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Glenwood Springs Tri-State Report

The planning really started back in March after Tony and Diane Lawler returned from vacation. Tony had visited Glenwood earlier and had laid out the basics; hotel, banquet, and show location. And he had met Bart Victor, a local resident and RMC's newest member. But much of the details remained. A Tri-State committee was formed to meet by zoom every other week and ironed out the details one by one.

On Thursday, the 19th, a group of seven PPCC/RMC cars met in Idaho Springs to leave for Glenwood. Included in the caravan were Rick Beets, Tony and Diane Lawler, Richard Espinosa (Tony and Diane's friend), Chris Kimberly, Ken Schiffner, and Charlie Beets. Paul and Maxine Seyforth left earlier while Mike and Karen Piper left a bit later. The drive up was relatively easy as the day was sunny with just a bit of wind. Mike and Karen had a bit of a problem in Edwards when their Corvair's distributor burned out. Their car was towed the last 30 miles. After diagnosing the problem a call was made to Phil Degroot who delivered a backup up distributor on Friday. We were all reminded how fortunate we are as CORSA members.

Friday was not such a good day. Rain and snow and fog as the front moved thru Colorado. The Tri-State team was worried as the forecast sounded awful. There were a few cancelations but the majority of those registered made the trek up thru the passes. There were many tales that were told about the driving conditions. Friday evening the weather started to clear and Bart Victor invited the group over to his home to provide dinner for everyone and to his garage to show off his car collection. The dinner was fabulous, and his car collection was stunning.

Saturday morning turned out to be a beautiful day, cool but sunny. Just perfect. Twenty five Corvairs showed up for the show, all kinds and models. Of course, the late model coupes and convertibles were the most prevalent but there were 2 Greenbrier vans, 2 Lakewood wagons, an early 4 door, a Rampside, several early convertibles and a 4-wheel drive early coupe. No late 4-door sedans, however. It was great show enjoyed by everyone, locals and members alike. Bart Victor arrived at noon and provided a tri-tip and pulled pork lunch for everyone at the show.

The banquet was something special. The Hotel Colorado is a landmark hotel and the 100 or so guests were treated to a well-prepared Italian buffet dinner. Eric Schakel was the guest speaker and spoke on his time preparing and racing his Yenko Stinger. Vince Petrie, Western Division Director spoke on the benefits of CORSA membership. Steve Goodman gave a short history of the Tri-State. Then Rick Beets took over and announced the car show awards. This year awards first and second place.

1st Place Early Open—Chris Kimberly
1st Place Early Closed—Phil Degroot
1st Place Late Open—Don Young
1st Place Late Closed—Mike Head
1st Place Wagon—William Pearce
1st Place FC—Jim Williams
Specialty—Chris Jackson

2nd Place Early Open—Ken Schiffner
2nd Place Early Closed—Chris Jackson
2nd Place Late Open—Doug Dumler
2nd Place Late Closed—Jim Williams
2nd Place Wagon—Jennifer Victor
2nd Place FC—Diane Lawler
Best of Show—Don Young

Mike Piper won the hard luck award although if this Mike's worse luck he led a charmed life. Rick gave recognition to the RMC planning committee with special recognition given to Diane and Tony Lawler for their superb co-chairing of the event. There was also special recognition given to Bart Victor for being such an excellent 'host' to all of us. Especially want to thank the CNM Folks; Curtis Shimp, Tarmo and Kay Sutt, and Steve and Rita Gongora making the trip from Albuquerque in less than ideal conditions.

Jerry Peevyhouse and Chris Kimberly shared the location and date of next year's Tri-State which will be hosted by PPCC. The 38th event will be held in Salida, Colorado on May 19-21, 2023.

The banquet wrapped up with the presentation of door prizes and the 50/50 winner. All of the raffle items were on display, and winners of the prizes left carrying their treasures with them. Sunday morning most of the participants enjoyed breakfast at the hotel, and fond farewells were shared. We know everyone arrived safely at home. Mike and Karen Piper got real hard luck experience when his fuel pump gave out in one of the I70 tunnels. They survived thanks to a CDOT truck running interference. I do want say one thing about the drive back. With all the Stimulus and Infrastructure money floating around maybe some of it should be spent repaving I70. The road condition is awful!

Pictures from the Tri-State

John & Kathy Green



Bart Victor



The Tri-State Team



Hospitality Crew



Don Young Peoples choice winner



Tony & Diane Lawler Tri- State Hosts



Bart Victor's garage



Seemore gets around



Don Young's Corsa Convertible



Bart Victor's Lakewood wagon



Jim William's Greenbrier Van



Chris Jackson's Spyder



Events Calendar

June 3-----RMC Club meeting 6200 S. Broadway Englewood, 7PM.
I'm sure there will be a zoom session available to join the meeting.

June 5-----Exotic Car Show at Arapahoe Community College. Refer to PPCC website for information

June 4/5 at High Plains Raceway. The world famous 24 Hours of Lemons. If you've never been to one, it is a combination of \$500 cars, comedic penalties and some pretty interesting racing. You get to walk the paddock and see the interestingly modified cars close up.

June 12, Sunday, 1:30PM—Laura Wilshire is organizing a luncheon meeting at the Loveland Grill & Chill. See the details on the following page,

July 23-----Third Annual Cripple Creek All Corvair Car Show at the Cripple Creek Historical Museum. This is open to anyone with a Corvair and they don't need to be affiliated with any club. See the flyer in the newsletter for more information. See More will be at this free show. I know some members will be driving to Cripple Creek the day before the show and book a room for the Cripple Creek show with Double Eagle Casino and Hotel..

August 6---- 2022 Rocky Mountain Car Show. The Colorado Collector Car Council is hosting their annual car show & swap meet at the Rocky Mountain Metro Airport. 10 AM to 2 PM

August 14-----Dale and Joan Wilshire Memorial Picnic at Bear Creek Lake Park. We have rented the same shelter this year as we had last year. And we hope for the same turnout as last year. Great setting with the same great people.

August 20---- Holy Rollers Car Show. 9 AM to 2 PM. On the grass in South Midway Park, Broomfield, Colorado. 300 Cars, 30 awards. Pre-Register your car at holyroллерcarshow.com. \$25 includes T-shirt.

SOUTH MIDWAY PARK

BROOMFIELD, COLORADO ON GRASS IN SOUTH MIDWAY PARK

BROOMFIELD, COLORADO

CORVAIRS AT LOVELAND GRILL & CHILL!

Date: Sunday June 12, 2022

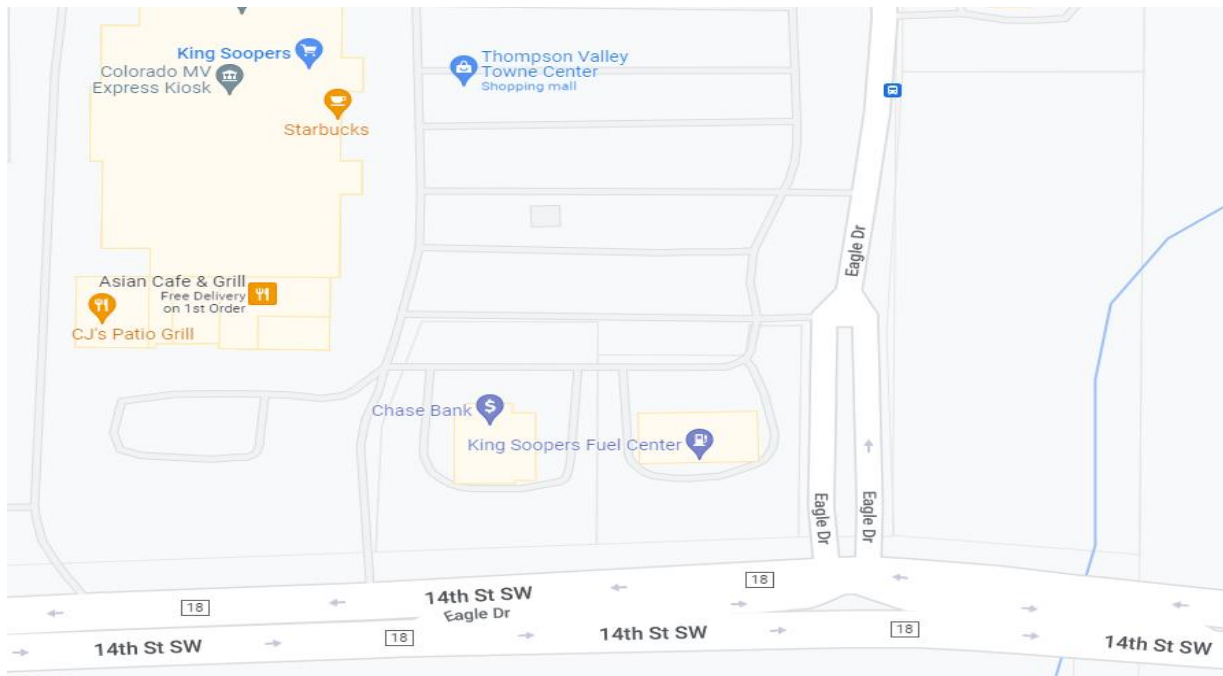
Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: CJ'S PATIO GRILL 1331 Eagle Dr Loveland, Colorado

Menu: www.cjspatiogrill.com

RSVP: To Laura by 06-06-22 lwredvair@comcast.net or text/ph: 720-829-6626

RMC members do you need an excuse to hit the road not too far from home driving your Corvair, hang out with your friends, enjoy some great food and conversation? Please plan on attending Corvairs at Loveland Grill & Chill! We'll meet at CJ's Patio Grill in Loveland around 130pm. The restaurant is located at the south end of King Soopers shopping center. We're going to have a late lunch to give time for all the local folks from the restaurants' earlier brunch crowd to clear out of the parking lot, to get all those cold glasses chilled for us thirty travelers and the staff to prepare for some hungry Corvair folks! There will be extra parking next door to the restaurant just north of the Chase Bank. We'll be seated comfortably inside together at several large tables to accommodate our group and make it easy for our great servers to dish out all the tasty food and favorite drinks. The menu has great variety with all the usual favorites such as nachos, epic burgers, pulled pork sliders, pot roast, meatloaf, fish tacos, great Mexican food, gluten free options, full bar and of course desserts like seasonal cobblers YAY! **Please come chill with us on June 12th in Loveland!**



Sedalia Rendezvous

Formally known at the Tri-State Tuneup at the Schakels' spread this well regarded get together reconvened May 8th after a 2 year hiatus. A group of RMC members traveled down south to join Eric and Linae Schakel and enjoy a buffet lunch and some very good company.



*Great Expectations**

Ken Schifftner

Let's say you are about 15-40 years old. Somehow you saw, or just heard about Corvairs. Maybe you saw a Corvair at a car show, online, or in a magazine. Perhaps you have heard that the Corvair can be restored and maintained at a lower cost than nearly any other classic car.

Perhaps you are mechanically inclined or know someone who is. Modern vehicles, with all the electronics, can make older, simpler, designs more attractive whether you turn wrenches or not. Maybe you simply want a project to work on with a friend or relative. Maybe you just want a hobby. Perhaps you just want to do something and not just say "maybe".

A good start in "doing something" would be to get in contact with your local Corvair Club. If you do, what would be your "expectations", Great or otherwise?

The reality to build upon is that the expectations of older Corvair enthusiasts are different than yours. The older members have emotional links that likely you may not even need. But they are valuable. The old folks, at one point had their own Great Expectations. They might have even bought a Corvair new! They may still have it (and a few more). These old folks likely grew up knowing about Corvairs firsthand or from close friends or relatives. Events such as going to school, dating, weddings, vacations and "adventures" perhaps included a Corvair. And yes, they like talking about it, just as you will someday when your expectations are also met.

But, let's face it, your interests are your own. You'll set your own journey and pace. This is about you. You are turning "maybe" into "something".

So, you go to a local Corvair Club meeting and see all of these "old" folks. Yes, you'll hear their stories. Some may, truth be told, be boring (the "when I was a child" sort of things you hear). Likely, you'll also see younger folks. Smiling. Folks creating their own Corvair stories, stories based upon their own expectations. No "secret handshakes" or other club nonsense. These folks are there to share their interest in a, yes, unusual and historic vehicle.

Expect to meet someone well versed in Corvair repair? Highly likely. Don't want to do your own maintenance and repair? You'll likely find someone you can go to. Should you expect to find out where to get parts? Check. How about performance modifications? Why not? Even racing? Good bet that expectation will also be met. Just want to have fun? Got that covered too. No obligation to participate just invitations. Events that you can be part of, or not. It is your choice. Existing Corvair owners don't want you to become them, they encourage you to create your own story, your own memories.

Maybe, just maybe, it is time to find out if your Expectations can be realized and for you, Great. *with apologies to Charles Dickens

Rocky Mountain Corsa Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: May 6, 2022 **Called to Order:** 7:04 pm
Location: John Elway Chevrolet, Englewood CO **# Present:** 24 on site, 3 on Zoom.

Guests, long distance, new members: Scott and Lori Stephens, from Ventura CA. They brought their car to Steve in their travels East/

Standard Business:

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes from April meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasury report: The end of April balance was \$10,117.55. There was income from Tri-State registration, and there are bills expected to be paid from this. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Mailbag: Nothing.

Old Business:

- Thanks Paul for a great newsletter and for continuing to produce them. Dale thanked Paul for "ghost-writing" on his article.
- Tri State update, May 20-22, 2022. We need a check to pay for shirts and related, \$1237,43. There is one small change to shirt order, pocketed shirts will be black, not dark gray due to availability. Diane gave update: There is a ticket envelope containing needed tickets for each party for events, each a different color. Registration is open until 15th and the hotel needs paid for banquet on the 18th. Asking if we can bring payment on 19th in person instead. Current amount due is \$2,940 right now based on banquet registrations. We are at a break-even state currently. Gift basket providers were asked to bring your own with you if you can, as we are running out of room to transport. Volunteers were sought and found for several roles. Ken Schiffner reported the CORSA merchandise is arriving today.
- At the monthly CCCC meeting, Hands of the Carpenter made a presentation. They are a volunteer/nonprofit organization providing and maintaining vehicles for single mothers. They are adding an Aurora facility at 10401 E Idaho Place with an Open House Sat 14th at 1pm. Dusty Dodge spoke about the organization. He volunteers on Wednesdays. They are also hosting a fundraiser Poker Run Rally on 5th of June, \$250 per car entry fee (charitable donation). Contact Dusty, and he will send a message on the email list.
- Thanks Charlie for the snacks tonight. June: Chris Jackson. July: TBD, we may not meet July 1.
- Paul will make arrangements for the Wilshire picnic, Sun Aug 14 or 21, reserved same shelter as last year at Bear Creek Reservoir.

New Business:

- Steve Goodman gave an Activities Review. Sunday, May 8 (Mother's Day) Tri-State Tune-Up at Schakels at 11? A show of hands was taken for attendance. May 15 PPCC, Florence Car Show, no registration yet per Christy. May 14/15 is RMVR Tribute event for Bill Miller. June 5 Exotic Car show and Concours at ACC. June 5 High Plains event (look up) SUN June 12 Laura Wilshire is arranging lunch up north in Loveland, CJ's Patio Grille, RSVP by the Friday before. July 9, CCCC Car show, but shows "to be announced". July 30 /31, high Plains, Race against Kids Cancer.
- Golden Supercruise, tomorrow (1st Sat)
- 3rd July, 'Bout Time Pub & Grub (Arvada) Car & Bike show fundraiser Folds of Honor, for families of fallen and disabled service members.

- Request for Drive-by, Karen Piper, on Nextdoor, senior center, Arvada, morning of 4th of July suggestion. Will discuss further.
- ColoRODans 51st Annual Rod Festival in Longmont, Sat July 30, Fundraiser for Mountain States Children's Home. Flyers on table.
- Sun 31 July, Golden Buffalo Bill Days, car show at American Legion 10-3, check-in at 8.
- CCCC Air & Auto show, August 6. Club to get swap meet table. Discussion of Corvair only area, with our own awards. We would need 20+ cars CCCC need volunteers to direct traffic. There will be charity rides in vintage aircraft. Food trucks. ~500 cars shown last time.
- Rocky Mountain Car Show and Swap Meet, Aug 8
- It was noted that there is a club missing from CCCC's list of member clubs. RMC is missing! Rick will notify them.
- Chris Kimberley spoke about the All Corvair Show at Cripple Creek Historical Museum, Sat July 23, Pioneer Days weekend, across from Double Eagle Hotel/Casino. Call to make your own arrangement at \$112 w/Tax. The show is 9-4. Flyers given to Dale and Paul. Also discussed the Pueblo, Rosemount Museum, "Rumble at Rosemont", antique and classic car show on museum lawn July 9, 9-2. Event is free, but registration required. Flyers were shared.

Upcoming events: See Steve's report and other items in new business above also

- June 3 (Fri) 7pm Monthly meeting, John Elway Chevrolet
- May 8, (Sun) Tri-State Tune-Up, Schakels
- May 14 (Sat) Show in Guffey.
- May 15 (Sun) Florence Merchants Car Show.
- July 23 (Sat) All Corvair Show, 9-4, Cripple Creek. See details above.

For Sale or Wanted, Recently Purchased, Projects

- Rick discussed steering gearbox issues after putting in Clarks rebuilt. Car was still wandering. He went through whole front suspension, Pitman arm bolt / bushing, used Clark's nylon upgrade, was "sticky" so had to clearance a bit. Now smooth. Found that teeth on shaft of rebuilt box were in poor shape.
- Charlie worked on Chris K's transmission, couldn't get governor out. Got another governor and gasket, added new transverse spring bushing. Pulled a lot of old nasty fluid from the differential, "mollasesey." Replacing original with new from Bud's Muffler CO Springs.
- Mike Piper question: Who painted Ed's car? Wicked Auto Collision. Also did Chris's car. Due dates were given, and dates met.
- Jonnie Berkman's daughter came by Rear Engine Specialists, she is going to sell the convertible. Contact her, she is in roster.
- Steve reported another family came by and gave 2 boxes of wire wheel covers for 13", 14 Texaco oil filters for collector only due to rust. Let him know if you want one anything.

50/50 Raffle: \$55 to Club, \$55 to Winner Paul Seyforth

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Rob Brereton.



RMC Club Page

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Monthly Meeting

RMC typically holds meetings the 1st Friday of each month at our host dealership, Elway Chevrolet, 5200 South Broadway in Englewood. Join us at 7:00 PM in the upstairs meeting room.

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