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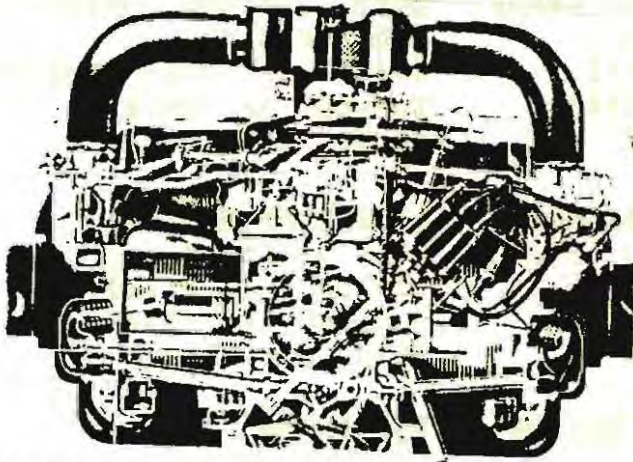
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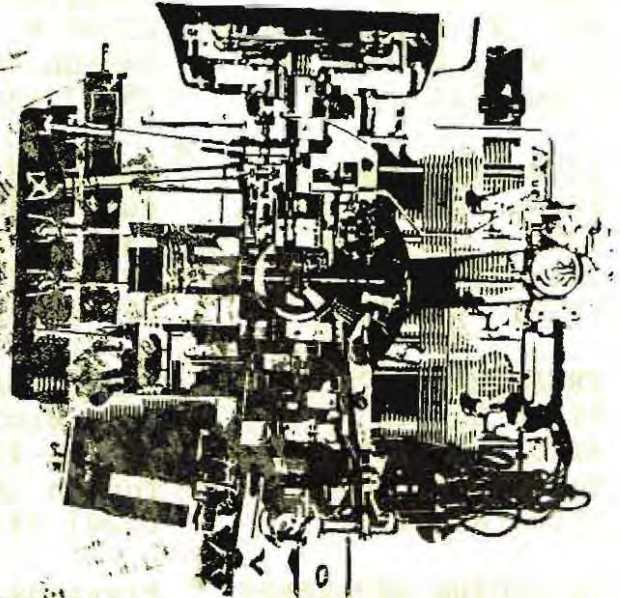
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MONTHLY MEETINGS are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month except December. One technical/social event is planned for each month with the exception of July and August.

MEMBERSHIP DUES: Initial dues are \$ 15.00 (includes name tag), renewable for \$ 12.00 per year and payable to the TUCSON CORVAIR ASSOCIATION through the Membership Chairperson.

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From the President _____

Well here we are into the new year, sure is warm in the 80's and it is only Jan. as I sit here I wonder what June will bring could be toastie! Oh well lets enjoy the weather thats why we are here.

The nominating comm. , Joe Abate, Herb Burkman, and Vern Griffith will present the slate of new officers for the coming year at the Jan. meeting. At that time I will open the floor for nominations. If you want to nominate some one you must have there permission to do so. President, Vice, and Bd. member at large are open, with membership Chair being a president appointee.

The tune up clinic will be here at our house 802 S. Catalina, Sat Jan 20. 9 till noon, I'll have the diesel powered washer if anyone wants to clean there eng. Someone bring a cup cake and we will sing happy birthday to Van Pershing !

I hope everyone got what they wanted for Christmas ! My wife did, she told me away back if you can keep buying Corvairs you can buy me a grandfather clock, well everytime that thing chimes it says \$ 100, \$ 200, \$300 \$ 400, well you get the idea , But oh the smile on her face Christmas, what a memory to remember !

Spent a few days at Rocky Point over the holidays , the water believe it or not was warm, the days sunny, and the fire pl to warm you in the eveing.

I believe for the activity in Feb is Marana car show, maybe the V.P. can shed a little light on that matter at Jan. meeting.

I seen in the paper a Corvair for \$ 200.00. been in storage for 20 years, low mileage, good paint, Spyder turbo, can be seen at, man I gotta go, must have been something in that salsa!

See ya at the tune up clinic

With Warmest Regards


Ron C. Bloom

President

T.C.A.
Nov. 22, 1995
Picadilly Cafeteria

Members : 21

Cars : 8

Vistors : 3

The monthly meeting of the Tucson Corvair Assoc. was called to order at 7:30 P.M by our President Ron Bloom.

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

Vistors this month were Bob Schadln, Josh Schadle and Rosie Burton. Both Schadle's rejoined the club after a couple years absence.

After paying off the balance on the copier our Treasure Allen Elvick reported that our balance is now \$ 312.17.

Don Robinson reported that we have new stock of caps, T - shirt and sweatshirt. In January we will be taking orders for jackets.

Our Librarian, Beverly Baker was absent again this month.

Our Editor Lynn Bloom, stated that if anyone wishes to send articles or ads for the Corvairsation her fax # is 745-5454. She also reminded the members that the copier is available for their use at a cost of .03 to .05 a copy.

The Christmas Party has been changed from the location to the Blue Sahuaro Restaurant at Ft. Lowell and Dodge. We will also be celebrating our twentieth year of T.C.A. Party starts at 7:00 P.M on the 16 th of December.

The license plate raffle was won by: Barry Cunningham. The regular raffle winners were: Betty Chastain, Bob Eggers, Larry Dandridge and Rossie Burton.

Prizes for the Jan. meeting will be furnished by: John Bates, Don Henn, Cecil Alex, Bob Schadler, Lynn Bloom, Larry Dandridge and Josh Schadler.

Gorden Cauble reported there was a 65 Corsa, 110, Convertible for sale at a price of \$ 4000.00 and he seemed to feel it was worth it.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M

*Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year
Larry Dandridge*

Well, here it is time to start a new year and get ready for all our fun and exciting activities and to meet our new officers, (Who ever they might be) and we will know soon.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our President and friends for an out standing job they have done this year. Also for all the help from everyone who chipped in to help in all of the activities etc.

Congratulation, to Mr. Vern Griffith for receiving the Byron Lynch award. Vern was the our President last year and he did a out standing job thanks Vern and again Congratulations.

Well, I was very surprised when also I received an award for doing many jobs through out the past years for a job well done, and for just being myself. So now I would like to say thanks to you all for helping me in my times of need and also for just being my friend that means so much to me. Often we don't take time to say thanks, we get caught up in hustle and bustle of many things and also we have our own family and friends to think of so we sometimes forget to just say thank for just being there. Also we get ourselves involved in so many things that we take things for granted. So again Thanks To You All.

Our Christmas Party was a big success ! We also was celebrating our twentieth Anniversary of T.C.A. We gave out cups with the Tucson Logo on it for our Anniversary present and Lynn Bloom made a big carrot cake also we gave out a couple of door prizes. Overall we all had a great and fun time.

Now as the new officers come in and take charge of their duties lets help in every way we can, be friendly and be supportive. You are the club and you will only get out of it what you put into it. And I know you all will do your very best. I for one will do my very best to support our new officers and our club. Thanks

Lynn Bloom

Lynn Bloom

DECEMBER TREASURERS REPORT 1995

BEGINNING CASH ON HAND.....312.17

EXPENSES: (ACCOUNTS PAYABLE)

Copier Toner.....28.81
 Badges.....9.56
 Parts.....00.00
 Blue Sahuaro deposit.....50.00 (Christmas Party)
 Stamps/Printing.....00.00

TOTAL EXPENSES 87.37

SUBTOTAL.....224.80

INCOME: (ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE)

Ads.....00.00
 Raffle Tickets.....25.00
 Cans.....00.00
 Miscellaneous.....00.00
 Parts.....00.00
 Subtotal.....25.00

Dues:

Robert Schadler.....15.00
 Josh Schadler.....15.00
 Subtotal Dues.....30.00

Copier donation (Don & Ann Henn)....20.00

TOTAL INCOME: (ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE).....75.00

ENDING BALANCE: (CASH ON HAND).....299.80

Corvair Aware Quiz

1. What year was the corvair script moved from the front trunk to front valance ?
2. How many corvair's were produced in 1969 ?
3. What is the wheel base of the forward controls ?
4. How many years did Corvair offer a convertible ?
5. What color interior was most popular in passenger cars ?

Answers: 1. 1966 2. 6000 3. 95 inches That's why they call them 95's! 4. 8 years, there was no convertible in 1960 & 61 & Black

CORVAIR CLUB 20TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY IS BEST EVER

Raindrops splashing in the streets didn't dampen the spirits of Corvair Club enthusiasts the evening of December 16th--our Christmas Party celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Club at the Blue Saguaro Restaurant. Laughter and high spirits were the keynote of the evening, as members and guests milled around to greet each other.

Attending were 40 members and three guests, and as they gathered around the decorated tables for dinner, our President, RON BLOOM called on ESTHER ALEX to lead us in singing Christmas Carols. An excellent dinner was served, to include a beautifully decorated Corvair 20th Anniversary Cake for dessert. During the evening, snapshots were taken of all those who attended, and gifts were exchanged.

Each year in early December, the Club recognizes the performance and leadership of its outstanding members. Chosen as the TCA's "Man of the Year", VERNON GRIFFITH received the BRYAN LYNCH AWARD--a handsome bronze plaque mounted on polished walnut. Also honored was LYNN BLOOM, who received the CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION and a plaque for her work as editor of the club's newsletter, CORVAIRSATION, plus the many other jobs she takes on so willingly for the Club.

Recognition was given the two Charter Members who were present--DON CHASTAIN and GORDON CAUBLE.

Each guest at the party received a decorated Corvair Mug as a souvenir of the occasion.

*Presented By:
Gordon Cauble*

T.C.A Christmas & Anniversary Party



Below are actual excerpts from church bulletins. God help us....

1. Don't let worry kill you -- let the church help.
2. Thursday night - Potluck supper. Prayer and medication to follow.
3. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.
4. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
5. The rosebud on the alter this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the son of Rev. and Mrs. Julius Belzer.
6. This afternoon there will be a meeting in the South and North ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends.
7. Tuesday at 4:00 PM there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.
8. Wednesday the ladies liturgy will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing "Put me in my little bed" accompanied by the pastor.
9. Thursday at 5:00 PM there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All ladies wishing to be "Little Mothers" will meet with the Pastor in his study.
10. This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the alter.
11. The service will close with "Little Drops of Water." One of the ladies will start quietly and the rest of the congregation will join in.
12. Next Sunday a special collection will be taken to defray the cost of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet will come forward and do so.
13. The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind. They can be seen in the church basement Saturday.
14. A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.
15. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.

CORVAIR STARTER DRIVE

The starter drive, also known as the Bendix drive, for our beloved Corvair is not unique to the Corvair as so many other parts are. General Motors used the 3 spline, 9 tooth, $3 \frac{25}{32}$ inch long starter drive on earlier model cars including Cadillacs (1953-1956), Buicks (1953-1956), Oldsmobiles (1953-1956), all 8 cylinder Pontiacs (1954-1955), and American Motors 6 & 8 cylinder engines (1956-1958) with Delco starters. Why? Overstocked from earlier production? just grabbed them out of the parts Bin?

Thanx to Greg Clemens, Central Virginia Corvair Club Newsletter

WINDSHIELD WIPER SWITCHES ARE REPAIRABLE!

The windshield wipers on my '65 Monza became unreliable a couple of months ago. I needed to wiggle the knob more and more every time I wanted to use them. The washer became totally unusable. Although this switch was never designed to be repairable, it can be fixed relatively easily. I disassembled and cleaned the switch and it is now as good as new. Although the switch is to the best of my knowledge original, it showed no signs of wear internally.

The procedure to clean the switch is as follows:

1. Remove the fuse from the fuse block for the wiper or disconnect the battery.
2. Remove the knob by loosening the set screw on the bottom of the knob and pulling it off.
3. Remove the switch by unscrewing the nut and pushing the switch out the back of the dash.
4. Pull both wiring connectors off the switch.
5. Lightly clamp the switch in a vice with the connector end up. Don't overtighten and distort the threads!
6. Using a hammer and a dull punch, straighten the three crimps which hold the Bakelite bottom of the switch to the metal housing.
7. Slowly remove the bottom, paying close attention to the position and orientation of the internal parts.
8. Inside, you will find a flat piece of brass with a few bumps on it. Polish the bumps. I used a buffing wheel; very fine sandpaper (600 or finer) should also work. The objective is just to clean the part, not grind anything away.
9. Polish the copper and brass bumps on the Bakelite bottom.
10. If you have a windshield washer, make sure to polish the two contacts in the center of the button and the brass stem which comes through from the windshield washer button.
11. Reassemble the switch. Do not force anything! All the parts in the switch are keyed and will only fit one way.
 - 11.1 Hold the housing with the threaded end down.
 - 11.2 Insert the shaft through the housing. Rotate it until it drops down as far as it will go.
 - 11.3 If you have a windshield washer, place the tapered spring around the shaft with the narrow end down.
 - 11.4 Place the straight spring over the ears.
 - 11.5 Place the flat brass contact on the fiberboard piece. The brass piece goes on the back side. Align the ears with the proper slot. Insert this assembly on top of the springs and line up with the ears.
 - 11.6 Align the tab and replace the Bakelite bottom. Use a dull punch and small hammer and rebend the crimps back over the bottom.
12. Reconnect the wiring connectors.
13. Remount the switch. Note the switch provides the ground path for the windshield wiper and washer. The switch must be tightly mounted in the dash to clean metal before the wipers and washer will work.
14. Replace the knob.
15. Replace the fuse or reconnect the batter. All Done!

Thanx to Dennis Pleau / Enchanted Corvairs Newsletter, Corvairs of New Mexico

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6:00 pm: Parking Lot Bull Session
6:30 pm: Dinner (optional)
7:30 pm: Meeting starts

Regular Monthly Meeting: Wednesday , Jan 24, 1996
TCA Executive Board Meeting: Feb. 1 1996 7:30pm
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