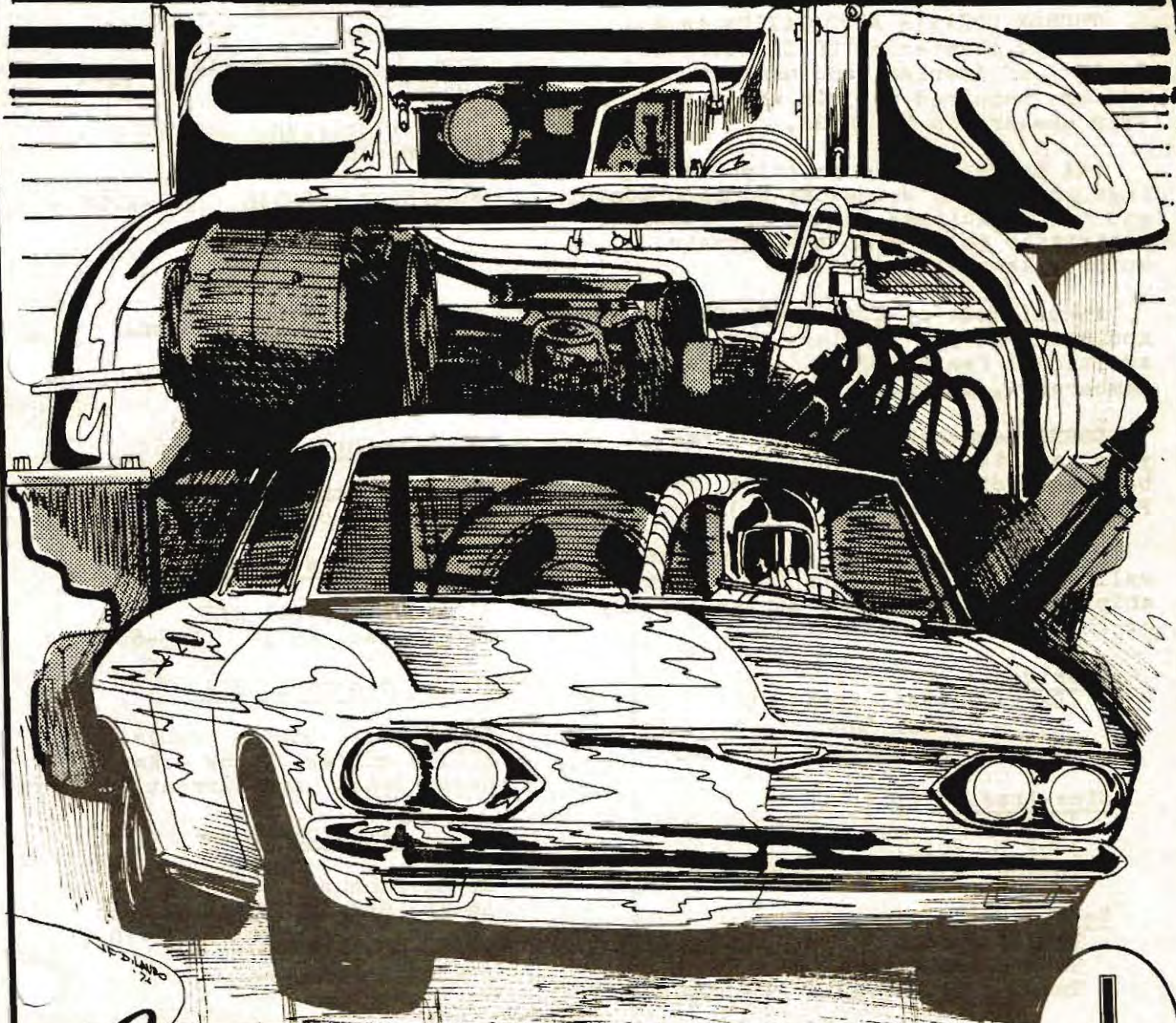


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TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION  
Regular Meeting- August 27, 1980

## MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by the President, Pat Hayhurst, at Village Inn Pizza Parlor, 5133 East 22nd St., Wednesday, August 27, 1980, at 7:40 p.m. Present: 57.

First time attendees introduced themselves.

Minutes of the July 23, 1980 Regular Meeting were approved as they appeared in the August Corvairsation (1st word, 4th paragraph).

Pat Hayhurst announced that Ron & Phyllis Richmond have volunteered to become the new Corvairsation Editors, and will take over the responsibilities commencing with the September issue.

Don Bortle reported that TCA has received reciprocal funds in the amount of \$10.00 from Tidy Car Association.

Pat Hayhurst asked for volunteers to serve as Membership Chairman and Assistant Circulation Manager.

Frank McKenna reported on the recent Justin's Water World outing. The next midmonth event will be Tom Hubbard's Restoration Center September 14th.

Janet Mattingly, in the absence of Dan Mattingly, reported that the Can Project brought in \$40.49 this past month.

Intermission, door prize and four grab bags (donors Barney's Auto Service and TCA) followed.

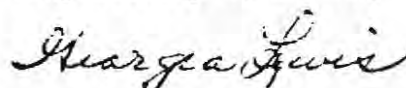
Frank McKenna read the For Sale and Wanted items which were posted on the bulletin board during Intermission.

Gordon Cauble read a list of Corvairs for sale.

Show & Tell: 4-speed transmission bearing, fuel pump.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Georgia Lewis  
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## EDITORIALY SPEAKING

The new editors of your CORVAIR-SATION would like to make a comment or two about the art and science of the successful publication of a club newsletter.

The efforts of many people are required to write, edit, publish, and distribute this newsletter. Too often this effort becomes a labor-of-love for the same few members. The newsletter is a major financial obligation for the club treasury. To make this effort and cost worthwhile, we urge all club members to contribute to the CORVAIRSATION.

You may do this thru articles or tips you have written, or by clipping timely articles from other publications, or by submitting good quality B & W photos of you, your family, and your Corvair. You can help by suggesting tech tips, or solutions to common problems to our regular contributors.

The classified page is for your use, free of charge; Please submit your ad to the editors at regular meetings or thru the mail. This page should be an important part of each issue.

If you have had an interesting or unusual experience involving a Corvair, please share it with the club via the newsletter.

Remember, editorship does not mean authorship, we must have your material before we can include it in your CORVAIRSATION.

Thank you for your confidence in us, we'll try our best to put together an interesting newsletter and one which reflects this great club.

## FINANCIALLY SPEAKING

Corrected		
Balance	31, July 1980	\$436.22
Income	August	202.00
Expenses	August	120.12
Balance	31, August 80	\$518.10

## TCA BOARD MTG. SEPT. 3, 80

Present: Board Members; John North, Pat Hayhurst, Don Bortle, Frank McKenna, Bryan Lynch, Gordon Cauble, Georgia Lewis, and ten members.

Discussed:

- 1) Letter from Inland Empire Corvair Club re their Sept. 21st economy run in Riverside, Calif.
- 2) Ordering the John Wipff's book for \$1.00 per book profit to TCA. Agreed to bring up at next Regular Meeting.
- 3) Pat Hayhurst to act as Chairman in drafting a New Member packet similar to Cactus Corvair Club's.
- 4) Necessity of writing Bylaws per attorney Steve Bogard. Gordon Cauble and Frank McKenna to serve as committee to do so.
- 5) The conscription of members as Corsa members. Gordon Cauble and Frank McKenna to research.
- 6) Christmas party: Can project revenue credit and door prizes.
- 7) Pat Hayhurst to send Cactus Corvair Club \$15 check and appropriate letter.
- 8) Disclaimer form for TCA activities.
- 9) Meeting of Tune-up Clinic Committee met followed Regular Board Meeting.



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# THE PREZ SEZ:

The Horseless Carriage club A.A.C.A., and Convert- Retrac. Clubs in Tucson are sponsors of a multi-club picnic which will take place Oct 12, 1980. This event will take place at the Boy Scout Ranch on Kinney Rd. They are meeting at the park view Shopping center on the N\*E corner of Ajo and mission Rd. Time will be 11:00 and departure by Clubs at 11:45 A.M. The Sponsors request there be no alcoholic beverages, bring your own eating utensils, plates, serving utensils, ect. A charge of \$1.00 per head, and children 8 and under are free. This is a pot luck type of a picnic and therefore any one from our club that goes will be expected to bring a dessert to serve themselves and 8-10 more people.

The Tucson Corvair Assoc. will not go to this event as one of our mid-month activities because of a regular activity that is going to take place on Oct the 5th, this will be a econmony run to Bisbee, but anyone that wants to go to the picnic will be more than welcome and oppertunity to see a large number of old cars will abound.

I received a letter from the Inland Empire Corvair Club and they wanted to know if anyone from our club wanted to come to Riverside Calif. on Sept 21, to join in a Econo-Run if so anyone interested is to contact Jack Irwin, 5330 Greenbrier Dr. Riverside Calif. 92504 tele (714) 787-8473.

Today was a good day for the T.C.A., the turn out to see the old cars owned by Tom Hubbard great, I think there were 18 corvair plus a couple more car

loads. It is truely hard for me to believe that one man owns so many nice automobiles.

The future sees a lot of new activities for the T.C.A. one of which is the christmas party. Start making plans to attend now this is the best thing we do all year, and don't forget your can money goes a long way toward paying for this party so keep it coming.

At future events we will start using a disclaimer form for everyone that comes to an event. This hopefully will protect everyone connected with the T.C. A. More information on this at a future meeting.

I had a terrible vacation with the family this year, Murphy was with us and every thing that could have gone wrong did. This year I get a second chance, we are going to mix a little business with pleasure in Wyoming, so I won't be at the next meeting. I leave my duties in very good hands and hope to see all of you at the econo-run to Bisbee.

Pat Hayhurst

## DUES

If your name appears on this list, your club dues should be paid to Don Bortle at the next meeting or by mailing them to Don.

<u>July</u>	Pierre Lijon Jeff Eppley Jim Shea
<u>August</u>	Bryan Lynch Barney Goodwin Louis Lage Larry Bissey Ron Richmond
<u>Sept.</u>	David Stafford Tom Kerby Don Robinson John Roach Douglas McVie

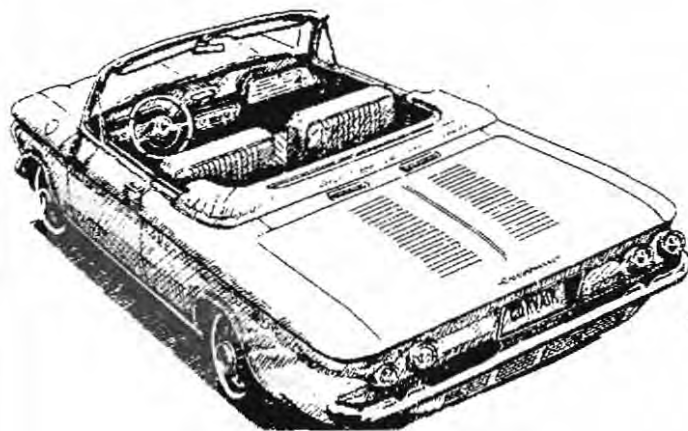
# FRANKLY SPEAKING:

A couple of things have happened lately and I thought that I might as well talk about them rather than ignore them in hopes they would go away.

The first is CORSA membership. As you all know, the Tucson Corvair Association is a recognized chapter of CORSA. To be a chapter of CORSA we must maintain 100% membership in CORSA. That means that each member in good standing in TCA must also be a member of the national club. Our constitution contains this statement and everyone is apprised of this fact upon joining TCA. Years ago we controlled both memberships by monitoring CORSA memberships and collecting the monies and sending in one check to cover all our members. CORSA then changed the rules and required the individual to submit his dues direct to CORSA. That is when TCA lost control. You are probably saying, "Big Deal"; well it is a big deal and this is why. INSURANCE, that's why. Without CORSA we don't have any insurance. If a spectator is injured at one of our events, we are in trouble. Remember the Mayflower was full of lawyers. So if you are not a member of CORSA, think seriously about joining. In addition to the insurance coverage, you will receive the monthly newsletter and the tech-tip information will alone offset the annual cost of your dues. If you decide not to join CORSA, for whatever reason, we may have to designate a new type of membership to accommodate you. We don't want to go through the drill of re-writing the constitution so why doesn't everyone join CORSA and save the club a lot of work.

The second thing that I wanted to talk about is the conduct of our group at Mr. Hubbard's. I was appalled to see people with their shoes on the bumpers, leaning against the sides of the cars, running their hands over the paint, etc. Hey gang, you just don't do that with show cars. Do you know how they remove those small scratches that your shoes make on those bumpers? They remove the bumper and re-chrome it. The scratches in the paint are another thing, I would hate to be assigned the task of matching paint on those cars we saw Sunday. Had these same cars been on display in a car show they would have been surrounded by ropes to insure that the things we did last Sunday would not happen. Maybe we were remiss in not talking about it before we departed our rendezvous spot. You may think that I am making too much over this, but how would you like to remove all those fingerprints that we left on those cars. Someone is probably doing that today. Nuff said, I hope if we are invited back we don't see those subtle sign "You Toucha My Car, I Breaka You Face".

Frank McKenna



## MADE IN SYRACUSE by CRAFTSMEN

Eighteen Corvairs - count em-  
eighteen Corvairs parked in front  
of Vicki Wayne's. Our best show  
so far and those who attended  
know why. I was unprepared for  
the sight that greeted us after  
we parked our cars at Mr. Hubbards'.  
What a beautiful collection of  
automobiles, all in one spot owned  
by one person. The smell of  
leather, the gleam of polished  
hardwood, and the shine of nickel  
coupled with the absence of  
orange-peeled paint immediately  
impressed upon me that I was not  
looking at the northwest corner  
of the community center during  
Wheelarama. I was making a nos-  
talgic journey back to the 20's  
and 30's. I was in the world  
of rumble seats, phaetons, and  
nineteen inch tires. The days  
when craftsmanship and attention  
to detail were more important  
than units per hour. The days  
when trunks looked like trunks,  
gas gauges appeared to have a  
bit of gas in them and gloves  
were stored in the glovebox.  
Additionally, the collection of  
memorabilia that was so appro-  
priately placed in the vicinity  
of the automobiles had some mem-  
bers thinking of "bathtub gin"  
and the Charleston.

Mr. Hubbard's interesting  
briefing on the history of the  
Franklin automobile and his in-  
formative question and answer  
period culminated one of our  
most interesting and enjoyable  
outings. We wish to thank Mr.  
Hubbard for sharing his Sunday  
afternoon and his automobiles  
with us.

Frank McKenna



## SUN PROTECTION FOR YOUR CORVAIR

If your Corvair sits outside, you  
have probably seen what the sun  
(winter or summer) can do to a  
Corvair interior. The seat covers  
fade and crack and seams rip out.  
The top of the rear seat on late  
coupes is particularly prone to  
heat damage because of the sloping  
rear window. So what can you do  
about it?

If you have a folding rear  
seat, keep it folded down when  
not in use. You can use a towel  
or other material to cover the  
top of the rear seat. Regular  
conditioning with Armorall is  
helpful.

If your Corvair doesn't have  
tinted glass, you might try to  
find a junker that does and ex-  
change the glass. Tinted glass  
makes a big difference.

If you are storing a Corvair  
outside, you should somehow block  
the sun from the interior. If  
you like to use the car occasion-  
ally, a good method is to buy a  
can of window cleaner that dries  
to a white haze. This will block  
the sun and when you are ready  
to use the car, simply wipe it  
off and enjoy the clean windows!

For longer storage, you may  
want to use cardboard cut to  
size. The use of a tarp or a  
car cover to protect a car out  
in the weather is a controversial  
subject I will save for another  
time.

by Dale Baxter

Pikes Peak Corvair Club

# FUEL FILTERS FUEL FIRES

DON'T INVITE A FIRE in the engine compartment of your Corvair! That is so obvious that I'm sure no one would do anything intentionally to fuel a fire anywhere in the car--engine or elsewhere. Some things done with good intentions are dangerous practices, and unnecessarily invite serious damage. This article is to warn car owners about one seemingly innocent practice that resulted in one more Corvair lost to service, and headed for the junk yard.

Upon inspecting the burned-out engine compartment of the '66 Monza, the inescapable conclusion was that the fire was caused by, or fed by the installed plastic fuel filters between the fuel pump and the carburetors. Locating line filters on the "pressure" side of the fuel pump will invite gas leakage in the engine compartment, and lead to a destructive fire. In this case, a plastic line filter was installed between the fuel pump and the carburetors. No less than six vulnerable points were introduced in the fuel system--inside the engine compartment! Four weak points are the connections on each side of the two installed filters, and two more weak points are the plastic filters themselves. Neither the plastic filters nor the spring clamps furnished with the filters are designed to stand the pressure of the fuel in the temperature conditions of the Corvair engine compartment.

What happened in this case was that the left side filter or its connections ruptured and sprayed gasoline on top of the left side of the engine where most of the electrical wires, including battery cables, are located. Then, with the gas spraying, a spark from the battery connections or other electrical wires kindled a small inferno.

If your car's fuel system needs a filter, I recommend these cautions:

- 1) Buy a high quality metal line filter
- 2) Locate the filter outside the engine compartment. Corvairs have an ideal position outside the engine compartment where the short flex hose connects the main fuel line from the gas tank to the line that leads through the fire wall to the inlet side of the fuel pump
- 3) Use good screw-type "mini" clamps
- 4) If you must install the filter in the engine compartment, put the filter on the inlet side of the fuel pump--not on the carburetor side.

--GORDON CAUBLE

## DEADLINE

For all future editions of CORVAIR-SATION, the deadline for all tech tips, articles, columns, ads, etc. will be EIGHT days prior to the regular meeting date.

This is the minimum amount of time to compose, edit, print, fold, address, and mail the newsletter with assurance of all members receiving their copies before the meeting.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 5 --- Combination Bisbee Tour and Economy Run with noon picnic at Tombstone city park. Approx. 200 miles.

November --- Full blown technical session. Combining a "hands-on" demonstration of setting valves and a thorough inspection of engine compartment for essential sealing to keep dirt out and air going where it does the most good. Recommendations for the needed work will be offered. Volunteers are needed to put this show on. Talk to Frank McKenna if you want to help.

December --- Christmas party at Davis-Monthan Officers Club: Turn in your aluminum cans for up to \$5.00 credit per person toward the cost of the party.

January --- Visit to the Pima Air Museum. A lot of new improvements since we were there three years ago. Group rates there, as well.

February --- Park Mall Show. Some wish to have a concours judging event. We have the teams and this would be a good way to keep in tune.

## SEX ?

Just a short note here to ask if you ladies are interested in having the "Vair Sex" column in the CORVAIRSATION again. The editors would be happy to revive it if there is interest and if you make contributions to it.

Please let us know your ideas on this and any tips, recipes, anecdotes or whatever. See you at the next meeting.

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# ECONOMY RUN

Your club's mid-month activity for October will consist of a pleasant Sunday drive to Bisbee for the underground mine tour with a lunch break at the Tombstone city park on the way down.

For added excitement, we will be including an opportunity to compete with other Corvairs for modest prizes to be awarded for the best M.P.G. on the trip to Bisbee. A \$2.00 entry fee per car to cover the cost of prizes will be assessed.

Everyone is to meet at Pantano Park, (site of our annual tune-up clinics) by 10:00 am, Sun., Oct. 5, 1980.

Please fill your gas tank at one of the near-by service stations, then the club will top off all tanks at the park prior to leaving.

Bring your own lunch and drinks for a noon break at the Tombstone city park (next to the O.K. Corral) then the final 25 miles into Bisbee where we will fill up. Official calculations of results and awarding of prizes will be at the regular October club meeting.

The Mine Tour starts at 2:00 pm and should take approximately one hour. If 10 or more members take the tour, we will receive reduced admission prices. Following the mine tour, you will be on your own for the return trip.



# BATTERY

If you have experienced reduced battery output lately, and you have an older battery or an "original equipment" style with filler caps, be sure to check the fluid level. The engine compartment temperature in a Corvair is high, especially here in the Southwest during the summer months. This causes rapid evaporation of the battery acid resulting in poor battery performance.

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# BRAKES

Has anyone ever seen a Corvair with a power brake booster? Dave Stafford showed up after the August meeting with his latest acquisition—a late model coupe with a real li power brake booster installed in the trunk of his Corvair. According to Dave, the previous owner had it installed and it works like a charm.

Gordon Cauble

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Wednesday, September 24  
Regular Meeting  
Village Inn Pizza

Sunday, October 5th. 10:00 AM  
Mid-month Activity  
Economy Run to Bisbee

Wednesday, October 22  
Regular Meeting  
Village Inn Pizza