

VALVE CLATTER

Remember any of these songs

December 26, 1964

Top 10 Songs of The Day

1. I FEEL FINE – The Beatles
2. COME SEE ABOUT ME – The Supremes
3. MR. LONELY – Bobby Vinton
4. SHE'S A WOMAN – The Beatles
5. SHE'S NOT THERE – The Zombies
6. GOIN' OUT OF MY HEAD - Little Anthony & The Imperials
7. RINGO – Lorne Greene
8. DANCE, DANCE, DANCE – The Beach Boys
9. THE JERK – The Larks
10. TIME IS ON MY SIDE – The Rolling Stones



Good Ol' Days



From the Boss

Welcome to 2020!

I hope everyone had a Vairy Merry Christmas! This time of year is always busy for us and now that we are a week into the New Year (and the new DECADE!) things have slowed down a little! I hope most of you have gone ahead and have begun using Windows 10!? I am still trying to get my 75 year old brain around THAT! Thanks again to Bill Gates!

We had little response to the request for cars to show at the World of Wheels and will be skipping that show this year. I had hoped to have my "more-door" Monza ready but "life" got in the way. Now is a good time to think about the 2021 WoW show and see if your "custom Corvair" might work well there. If you know of any car shows around central Indiana that we might be interested in please let us know.

I would like to thank everybody for allowing me to be President this year. We are trying to think of ways to improve the Club and have started thinking about our meetings and what we do during the year. We are looking into trips, technical sessions, and car shows. It was brought up at the January board meeting that we "might" want to organize a "caravan" to the NEW Corvair Museum. This is a short distance for us (on Route 66) and will probably be well attended. With the National convention being in San Diego, California I suspect there won't be too many Hoosiers in attendance. Again, any advice from the members is always welcome!

I look forward to our next meeting (I love eating at Gray Brother's Café). Everyone please stay safe in this crazy weather! I look forward to seeing you on January 18th.
Dale Smiley



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Valve Clatter is the monthly newsletter of the Circle City Corvairs, a Chapter of the Corvair Society of America (CORSA). We welcome story ideas and articles for publication. Advertisements for cars and car parts, either wanted or for sale, are free. Send information to newsletter editor Tom Miller.

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2020 Club Service Directory

Corvair Repair Work	All mechanical, chassis, electrical, and interior repairs. Minor body and paint repair and detailing. Carry-in component rebuilding. Some NOS and used parts. Dan Brizendine 317-862-3550 debrizo@comcast.net
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Notes, News and Other Stuff

Club Activities

Saturday, Jan. 18th	First meeting of the new year... Lunch will be at Gray's Cafeteria. Bring suggestions for a weekend club trip
Saturday, Feb. 15th	Regular meeting at Hubler Chevrolet. 10am Lunch will be at Arni's on Us 135 in Greenwood
Saturday, March 21st	Regular meeting at Hubler Chevrolet. 10am Lunch location to be detemined
Saturday, April 18th	Corsa birthday party, Scamahorn Park, Pittsboro Indiana. Pitchin, bring your favorite side dish, Auction
Saturday, May 16th	Regular meeting at Hubler Chevrolet. 10am Lunch location to be determined
June 17th—21st	Mini convention to be held in Springfield, Illinois Full details are in the newsletter
Saturday, July 18th	Car show at Pendleton Indiana in the park. We will have the meeting at the car show and will not be at Hubler Chevrolet
Aug. 20 -22	Dacc Homecoming will be hosted at a new venue. With more room. The Wyndham Garden Hotel in Ann Arbor
Mon. Sept. 7th	Labor Day picnic at Southeastway Park. Pitch in so bring your favorite side dish. Starts at 10 am

Preventive Maintenance Series

By Mike Dawson



1. Early model cars have the blower motor resistor pack located in the right side defroster duct behind the glove box. On low or medium speed the coils are red hot and will ignite loose foam from the rear heater box causing smoke. There is no easy cure. Switch to the high speed (resistors not used) or remove the heater box and reline the insulation.
2. Always tighten your wheel lug nuts with the tool you would use if changing a tire on the road. Tire stores now over tighten nuts to avoid the chance of a lawsuit. When I got my last set of new tires I could barely get them loose with a cross bar wrench – I could never have used the Corvair tire tool. Lightly grease the contact end of the lug nut (not the threads, just clean them). Note: If torque wrench is available set to factory recommended 65 ft. lb.
3. Be sure your negative battery cable is grounded firmly to the engine and that you have at least a 10 gage wire grounded to the body. If the engine ground is loose or non existent, the starter draw will burn clutch cables, shifter cables, parking cables and heater hoses as it attempts to reach cranking amperage. If the body ground is bad, the charging system can be erratic.
4. A rolling or whining noise that does not change from acceleration to deceleration is probably a wheel bearing. If it does change, it is probably a loose differential pinion shaft or a worn out ring and pinion. A loose shaft is the most common, particularly on a Powerglide.
5. A small but pervasive oil leak from the “pit” area at the back of the engine that appears to be a mystery may be either the oil pump dummy shaft area or oil coming up one or more of the four studs that run through the rear cover. The rear housing gasket design may leak internally and run down the studs. Use a two part epoxy on the dummy shaft after cleaning and sanding and use sealer under and around the four nuts and the skid pan as a temporary fix.
6. An accelerator pedal that gets stiff is usually caused by a rusted pivot that has pinched the two plastic bushings and caused the shaft to bind. Remove the pedal assembly from the floor, carefully remove the bushings, dress up the shaft and bushing areas and lubricate. The two bushings are available if you need them. Be sure to index the pedal to the shaft before removal.
7. A cheap and fairly easy way to make your car almost impossible to steal by hot wiring the ignition is to add an 18 gage black wire to the negative side of the coil and route it to the left underside of the dash (or wherever suites you). Mount a single throw switch and connect it to ground. If you have a tachometer, simply splice in to the wire at the front and add the switch to ground.
8. Poor idle, loss of take off power and pinging can be dirt in a carburetor idle and transition circuit. With the engine running, block off one carburetor while quickly accelerating the engine. This creates a very high vacuum and usually will suck the dirt on through. Also remove the idle screw and blow through that hole as well as the larger of the two small holes in the top of the venturi cluster.
9. Carburetor diagnosis can be aided by using a can of Gumout carburetor cleaner. Gently spray a mist over each carburetor while the engine is running – the problem side will cause the engine to speed up, the good side will keep the rpm the same or lower it.
10. The shop manual tune up guide discusses putting a small amount of lubricant under the rotor; this lubes the advance shafts. If this has been ignored over the past 50 years, it will cause rough running, pinging and hesitation. Check the play in the shafts simply by removing the rotor and try moving the outer shaft (with the lobes) back and forth across the inner shaft. There should be almost no movement.

SET THE DATE: JUNE 17-21, 2020... The Corvair Preservation Foundation is pleased to present a mini-convention called:

"Corvair - The Next Generation", that will be held at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield, Illinois. This event is designed to attract and entertain Corvair lovers of all ages as we look to preserve the future of our hobby and its air-cooled legacy while having a lot of fun.

There will be plenty of activities including a Concours on Thursday (with the appearance of a "special" Corvair, maybe two), swap meet, tech session, funkana, road tour, banquet with guest speaker, and a new added car display event on Saturday for the working crowd. All things Corvair are welcome.

One of our exciting highlighted features this year will be special guest speaker, Mr. William Wynne of FlyCorvair.net who is well-known for converting Corvair engines into airplane engines. After all, Corvair engines are aircraft inspired. As a special treat, a Corvair powered airplane will be on display and William may have a surprise to go with it. Invite your aviation friends who may find this very interesting. If you want to learn more about what William does, go to You Tube and search "WW Fly Corvair".

Another new feature will be a Corvair-themed Art Show at the hotel for folks who want to bring their original paintings, sketches, renderings, photographs, or three-dimensional artwork pieces made from Corvair parts for others to enjoy. Please bring your own easel or stand for display.

The Crowne Plaza is now accepting room reservations at a rate of \$105 per night (no meals included). This hotel is pet friendly so bring your fur family members with you. You can click on the link provided below to make a reservation on line. Alternately, you can call 1-888-303-1755 and mention you are part of the group: "CORVAIR SOCIETY (CODE CV9)". The last day you can make a reservation is May 22, 2020, to obtain the special group rate.

On-line registration for the event will be available in January, and we will keep everyone updated. It will appear on corvair.org. We hope you will be able to attend this very special event. If you have any questions, you can contact me at corvailady@gmail.com.

Eva" Corvair Lady "McGuire Historian and Publicist
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<https://www.crowneplaza.com/redirect...>





FOR SALE

Since I got the new tires and wheels on my '63, I have the newish Maxxis 13" tires and white wheels I didn't know if any of you were in the market for stock size tires or not, but I wanted to offer them to you all first before I put them on Facebook or Corvair center. The tires are Maxxis MA-1 185/80-13 white wall on one side and have about 3500 miles on them. The wheels are 13x5.5 (early 4 bolt) and were chrome reverse that I had off white powder coated. They appear stock but have 1/2" less back space. So they are 1/2" deeper as you are looking from the outboard side. No clearance issues. Tires and wheels \$450. Tires only \$300.

Jan Bradley

Contact me at 317 409 6036 and leave a message if no answer



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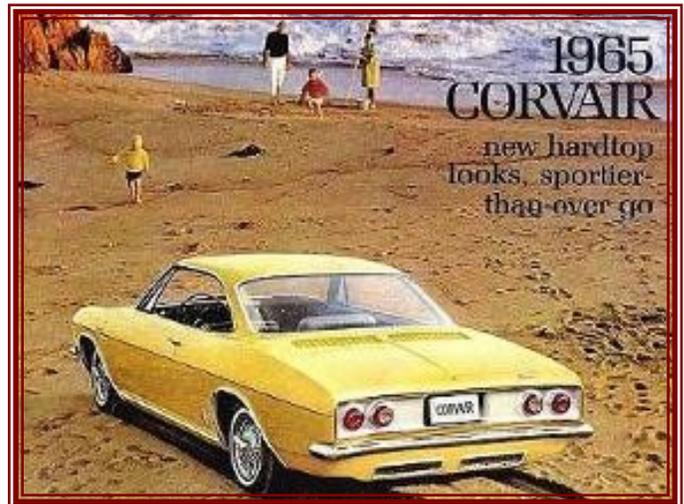
2 Corvairs

1965 Monza convertible. Car has a 110 hp engine with automatic transmission. Originally red with black interior. Body is straight with very little rust, but has no interior. Nice car to restore.

1965 Monza convertible. Car has a 62 or 63 engine with automatic transmission. Originally evening orchid with white interior and top. Needs to be restored.

Pictures are available. Call me for details

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The club history needs a new home. Carlton Smith is no longer able to store the records and paraphernalia. Much of this material can be disposed of but we want to give club members an opportunity to view these items and take what they want. If you are interested contact Ken Clark at 812-320-7615, or email at aokprinting1@hotmail.com



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