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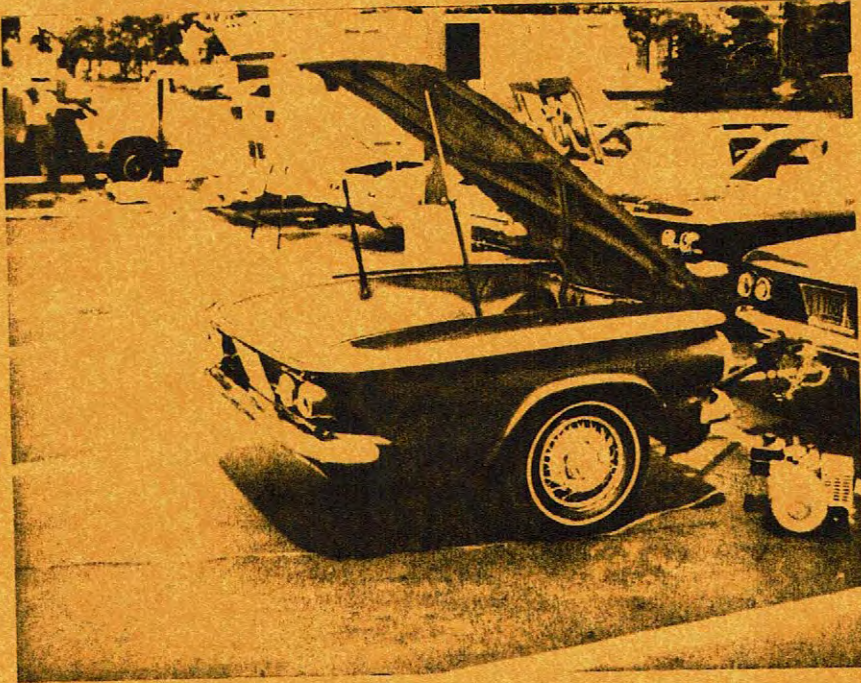
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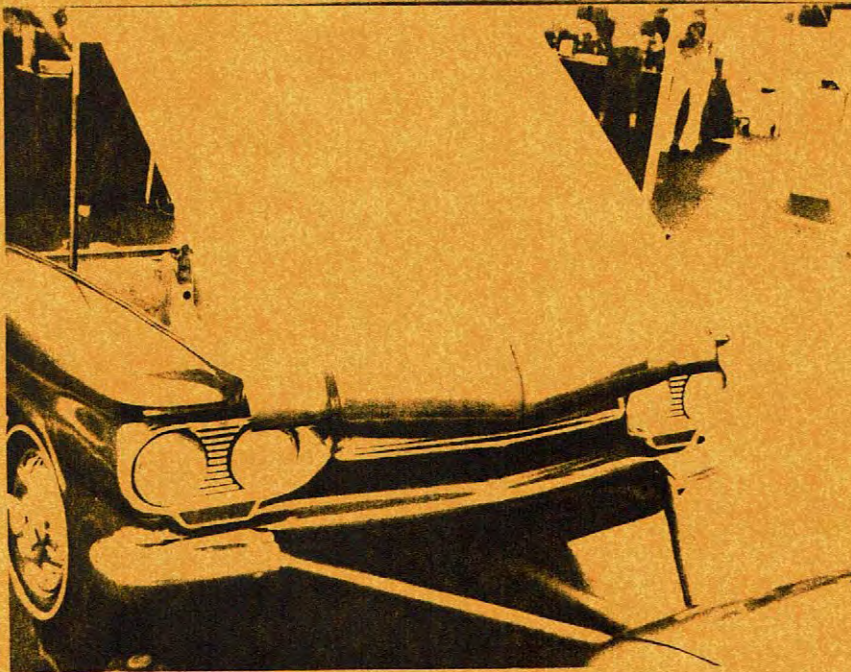
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## TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION

**CORVAIRSATION** is a monthly publication of the TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION, which is dedicated to the preservation of the Corvaair model of the Chevrolet Motor Division. The Tucson Corvaair association is a chartered member of the CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA (COSA).

**MONTHLY MEETINGS** are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month except December. One technical/social event is planned for every month except July and August.

**MEMBERSHIP DUES** are \$10 per year and are payable to the TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION through the Membership Chairman.

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#### **NON-MEMBERS :**

We would like to invite you to join the Tucson Corvaair Association. We will send you three complimentary issues of the Corvairsation and welcome you to attend all of our activities. This is a great chance to get to know us. No matter what your Corvaair interests are, you'll find lots of good folks with similar interests in the Tucson Corvaair Association. If you decide to join us, the dues are only \$10 per year.

From the President.....

We had a great turn-out at the "fun bowl" on Saturday, November 12th. There were sixteen bowlers and some very good ones too!! Also, some brought their own cheering section. We had a great time -- our hostess, Tina Murray, did a great job.

The Christmas Party -- remember, the deadline is December 1st, so get your name in to Dave Baker before it's too late. There will be a couple of changes in our gift procedure:

1. Bring a fun gift to exchange.
2. The gift should have a nominal value of about \$3.00.
3. If you are male, bring a gift suitable for a male.
4. If you are female, bring a gift suitable for a female.
5. Please bring food gifts for the Food Bank to help assure a happy holiday for others.

The club will also provide several nice gifts for door prizes. These changes will make the party more fun and exciting and they will have less of a detrimental effect on our treasury. I am especially grateful to all of those who purchased and wrapped gifts in previous years --- especially the ladies. Thanks much! Come prepared to have fun at the Christmas Party!

We will still be discussing the club project at the board meetings. How about it? We need ideas! We need some red hot ideas!! We're looking for something in which everyone can contribute or participate.

The nominating committee is working hard in preparing a good slate for officers for election at the February meeting. Where would you like to serve? See one of the nominating committee members: Bob Thompson, Al Rivas, or Don Williamson.

Some non-bowlers attended the GWFT&SM at Palm Springs so we'll hear from them at the November meeting. What's with you and your Coravir? See you on the 23rd.

Don Robinson

The regular monthly meeting of the Tucson Corvair Association was called to order at 7:45 PM by President Don Robinson on October 26, 1988, at the Picadilly Cafeteria, 6767 E. Broadway, Tucson, AZ.

Helen Wisely, who owns a '64 Corvair, was welcomed back as she had not been to a meeting for some time.

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

Under old business, thanks was given to Gordon Cauble for his management of the Casas de los Ninos Car Show and to all who displayed their cars. The Cancer Run has been cancelled for November and a bowling party of seven car clubs has been planned. The Christmas party will be at the Black Angus on Broadway on December 15th. Merchandizing has ordered new shirts and Corsa directories.

A club project was discussed under new business but no decision was reached. Fred Zimmermann volunteered to organize a group for the Veterans Day parade. Frank Held will not be to the meeting in November so Don Robinson will collect the cans.

After the break, the drawing was held and William Vaughn won the license plate prize with number HV990. Other winners were Marcie Williamson, Nancy Tucker, Beverly Baker, Ed Sanford, Frank McKenna, Joy Stafford and Don Chastain. These won prizes donated by TCA. Frank Held donated two gifts that were won by Vic Howard and Bill Leslie.

The nominating committee was announced and the election will be in January, 1989.

A tech session followed and for sale items announced.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Just for the fun of it, Vicki and I hoped in the Lakewood Friday afternoon and headed for Palm Springs. It was about 6 hours and we cruised at 65 to 70 mph the whole way with no problems at all. After a nice Chinese dinner we hit the local car wash and cleaned up the "banana mobile" for Saturday's activities and then hit the sack.

Saturday was great fun. The weather was perfect. We went over to community center ball park and registered and entered the Lakewood in the People's Choice Show - we put "For Sale" signs all over it in hopes that someone would fall in love. It was the only station wagon in the show and one of only three at the whole event, that I saw. There were about 30 cars in the show and I would guess about 400 people in attendance. There were raffles and all manner of contests going on all day long.

My favorite part of the whole event was the swap meet. There were people there from all over selling all manner of neat stuff. I ran across one fellow and his dad who have put together the neatest kit for adding air conditioning to cars (including 140s), vans and Lakewoods. It uses the Sankyo compressors (designed in America - made in Japan) and has everything in the way of wierd parts that one might need to have coolness in ones Corvaire. They've have many of them in use already. Lon Wall was there from the Corvaire Underground in Portland as well as all kinds of other vendor selling everything from nose covers to tail lights.

There were lots of nice people there too. Cecil Alex and his lovely bride were the only other Tucson folks there. Everyone was extremely nice - I guess all Corvaire people are! There were two old guys there that drove their lavender '65 convertible all the way from Washington state with the top down!

Neat cars were all over the place. I have never seen so many Ultra-Vans in one place at the same time. There was at least a dozen of them camping at the ball park. There was one four door late model fixed up to where it would make any BMW owner jealous. There were several pickups from southern California that had purchased brand new camper shells that were made especially for the Rampside. One of them had a Greenbrier seat bolted in the back so he could haul extra people. There was even a Corvaire-powered green dragon thing that would go in circles and stand up on its hind wheels - a big hit at parades. So many cars had little things done to them that really got the imagination working. There was a Greenbrier there that had a battery box latch adapted to the engine lid so you could open it easily. It also had a engine lid support from a car bolted on to hold his lid open! Another guy had chopped out the section between the headlights of his Rampside and weld in its place the section between the headlights of a '63 car. It really looked sharp. One guy was selling a powder coating service. He had powder coated everything you could think of - some of the stuff even had a special high temperature powder coat. I saw one fellow who was selling pushrod tubes that were made from tubing stock with some sort of high temperature plastic ends to hold the o-rings. There was another fellow who had a love affair with Lakewoods that was putting '64 front and rear suspensions on them. He said it really improved the driveability of the little wagon.

I could go on for hours about all the treasures we saw, but I know you've got better things to do. The little yellow Lakewood carried us home to Tucson Saturday evening, so we didn't get to stay for the banquet and pick up our "Best of Show" trophy - or maybe that was "Best of Row"!

*Van*

## WHICH WAX ?

Recently the Denvair News (Rocky Mountain CORSA) ran this page out of Consumer Reports on car waxes. Car wax is a big concern for those of us who live where the sun shines.

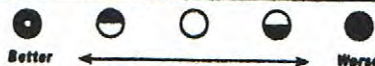
In search of a wax that would last longer than a month, I have tried Mothers California Gold, Wynn's Classic Car Wax, Turtle PolyShell One-Step (paste), Meguiar's Fast Finish

(liquid), to only mention a few. None of them last very long on a car that's left park outside.

After looking over this table, I looked at the usual places for Nu Finish because it was cheap and rated high. I couldn't find it. So for the GWFT&SM, I used Rain Dance (liquid). It did a great job. I'll tell you in a couple of months how well it really holds up.

*Van*

# Ratings



## Auto polishes

Listed in order of overall quality, based on how long the polish protected car finishes. When durability was equal, polishes are listed in order of ability to improve gloss on shiny finishes. A difference of one grade in gloss improvement was judged not very significant. Except as noted, all improved the gloss of dull surfaces and were easy to apply and buff out. Price is average paid by CU shoppers.

Brand and model	Form	Size, oz. or fl. oz.	Price	Protection/durability	Gloss improvement	Comments
<b>Nu Finish</b>	Liquid	16	\$ 4.95	●	●	—
<b>Blue Coral Blue Poly One-Step Sealant</b>	Paste	18	9.64	●	○	F
<b>Nu Finish</b>	Paste	14	6.65	●	○	F
<b>Rain Dance</b>	Liquid	16	7.08	●	○	F
<b>Rain Dance</b>	Paste	14	7.06	●	○	F
<b>Meguiar's Car Cleaner</b>	Paste	14	6.24	●	○	E
<b>Simoniz II</b>	Liquid	16	6.12	●	○	C,F
<b>Blue Coral Blue Poly One-Step Sealant</b>	Liquid	16	9.18	●	○	C
<b>Meguiar's Car Cleaner</b>	Liquid	16	6.12	○	○	—
<b>Turtle Minute Wax Silicone</b>	Spray	18	4.93	○	○	—
<b>Mother's California Gold Original Formula</b>	Paste	12	6.38	○	○	—
<b>Turtle Super Hard Shell</b>	Paste	14	4.06	○	○	B
<b>Blue Coral Carnauba Premium</b>	Paste	13	7.98	○	○	D
<b>Wynn's Classic Car Wax</b>	Paste	15	9.13	○	○	—
<b>Kit</b>	Liquid	16	3.82	○	○	D
<b>Turtle Minute Wax Silicone</b>	Paste	13	7.14	○	○	F
<b>Mother's California Gold Liquid Carnauba</b>	Liquid	15	7.81	○	○	—
<b>Kit</b>	Paste	12	4.54	○	○	F
<b>Turtle Super Hard Shell</b>	Liquid	18	4.46	○	○	—
<b>TR-3 Instant Resin Glaze</b>	Spray	20	3.99	○	○	B
<b>Simoniz II</b>	Paste	14	6.37	○	○	A,C,F
<b>Rally</b>	Liquid	12	3.12	○	●	A
<b>TR-3 Resin Glaze</b>	Liquid	16	5.65	○	●	A,B,C
<b>Wynn's Classic High Performance Carnauba</b>	Paste	15	10.32	○	○	—
<b>Rally Cream</b>	Paste	14	5.22	○	○	F
<b>Rain Dance</b>	Spray	18	6.43	○	○	—
<b>Turtle Minute Wax Silicone</b>	Liquid	16	6.38	○	○	F
<b>Westley's Concentrate</b>	Liquid	16	3.39	○	○	—
<b>TR-3 Resin Glaze</b>	Paste	12	5.49	○	○	A,B,C
<b>Westley's Concentrate</b>	Paste	12	3.19	○	○	A,C

### Key to Comments

A - Tended to leave a haze on dark-colored surfaces.  
B - Tended to be more difficult than most to buff.

C - Abraded finish more than most.  
D - Abraded finish less than most.

E - Abraded finish least of all.  
F - Applicator provided.

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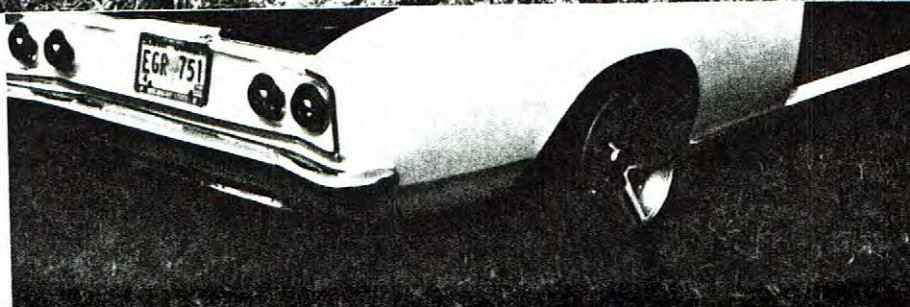
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Greenbrier w/ V-8 behind the cab



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**FOR SALE:** '62 MONZA 900, 4-door, automatic, radio, \$300, Jim Bailey, 794-3728 days, 881-8290 nights. 6/88

**FOR SALE:** '69 MONZA COUPE, 110HP, automatic, 12" mag wheels, good tires, new fuel pump & tune-up. Good driver, very reliable. \$750. Don Robinson 297-1356. 5/88

**FOR SALE:** '61 700 4-DOOR automatic, ready to go anywhere, rust free body w/ new paint, interior good, needs only headliner, excellent tires & new battery. A \$1500 value can be bought for \$1000 - negotiable. Call Gordon Cauble 299-1122. 5/88

**FOR SALE/TRADE:** '61 LAKEWOOD, 110/auto, bright yellow, wire wheel covers. Nice inside and out. Asking \$1,500 or trade for a 2-door Monza of similar value. Call Van at 743-9185. 4/88

**FOR SALE: PARTS:** '65 front suspension, 4-speed transmission and rear end, Mark McKenna 745-9209.

**FOR SALE: PARTS:** Kelmark conversion for '65 Corvair. Bellhousing, input shaft, shifter and subframe. Mark McKenna 745-9209.

**FOR THE DO-IT-YOURSELFER:** Mag ignition wires & long rotors, plus all regular ignition items. Wrapped fan belts, air & oil filters plus viton o-rings and oil cooler seals. Call Gordon Cauble 299-1122.

**FOR SALE:** '63 MONZA COUPE, factory air, 102HP, 4-speed w/ new clutch and new transmission, new battery, good tires, needs some interior & exterior work. Driven daily. \$1200 OBO. Call Paul Skinner at 296-4549 or 885-8104.

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**FOR SALE:** '61 RAMPSIDE 4-speed, 76K original miles. Original motor has \$1000 in paint and machine work, needs to be assembled. 2nd motor in truck. \$1,500. 294-8601 or 889-9901.

**FOR SALE:** '65 MONZA CONVERTIBLE, 110/automatic, light blue w/ blue interior & white top, engine completely rebuilt & body ready to paint. New trim ready to mount. New top installed, new Clark's interior mounted-ready to install, new carpet. Car is driveable. Asking \$3250 OBO. Call Gordon Cauble 299-1122.



Out of desperation, I stopped into Barber's to try to find a three prong wire-wheel hub cap to replace one that was lost on the road, knowing full well they wouldn't have one. Well, they did!! It wasn't perfect; it was missing a spoke and the spinner was broken, but you can fix that. I discovered that they have all kinds of micellaneous things there. A ton of '61 wheel covers and various other Corvair caps. They do have several 14" three prong wire wheel covers.

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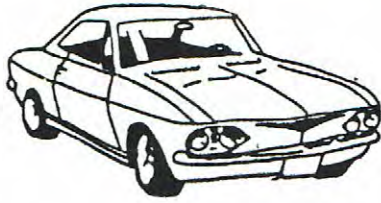
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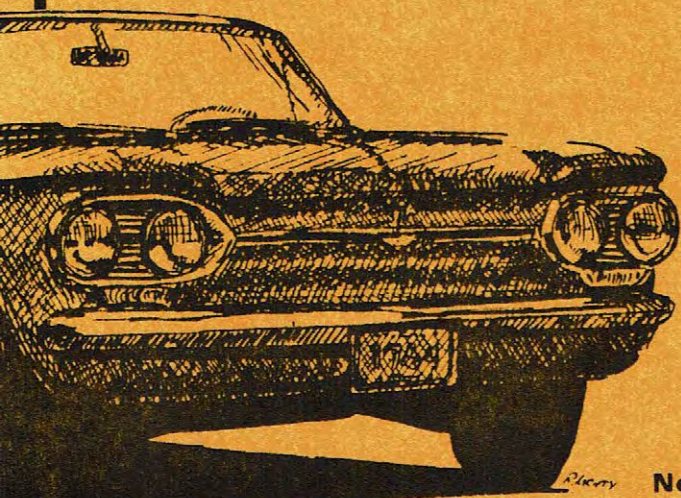
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7:40 pm: Meeting Starts

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Deadline December 1st - SEE DETAILS INSIDE

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