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Breakfast cruise to Ryan Field was fun for all

On Saturday morning, July 16, 2011, eleven members of the Tucson Corvair Association took a casual cruise from Tucson to Ryan Field just west of town on Ajo Way. Five Corvairs made the trip with 11 club members in attendance. Those in attendance were John and Amy Young, Ken and Heidi Farr, Allen and Marianne Elvick, Jim and Terry Mills, Bill Leslie, Ron Bloom, and Van Pershing.

After a great Breakfast at Todd's, John and Amy invited us to tour their hangers just a few hundred yards away. In one hanger they store their Technam P92 Echo DeLuxe and the other is used strictly for Corvair restoration and storage. A few of the photos taken appear here. There are many more to see at www.corvairs.org on the Events and Activities page.

It was a great way to spend a hot July morning. An extra big thanks to John and Amy for great breakfast and even greater tour of their facilities.

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Above: (R to L) John and Amy Young, Marianne Elvick, Terri Mills, Jim Mills, and Ken Farr.

Below: (L to R) Ron Bloom, Allen Elvick, Bill Leslie, and Heidi Farr.

Left: The Corvairs that made the trip were Bill Leslie's Greenbrier, Ron Bloom's Greenbrier, Ken and Heidi Farr's yellow convertible, Allen Elvick's green convertible and Van Pershing's Stinger.

Tucson Corvair Association



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TCA 2011 Events at a Glance

Wed, Jul 27 Regular Monthly Meeting. Parking Lot Bull Session at 6:30 pm. Meeting starts at 7:00pm. Golden Corral, 6865 N Thornydale Road (just south of Ina).

Jul 26-29 CORSA National Convention. Denver, Colorado.

Sat, Aug 6

Little Anthony's Car Show, 7:00 to 10:00 PM either August 6 or August 20. Stay tuned for more information.

Sat, Sep 17 Tune Up Clinic in the Hills, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Hosted by Jim Mills, 2781 N Sundance Trail.

Sat, Oct 1 50th Annivesry Show, Thorobred Chevrolet, Chandler, Arizona. Sponsered by the Cactus Corvair Club

Sat, Oct 22 Tucson Classics Car Show, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. St Gregory High School, 3231 N Craycroft.

Oct 21-23 Great Western Fan Belt Toss & Swap Meet. Palm Springs, California.

Thu, Dec 8

TCA Christmas Party. This year's party will be held at the Taste of Texas Steakhouse, 8310 N Thornydale (at Cortaro). 7:00 PM. See the website for more details.



A photo from the 2010 Classics of Tucson Show.

June Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the monthly meeting held June 22, 2011 at the Golden Corral Restaurant, 6865 N. Thornydale, Tucson Arizona.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by President Ron Bloom

In attendance were: John and Amy Young, Don and Sue Robinson, Ed Segerstrom, Jim and Terry Mills, Keen and Heidi Farr, Bill Maynard, Lynn Marrs, and Van Pershing. Alfred Nuñez attended the meeting as a new Corvair owner. He has recently acquired not one, but two Rampside trucks: a '61 and a '63! A big welcome was give to Alfred.

The treasurer was not in attendance but it was reported that the balance in the treasury at the end of last month was \$2,738.39.

The "old business" consisted of a report from Van Pershing on the status of the new T-shirts. A date will be scheduled soon to take the necessary photos so the designer can get started.

Jim Mills gave a brief presentation on the care that must be taken with tires, especially this time of year when the temperatures are so hot. Old tires are very prone to side wall deterioration and can fail catastrophically when driving. Check tires pressures and look for the tell-tale tiny cracks in the sidewalls.

A brief discussion took place on the availability of 13" tires. The sizes most commonly used by Corvair owners are becoming extinct with no availability in the foreseeable future.

The raffle was held after the break. Winner were Amy Young, Lynn Marrs and Jim Mills.

Internally regulated alternator wiring was discussed briefly and Don Robinson inquired about a knowledgeable air conditioning shop to fix a problem he is having.

The July activity will be a cruise to Ryan Field for breakfast on Saturday, July 16. We will meeting at the El Rio Golf Course parking lot on Speedway just east of Silverbell at 8:00 AM. John Young offered to give us a tour of his hanger there at the air field.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Submitted by Heidi Farr



Dave Lynch's car is a friendly reminder to drive safely!

New Club T-shirt design in preliminary stage.

The design for the new club T-shirts is finally in the preliminary stages. The cars that were chosen to be on the shirts are Ron Bloom's Greenbrier, Van Pershing's Stinger and Ken Farr's '64 convertible. Future shirts will feature cars from other club members.

The shirts will be highly detailed and in full color. The designs come from Daniel Villacuesa, the designer of the Chevy Showdown shirts for the last several years.

The board will choose a layout from the rough sketches shown below.







Joe Hiller's '68 Monza concertible progesses nicely. After extensive bodywork, the paint is finally complete.

More Ryan Field photos:

Left: The Young's Technam P92 Echo Super DeLuxe.

Below: The group examines the inner working of the P92.



Above: The 100 horse-power Rotax opposed our cylinder engine isn't a Corvair but it pushed the P92 through the air at a steady 120 miles-perhour.

Right: Amy waves from the copilot's seat as Marianne and Terry check their baggage in preparation for the next flight. *Photo By Bill Leslie*



Ryan Field photos (continued)



In hanger number 2, John is set up to do just about anything to restore a Corvair. Every part has its place and everything in the shop is spotless clean. *Photo by Bill Leslie*

John's latest project is a '66 Turbo Corsa convertible. The body and paint work are complete and the car awaiting it's final assembly.



This is John's coupe that took first place at this year's Chevy Showdown. It's in the shop for a complete detailing to get it ready for the Denver convention. *Photo by Bill Leslie*



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Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the Fourth Wednesday of every month with a bull session starting at 6:30pm with the meeting starting at 7:00pm.



The November meeting is held on the third Wednesday. The December meeting is our annual Christmas party with the time and place to be announced.

MEETING PLACE:

Golden Corral, 6865 N Thornydale Road (Ina and Thornydale), Tucson, Arizona.



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John Young's '66 Turbo Corsa Convertible