



**Hit the Track**

1959, *Road & Track* said the following about the Devin SS, "the GT Ferrari and Corvette owners can kiss that first-place [SCCA] cup goodbye." And so in 1958, the Devin SS began its time on the track in the SCCA.

**Ak Miller's Devin SS**

Ak Miller was a California Hot-rodder with an international racing pedigree. He raced in everything from the Mille Miglia to the Carrera Panamericana. While successful in most races, nothing compared to his record at Pikes Peak, having won six times in the unlimited sports car division. His Cobra-powered Devin SS was the fiberglass horse that won him the titles between 1958 and 1966.



**The Devin D**

After the successful SS, Devin began work on the Devin D. The Devin D was to be offered at a lower price than the SS. The Devin D used a Devin chassis and another new body. This car's suspension was made up of Volkswagen parts, while power was provided by a rear-mounted engine from Porsche.



**The Devin C**

Shortly after Chevrolet released their Corvair, Devin launched the Devin C with the same body as the Devin D but a new chassis adapted to use the six-cylinder boxer engine from the Corvair. The Devin C was also the basis of a new premium hard-top model called the Devin GT and was the first to include a turbo charger.





**TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION**  
Established 1975

# TCA 2022/23 Events at a Glance

The **Corvairsation** is a quarterly 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) as Chapter 357.

**Membership dues** are \$25 per year for individuals. Make checks payable to the Tucson Corvair Association and mail to the TCA Treasurer.

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**CORSA membership dues** are \$45 per year (\$90 for 26 months) and include a subscription to the CORSA Communiqué, a monthly publication. Rates are \$37 per year and \$74 for 26 months for a "virtual" membership. CORSA memberships is not required for membership in the Tucson Corvair Association, but is highly recommended. See any TCA officer for more information.

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**4th Thu of each month**

**Monthly Meetings:** 7:00pm, Franklin Auto Museum, 1405 E Kleindale Tucson, Arizona

**Sun, Feb, 26 2023**

**2nd Annual Arizona Corvair Challenge,** Pinal County Fair Grounds, 512 S Eleven Mile Corner Rd, Casa Grande

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## Other options for hauling your Corvair.

Traditionally there have been two ways to load a Corvair on a trailer. One can either back it onto the trailer or pull it on frontwards.

Apparently there is another option that seems to work as well, and no trailer is needed.....



**... A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.**



### **Bill's Legacy**

Bill Devin passed away in November of 2000, but his legacy of Devin Enterprises still lives on. His mentality and keen eye for racing remain at the core of Devin Sports Cars.

Bill's efforts led to Devin Sports Cars competing in 136 SCCA races between 1955 and 1963, winning first thirty-two times, second eight times, and third three times.



### **Meet the Owner, Kevin Callahan**

When I purchased Devin Sports Cars, I knew that I wanted it to be based upon two things - an excellent product and top-tier customer service. Whether it's your Devin Street or Racecar, Devin Sports Cars will strive to go above and beyond to deliver the best results possible - let us help you



### **Back in production**

Today, Devin Sports Cars is managed by Kevin Callahan. The new production shop is located in Abington, Pa, and is capable of producing all new parts from the original Devin fiberglass molds and specifications.

*Local Tucsonan Laird McIntyre's Devin C. He purchased it fresh off the assembly line!*





# Hot Wheels Jay Leno's Garage Set of 5

At this point, Jay Leno is known for his car collection just about as well as he is for his career as a comedian. With some of the world's most legendary cars in his garage, Jay Leno, and his Jay Leno's Garage show have become a true hallmark of car culture. That's why Hot Wheels, another hallmark of car culture and many car enthusiasts' first introduction to the automotive lifestyle is collaborating with Jay Leno's Garage by making the latest Hot Wheels Car Culture set the Jay Leno's Garage Car Culture Set, complete with five icons from his immense and celebrated collection.



The five cars in this series are:

1. Mercedes 300SL
2. McLaren F1
3. Corvair Yenko Stinger
4. Lamborghini Countach
5. Jay Leno Tank Car

Interesting how a Corvair was put in the same category as the likes of Mercedes, McLaren and Lamborghini. How the Tank Car got in the mix is still a mystery.

*Van Pershing*





# Late Model Rear Heater Outlet Repair

Van Pershing

A few months ago the lid on the box for my 1/4" drive socket set gave up the ghost. A lot of products use what is called a living hinge which can be molded in and save the expense of having to install a separate hinge. Google to the rescue!!

I found a video that showed taking a piece of inner tube and gluing it to the box and lid using contact cement. It was easy to do and has been holding up nicely.

While assembling the interior on my current project I discovered that the back seat heater out door had become "unhinged" - broken off! After over 50 years of use, no wonder. At last check, the door assembly has not been reproduced. After my success with the socket set box, I thought why not give the inner tube method a try?

I cleaned the part and gave a good wipe-down with alcohol. I applied contact cement to the base and the door of the outlet, and to one side of the piece of inner tube, let everything dry for about 15 minutes and the stuck it all together. Letting things continue to dry for a few hours, I gave the test and sure enough it worked beautifully.



*Socket set box.*



*Unmolested original*



# TCA Christmas Party

December 10, 2022—Rusty's Family Restaurant



# OUR 50TH ANNIV -2023

Thanks to the support of 1,000's of Corvair owners over the last 50 years we continue to grow and reproduce more parts every year. We respect your trust and always put our customers first. We would also like to thank our 24 employees, 10 have been with us over 20 years and some as long as 46! Have a great year and enjoy our monthly sales and specials all year-Joan & Cal Clark

**SPECIAL SALES EVERY MONTH-** each month we'll send an email (if you have signed up) and also list in a special sale section on our Home page [www.corvair.com](http://www.corvair.com)

**FREE 50th MEMENTO gifts with your first order in 2023**

**FREE CATALOG WITH AN ORDER-** if you have not received a free 2019-2025 catalog yet, just ask for one.

**LIST YOUR CORVAIR FOR SALE- NO CHARGE-** sell your Corvair or a spare you just don't have time for! For all of 2023 we will list it on our website at **NO CHARGE-** check the website for details (Corvairs For Sale)

**CLARK CAR SHOW & PARTS SALES-** See our 2023 supplement or website for more details. We expect around 130 cars, and will offer tours of our buildings including the Upholstery Dept. Cal will be giving an old fashion "slide show" showing the building of our complex and history. Parts on sale! **SEPT 16, 2023 -rain or shine**

**2023 SUPPLEMENT-** On our website or as a hard copy -many new repros & updates.

**INTERNATIONAL CORSA CONVENTION-Wisconsin-** We will be there Tues, Wed & Thurs with lots of recent repros on display. Stop by and say hello. Convention dates June 19- June 24

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