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Arkansas Corvair Club members shine at 09 CORSA Convention in Jacksonville, Florida

2009 was another standout year for the Arkansas Corvair Club to put forth a good showing at the International CORSA Convention, in Jacksonville, Florida.

The 2009 convention was held from July 13 through July 17, at the Wyndham Jacksonville Riverwalk Hotel, in Jacksonville.

The convention was hosted by an association of Florida CORSA chapters.

This year's convention included a special theme--the 40th anniversary of the last of the Corvair model, the 1969 production run. To emphasize this theme, the convention included special activities for owners of 1969 Corvairs. The production run for the 1969 year model was limited when compared with previous production years.

Our Arkansas Corvair Club was represented among the illustrious group of 1969 owners, with Todd and Shirley Sanders, of Danville, attending with their very rare, low-mileage 1969 Monza convertible. Todd entered

the '69 convertible in the Concours d'Elegance to be judged among the best of the best cars on display.

Unfortunately, Todd and Shirley were not able to stay in Jacksonville for the entire convention, due to a death in the family. They returned to Arkansas on July 15th.

Others receiving awards included Clyde Jones and Joe Espejo, and Stew and Ronnie Macleod. See details at right and on page 2. ■



Shirley and Todd Sanders proudly display the awards they received from displaying their 1969 Monza convertible at the Jacksonville convention.

MacLeods take honors in Autocross and Rally, while Jones and Espejo place 2nd in Econo Run

Ronnie MacLeod led the field for ladies in the autocross event, IS3 class

It was not just the 1969 Corvairs that stood out from others, during the 2009 CORSA International Convention, in Jacksonville, Florida.

To complement the showy '69 models, there were some noteworthy performances by other Arkansas Corvair enthusiasts, driving cars manufactured in years before the last production run.

In the Autocross event, Ronnie MacLeod placed first among all ladies for the Improved Stock 3 class, driving a 1965 Monza coupe.

In the Navigation Rally, Stew, Ronnie, and Ryan MacLeod placed first for the Touring class.

In the Economy Run, Clyde Jones and Joe Espejo (navigator) placed second in the Turbo class, driving a 1964 Monza Spyder convertible.

And, in the People's Choice display, Clyde Jones earned Top-Three award in the Early Open class. ■

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"Corvairs bring friends together."

More photos from the 2009 CORSA International Convention in Jacksonville, Florida, July 13 - 17



At left, Clyde Jones (left) and Javier "Joe" Espejo stand beside Clyde's 1964 Monza Spyder convertible as they await the start of the Economy Run driving event for fuel efficiency. Clyde and Joe placed second in the Turbo class for this event.

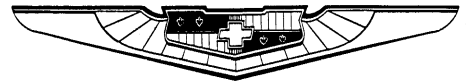


At left, ACC members proudly display awards received at the convention banquet. From left, Stew MacLeod, Ronnie MacLeod, Joe Espejo (holding awards for Todd and Shirley Sanders), and Clyde Jones.

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family. As always feel free to contact me or your Division Directors with your comments or concerns. Our contact information is listed in the *Communiqué* and on the CORSA Web site (www.corvair.org). Thank you.

Jamie Reinhart
CORSA Central Director



Happy Birthday
to our ACC associates
born in September.

Todd Sanders
September 4

Larry Claypool
September 8

Dee Jones
Stew MacLeod
September 11

Al Embrey
September 16

Pat Drannon
September 24

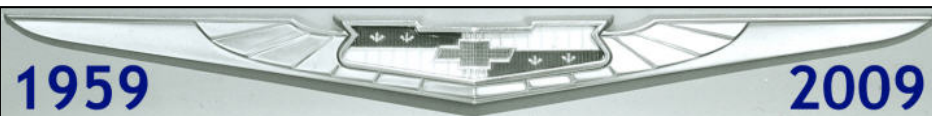
Butch Chapman
September 27

Hazel Latture
September 28

Happy Anniversary
to

Bill & Pam MacSorley
September 4 (21 years)

Aaron & Mary Swift
September 9 (30 years)



ACC Dues Alert

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

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

Dues are **\$20.00** for regular membership and **\$15.00** for associate members. Please mail payments to: **Arkansas Corvair Club, P.O. Box 627, Little Rock, AR 72203.**

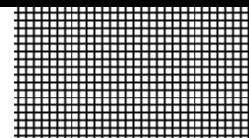
Here are the names that are **past due** and due in **August**.

Past Due John Coffey
Travis Geaslin
Gary Higgins
George Koenig

Due Aug Don Ahrens
Kermit Parks
Melvin Torres

Please disregard if you've already paid.
Thanks for your generous support. ■

CORSA CORNER



Message from Jamie Reinhart, Central Director, the Corvair Society of America (CORSA)

Editors Note: The CORSA Corner, as printed here, represents the first offering of a monthly column to be contributed to CORSA membership by respective regional directors. Our central region director is Jamie Reinhart, of Cresco, Iowa.

Welcome to the CORSA Corner. In a continuing effort to keep an open channel of communication between the CORSA Board and the individuals we represent, it was decided that each director would provide a companion article, to the CORSA chapters, to supplement their Directors Turn at the Wheel, in the *Communiqué*.

In my August *Directors Turn*, I stated that this club is made up of individuals, and that we are just like a family. We all have different opinions on the issues that affect our Corvair family, CORSA. I also know that we all realize that one of the keys to the success of this club is compromise. Let me give you a couple of examples.

On August 15th the board will vote on whether to retain our current management and publishing team or to hire a new one. I have no idea which way this will end up, but I do know that whatever the decision is, we will all have to compromise.

Another area that the board is working on is the web site. Volunteers have been contacted to help update and add some dynamics to the static pages of our web site. This will help promote CORSA, offer a better first experience to newcomers, and to improve site navigation.

We have also received many requests to shorten the International Convention to three or four days. The Board, myself, and others, are researching ways to do this effectively. Our goal is to schedule the convention so it is easier to attend and more affordable for our members, but again there will have to be compromises.

We are also looking into the feasibility of a two or three-tiered membership, based around receiving the *Communiqué* in print or in electronic form. These are just a few of the issues we are dealing with right now. I hope this gives you some insight into the work that is being done by your Board. We are all working hard to make the right decisions

for CORSA, but compromises will be inevitable. I hope that all of you will be able to spend some time with your fellow CORSA chapter members this month. And if you don't belong to CORSA, just jump in and do it. I know you will really enjoy being part of such a diverse and interesting extended

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Arkansas Corvair Club Information

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The Arkansas Corvair Club (ACC) meets on the **3rd Tuesday** of each month at **Just Like Mom's** Home Cooking restaurant, 3140 E. Kiehl Ave., in Sherwood.

August Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **August 18**, at 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: Frank Campbell, 2503 Creekview Lane, White Hall, AR 71602, 870 247-1794.

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

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Committee Chairs

Membership: Elvis King

Publicity: Bill Smith

Newsletter Editor: Bill Smith, 3034 Donnell Ridge Rd, Apt 328, Conway, AR 72034, 501 499-6676.

Newsletter Advertising:

Non-members and businesses:
\$150/year full page; \$100-½ page;
\$50-¼ page.

Program & Events: Open

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.