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**Chris Has His '67 Cvrt
Back Running Again!**

**Next SFBA Zoom Meeting Thursday, Aug 1st
@7:00PM (#243 888 8339)**

Letter From the Editor

I hope you got the message in time that our July Zoom meeting was cancelled. With the date coinciding with the July 4th Holiday, the Board felt that any meeting would be sparsely attended as we would be in competition with Fire Works and other activities. It was felt best to cancel it and wait for next month (and we needed a break anyway). As a result, this newsletter may be a bit skimpy.

There is an account of my attendance at the last 2025 Convention meeting on page 3. For this Convention SFBA will be responsible for managing parking. My initial estimate is 35 to 40 man-hours. So, if we can get volunteers (maybe 10) to commit (not a firm commitment, just an intent at this point) to two, 2 hour stints, this should take care of it. I am hoping we will hear from more so we can reduce each individual's time. All of this is very preliminary, we still have to talk with others that have done this task for other Conventions. There may well be details we haven't thought about. But if you are planning on going to the Convention, give this some thought. We are actively taking names! I know there is a full year to go but this time will fly by, and we need to be prepared.

Bruce Mooers sent in some pictures he took when taking the Yenko Stinger in for a front and rear alignment. This car is really taking shape! See page 5.

I received a note from Chris Myers. He got his car back from David Gray and the engine is all fixed. It's running great and he can't wait until the next Cars N Coffee in his area (Danville, Alamo, Lafayette). A picture of his Corvair is on the cover.

On a sad note, I just received an email from Sandy Dalforno informing me that Phil had passed away peacefully at John

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Muir Hospital Saturday, July 20. Just too many issues/complications to recover from. Phil has been a long time SFBA member and has a

(see **Letter** on page 8)

On The Cover: . Chris Myers had his '67 140 Cvrt over at David Gray's for engine work. A head stud pulled out. That stud already had an insert, yet David was still able to repair it. Now the car is back home and Chris reports it's running great. He is amazed how durable the Corvair engine is!

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2025 Convention Meeting #3

July 3, 2024

This month I attended the third (I think) 2025 Convention meeting to discuss the upcoming Santa Maria event. As you are probably aware of, SFBA has committed to taking on the Parking monitoring task. I briefed the group on the effort we had already done, which is not much more than thinking of the issues we would face. I did confirm the overall plan we had in mind was correct but I have not personally seen the area that will be available so I have no idea about the actual layout. And I don't know who decides where to park which cars. One issue remains unanswered is whether or not an empty lot will be available for us to use (maybe for RV or trailer parking). The Planes Of Fame Air Museum is moving from Chino to Santa Maria and will eventually use this area.

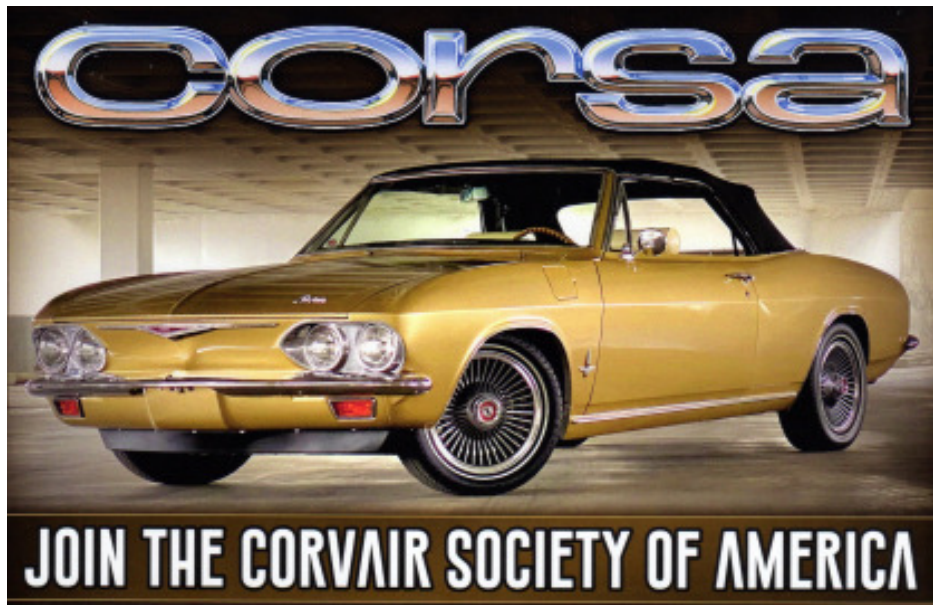
For the actual Convention the

Autocross is planned for the far edge of the airport and because it is an active airport (with NTSB security), entrants would have to drive around the airport perimeter (about 1 mile). This was not thought to be an issue. For other Conventions the Autocross event has been 10 or so miles away. The EconoRun and Rally were initially planned around a 40 mile course which was less than the 50 to 60 miles of other Conventions. So, it may be re-thought. Larry Claypool said the distance was not a real issue but they need to be sure that it would start and end at a gas station that could accommodate all of the cars. For the Rally it was suggested that a trial run be made to be sure the instructions were followable. And the EconoRun should be in the morning followed by the Rally in the afternoon otherwise this adds a day to the Con-

vention.

The Convention is scheduled for four days (Tuesday through Friday) with most arrivals coming in on Monday and Tuesday. There are several non-Corvair activities scheduled (wine tasting, Herst Castle tour, and maybe a Solvang and Chumash Casino visit) for those that are not overly interested in our cars.

The Radison Hotel is being acquired by Marriot but they have confirmed the \$119/night room rate will stand (which is remarkable for California).



Coming Events in 2024...

July 21-26 th	Corvairborne, International Corvair Convention, Dayton, OH, host hotel is the Marriott at the University of Dayton, 1414 Patterson Blvd. See www.daytoncorvairclub.com for more information.
Aug 1 st	Regular SFBA meeting at 7:00PM via Zoom, ID = "243 888 8339"
Aug 17 th	SFBA/Valley Picnic. Quarry Lakes Park in Fremont, 12:00 noon til ?
Sep 5 th	Regular SFBA meeting at 7:00PM via Zoom, ID = "243 888 8339"
Sep 5 th	11th Annual "Autos of Alamo" Festival. Free Admission to the public.
Sep 14 th	Vairs at the Vault III, the Napa Vault, 1055 Soscol Ferry Rd, Napa, CA. 10:00 AM til?
Oct 3 rd	Regular SFBA meeting at 7:00PM via Zoom, ID = "243 888 8339"
Oct 25-27 th	Great Western Fan Belt Toss & Swap Meet, Palm Springs, CA

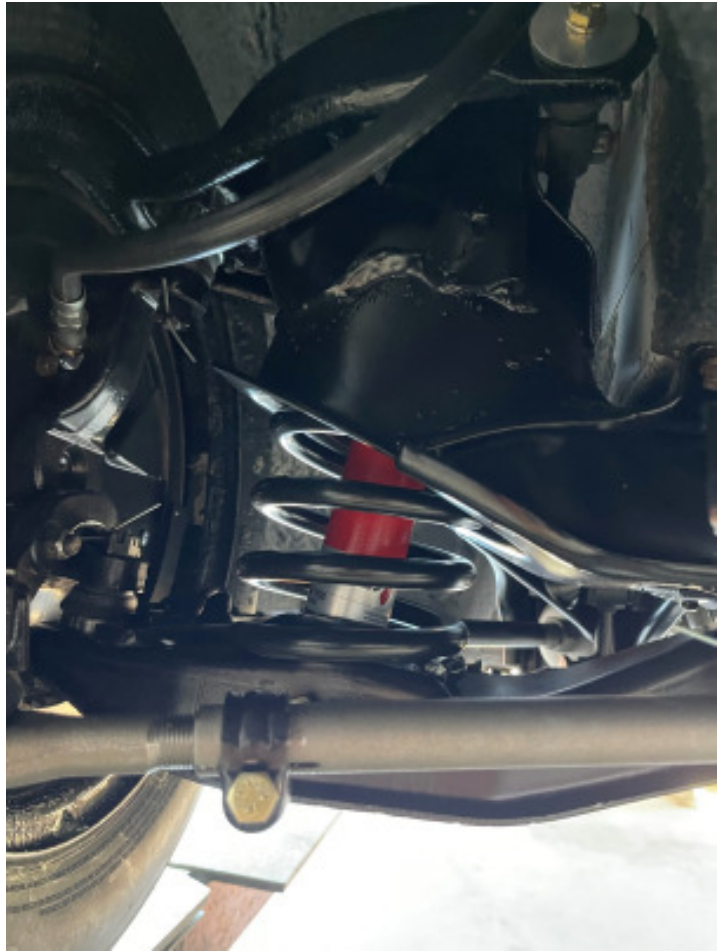
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Thursday Feb 1, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Mar 7, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Apr 4, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday May 2, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Jun 6, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Jul 4, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339" (cancelled)
Thursday Aug 1, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Sep 5, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Oct 3, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Nov 7, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"
Thursday Dec 5, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular Zoom meeting, ID = "243 888 8339"

Alignment for the Stinger

Bruce took his Yenko Stinger to get the alignment set. On the way he stopped at Eric's house. You can kind of see under the car covers I believe it's Eric's Lakewood and an early model Corvair ('63?). Bruce also took some pictures of the car on the rack and also close-ups of the adjustment points. I haven't heard but I assume it drove very well afterwards. With those trumpets you can really hear this car coming!





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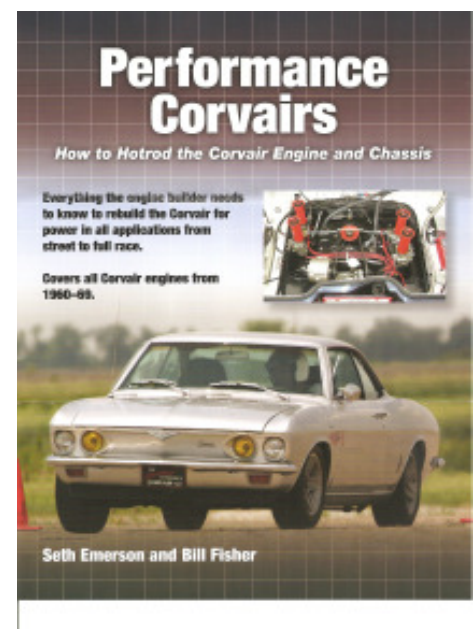
Letter...

nice '66 Corsa 140 coupe with a center-mount carburetor, which will now be for sale. It was last driven in March. Sandy said Phil wished the proceeds from the sale of the car be donated to SFBA. A very generous gift! Having a fellow Corvair lover buy it would make him so happy. In the near future we will be looking over the car, taking photos, and helping Sandy prepare to sell it. This is a rare opportunity to acquire a desirable Corvair which has been kept up and driven (not just sitting).

Remember that if you work on your

Corvair (even if it's only to change plugs or adjust the brakes), take pictures and send them to me. When we see others working on their cars it gives us the incentive to do the same!

Our next Zoom meeting will be Thursday, Aug 1st starting at 7:00 PM. Remember our permanent meeting ID# is 243 888 8339. A reminder email will be sent and will contain a link to the meeting making it easy to join.



Corvair Classifieds

CORVAIRS FOR SALE

'65 Monza Cvrt, 140 HP with Corsa Dash. New paint, new Corsa wiring harnesses, new rear hubs, and other parts. Single carb (have 4 carb set up), electric fuel pump. Top in good condition. Have before & after photos. Many spare parts. Taking offers.



Jeffrey Hayer 650-796-8109 (02/24)

'63 Convertible, Napa area. No other details given. Contact Charlie Augustine (707)252-8139 (10/23)

'61 Corvair Monza 900, primary driver has moved to Boston. "Moxy" is now for sale. Many pictures available on Craigs List. Berkeley area.



Asking \$2000. Contact Steve Lautze (510)280-4341 or steve.lautze@gmail.com (09/23)

CORVAIR PARTS FOR SALE

The Sacramento club is selling two turn key engines.

1962/1963 102 hp engine \$1500

1962/1963 80 hp engine \$1000

interested persons should email sfbacorsa@gmail.com

Skip Polacchi has the following parts for sale. Best to call evenings (530)474-4227.

1 Pair Late 110 rebuilt heads - \$250

1 Pair Big Valve Heads, Bill Thomas.all new parts, angle port exhaust, rotated manifold, w/mod carbs, linkage - \$1700 firm

1 New complete Clark's Ultimate 140 carb kit, linkage & air filter - \$700

1 All New Parts for an early 102 hp NOS crank, cam, 0.030 pistons & barrels+heads etc. You assemble - \$700

We still have other misc items

CORVAIR MECHANICS

David Gray: Fairfield - Retired GM/Corvair Mechanic. Can do minor repairs, engine rebuilds, tune-ups. Located in Fairfield but can travel. Also has parts for sale. (916)531-0905 (corvaiguru@gmail.com)

Treasurers Report - Harry Kypreos

July 2024

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07/01/2024	Beginning Balance				\$4,525.73	
07/03/2024	SFBA Dues		\$74.25		4,599.98	
07/08/2024	Zoom			(159.90)	4,440.08	
07/26/2024	Newsletter (July)			(45.64)	4,394.44	(**)
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