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***Bruce Mooers' '65
at Show in Yontville***

***Next Meeting - Thursday April 4th
7:00PM - Black Bear Diner - Hwy 680
at Sycamore Valley Rd in Danville***

Letter From the Editor

I hope you were able to attend our last meeting. We had seven members show up. While not as many as the month before (13!), still not too bad. Daniel drove his beautiful V8 Corvair after getting it running again.



The big news this month is that we have a Tech Session scheduled for April 13th. This will be at Don Burkard's house in Antioch (see map and directions on page 7). This is the first Tech Session for 2019 and hopefully not the last. The main topic this time will be Corvair front end work. Don has a '69 and is redoing the front end. He has obtained the parts he needs from Clark's and we will go over what he intends to do and where he currently sits. Note that this is in addition to our regular meeting and does not replace it.

On Sunday, March 10th we held another "BayVairea Get Together", this time in Antioch. I wish to thank Daniel and Josh for setting this up. What a great time we all had! See write-up on page 5. This really was a great event and I look forward to the next!

One last minute note. On the way home from the Get Together Wess lost a wire wheel cover on his Lakwood.

On The Cover: Bruce Mooers sent in a few pictures of his very nice Evening Orchid '69 Convertible which he had in a Yontville car show recently. The car is a 140 HP with automatic trans and only 35k original miles on the odometer. Completely original down to the top other than I respray to the correct color.

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It's an early 13" wire knock off. He is looking for a replacement. If anyone has one to sell he can be reached at "Nicholas.tds@gmail.com".

Our next meeting will be Thursday, April 4th at Black Bear Diner in
(see [Letter...](#) on page 11)

Minutes of the Last Meeting

March 7, 2019

The meeting was called to order 7:51 by President Josh Deitcher. We had seven members and no guests this evening. Daniel drove his V8 Corvair, sure sounds sweet!"

Treasury Report: Harry reported that the bank balance stood at \$3551.34 after all expenses and deposits (he has a spread-sheet available for the newsletter). Harry asked when the Clubs' Corsa dues were due. Josh will find out.

Membership: Josh reported we have no new members. Most everyone has now renewed. Both Phil and Don said that the emailed newsletter was fine so we can save the cost of sending out the hard copy. Thanks!

Old Business: Josh mentioned that the next "BayVairea Get Together" was scheduled for this coming Sunday (March 10th) at the Riverview Lodge in Antioch, Daniel has made the arrangements and the management is expecting us around noon. The parking lot is right on the Delta and we will see if we can keep the Corvairs together. The weather is expected to be decent. Josh has reached out to CCRC (the Sacramento group) and they are planning to attend. This should be fun!

Clark mentioned that uploading the newsletter to the Hemmings site has been working properly. He is keeping his fingers crossed.

New Business: Josh mentioned that Corsa was interested in getting more young people involved with Corvairs. He made up a list of ideas and sent it in to them.

Josh (and others) received an email from Jaak (Jack) Eijkelenberg, a Corvair guy in the Netherlands, saying that he and his wife were going to be in Cali-

fornia and were looking to buy a Greenbriar or a Van that they could drive around the State in and, hopefully, fill with parts before he has it shipped back to the Netherlands. Sometime in the Fall they will start their tour in San Francisco then go to Sacramento then Las Vegas and on to Los Angeles and back to SF. It doesn't have to be in great shape but should look decent and run reliably and be reasonably priced. If you have one or know of one that fits the bill, Josh knows how to get hold of Jack.

Josh said that Vini & Jen Ryan (from Manchester, England) will be visiting in our area again this year and will try to attend a meeting like they did back in 2017. They have a beautiful Corsa Convertible. Great!

Josh attended the Autoramma at Cal Expo in Sacramento and reported that there were lots of very nice cars and several Corvairs. The Sacramento club had an area with several Corvairs.

Tech Session: Our first Tech Session for 2019 has been scheduled for Saturday, April 13th at Don Burkard's

house in Antioch (see map and directions on page 7). This will start at 10:00 AM (with coffee & donuts) and be followed by a BBQ as usual. Don is in the process of rebuilding the front end of his late model Corvair. He purchased the "complete" kit from Clark's and will go over what has been done and what remains (we may even get our hands dirty!). This should be very interesting. Notice that this is in addition to (and not replacing) our April meeting.

Upcoming Events: As mentioned above, a "BayVairea Get Together" is scheduled for Sunday, March 10th at the Riverview Lodge in Antioch (at the end of "I" street).

The next Vairfest is scheduled for June 21-23 down in Arroyo Grande (same place as previous years). The main car show will be on Saturday the 22nd. Clark said that he would be going for sure and Josh and Lane are expecting to go.

The Spring Fling in Roseville is scheduled for Saturday April 27th. Same place

(see [Minutes...](#) on page 10)

Treasurers Report - Harry Kypreos

February 2019
SFBA Corsa Treasurer's Report

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	Date	Activity	Check #	Credit	Debit	Balance	Status
1							
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3							
4							
5	2/1/2019	Beginning Balance				\$3,360.90	
6	2/5/2019	Deposit		\$30.00		\$3,390.90	
7	2/7/2019	for 11/2018, 12/2018, 1/2019, 2/2019 News Letter	15		\$139.56	\$3,251.34	*
8	2/8/2019	Deposit		\$275.00		\$3,526.34	
9	2/26/2019	Deposit		\$25.00		\$3,551.34	
10							
11	February Totals			\$330.00	\$139.56		
12							
13	3/1/2019	Beginning Balance				\$3,551.34	
14							
15							
16	*	Check has not yet been cashed by Clark					

Coming Events...

April 4 th	Regular SFBA meeting, Black Bear Diner, 807 Camino Ramon, Danville, CA
April 13 th	Tech Session at Don Burkard's house in Antioch. Starting around 10: AM. The address is 1520 Saint Claire Dr. See details on page 7.
April 14 th	1st Annual Air Cooled Cruise. Leave Dutch Bros Coffee at 9:30 in Granit Bay drive to Grass Valley for lunch at Beach Hut Deli.
April 20 th	Tito Garrett (Valley Corsa) is hosting a Corvair Drive (9 AM to 3 PM) from San Jose to motor sports museum in Scotts Valley. Details TDB.
April 27 th	Spring Fling, hosted by Classic Corvairs of River City. Fry's Electronic parking lot in Roseville, CA (same as last year).
June 2 nd	Barn Party, 1 - 5 PM, Pot luck, hamburgers provided. Contact Christy Barden, 10141 Cedarsong Road, Nevada City, CA 95959. 530 263-1001 (ChristyBarden@cs.com). We'll have a band, classic rock and roll, this is a free event. Drive your Corvair!
June 21-22 nd	Vairfest at Heritage Square Park in Arroyo Grande. Hosted by Central Coast Corvairs. For more info or to enter your car go to www.centralcoastCorsa.org or mail@centralcoastcorsa.com .
July 23-27 th	2019 Corsa National Convention, St. Charles, Ill

SFBA CORSA Meeting Schedule 2019

Thursday Jan 3, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday Feb 7, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday Mar 7, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday Apr 4, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday May 2, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday Jun 6, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday Jul 11, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Saturday Aug 3, 12:00PM	SFBA/Valley Club Picnic at Quarry Lakes Park, Fremont, CA
Thursday Sept 5, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday Oct 3, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Thursday Nov 7, 7:00 PM	SFBA Regular meeting, Black Bear Diner in Danville, CA
Saturday Dec 7, 6:00 PM	SFBA Holiday Dinner (location to be announced)

"BayVairea Get Together"

Our first "BayVairea Get Together" for 2019 was held on Sunday, March 10th. This time the location was the Riverview Lodge in Antioch, This is an old-time restaurant & bar that sits right on the Delta at the end of "I" street. I don't think it has changed in the 40 years I have been going there! It's the only place around you can get Shrimp or Crab Creos or Au Gratins. Delicious! It's very nice sitting at the bar enjoying the Delta and watching the boats and jet skiers go by.

Daniel made arrangements for us to

meet in the parking lot and we were able to secure several parking spaces right on the edge show casing our Corvairs. I arrived around noon and there were already 3 Corvairs in the lot. The weather was very nice (at least at the start; warm but rain came later in the day). And in the end there were 16 people and 9 Corvairs. What a great turn out! From our Club we had Harry & Carol, Josh, Clark, Daniel, Ray, Don, & Lane. From the Sacramento club (CCRC) there were John, Wess, Lee & his wife and a few others where I didn't catch the names.

After looking over all of the Corvairs and talking cars in general, most of us went inside for lunch where the conversations continued. I had to leave a bit early and I was driving home the rain was starting. I hope all of the convertibles got closed up in time.



Get Together - Continued



Tech Session, Saturday April 13th

Map and Directions

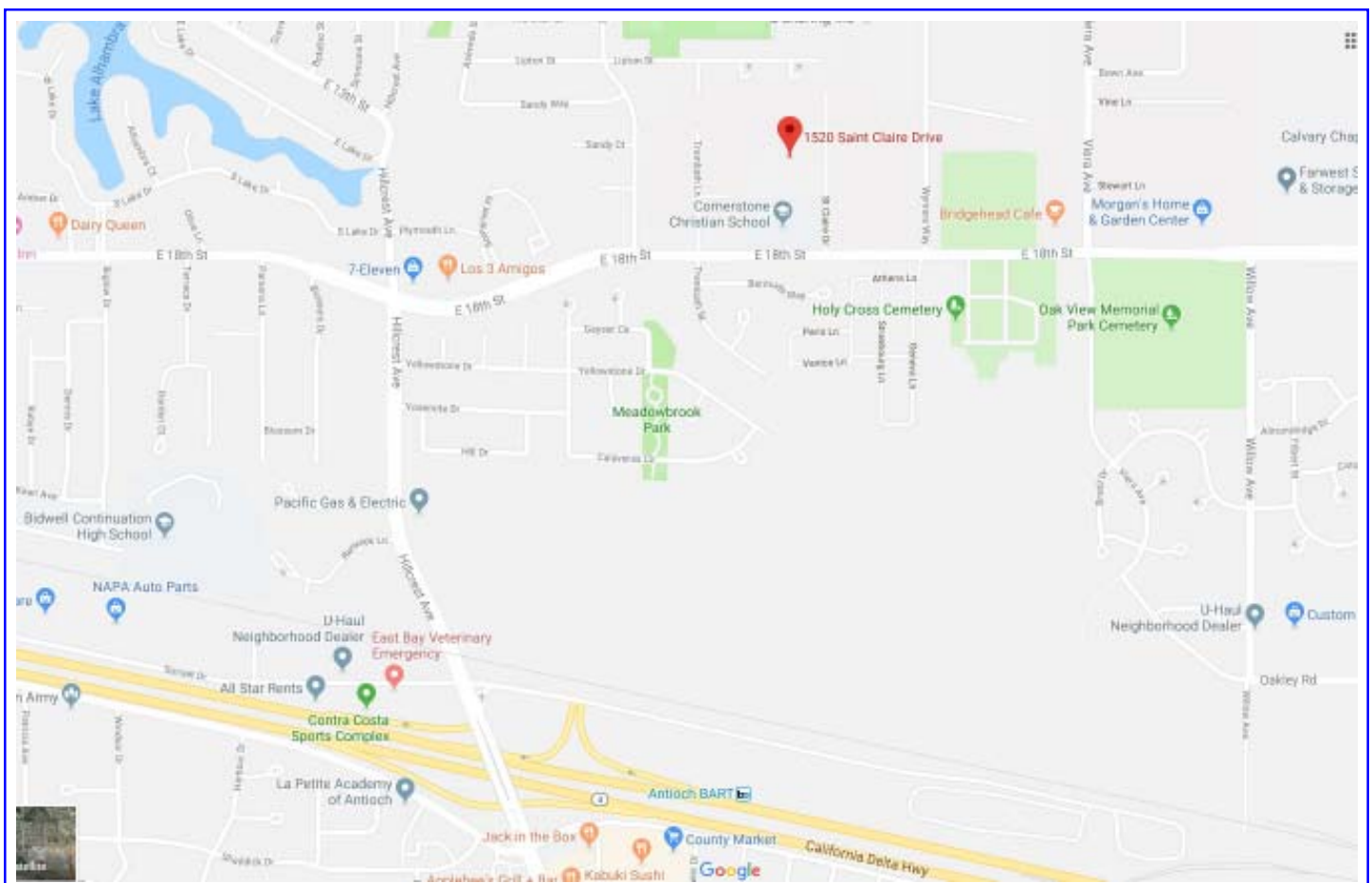
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Following the "hands on" learning we will have a BBQ where we can continue our discussions.

Directions:

Take Hwy 4 towards Antioch, get off on Hillcrest Ave and go North (left). If coming from Brentwood, take the Hillcrest Ave exit and turn left on Slatten Ranch Rd (follow signs) a short distance and then turn right on Hillcrest Ave. Proceed on Hillcrest for ¾ miles. Then turn right at the light on East Eighth-

teenth Street. In ½ mile turn left on Saint Claire Dr. (just past the Cornerstone Christian School). Note that Saint Claire Drive is a small dirt road and Don's house is at 1520 which is the second house on the left. This is a Spanish style house that sits back from the road. The shop is in the back, behind the house.



Don Burkard, 1520 Saint Claire Dr, Antioch, CA 94509

CORVAIR SPRING FLING

April 27, 2019 – Roseville, CA

2019 VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

Pre-register before April 20, 2019

Make check payable to; "CCRC"

Mail to; Corvairsting
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Folsom, CA 95630



Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ Email _____

TYPE OF CORVAIR

Year ____ Model _____ Body Style _____ Class Requested _____

Your Corvairstory _____

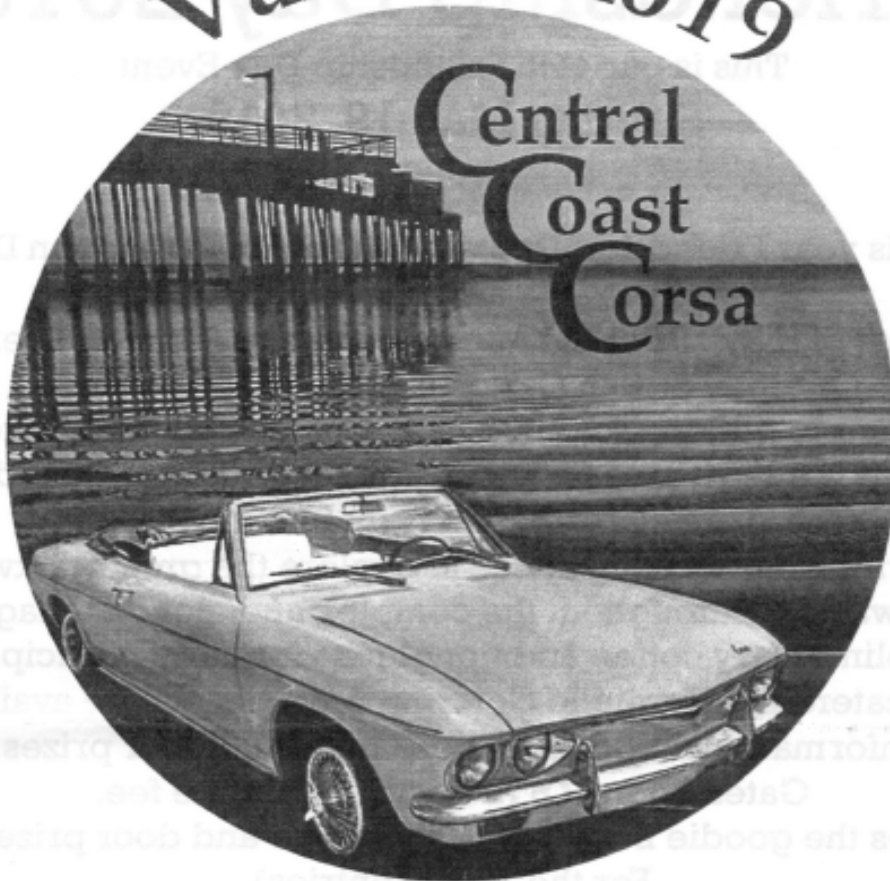
Sunday activity tour: California Automobile Museum

	Quantity	Pre-Registration	After April 20th	Amount
Car Show Entry Fee	_____	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$ _____
Spring Fling T Shirt M L XL XXL <i>(Please circle size(s))</i>	_____	\$22.50	\$27.50	\$ _____
Car Show Dinner Saturday, April 27 th at 6pm * Vegetarian Dinner Available	Steak _____ Chicken _____ Salmon* _____	\$35.00ea	\$40.00ea	\$ _____
Outdoor Swap Meet Size is standard parking stall	_____	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$ _____
50/50 Raffle Ticket(s)	_____	\$2.00ea	\$2.00ea	\$ _____
Raffle Basket Ticket(s) This raffle benefits the Corvairsting Preservation Foundation	_____	\$1.00ea	\$1.00ea	\$ _____
Total Enclosed				<input type="text"/>

Release of Liability

Signature of Corvairsting Owner _____ Date _____

Vairfest 2019



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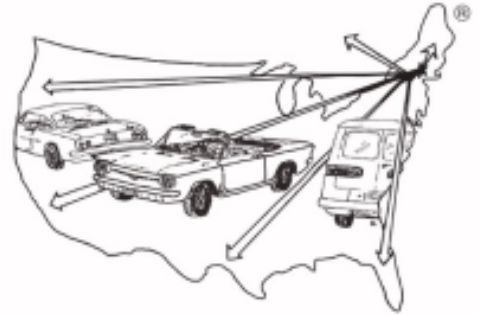
Show includes Raffle Prizes & People's Choice Awards

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Minutes...

(Fry's parking lot) as last year. Lane was saying that last year he and his wife stayed at Thunder Valley Casino which is not far and has cheap rooms. Great idea! The Sacramento Club is looking for help again this year. They need both raffle baskets (like we did last year) and help manning the booths. Josh will find out more info and pass it on.

Swap & Sell: Josh still has his list of Corvairs parts. These are free to club members and available at nominal cost to others.

Tech: The subject of towing Corvairs came up. Josh said that Finch published plans for a tow-bar (either in his "How to Keep Corvairs Alive" or one of his welding books). He will dig this out and bring it to a future meeting. The tow-bar bolts to the Corvair in place of a bumper.

Daniel said he needed to have a drive shaft shortened (not for his Corvair!) and he took it to a local shop who did it for

\$150. It was cut, welded, turned, and balanced. He thought this was a great price! Also he is building a Corvair dune buggy with a VW bus transaxle (this has extra reduction gears) and asked about the things to consider when making a reverse rotating Corvair motor. Lane mentioned that besides the usual stuff, the pistons had to be changed as the wrist pins were slightly offset to avoid piston "slap". He suggested contacting AirCorvair.org as they routinely do this. Daniel also asked if anyone ran a Sun Scope Engine Analyzer. He has one and wants to use it on his Corvair boat motor. Also he is working on a Chevy II with an LS motor that is about 60% complete. His goal is to have all of his cars run.

The subject of smog test came up. There was a California bill being considered to allow classic cars with a "Historical" license plate that are '81 or older to be exempt. Does anyone know if this passed? Maybe move to Oregon as anything over 20 years old is exempt (and some counties in Cali-

fornia are also exempt from routine smog tests).

There was also some discussion on electric Corvairs. Josh said someone in Red Bluff has an electric Rampside he is selling. Asking \$18k which is probably what he has in it. Clark said that Harry Exline, former SFBA Member, had one. In his day they used lead-acid batteries and DC motors.

Meeting adjourned about 9:00.

Respectively submitted,

Clark Calkins, secretary

Corvair Classifieds

CORVAIRS FOR SALE

'66 Corvair Monza Coupe 110 Auto Trans. Runs well. Body solid. Good paint & chrome. Interior is very good.



Asking \$8400. Contact John (916)631-9407. Sacramento area. (03/19)

CORVAIR PARTS FOR SALE

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

1 Pair Late 180 Heads, custom rebuilt \$850

Late Bumpers, new set front & rear w/ guards. Rechromed. \$375

1 Pair Late Rear Control Arms w/ rebuilt bearings w/ backing plates - \$275

3 Pair Late Heads - All rebuilt, 1 pr 140, 1 pr 110, 1 pr 95. Call for price.

4 Custom Kelsey Hayes K/O wire wheels & hubs to fit a **late** 65-69 w/ tires, \$1850

1 Pair Bill Thomas 4 Carb Heads, all rebuilt w/angle port exhaust \$1250 firm.

1 Complete Ultimate 140-Carbs + linkage, all new w/cleaners, \$800.

1 Rebuilt 95 HP Short Block w/new GM cast S.T.D. barrels, \$650.

1964 Rear Air Grill (NOS) \$125

1964 Rear Air Grill, very good. \$65

1964 NOS Major Turbo Carb Kit, \$55

We have other parts so inquire please.

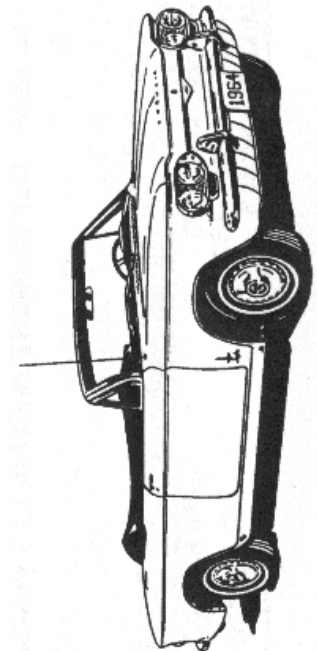
MISC CORVAIR PARTS FOR SALE - OUT OF AREA

Eight Corvairs and 6 shipping containers of NOS and used parts. Must be purchased as a lot. No picking! \$18,500. Located in Willits Contact Josh Deitcher (510) 388-4986 vondeitch@gmail.com for more info. (08/18)

FC parts in Cloverdale. Various parts. Contact Brian Osborne for prices & details. Call or text (707) 479-1595 (08/18)

Letter...

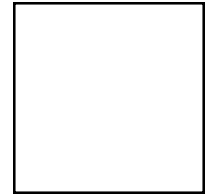
Danville. Typically we get there around 7:00 PM and talk cars over dinner with a more formal meeting starting around 8. Either Josh or I will get there a bit early to reserve a suitable table in the back (if possible). Come on by and, by all means, drive your Corvair!



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