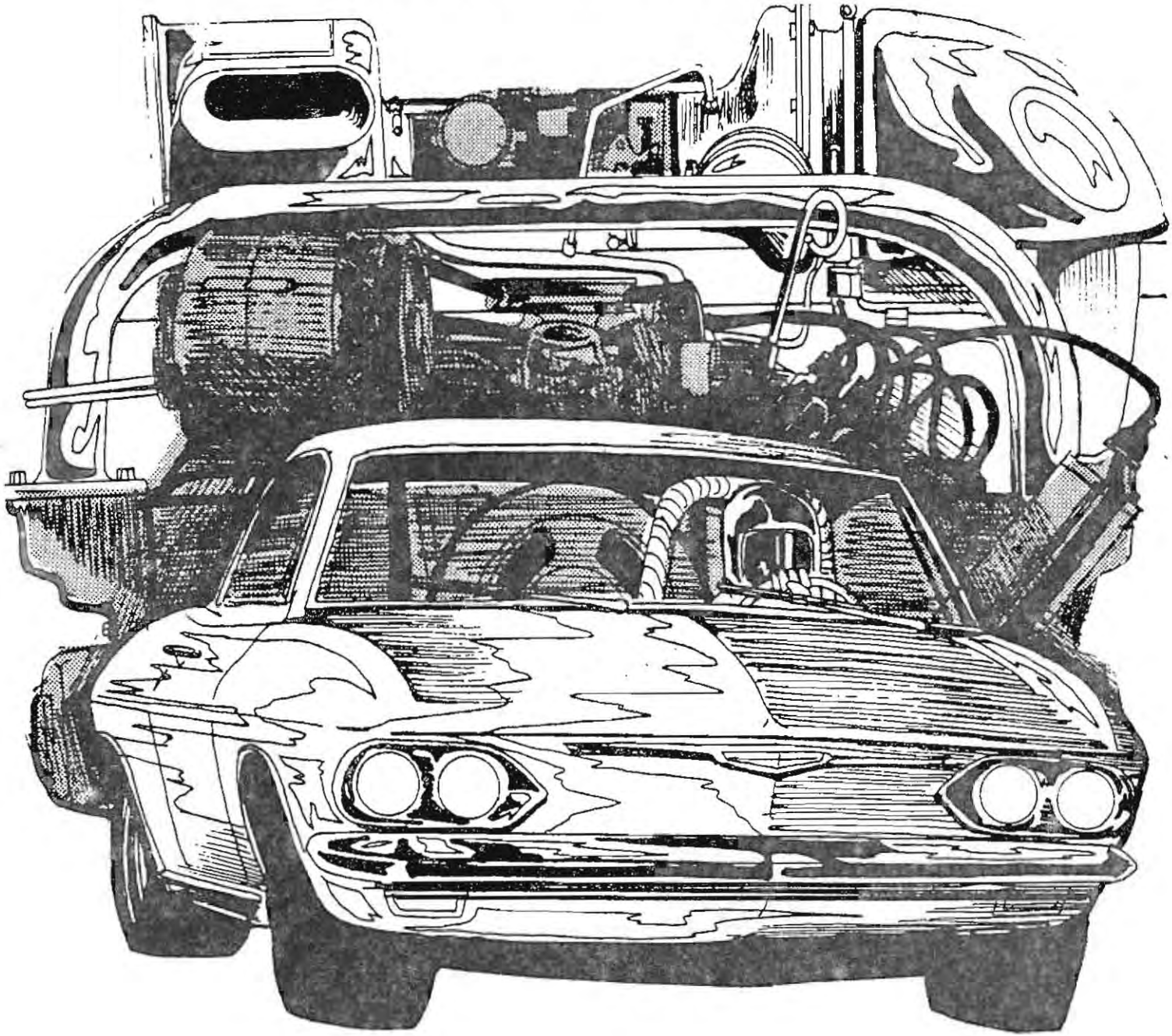


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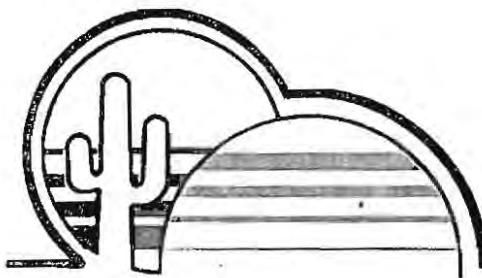
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TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION
Regular Meeting - September 23, 1981

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Frank McKenna, at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Inn Pizza Parlor, 6934 E. Tanque Verde.

Present: 47.

First time attendees introduced themselves.

The minutes of the August 26, 1981 regular meeting were approved as they appeared in the September Corvairsation.

Dave Martin reminded everyone of Arizona's largest Special Interest Car Show and Picnic at Reid Park on October 4th for the benefit of Casa de los Ninos Crisis Center. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 for chances on a 1931 Model A Pickup Truck to be given away at this event. You do not have to be present to win. Dave requested the names and telephone numbers of the Corvair Club members who will be showing their cars in order for him to contact them as to the time and place.

Frank McKenna asked for volunteers to help in the November 15th Tune-Up Clinic and Swap Meet to be held at Jesse Owens Park from 12 noon to 5 p.m. He asked those who volunteered to please sign their name at break time.

Pat Hayhurst promoted the Phoenix Corvair Mini-Convention to be held April 4, 1982. This is a CORSA sponsored event and would like to see as many as possible participating. Approximately 25 have volunteered so far and there will be several training sessions prior to the event.

Dan Mattingly reported \$10.35 had been collected for the Can Project for September.

Frank McKenna announced the Concours grade sheets for the participants in the Denver National Convention had been received. Bob Thompson received 91 pointers and if the Convention had awarded a 4th place award, Bob would have won in his class.

The Club ordered 20 SUP-R fan belts which will be on sale at the next meeting at \$10.50 each. Ed Carey will be in charge of this sale.

A big thanks was given to Louis and Lera Lage, Editors of the Corvairsation, for doing a fine job. Also a thank you to Don Schnur who again had the Corvair-sation published free of charge by the Kachina Business Machines.

Intermission, raffles and door prize followed. Donors: Barney's Auto Service, Steve Estabrook, Van Pershing and TCA.

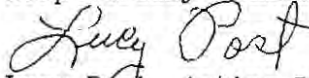
Program for the evening was a slide presentation presented by Frank McKenna of various TCA activities. Among the outings were Justin's Water World, Pima Air Museum, Bryan Lynch's home for a picnic, and the Denver National Convention.

For Sale items were announced from the floor. Technical session followed with questions from the floor.

Next meeting will be held here at Village Inn Pizza Parlor, 6934 E. Tanque Verde.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Lucy Post, Acting Rec. Secretary

I'm sorry that I won't be able to make the meeting this month as the wife and I will be away on vacation. I have no fears, as the meeting will be in the very capable hands of our V. P. Frank McKenna.

We haven't done as well this year on the cans as last, so lets make a big effort in Oct. and Nov. and remember one-half the money you turn in goes toward your share of the Christmas party.

I have appointed Pat Bender, Bryan Lynch and Pat Hayhurst as the nominating committee for elections in Feb. Anyone interested in running for any of the offices please contact one of these gentlemen or any of your current officers.

The September outing was a real success. The tour of Mr. Mathews restoration facility was very interesting. The farewell party at Bryan Lynchs' for John North was a big success but we all hate to see you go John.

The Christmas party for this year is to be held at the Redwood Gay Nineties on Friday, Dec. 11. So reserve that night on your calendar and next month after I return I will have all the particulars in the Corvairsation.



WHAT'S YOUR SHOE SIZE?

Prior to each regular meeting of the T.C.A., there is time to socialize and mingle. As a fairly new member, I try to take full advantage of this opportunity to get acquainted.

The conversation, between myself and the recently met gentleman, had reached a lull. I took the chance to ask, "How long have you been married?"

Without hesitation, he answered, "It's been ten wonderful years, now!" There was a definite sparkle in his eyes as he continued, "The first time I saw her, was in the spring of '71. She was so beautiful, free spirited, and absolutely dazzling! It was love at first sight, so I didn't waste any time getting us together." I seemed not to be there for him, as he went on with his innermost thoughts, "We've only been separated once since then. I thought I was going to die. I never want that to happen again!" He paused a moment. "You know", he mused, "she's only grown more beautiful and more valuable through the years."

I was really impressed and, I must admit, somewhat envious of the woman who had such a devoted and romantic man for a husband.

Just then, a woman who had been standing with a near-by group, turned towards him with a slight shake of her head. "Sweetheart", she said, "she asked you how long you had been married, not how long you have owned your Corvair." Then she turned back to continue her conversation with the others.

As I looked at him, a sheepish grin stole across his face. He muttered, "Oops", and slowly walked away.

While this particular story is pure fiction, If the shoe fits.....?

Devon F. N. Ray

Northwestside Story

After four years, Bryan Lynch finally had a midmonth activity that practically started and did end up in his backyard. Our visit to Cliff Mathews' garage was enjoyed by all. His collection of antique Model A's and T's plus a 1936 Ford and an ancient Oldsmobile makes our Corvair restoration projects appear insignificant. It must take a lot of patience and dedication to work on a project for ten years. Can you imagine the owner waiting that long for his car to be completed? It seemed as if everyone had their favorite, but I was partial to the '36 Ford. Having owned a '35 Coupe, it brought back a lot of memories. After leaving Cliff Mathews', we all headed back to Bryan and Marilyn's where the beer and pop were iced down and the hot dogs were on the grill. What great hot dogs! Reminded me of Crosley Field in Cincinnati. A Corvette driving friend of Bryan and Marilyn's, who is in the meat business, donated them for our outing. Who said those "Vette" people are all bad? The food furnished by the ladies was delicious as usual, and I consumed more than my share. It was good to see Gertrude King and the Fourniers again.

For those who didn't attend, this outing was also a farewell party for John North. He didn't plan it that way, but Betty and Don Chastain talked him into staying an extra four days on some pretense or another. Betty and Don presented John with a collection of memorabilia for his trip to Michigan. Our club bestowed upon John a TCA Life Membership and a jacket embroidered with his name and the club logo.

With John's departure for Michigan, there will be a large void in the Tucson Corvair Association in the areas of expertise and leadership. We wish him well.

Frank McKenna



CAN REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

These people contributed during the month—Enright \$1.98, Lynch \$9.24, McKenna \$2.42, Post \$10.35, Sanford \$3.30. September total \$27.29, and year to date \$244.92. Remember, your can money helps pay for your Christmas dinner.

Dan & Jan Mattingly.

Sincere apologies to those who did not get notified of the sudden change in our meeting place. Those involved will make every effort to see that this does not happen again.



OUR REGULAR READERS WILL RECALL THAT IN THE SPRIL ISSUE, WE ASKED FOR THE CORRECT USAGE OF THE TERMS "MOTOR" AND "ENGINE" AS THEY RELATE TO OUR CORVAIRS. THE WINNING ENTRY WAS SUBMITTED BY CECIL ALLAIN OF RANTOUL, IL. A \$10.00 CHECK IS IN THE MAIL TO HIM. CECIL'S ENTRY FOLLOWS:

ENGINE OR MOTOR

I never really thought there was any doubt, although I wince every time someone refers to it as a motor. At one time back in the early forties, I questioned this, referring to an aeroplane engine and was told the following:

"An engine is self supporting and develops its power from some controlled action within itself.

A motor develops its power from an energy fed to it by an umbilical cord so to speak. An example - an electric motor."

I never heard of a steam motor, always a steam engine. Webster says:

"Engine - a machine that uses energy to produce mechanical power; especially, a machine for starting motion in some other machine. A railroad locomotive, abbreviated, Eng.

Motor - means to move. Anything that produces or imparts motion. A vehicle propelled by an engine, especially a motor car, automobile. In electricity, a machine for converting electrical energy into mechanical energy.

Motorman - a person who drives an electric streetcar or electric locomotive, a person who operates a motor."

A person who operates a motor. That's got some possibilities. I'm a machinist, so if I turn on a switch to drive the machine, does that make me a motorman or a machinist???

That's confusing. I should have left Webster out of this. There wasn't too much doubt about the engine. The definition of motor screws it up. Motor means to move. So our car driven by an engine becomes a motor car. Therein lies the confusion.

Best wishes

Cecil

Treasurers report;

Balance	9/1/81	\$1,337.43
Income		\$144.56
Expenses		\$355.48
Balance	10/1/81	\$1,126.51



Ed Carey

THE LOVE AFFAIR

Saturday, October 3, 1981. The weather was warm, not hot, a clear blue sky, in fact a beautiful day, with the promise of the same for Sunday. Out came the vacuum cleaner, the bucket, rags and towels. Spring, or rather fall, cleaning? No, not exactly. All these items went into the front yard for cleaning the car. Time raced swiftly by, as the dirt and grime disappeared, the chrome began to shine, and I could actually see through the windows again. (THIS car has been washed once every ten years, whether it needed it or not. Boy, did it need it!) Some aching muscles later, this poor old Corvair still needs a new paint job, and much, much more, but, it's clean and ready for tomorrow's show. My appreciation of the hard working men and women who prepare their cars for shows, went up about a thousand points!

Sunday, October 4, 1981. The promise of good weather has been fulfilled. Eight Corvairs caravan from Vicki Waynes parking lot to the assigned area of Reid Park. We were efficiently taken care of by the people upon entry, and shortly thereafter, by the people placing the protective flagged ropes. Everything was well handled and ran with only one hitch. There were more cars than expected, about 350 in all. That meant doubling up on the release forms and no more window placards when we arrived.

We began to wander around the grounds, looking at all these marvelous cars. There were 27 clubs entered and many individual entries as well. In addition to T.C.A., there were cars representing, Tucson Model A Club, Antique Auto Club, Horseless Carriage Club, Tucson Touring T's, Contemporary Historical Vehicle Association, Southern Arizona Mustang Club, Shelby American Mustang Club, Vintage Chevrolet of America, Retractable and Convertible Club of Tucson, Corvette Club, T-Bird Club, Family Van Club, Tucson Street Rod Association, Tumbleweed Truckers, Vintage Sports Car Society, Cochise Car Club, Military Vehicle Collectors Association, Arizona Street Rod Association, Jaguar Club, G.T.O. Club, Studebaker Drivers Club, Classic Chevrolet Club, F-100's Club, Tucson Sandbuggy Association, and T.A.C.R.A. That's a very impressive list!

Every one of these cars was a treasure. It's hard to imagine all the thousands upon thousands of hours the owners have spent on restoring and upkeep of these beautiful cars! (Not to mention, all that cleaning. Oh, my aching muscles!) It was evident to me that there was a lot of love at this show.

There were also lots and lots of people looking, smiling, pointing, oohing, and aahing, as well as buying raffle tickets. Casa de los Ninos netted approximately \$40,000. from the show. That is three to four thousand dollars more than from last year's show!

Here's the one you have been waiting for. The winner of the Raffle was: Mr. Dick Thornquist, owner of Shouse Auto Parts and Body Shop, located on West Prince, here in Tucson.

The Moral: The American Love Affair with the Automobile is alive and well and living in the city of Tucson. So if the shoe fits (see What's Your Shoe Size) don't feel too bad. It made the benefit for Casa de los Ninos a tremendous success! A special THANKS to everyone who made this possible!!



Devin F. N. Ray





Tune-Up Clinic & Swap Meet

Remember - - - 15 November is the date - - from 12 noon to 5 P.M.. The place is Jesse Owens Park (formerly Pantano Park) We would like to inspect ball joints, steering linkage, suspension, lights, horn and windshield wipers. Additionally, for those who desire, we will set your engine to factory specifications. Don't expect miracles as a result of our setting the dwell and timing. Some of our cars have been beating the pavement for 20 years and the tolerances established by GM have long been exceeded. So, we will do the best we can with what we have. We are sure we can improve the operation of some of the cars. We are still looking for volunteers to help out..... No experience necessary If interested call Frank McKenna885-8571.

Those of you with some junk or treasures, bring them along. It is not limited to Corvair parts, and you know that I will buy anything if the price is right.

Frank McKenna



TECH TIP

PITMAN ARM BUSHING REPLACEMENT

When replacing the Pitman arm bushing in a Corvair front steering assembly, I've learned a way to do it at home easily and without the use of a large press. Put the new bushing in a freezer the night before or pack it in dry ice an hour before you install the bushing in the relay-rod. After you remove the old bushing be sure that the inside surface of the relay-rod is clean and free of burrs. Slip the chilled new bushing into the prepared end of the relay-rod as far as it will go and take an appropriate size deep socket and drive the outer metal shell of the bushing until the bushing is completely seated. Be sure to protect the threaded upper end of the bushing bolt. This procedure will allow the proper amount of rubber between the relay-rod and the Pitman arm. As a last caution when installing the prepared relay-rod back into the car, be sure the front wheels are lined up straight ahead when tightening the nut on the Pitman arm bushing bolt.

Gordon Cauble



This year's Casa de los Ninos picnic and car show was a rousing success with over 400 cars on display. The spectators were numerous and TCA had a dozen cars on display. I took about 90 pictures, both of our cars and of the many others which appealed to me. When those are developed I will set up an "after-break" slide show at one of our meetings.

We drank some of the beer and soda left from the bash at Brian Lynch's and generally had a grand time. My houseguest, a young doctor from Peking, China was overwhelmed by the age and diversity of vehicles shown and had to have his picture taken next to the fully customized 'Death Realm' van. My thanks to him for the help with prepping my car for the show. If only it ran half as well as it looked. Don Chastain and several others found that my engine to transmission mount is held by only half a bolt which explains why it sits so low on the left- the engine is sitting on the left axle. Don's comment in offering to help me fix that and several other problems we found told it all. "That's what the club is for". So soon maybe that and a few other problems will get fixed.

Despite a little problem with our original roped-off area being squeezed till it was too small for us by the time we arrived, we picked another (shadier) area and the organizers soon came around with ropes and stanchions. All in all it worked out very well and I expect to repeat it each year. TCA support through ticket sales was outstanding with more than 125 tickets being sold to members and friends. Thank you all. Let's do it again next year.

Dave Martin

DUES NOTICE

September- David Stafford, Tom Kerby, Don Robinson, John Roach, Don McVie, and Marvin Jackson.

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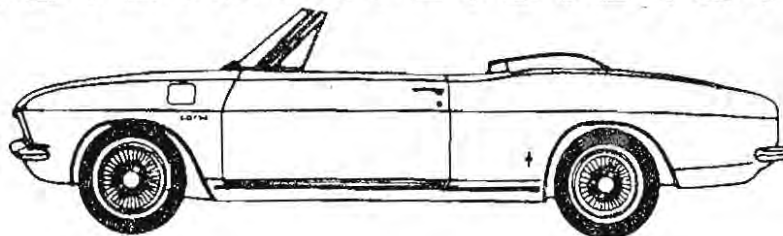
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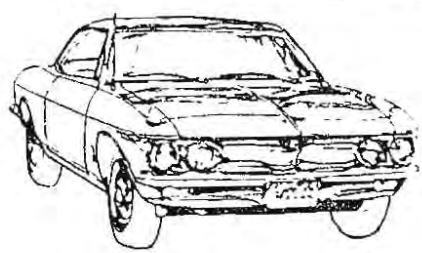
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2. Directors meeting is usually held the Wednesday after the regular meeting. Same place - 7:30 p.m..
3. November is Tune-up and Swap Meet month. Try to make it. Place: Jesse Owens Park - Noon till 5:00 - 15 November.
4. December is Xmas Party time. The Redwood Gay Nineties has been selected. The date will be announced at the October meeting.