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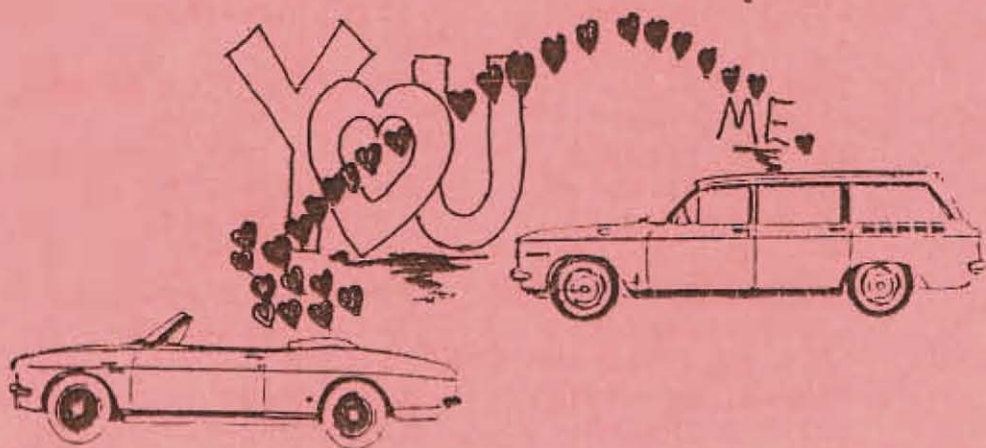
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VALENTINES !

IS A SPECIAL DAY WITH HUGS
THAT LAST 'N' STAY 'N' STAY.
I HOPE THAT YOURS IS
SPECIAL TOO WITH LOTS OF
LOVES FROM ME TO YOU.



TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION

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FROM THE PRESIDENT _____

Some of you might be happy, one or two of you might care, some of you may not even notice, this will be my final letter as well as the last meeting that I will serve as President this year. It has been a learning experience to say the least. One or two was quick to criticize, one so mad well that's his problem. The rest of you a BIG THANK YOU for letting me serve. Would I do it again? yes I would! Anyway the slate of the officers are in and we will be voting at the upcoming meeting. One comment I did hear at the last meeting was "a woman President--this is a man's club" well, I say this, you people that are living in midville times wake up and smell the roses that are blooming, smell the coffee, get a life! Who ever is elected to term this year I ask each and every one of you to support them in the coming new year, let's make this our club instead of your club. Together we stand, divided we fall.

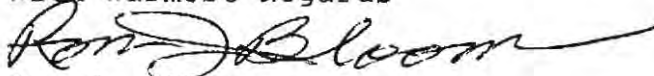
Let's make plans for the Picacho peak picnic with C.C.C. from Phx. on April 20, Mary Ann has worked really hard to help put this together, there will be lots of fun, prizes, FOOD, but more important fellowship with friends. They will also be here for the 11th annual Chevy showdown - all Chevys 1972 and older at Reid Park, April 6th 9am to 4 pm let's be there to greet them!

As the years have gone by people have come & people have gone. As I look back over the years of our first visit I have seen a lot of change, some for the good and some not so good. As I think about the changes and all the conflicts and disagreements it saddens me because this is an organization to enjoy yourself and show off one of the best cars ever made. The activities are for your pleasure and when you don't exercise the privilege of being there then you will be a part of the club falling apart. So one of my prayers for this coming year will be that you ALL support all the activities that will be presented by our new activities V.P. and let's join hands once again & bring this organization back to what our founders meant for it to be, a FUN and exciting time to show off our beautiful cars and to be united together as a team.

I want to thank the officers I served with this past year for their support, I for one will be there to support all of the new officers and I hope you will be too. Again thanks for all of those who supported me & helped me this past year.

Thanks for listening!

With Warmest Regards


Ron J. Bloom

President T.C.A.

JANURARY TREASURERS REPORT 1996

BEGINNING CASH ON HAND.....299.80

INCOME: (ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE)

Ads.....00.00
Raffle Tickets.....40.00
Cans.....21.35
Merchandise.....20.00
Christmas Dinner.....325.85
Parts.....101.05
Subtotal.....508.25

Dues:

Nick Benet.....15.00
Rossi Burton.....15.00
Joy Stafford.....12.00
Jim & Laurel Wilson.....12.00
Subtotal Dues.....54.00

Copier donation (Jim and Laurel Wilson)....20.00

TOTAL INCOME: (ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE).....582.25

SUBTOTAL.....882.05

EXPENSES: (ACCOUNTS PAYABLE)

Badges.....00.00
Parts.....00.00
Bryan Lynch Awards.....82.39
Payment (Christmas cups)..100.00
Blue Sahuaro281.40 (Christmas Party)
Stamps/Printing.....75.47

TOTAL EXPENSES: (ACCOUNTS PAYABLE).....539.26

ENDING BALANCE: (CASH ON HAND).....342.79

Tucson Carwin Assoc.
Monthly Meeting
January 26, 1996

The first monthly meeting of 1996 was called to order at 7:30 PM by our Pres., Ron Bloom.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed in the Carwinite.

Visitors this month were Gary Engelst and Nick Beant.

Ron Robinson had a selection of caps, sweat shirts and golf shirts for sale.

Belinda Baker reported that a new Carwin Underground Catalog had been ordered.

The January mid-month, a tune up Clinic, was a nice affair. Weather was beautiful and the food supplied by Lynn Bloom, Ruth Griffith and Jay Sheppard was excellent. Jay brought a birthday cake for Van Housling but he couldn't make it. We enjoyed it in his absence.

We are seeking sponsorship from Watson Chevrolet. More discussion at the board meeting.

The Marana Car Show ~~at~~ will be held on Feb. 10 at the High School on Lauderbrook Rd. Those wishing to go in cowboy will meet at --- AM at McDonalds at 9:00 on Jan.

There will be a Vair Fest on March 8 thru 10 in Cambria, CA. Announcement sheet enclosed.

Plan for the national convention, June 19 thru 22. It would be nice to a big turnout from TCA.

The current slate of officers for 96-97 are Pres.: Lynn Bloom, V.P.: Larry Doolidge, Secy: Mark Berkman

member at large, Vern Griffith. Voting will be held at Feb. meeting.

The license plate drawing was won by Gloria Gray. The regular drawing was won by Fred Zimmerman, Esther Alex, John ~~Bates~~ Bates, Randy Griffith, Al Rivas.

Next months prizes will be furnished by Alan Elrick, Al Rivas, Herb Burkman, Vern Griffith, Bob Eggers.

Harden Couble brought in pictures from the Christmas Party. Anyone wanting copies please contact him at home, 298-1122.

Harden also reported two early convertibles for sale, one runs, the other is very ~~new~~ restorable.

Gary Gyzek reported he is selling his father's 64 ~~che~~ in the "3000" Range. According to the picture he had, it seems to be in excellent condition.

We would like to welcome two new members this month. Russi Burton and Nick Benet.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Merle Perkins

Membership Renewals Due in January were Matty Battle, Randy Griffith, Sam Pershing. In Feb-May are Cecil Alex, Dick Cannon, Don Davis, Vern Griffith, Jay Stafford.

DWELL ON THIS

I guess the value of a degree is relative. A couple more when it's hot doesn't seem to make much difference. There is 360 of the little buggers in a circle and I'll bet you could steal one and most people wouldn't notice. Just let someone come up short a degree when they finish college and watch them get upset. The fairly important degrees and the subject of this article are the degrees of dwell of your points in the distributor.

When I prepared the wagon for the trip to the Convention, I set the dwell at 34 which is a hair on the high side, but I always do count on the points closing up a little bit when I travel. All conditions being normal I usually expect to get gas mileage in the high 17s with the trailer in tow. After going to Texas, the mileage dropped down to 16 mpg going into K.C. which I laid to head wind. It was too darn hot to do anything I didn't have to do, but I checked the dwell anyway. It was at 32. In view of humidity and temperature, it was easy to call that "in the ball park" and I left it alone. A week or so later, we took off for the East Coast. The mileage kept steadily dropping until it got to a totally unacceptable 13 mpg. I found a shady spot in a parking lot and broke out the tools. The dwell read 30 I re-set it a 34 and the next tank of gas got me almost 18 mpg. I have always known that point closing (dwell reduction) not only affects coil saturation but retards

timing and that affects power/performance/gas mileage, but I had never had it made so vivid to me before. Setting the dwell back where it came from put the timing back on. In this case each degree of dwell was worth at least one mile per gallon. Four degrees was fifty free miles out of each fill up. So there's the facts, man. If you've got a dwell meter & don't use it, it's your loss. **Smitty Smith**, The Spyder's Breath Gazette, Tidewater Corvair Club.



SET YOUR TIMING

Once your dwell is properly set, it is **time to time** (the engine). Try this: Remove & ground the coil wire. Turn the engine to set the timing mark on the **EXACT** position at which you want the timing set. Remove the primary wire from the ignition to the coil and hook a continuity light in line. Loosen the distributor **slightly** and, with the ignition on, rock the distributor back and forth in smaller and smaller movements turning the light on and off. When you get to the **smallest** possible movement to switch the **light off**, tighten the distributor, re-attach the wires after turning off the key.

Setting timing with the **engine not running** eliminates error from advance weights and vacuum action. Set the timing in this manner while your engine is still on the stand after a rebuild & it will be ready to run after installation. It takes less time than to read this article. **Ken Pepke**

Answers:

*Chevrolet; crank; starter; gear; spoke;
tire; top; clutch; hub; running board;
wheel; gasoline; brake; radiator; tank;
shield; spark plug; cushion; horn;
Willis Knight.*

The following excuses for not having a picnic are not acceptable:

1. The dog ate my Studebaker. (You don't own a dog or a Studebaker.)
2. My wife just ran off with King Kong. (Or was it Larry King. A Viet Kong??)
3. It's on a Saturday. Why not on a Sunday?
4. It's on a Sunday. Why not on a Saturday?
5. A PICNIC IN NOVEMBER?? WHY SO EARLY IN THE YEAR???
6. Aunt Fanny who is turning 125 years old Nov. 20 is planning to overthrow the Columbian Gov't and I must fly down there to give her a VALIUM.
7. I hate PICNICS. I hate ANTS. I hate PEOPLE. I hate FOOD. I hate FUN.
8. Sorry! My Yugo Club meets that day. And it's in Yugoslavia.
9. I have to wash my cat. And it takes 2 days to get its hair off my tongue!
10. Larry King and a Viet Kong just stole your Studebaker and your dog. Sure...

*thanks!
SARCHWA*

Automobile Romance of Long Ago

Imagine a Sunday afternoon spin on a country road early in this century. Fill in the blanks with appropriate automotive parts or names for the details of a rollicking, rhyming romance.

Vera and her beau one day
Went riding in his _____
Her beau was sweet.
His name was Frank,
But he was something of a _____
It was too bad he wasn't smarter
Because he couldn't
work the _____
She showed him how,
the little dear,
And also how to shift the _____
Away they went,
but something broke.
Twas just a measly little _____
He fixed it with a bit of wire.
When something popped,
it was the _____
Twas mended soon,
but next, "kerflop!"
They struck a branch

and broke the _____
"Dear me," cried Vera,
"that's too much!"
Then something hap-
pened to the _____
And next, poor Frank,
unlucky dub,
Just grazed a rock
and smashed a _____
They crossed the brook
but missed the ford
And sank down to the _____
"Oh, Frank," cried Vera,
with a squeal,
"I think we're going
to lose a _____"
They climbed a hill
and then was seen
The tank contained no _____
They coasted downward
to the lake,
But Frank just could not
work the _____
They struck a tree a moment later
That almost wrecked the _____
So both climbed out
and poor old Frank

Bought gasoline to fill the _____
And gathered up
from road and field
The fragments of
the broken _____
They fixed the engine
nice and snug
But had to use a new _____
They journeyed home
with Franky pushin',
With Vera sobbing on the _____
She would not forgive,
she vowed with scorn,
'Til Angel Gabriel blew his _____
So poor Frank's hopes
were doomed to blight,
And Vera married _____

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— Frances Grimes Yeargin
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 CHERRY CRISP

400°

20 min. or until
 BROWN



- 1 Can CHERRY Pie Filling
- 1 Box Yellow Jiffy CAKE Mix
- 1 Stick Margerine
- 1/2 Cup Nuts (opt.)



Put CHERRY Filling into a 9"x9" square pan,
 SPRINKLE dry CAKE mix OVER CHERRIES Add
 Nuts. Melt margerine, DRIZZLE OVER top take
 back of spoon AND spread to MOISTEN.

Then back in 400° oven 20 minutes
 or until brown. serve warm.
 Top with Vanilla Ice cream if desired.

APPLE CRISP

- 3 CUPS APPLES CHOPPED OR SLICED
- 1 TSP. FLOUR
- 1/4 CUP SUGAR
- 1/2 TSP. CINNAMON
- 1/8 TSP. SALT
- 1 TBSP. WATER
- 1/2 CUP ROLLED OATS
- 1/4 TSP. SALT
- 1/4 CUP MARGERINE
- 1/3 CUP BROWN SUGAR



COMBINE 1st. 6 INGRED. IN GREASED DISH, COMBINE REMAINING
 INGRED. AND SPRINKLE ON TOP. BAKE AT 375 F. FOR 35 MIN.

THERE WAS A YOUNG MAN WITH A VAIR,
 HIS CAR WAS MUCH FASTER THAN HIS
 HAIR.

AFTER YEARS OF FAST GOING,
 MUCH SKIN WAS SHOWING.
 AND HE STILL SAID I REALLY DON'T CARE
 - ANYMOUSE

Tidewater Corvair Club



Cecil Alex
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HAPPY

GWFBT&SM Results

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Early Open

- 1 Matt Pashun, '63 Spyder conv.
- 2 Ed Roberts, '63 Monza conv.

Early Closed

- 1 Vance Piper, '62 Monza coupe
- 2 Tim Lee, '64 Monza coupe

Late Open

- 1 Bob Greulich, '65 Monza conv.
- 2 Donna Raymond, '65 Monza conv.

Late Closed

- 1 Kevin Brill, '66 Corsa coupe
- 2 Donna Derbish, '65 Corsa coupe

Forward Control

- 1 Bob Irvine, '61 Rampslope
- 2 Red Haynes, '65 Greenbrier

Corvair Powered/Engineering

- 1 Orlando Russi, '68 Meyers Manx
- 2 Ron Young, '66 Corsa V-8

OTHER AWARDS

Fan Belt Toss

- 1 Larry Shapiro/Bob Tesla
- 2 Rich Ernst/Bob Gershenfeld

Creepier Races, Men

- 1 Rich Ernst

Creepier Races, Women

- 1 Jonni Berkman (tie)
- 1 Lynn Bloom (tie)

Oldest Participant

Cecil Alex

Hard Luck Award

Jean McMasters

February 1996

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FOURTH WEDNESDAY of each month (except December)

Piccadilly Cafeteria, 6767 E. Broadway, Tucson

6:00 pm: Parking Lot Bull Session

6:30 pm: Dinner (optional)

7:30 pm: Meeting starts

COMING EVENTS

PLEASE CONTACT A
BOARD MEMBER WITH
ANY SUGGESTIONS!!

April 20, 96
Picacho Peak Picnic
C.C.C. Phx

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TCA Executive Board Meeting: March 7, 1996 7:30pm
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