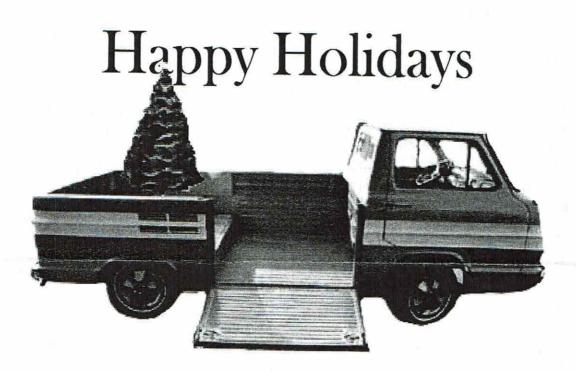


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Members in the News

There is a new photographic gallery in town, and according to TCA member and Tip Top Appliance store owner Dave Martin, it offers affordable prices for color digital photography. Located inside his used major appliance store at 3390 E. 22nd, the new gallery is called Camera Obscura and shares the same hours as the appliance store: M-F 9am-5pm, Sat.10am-1pm. Phone: 520-326-2701.

The gallery takes its name from the eighteenth century device consisting of a darkened enclosure having an aperture usually provided with a lens through which light from outside objects passes to form an image of the

objects on the inside. Dave calls attention to a more recent camera obscura that was located in a gallery on the Connecticut shoreline back in the 1970s. The owner, Aug Hogfeldt, turned his entire upstairs room into a pinhole camera forming an inverted image of the Post Road outside on the interior of the room.

Camera Obscura is now showing digital prints by Dave Martin. Dave has been serious about photography since the early 1970s, but recently began to consider himself a photographer rather than a hobbyist. Mr. Martin, also known as Dave the Appliance Wizard, has been

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Tucson Corvair Association Established 1975

Corvairsation is a monthly publication of the Tucson Corvair Association, which is dedicated to the preservation of the Corvair model of the Chevrolet Motor Division of General Motors. The Tucson Corvair Association is a chartered member of the Corvair Society of America (CORSA) chapter 857.

Monthly Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, except November and December. One technical/social event is planned for each month, except July and August.

Membership Dues are \$15 for individuals and \$18 for families. Initial dues are \$19 for individuals and \$22 for families (includes name tags). Make checks payable to Tucson Corvair Association.

Change of Address: Report any changes of address or phone number to the Membership Chairperson. Do not report such changes to the Corvairsation Editor.

CORSA Membership Dues are \$30 per year (\$70 for 26 months) and include subscription to the CORSA Communique, a monthly publication. CORSA membership is not required for membership in the TCA, but is highly recommended. See any TCA officer for more information.

Classified Ads are free to members and \$3 per 4-line ad to non-members. Deadline for materials submitted for publication in the Corvairsation is the 10th of the month.

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Members in the News continued

running the first nationwide independent telephone helpline for do-it-yourselfers for diagnosis and repair of broken major appliances. The *Wizard* can also be found on the Web too: www.appliancehelp.com.

Dave points out that he is both a photographer and an appliance store owner, but is not an appliance store photographer. His recent photos capture desert flora, sunsets, landscapes, and interesting shots of colorful murals and street scenes of South Tucson and Silver City, NM.

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November 2004 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

November 17, 2004

Members Present: Bill Maynard, Lynn Marrs, Dave Lunch, John and Amy Young, Paul and Art Dunn, The Cunningham Bros, Don Robinson, Bruce and Tanya Robinson, Dave Baker and Nancy Let's-Have-a-Good-Time! Goodman, Ed Segerstrom. Our guest was Bruce Porter.

President Bill Maynard called the meeting to order at 7:22pm.

Approval of the Minutes for October 2004:

Chris Cunningham made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Don Robinson and the motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: No reports at this time.

Presidents Report: Bill Maynard welcomed everyone to the meeting and announced that the Fanbelt Toss event brought in \$1750 from the sale of the used and new parts in Palm Springs. Chris Cunningham seemed to win every event he participated in, including winning the grand door prize at the banquet Saturday night, a color TV.

Vice-President's Report: Barry Cunningham-Discussion took place regarding Palm Springs Fanbelt Toss and the fun we all had. Perhaps more of the club will want to go next year. The Canopy with the club name on it stood out among the other plain canopies. John and Amy Young towed their trailer full of the club parts; we all marked the prices and set up the displays. Amy Young brought paper, pencils, bags, calculators, etc., etc., etc.

Barry Discussed making reservations for the Christmas party. Lynn Marrs has made the reservations for December 15, 2004 at the Metropolitan Grill. Everyone should bring a gift to exchange.

Merchandise: Don Robinson reported that he has mugs, hats, shirts etc.

Library: Lance Gillingham is doing well and will keep the Library at his location, even though he still has several battles to overcome. Julius Berky is still in a wheelchair after his operation, but doing very well.

Raffle: Winners were Chris Cunnngham, Ed Segerstrom, and Dave Baker. Don Robinson, and Dave Lynch drove their Corvairs tonight.

Corvair Talk: Dave Baker reported that anyone with a cigarette lighter should disconnect it or remove it as it can run the battery down, melt switches and cause a fire.

New Business: John and Amy Young suggested giving money to the Corvair Corsa Club for the Scholarship fund. Don Robinson made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the scholarship fund, Ed Segerstom seconded this motion. It was approved unanimously.

Old Business: Ed Segerstrom gave everyone information regarding the Kiwanis Club Car Show on November 28, 2004 at Rillito Race Track. \$20.00 registration fee. Free Admission.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be the Christmas Party, December 15, 2004. It will be at 7:00pm at the Metropolitan Grill at Oracle and Magee. See you there

Adjournment: Don Robinson made a motion to adjourn at 8:30pm. Allen Elvick seconded this motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn

Secretary

FREE Newsletter: The Corvair News

Corvair Underground, Inc. is offering their exclusive newsletter, *The Corvair News*, mailed to any Corvair owner, free of charge. The NEWS comes out about 4-6 times a year and keeps you up to date on any new products and developments.

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The Corvair Legend

By Rob McLellan

The 1960 Corvair was rather revolutionary for an American car and, admittedly, Chevrolet intended to

build a better

Volkswagen Beetle. Going head-to-head with Ford's Falcon and Plymouth's Valiant, it lost in overall sales, but it did prove that GM could make



an interesting and fun car. And they were as safe as their competitors.

More collectible than other "compact" cars of that period, so is the literature. Although Corvair was



included in the full line Chevrolet brochures and press kits, there is an extensive collection of exclusive Corvair brochures. Also, don't forget that Corvair made a truck, too!

Following is a selection of Corvair literature which is available from McLellan's Automotive History. See the Chevrolet section at:



www.mclellansautomotive.com.

to find every brochure that includes the Corvair model.





1960 - B12244



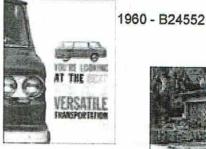
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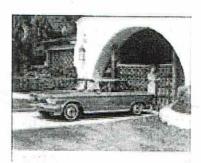


1961 - B20039 Chevrolet Custom Features for the Convair 16 page color catalog, 6x9 64 photo renderings and drawings \$35

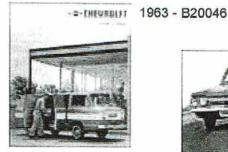
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1962 - B11088



1963 - B5578

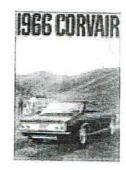


1962 - B8301 New Sun and Fun Car!!! Corvair Monza Convertible 6 page color folder, 7x10. \$30





1964 - B9553
12 page color catalog,
6x11, 24 photographs
photo renderings and
drawings.
Includes discussion,
specifications and 6point labeled cutaway
drawing. \$25.



1966 - B12263
Corvair: Rear-Engine
Fun Car Built the
Chevrolet Way
12 page color catalog,
12x8,
22 photographs
\$25



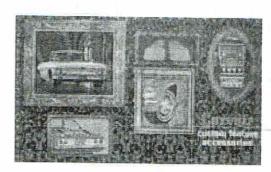
1965 - B12261
Corvair: New Hardtop
Looks, Sportier-ThanEver Go
16 page color catalog,
9x11, 23 photographs
Includes discussion
and specifications
\$30



1966 - B17280 12 page non-color catalog, 7x8. 25 photographs \$25



1965 - B20074



1967 - 8275



1965 - 20075



1968 - B5580 Corvair: America's Rear-Engine Sportster from Chevrolet 6 page color folder, 11x8. \$25



1965 - B20076

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UNDERGROUND ACQUIRES CORVAIR COUNTRY

Corvair Underground Inc. is proud to announce the acquisition of Corvair Country of Sacramento, California. Corvair Country operated for 32 years where it served the local Corvair owners and acquired a reputation for honest and fair dealing. Owner Mike Peters and his father built the business up as simply something fun to do and never viewed it as a source of personal income.

As a result of that philosophy, all profits made went back into acquiring inventory and building the business. We were amazed to find such an extensive inventory of NOS GM parts - probably one of the 3rd or 4th largest anywhere. We also acquired a substantial inventory in rebuilt and used parts along with a number of shelves and other misc items. It has amazed us what all is in this collection including a fair amount of prebuyout Otto Parts inventory.

So far, three loads of inventory have been brought up with several more to go. Many used parts will need to be left behind due to the sheer magnitude of the inventory and a shortage of storage space and time on our part.

It will take a long time to inventory and place all the parts. We want to publicly thank Mike Peters for offering this to us and also for his assistance in the transfer.

As we are able, these unique parts will be listed and offered. But it's going to take time. In the interim we welcome any specific inquires you may have.

Check out the Sacramento Specials we have listed!



The Tucson Corvair Association wishes one and all a happy holiday and a very prosperous New Year!...

TCA 2004 Events at a Glance

DEC 2004

15 WED Annual Holiday Party - 7pm

Metropolitan Grill, 7892 N.Oracle Rd.

@Magee.

25 SAT Christmas Day

JAN 2005

12 WED TCA Board Mtg.Location TBA 6:30pm

22 SAT Santa Cruz Valley Car Nuts 11th
Annual Car Show, Tubac Golf Course

I-19 south to Exit 40, 10am-3pm.

26 WED Regular Monthly Meeting - 6pm.
Optional dinner at 6:20, meeting starts at 7pm. Mountain View
Restaurant 1220 E. Prince Road

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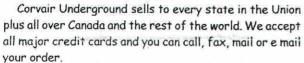
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Tucson Corvair Association Corvair Society of America Chapter 857

Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

November meeting is on the third Wednesday.

The December meeting is an annual Holiday Party.

Meeting Place: Mountain View Restaurant, 1220 East Prince Road, 293-0375 Parking Lot Bull Session: 6pm - Dinner: 6:20pm (optional) Meeting: 7pm.

Upcoming Events:

Santa Cruz Valley Car Nuts 11th Annual Car Show, Saturday, January 22, 2005 Tubac Golf CourseI-19 south to Exit 40, 10am-3pm. Meet for breakfast at the Cow Palace in Amado at 8am.



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