

# On the Air

Newsletter of the Arkansas Corvair Club ■ CORSA Chapter 722

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## July ACC meeting at *Just Like Mom's* restaurant, Kiehl Ave, in Sherwood

Hope you can join us on Tuesday, July 16

**T**his message is to remind ACC members that we will hold our July meeting at a new location, Just Like Mom's Home Cooking restaurant, in Sherwood.

Our July meeting, will be Tuesday, July 16.

The restaurant is located at 3140 E. Kiehl Avenue, on the south side of Kiehl and near the new traffic light at the Intersection of Landtrip and Kiehl Ave.

If you've participated in the Sherwood Christmas parade in

past years, another way to locate Just Like Mom's is to be looking for the sign (See above right.), on your left, as you're driving West on Kiehl (the direction the parade travels) and just before reaching the City Hall/Police complex near where the parade route ends.

The reason why we're moving our July meeting site, from the Western Sizzlin Steakhouse, in N. Little Rock, is for an opportunity to look into other potential meeting locations that pro-

vide use of a free meeting room and where we can enjoy a meal with our meeting. Although, the Western Sizzlin Steakhouse has served our needs reasonably well and has provided free space, we are still

seeking a permanent site that affords adequate room, privacy, and conveniences for our club meetings. From what we've seen and heard about Just Like Mom's, we think it has potential.

If you need more information about our July 16 meeting, please phone Cathy Smith,

during business hours, at 501 843-6710 or call Just Like Mom's restaurant at 501 833-0402.

Since our club didn't meet in June, we have lots of business and plans to discuss this month as we move into summer activities.

Please plan on joining us at Just Like Mom's restaurant, on Tuesday, July 16. We're looking forward to a comfortable meeting room, southern home cooking, and tasty desserts. ■



## ACC News Clips

### Remember...August means Cruisin' Branson Lights and fun in the Ozarks

Mark your calendar and join fellow Arkansas Corvair enthusiasts for Cruisin' Branson Lights, August 16-18, in Branson, Missouri.

For information about the event, visit the official Web site - [www.bransoncarshow.com](http://www.bransoncarshow.com).

As event literature states, America's hottest automotive event is bigger and better than ever with more than 2,000 classy, customized, restored and hot rodded vehicles.

The event combines the best of the automotive world with Branson's top entertainment for a total unique vacation experience.

On Saturday night, August 18, before the Midnight Cruise, the place of action will be at the Lost in the Fifties show. Daily Show & Shines will be held at beautiful Branson USA Amusement Park.

The highlight of Cruisin' Branson Lights is the fabulous Midnight Cruise of over 1,000 registered cars along 76 Country Boulevard, a.k.a. the Strip.

It's Branson in August! ■

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**"Corvairs bring friends together."**

## Notes from Flagstaff and the 2002 CORSA International Convention

Speaking for all 12 ACC members who attended the 2002 CORSA International Convention, in Flagstaff, June 25 - 29, your editor can state that it was a uniquely enjoyable experience, with superb weather, magnificent scenery, and splendid events, despite some minor controversy.

We are sincerely grateful for the terrific hospitality shown to us by all members of the convention's host CORSA chapter, the Cactus Corvair Club of Scottsdale, and to all of the Arizona clubs for your support.

We are also honored and proud to pass along word that your Arkansas Corvair Club faired admirably again in convention competition. We are most proud of the following members for their achievements.

**Clyde Jones** - People's Choice Display, **Third Place**, Early Open class.

**George Koenig** - Concours d'Elegance, **Silver Award**, Primary Division, Early Closed Modified class, with score of 91.63 for 1964 Monza coupe.

**Stew, Ronnie, & Ryan**

**MacLeod** - Navigation Rally, **Second Place**, Touring class.

Also note that that **Clyde Jones** placed **Third in class (S2)** in the Autocross competition, although no award was given for this place. This was Clyde's first autocross competition!

We are proud of all of you. Good show and well done. ■



Happy Birthday  
to our ACC associates  
born in July.

Clyde Jones  
July 1

Barbara Koenig  
July 16

Sharon Horne  
July 27

Happy Anniversary  
to  
Joe & Cristel Espejo  
July 1 (41 years)

Frank & Mary Campbell  
July 5

Ken & Camelia Franson  
July 7

Stew & Ronnie MacLeod  
July 7 (28 years)

Art & Julie Gillaspie  
July 13

Ron & Kathy Toll  
July 27

## More thanks for your loyal ACC support

We'll use this opportunity to thank another loyal ACC member for supporting the Corvair hobby in Arkansas.

We are sincerely grateful to **Weaver Majors**, of Little Rock, for his loyal financial support.

In recent newsletters, we erred when we reported that Weaver's ACC dues were in arrears. The error was the result of miscommunication between your club treasurer and your

newsletter editor.

We apologize for our error and we thank Weaver for his generous support for our CORSA chapter. It is with your continued financial support that we're able maintain an active and growing chapter in Arkansas.

Without your support, we would be unable to fulfill our club's mission of promoting and preserving this wonderful and unique automobile. ■

## ACC Dues Alert

In an effort to keep everyone informed about the status of your ACC membership dues, we are publish a membership *Dues Alert* in every issue of *On the Air*.

The *Dues Alert* lists names of members who are past due, those due for the current month, and those due the following month.

Dues are \$15.00 for regular membership and \$10.00 for associate members. Please mail payments to: **Arkansas Corvair Club, P.O. Box 627, Little Rock, AR 72203.**

Here are the names that are due for **July** and **August**.

**Past Due** Hank Wangle  
Eric Evans

**Due Jul** George Koenig  
Bill MacSorley

**Due Aug** John Bryant

Please disregard if you've already paid or mailed your check. **We appreciate your support.** ■

## ACC June Meeting Minutes



JB King

The Arkansas Corvair Club did not hold a regular monthly meeting in June, since several members were attending the 2002 CORSA International Convention in Flagstaff, AZ.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, July 16, at Just Like Mom's restaurant at 3140 E. Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood. ■

### Welcome New Members

We are delighted to welcome new members Granville and Mary Tyson to our Arkansas Corvair Club fold.

Granville and Mary reside in Hot Springs and they recently purchased a 1964 Corvair Monza convertible, 110 hp with a 4-speed transmission.

Granville is retired and he's a first-time Corvair owner. You can contact Granville, by phone, at 501 767-8960.

We look forward to meeting new members Granville and Mary Tyson and to participating with them in Corvair activities. ■

### Car Show in North Little Rock

A car show is scheduled for Saturday, July 27. Location is the Home Quarters (HQ) parking lot in North Little Rock. Entry fee is \$15 in advance or \$20 on day of the show.

Show will feature many vehicle categories, including a **1969 and older** class. Show is to benefit girl's sports program for city of North Little Rock.

For information, call Robert Wade, 501 944-9817.

Thanks to Butch Chapman for sharing this information.

## Street Rods Cruise Down to River Market

Reprinted from the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, June 20, 2002.

*Editor's Note: The following event sounds like a worthwhile activity for our Corvair club in coming months. Al Embrey participated on Thursday, June 20, and reported that about 150 vehicles entered the event. Al stated that several door prizes were awarded to participants.*

Street rods and muscle cars will pop their hoods and reveal their innards to spectators today (June 20) at the River Market. It is the first of what organizers hope will become a monthly downtown car show.

Cruisin' in the Rock, organized by the Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Parks and Recreation Department, is planned for every third Thursday between 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.

"You'll never see these cars on the road unless you go to a car show," said Carol Dolan, an executive assistant at the Convention and Visitors Bureau who will display her

1966 Nova muscle car.

Dolan said anyone who wants to show a car or motorcycle today should drive down to the River Market pavilions or St. Vincent Plaza, where spotters will instruct participants where to park. About 60 to 70 vehicles are expected, and several merchants will be staying open to accommodate the crowd.

A prize will be awarded for the best cruiser.

Once they get the proper permits, organizers hope the event will become a car parade, where the cars will cruise around the River Market District. ■

## Tech Tip: Cleaning Corvair Engine Parts

by Jim Brossard, Corsa Northwest Vair-iety

Reprinted from Negative Camber, July 2002

The job of cleaning Corvair engine parts at home is not an easy one. Cold-tanks and hot-tanks are not usually standard do-it-yourself hardware. The result is the home mechanic has a real job on his hands when he wants to rebuild and clean up an engine.

I was recently confronted with this problem and, after some trial and error, I tried plain old Tide (laundry detergent). I put the parts in a pan, ran hot water to fill the pan until the parts were covered and added the Tide until it stopped dissolving, to make a saturated solution.

This technique will clean many

parts, if allowed to stand [for] 12 to 24 hours. To speed up the process, or for parts with heavy carbon deposits, place the pan on the stove (while the wife's away) at low heat. Two to four hours will clean pretty tough looking parts. If they don't come clean enough, give them a little more time.

Crusty aluminum pistons come out shining like a new dime and there is no etching on the aluminum. Steel parts clean up nicely, too.

Brushing the parts with an ordinary scrub brush and washing in clear, hot water then blow drying and oiling completes the job. ■



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*"Promoting the maintenance,  
enjoyment, and preservation of  
the Chevrolet Corvair."*

## Arkansas Corvair Club Information

### Meetings

The Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We are currently seeking a new permanent meeting site and will publish the new location ASAP.

### July Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **July 16**, 7:00 p.m., at Just Like Mom's, on Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood.

Join us at 6:00 p.m. for food and fellowship prior to the meeting. The club offers an array of merchandise for sale—oil filters, gas filters, hats, decals, patches, T-shirts and more.

### Officers

**President:** Stew MacLeod, 28305 Bandy Rd., Little Rock, AR 72211, 501 821-3622.

**Vice-President:** Larry Levy, 2 Countryside Cove, Little Rock, AR 72212, 501 868-5825 (evening).

**Treasurer:** Elvis King, 21305 N. Mill Rd., Little Rock, AR 72206, 501 888-1224 (evening).

**Secretary:** JB King, 21305 N. Mill Rd., Little Rock AR, 72206, 501 888-1224 (evening).

**Elected Board:** Allan Embrey, 501 834-5373; Ronnie MacLeod, 821-3622; Clyde Jones, 479 774-6789; Bill Smith, 501 843-8413.

**Appointed Board:** Pending.

### Committee Chairs

**Membership:** Elvis King

**Publicity:** Bill Smith

**Newsletter Editor:** Bill Smith, 370 Windwood Drive, Cabot, AR 72023, 501 843-8413.

**Newsletter Advertising:**

Non-members and businesses:  
\$100/year full page; \$60-½ page;  
\$35-¼ page.

**Program & Events:** Open

**ACC Webmaster:** Ken Franson, 608 Ridgelea Ave., Sherwood, AR 72120, 501 835-6005.

### Web Address

**Arkansas Corvair Club Web site:**  
<http://corvair5.tripod.com/acc.htm>

**ACC Mission:** The mission of the Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) is to promote the maintenance, enjoyment, and preservation of all types of Corvairs and related vehicles, and to advance and improve driving skills, automobile safety, and the Corvair's image.