

On the Air

Newsletter of the Arkansas Corvair Club ■ CORSA Chapter 722

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Arkansas Corvair owner reunites with Chevy salesman who sold car to him 47 years earlier

A special and historical event took place on Saturday, October 3rd, 2009 when members of the Arkansas Corvair Club gathered with their antique autos, at Bale Chevrolet in Little Rock, to mark the 50th anniversary of the Corvair's American debut.

On that day, Elvis King, ACC charter member, drove and displayed the 1962 Corvair Monza coupe that he purchased "new" from Bale Chevrolet and took delivery of on Friday, August 31, 1962. On that date, the car was deliv-

ered by Bale Chevrolet salesman, Jim Cogdell, who had worked with Elvis to close the sale for the agreed upon price of \$2,300, which included the dealer installation of a manual-tune AM radio.

At the time of the sale, Bale Chevrolet was located in downtown Little Rock, at the corner of 2nd St. and Broadway.

To Elvis's delight, his Corvair salesman, Jim Cogdell arrived at the new Bale location to greet Elvis and

pose for photos with the same white 1962 Corvair Monza coupe that he proudly sold some 47 years earlier. After Corvairs, Mr. Cogdell enjoyed a long and successful career in auto sales in central Arkansas. Pictured at left (from the left) are former Bale Chevrolet salesman Jim Cogdell and original 1962 Corvair buyer Elvis King. ■



Tech Tips

Excerpts from Corvair preventative maintenance series

by Mike Dawson

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Powerglide Differential Pinion Shaft Front Seal

This is the seal that does not press in flush with the front pinion bearing adjusting sleeve (flush will contact the bearing).

There are conflicting pictures in all of the shop manuals which show the seal installed with the flat side toward the differential and also installed with the flat side towards the transmission.

After working on differentials for forty years I can say that the seal was installed at the factory both ways and has been installed during service both ways. Furthermore, it appears to work fine installed either way. Most of these seals leak because the pinion shaft bearings were not preloaded properly during service or the bear-

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"Corvairs bring friends together."

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Ed Cole

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Preventative Maintenance *continued*

ings were worn enough to let the shaft wobble; this allowed the seal to leak.

If you use logic, the flat side would be towards the differential as the more fluid ATF might be harder to contain. Neither side receives pressurized fluid--gear lube is being thrown into the differential bearing and transmission fluid is spraying out of the governor and draining back from other areas.

As a final authority, I quote the GM publication, *Servicing the Corvair 4 Speed Transmission and Differential*. On page 7 of the differential section it states, "install with flat side toward carrier."

Oil Filter

The Corvair oil filter is not a spin-on filter. If you are new to the car or have other persons change your oil and filter, you should be aware of the need for 20 ft lbs of torque. ■

Happy Birthday
to our ACC associates
born in January.

Jennifer Parks
January 5

Frank Campbell
January 8

Barbara Coffey
January 16

Jane Carter
Larry Lew
January 20

Camelia Franson
January 27

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 **January**.

Past Due.....Buddy Murray
Melvin Torres

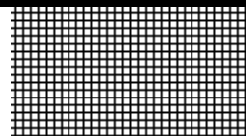
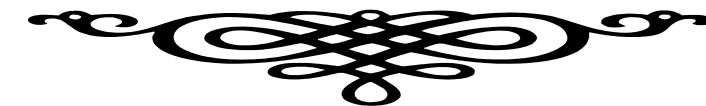
Due Jan.....Al Embrey
Joe Espejo
Camelia Franson
Elvis King
Larry Levy
Rafee Luan
Stew MacLeod
Steve Simmons

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

ACC November Meeting Minutes



JB King



Club post-holiday gathering and potluck dinner at their house, on Saturday, January 9, at 6:00 p.m. Invitations will be mailed in early January.

New Business

Several club members mentioned that they were contacted about Corvairs and parts being offered for sale.

- ACC member John Dailey (Fort Smith) plans to sell his late Monza coupe (479 784-3324). See the For-Sale notice in this newsletter.
- Trisha Glover (Cabot) has a 1961 2-door Powerglide for sale (501 438-1303).
- Richard Schneider (Wisconsin) has 2 Corvair doors for sale (262 642-4187).

- Jim Finch (Walnut Ridge) has a short block for sale (870 886-2949).
- Sam Jeffus (Chidester) is seeking to purchase a 1963 or 1964 Spyder convertible (870 685-2794).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JB King

The Arkansas Corvair Club met at Just Like Mom's restaurant, on Kiehl Avenue, in Sherwood, on Tuesday, November 17.

The meeting was called to order, by president Frank Campbell.

The minutes from the October meeting were approved as published in the November newsletter.

Old Business

Stew MacLeod announced that he and Ronnie will host the 2010 Corvair



CORVAIR FOR SALE

1965 Monza coupe, 100 hp, 3-speed, Crocus yellow with black upholstery. Car has 15 x 6 chrome rally wheels with 196/60x15 radial tires and hubcaps. Also comes with 4-13 x 5 steel wheels with 185/70 x 13 radial tires (less than 1000 miles on tires) and original wheel covers. Original GM owner's manual and Protect-O-Plate (owner ID plate). The GM Protect-O-Plate is a thin metal plate or plastic card issued to car owners starting in the 1960s to help dealers track warranty work. This specialty item has become a "buzz word" for antique car collectors seeking to document the authenticity of vintage vehicles.

Car is located in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Asking price: \$ 4,000.00
For information, contact John Dailey, phone - **479 784-3324**;
e-mail - mayor86@hotmail.com.



Happy Birthday
to our ACC associates
born in February.

Elvis King
February 6 (68)

John Coffey
February 11

Gloria Eddy
February 12

Travis Geaslin
February 17

Arkansas Corvair Club
February 29, 1988

Happy Anniversary
to
Don & Beverly Ahrens
February 11 (24 yrs)



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Arkansas Corvair Club Information

Meetings

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.

January Meeting

The ACC will meet Tuesday, **January 19**, 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.

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

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

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

Elected Board: Allan Embrey, 501 834-5373; Joe Espejo, 501 834-0806; Clyde Jones, 870 429-6789; Aaron Swift, 501 490-2448.

Appointed Board: Pending.

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.