

*Central Oklahoma Corvair Association  
Newsletter*

*April 2023*



## THE PREZ SEZ

Hello All,

Hoping this finds you well and enjoying some "Spring Fun".

This month has been a busy month, but things are happening around our club.

The swap meet in Norman was a great success for our club. We displayed two Corvairs and one engine and lots of literature about the Corvair. Jim Gailey and Rex Johnston displayed their cars "nose to nose" in the booth. Bob Welch set up his engines on Pat Silver's lift table. Joe Nels helped set everything up and brought tables to display various Corvair literature. David Allin worked up a Corvair spec sheet that we gave out. And Dave Castiaux sent our COCA banners with Ken Drye. Bob, Joe and Pat transported Bob's engine and set everything up. It was a great display, and everything fit in the space perfectly.

We had a number of folks that visited us Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There were many stories told about them or their family members who owned Corvairs from their past. Several people that visited were really interested in knowing more about Corvairs. They asked about the turbo and fuel injection system on Rex's car. But, just as many people were amazed with Jim's 4 door hardtop. They said we did not know that Chevrolet made them, but they wanted to know more. The paint on Jim's car and the paint on Rex's car were the most commented on item of all. Everyone was taken on the colors of both cars. One man and lady visited with us asking questions about the early and late Corvair body styles. But she just kept looking at Rex's car commenting on the color combination of the paint and the interior. She said that was one of the most striking cars she had seen.

All in all...a great time! Many thanks to David Main for making all the arrangements and securing the spaces at the Norman Swap meet. Thanks to everyone who made this event happen.

See you soon,

Drive safely and enjoy the road.

James



James Ergenbright

COCA President

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## COCA Minutes March 25, 2023

President Ergenbright opened the meeting at 10:00 AM on March 25, 2023. The meeting was held at the C.E. Page building at Wiley Post Airport. James welcomed 27 members, and Robert Hays, Rex Johnston Jr., Red Vanderschaaf and Mr. And Mrs. Mike Hall were guests. There were 7 Corvairs driven to the meeting.

**Old Business** - Because of time restraints the February minutes will be reviewed at our next meeting.

**Treasurer's Report** - Because of time constraints the Treasurer's report was not given.

**New Business** - The April 22nd meeting will again be held at the C.E. Page Building at Wiley Post airport. The C.E. Page building at Wiley Post Airport will be the location of our monthly meetings until further notice, with thanks going out to Scott Law and his group.

James alerted the membership that we will soon be making payments to various entities for our Roundup in September. James Ergenbright made a motion to allow for dispersal of these funds. Liz Capron seconded the motion, and the membership passed the motion.

April 7-8th is the Norman Swap meet. The club has two booths and will be showing two vehicles and an engine. Other items needed will be the COCA Banner (David Castiaux), new members packet, save the date cards (James Ergenbright), Corvair fact sheets (David Allin), Roll around dollies to move cars once inside the building (Pat Silver). Setup will begin Thursday morning and the actual meet will take place Friday and Saturday. Volunteers will be needed to man the booth.

James gave a shout out to Rex Johnston and Pat Silver for the large amount of time spent working on the valve cover track trailer to make it safe and roadworthy again.

Guest Robert Hays gave a talk about the Moore-Norman Automotive technical school and what they offer. His original plan was to attend for one year, but that has since changed, and he will be going another year. He recommends the school highly and is very glad he decided to attend.

The trip to Chandler with Tulsa Club was a great time. Terry Kalp drove down from Wichita to attend. The club may want to do it again, possibly just our club alone.

CORSA President Mike Hall gave a short talk on the state of CORSA and what is going on with the Corvair Preservation Foundation. He was in town to pick up the valve cover track for the nationals. He indicated there will be a fund-raising drive to allow CORSA to buy land, erect a building and not have to pay rent or keep moving the museum around.



### COCA Minutes Continued

They are looking to keep the museum somewhere on Route 66 where a local club could help maintain the displays, but other than that there are a lot of options to choose from.

He also said that this is an election year for the CORSA board. He is running again, and he urged members to get out and vote.

The national convention this year is at Chula Vista, Wisconsin. He says all the allotted rooms have been booked. Next year the convention travels to Dayton, Ohio and the year after that it will be in San Maria, California.

#### Round-Up Update -

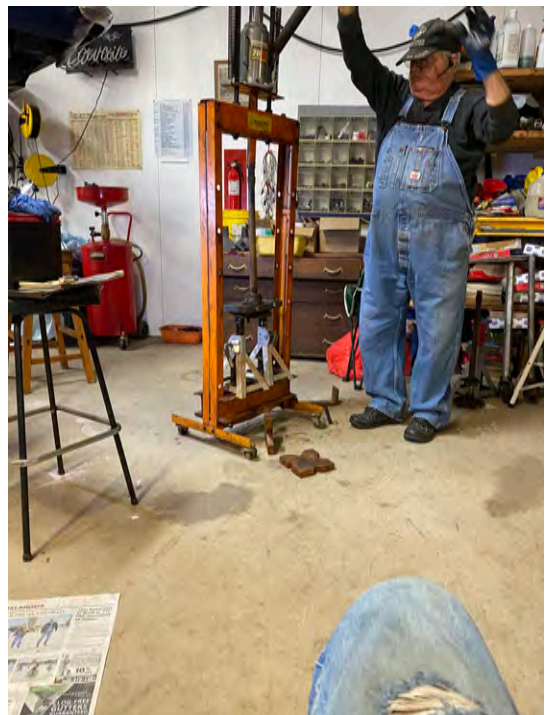
Jim Gailey brought some shirts for the ladies to critique. He also had pictures of the proposed logos that will be on the shirts. He has indicated that finding a decent American made shirt may be very hard to find. He is still in search mode for these.

David Castiaux gave a general overview of the rules and regulations for the valve cover racers. The valve cover must be from a Corvaír and weigh no more than 4.5 pounds. The race will be held at the Pavilion with the weather cooperating. There is a possibility of erecting the track at the C.E. Page building for some practice runs.

Tech Talk- Bob Welch gave a tech session talk about changing headlights and some general things of what to look out for. As always if you have a tip tech suggestion for Bob, please get in touch with him. He's always looking for such items.

Door prize tickets were sold, and prizes distributed among the lucky ticket holders.

Scott Law made a motion to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded by Pat Silver. The motion carried; the meeting was adjourned.





*Norman Swap Meet*





**David Castiaux** · April 2 at 4:54 PM · 🌐

Some Corvaair nightmares for their owners

👍👍👍 Pat Silver, Melinda DuVall and 10 others · 1 comment · Seen by 124

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**David Castiaux** Author · 🌐

This is James Ergenbright's parts brier, he was hoping to use the drive train in his new FC, but the motor was bad.

Like Reply 2w

Mark Webb  
4d · 🌐

My son wants to sell his 64 more door if anyone is interested I can send details about it and all work done. It has been his daily driver.



👍 Rex Johnston, James Cheek and 6 others      6 comments    Seen by 113

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How much he asking?  
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👤 Mark Webb Author  
Asking \$7500 obo because of what all has been done to it.  
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David Castiaux  
📅 April 6 at 10:28 AM · 🌐



👍 🤔 You, David Castiaux, James Cheek and 4 others      2 comments    Seen by 55

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👤 Terry Kalp  
Surgery  
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Robert's Post

Robert Franklin Welch  
April 14 at 1:36 PM · 🌐

Finally got all the suspension parts powder coated, by Performance Coatings".  
A big shout out to Trish that has helped me several times getting my parts through the process in a short time at great prices



👍👏 You, Pat Silver, Mark Welte and 15 others 10 comments Seen by 116

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Teresa Miller  
Looks awesome!! 👍

Like Reply 1w

Robert Franklin Welch Author  
Teresa Miller thanks T. Your cars are really nice. I hope this one will be my best ever, as it will be for my oldest son

Like Reply 1w Edited

Teresa Miller  
Robert Franklin Welch that's great!! Hope to see it one day

Like Reply 1w

Pat Silver  
Wow!!!!

Like Reply 1w

Robert Franklin Welch Author  
Pat Silver, I never realized the amount of work it takes to take one down to the shell, make the body repairs and reassemble, in reverse order. This will be my last one!

Like Reply 1w

Pat Silver

Robert Franklin Welch it does take a lot..

Like Reply 1w



Mark Welte  
Looks good Bob. 👍 2

Like Reply 1w

Robert Franklin Welch Author  
Mark Welte Thanks Mark. I love your black Corsas!

Like Reply 1w



Robert Franklin Welch Author  
This is the suspension for my 65 Turbo convertible that I bought, literally in a barn in Yukon, OK, in 1970!

It is on my rotisserie and after a long sleep awaiting my skills and knowledge to develop



Like Reply 1w

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Robert Franklin Welch Author



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 **Shayne Wanous**  
March 31 at 9:03 PM · 🌐


Been lurking for a long time. Figured I'd post a couple pics of my Corsa patina progress...





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 **Ann Cheek Ergenbright** 🗨️  
Shayne,  
This is James, Ann's husband.  
I'm the local Corvair Club President.  
Wow, what a special project you are working on. It looks really great.  
If you get a chance, come join us. We are pretty active now.  
Next Friday and Saturday our club will have a couple of booths at the Norman Swap meet. Come out and see us if you can.

Like Reply 3w 

 **Shayne Wanous** Author  
**Ann Cheek**, James, that sounds great and appreciate the good words. I live down by Lawton, so don't get up that way often. Would love to come check it out if i have the time!

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Colleen Richard Law  
Admin · January 31 at 2:17 PM ·

Car show September 9 at the Guthrie park

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#guthrieroadcelebration  
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Kathy Green is with John Green  
December 27, 2022 ·

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May 19-21, 2023

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The Pikes Peak Corvaír Club (PPCC) is proud to announce that registration is now open for the 38th Tri-State meet to be held in Salida, Colorado the weekend of May 19th-21st, 2023. The host hotel is the completely renovated Hampton Inn & Suites, located at 785 E. Highway 50. PPCC has secured a Tri-State special rate of \$119/room plus tax for either a King room or a double Queen room. Breakfast is included. To register for the event, order tee-shirts, reserve a room, and sign up for the banquet to be held Saturday night, please log onto the PPCC website <https://pikespeakcorvaírlub.wixsite.com/ppcc> and click on "2023 TRI-STATE" on the top menu banner. This will open the information page with all the information you need to do on-line registration, or to print the registration form. There is also a direct link to the hotel registration site to register at the hotel and a schedule of events and times.

If you have any questions, please email [ppcctristate@gmail.com](mailto:ppcctristate@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you there at the Tri-State next year in Salida, the Heart of the Rockies.

38th Corvaír Tri-State



"The Heart of the Rockies"  
May 19-21, 2023  
Salida, Colorado



## 2023 International CORSA Convention

CORSA is pleased to announce the The Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin will be our Convention destination in 2023 starting on June 19 thru June 24, 2023. More info to come.

You can checkout the Chula Vista Resort online at <https://chulavistaresort.com/>

And you can see all that Wisconsin Dells has to offer at <https://www.wisdells.com/wisconsin-dells-attractions/scenic-tours>

This looks like a fun place!

### When

June 19th, 2023 12:00 AM through June 24th, 2023 12:00 AM Location

Chula Vista Resort

1000 Chula Vista Parkway

Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

United States

# Meeting at Wylie Post Airport Saturday 22 April, 10:00 AM

CE Page Building  
5810 Tulakes Ave  
Bethany, Ok 73008



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**MAILING ADDRESSES:** All business mail, with the exception of the newsletter items, should be sent to the address of the club president.

Newsletter items must be sent to the editor and received by the 25th of the month for it to be included that month's issue. Email [newslettercoca@gmail.com](mailto:newslettercoca@gmail.com) with your submissions

**WE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ENCOURAGE YOU TO JOIN CORSA, ASK ANY OFFICER FOR AN APPLICATION. The Dues are \$45.00 for 12 months or \$90.00 for 26 months. This entitles you to the monthly publication of the CORSA "Communique", and other benefits.**



**Club Stats:**

NUMBER OF MEMBERS	64
NUMBER AT LAST MEETING	21
NUMBER OF CORVAIRS DRIVEN	3
NUMBER OF GUEST AT LAST MEETING	0
NEW MEMBERS	1

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**2023 SUPPLEMENT-** On our website or as a hard copy -many new repros & updates.

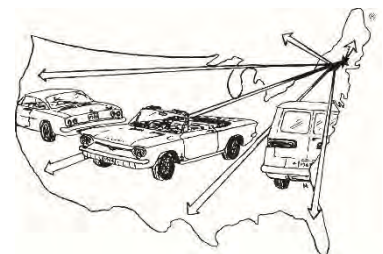
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<b>January 28 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting -</b> The Law Family Home, 7701 Deer Meadow Dr OKC
<b>February 25, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting -</b> Wylie Post Airport CE Page Building 5810 Tulakes Ave Bethany, Ok 73008
<b>March 25, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting -</b> Wylie Post Airport CE Page Building 5810 Tulakes Ave Bethany, Ok 73008
<b>April 22, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting -</b> Wylie Post Airport CE Page Building 5810 Tulakes Ave Bethany, Ok 73008
<b>May 27, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting - TBD</b> Heart of Texas - May 5-7 2023 hosted by Corvair Houston in Brenham Texas Corvair Tri-State May 19-21 Salida Colorado
<b>June 24, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting - TBD</b> Corvair National Convention -Wisconsin Dells WI
<b>July 22, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting - TBD</b>
<b>August 26, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting - TBD</b>
<b>September 24, 2023</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting -TBD</b>
<b>Sept 29-Oct 2</b>	2022 Great Plains Roundup Sept 29-Oct 2 St. Guthrie OK.
<b>October 28, 2023</b> <b>Oct 14-16</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting - TBD</b> Corvair Heritage Days ?
<b>November 25, 2023 ?</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting - Location to be determined</b>
<b>December 2023</b>	<b>Meeting at Christmas Party and election of officers</b>
<b>1st Saturday</b>	<b>Cars and Coffee North Park Mall</b>
<b>2nd Saturday</b>	<b>Cars and Coffee Norman at Crest Foods W. Robinson</b>
<b>3rd Saturday</b>	<b>Cruise in for Coffee Midwest City Santa Fe Steak House parking lot</b> <b>May - Oct</b>
<b>1st and 3rd Thursdays</b>	<b>Thursday Night Cruisers - Mustang Apr - September</b>
<b>Sundays</b> <b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Coffee at Kens</b>