

There are several events at the convention in San Luis Obispo, CA May 20-23rd

Car Show: Open to CORSA members who register for the convention and event. All Corvairs are welcome. Participants will be directed to park in a special area of the host hotel lot. In the registration package, each car entered will receive identification cards with a competitor number which must be displayed for the show. Only cars parked in the designated area can be a part of the voting. It is a “People’s Choice” car show, starting at 5pm and ending at 7pm. People registered for the convention will receive ballots in their convention package, one per badged attendee. Vehicles receiving the top 10 votes will receive their award at the end of the car show in the lot.

Concours d’Elegance: Open to CORSA members who are registered for the convention and event. The CORSA Concours welcomes ALL Corvairs to be displayed and judged. There are classes for stock, modified, and engineering specials, but all must be either Corvair powered or bodied. Vehicles must be registered by Noon on Tuesday. The event judging is based on cleanliness and condition, with scoring based on a 10,000 pt. scale in 7 different units, including Operation of the vehicle. Participants attend meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday morning prior to the start of judging. All vehicles must go through an Operations evaluation and classification on Tuesday where event materials including an entry identification card will be provided.

The Concours is a great way to learn about your vehicle and to be judged by peers who own Corvairs. CORSA trains judges to ensure consistency between conventions. It is run by a national Concours chairman and committee. Awards are given based on scores against a scale broken out by bronze, silver and gold levels. Cars achieving over 96% are elevated to Senior level. Cars classified as Factory Stock or Factory Stock restored are eligible for special recognition. Concours Rules and scoring sheets can be found on the CORSA Website.

Autocross: Open to CORSA members who register for the convention and event. Any Corvair bodied or powered vehicle that passes a safety inspection may enter. Multiple classes are available. Autocross participation registration cut off is Wednesday at Noon. Registrants receive competitor identification cards that must be displayed at the event in their convention package. Corvairs and drivers enjoy a challenging course to test their skills and cars. Drivers and their cars will go thru a Tech inspection and classification the day before the event. They must also attend the Autocross participants meeting on Wednesday and Track meeting on Thursday morning. Electronic timing is used to provide the results by class. The goal of the event is to drive the specified course in the least amount of time without incurring penalties. Awards are given by class and two special awards given for the fastest time in a Corvair powered Corvair and in an alternative powered Corvair. Autocross rules can be found on the CORSA website.

Economy Run: Open to CORSA members who register for the convention and event. Econo Run event participation registration cut off is Thursday at Noon. Open to any Corvair powered or bodied vehicle *. Multiple classes are available for various powertrain configurations. Meeting attendance on Friday morning, before the start of the event, is required. Registrants receive competitor number dash cards in their convention package which must be displayed. The goal of this driving event is for a Corvair to complete the route with the most “miles per gallon” i.e., smallest amount of gasoline used. A scenic drive with checkpoints and landmarks is laid out and each car starts with a full tank of gas. (*Entrants’ responsibility* is to show up at start with a ‘full’ tank.) Using a driver and navigator, the course has a designated starting point and must be completed within an allotted time. It ends at designated gas station where CORSA personnel will “top off the tank.” Mileage and fuel consumption is recorded and results tabulated for awards. Classes and rules are in the Economy run rules on the CORSA Website.

* Corsa also provides a “non-Corvair” class for those who may wish to run the course without a Corvair just for fun; this class shall **not** be eligible for awards.

Road Rally: Open to CORSA members who register for the convention and event. Open to any Corvair powered or bodied vehicle *. Road Rally event participation registration cut off is Thursday at Noon. Meeting attendance on Friday morning, before the start of the event, is required. Registrants receive a competitor number dash card in their convention package which must be displayed. There are 2 classes available -Primary class for Driver & Navigator only, and Touring class for more than 2 occupants in the vehicle. The road rally is a timed, competitive automotive event, a test of each participating team’s ability to follow instructions on public roads. A rally measures only the team’s ability to follow these instructions and answer questions which will become apparent on the driving route. Their vehicle itself is much less of a factor than in other events. It is not a ‘race’. CORSA Rallies are set up to be challenging yet enjoyable. Event rules can be found on the CORSA Website. Awards are given based on the results calculated as defined in the rules. The goal of a Rally is to safely and timely complete the course while enjoying the drive.

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Cole Award Competition: Awarded to the person with the best scores from participating in all of the following events: Concours d’Elegance, Autocross, Road Rally, Economy Run and attendance at the banquet. Named for the “Father of the Corvair” Ed Cole, this prestigious award is a significant accomplishment and recognition for the winner at the CORSA Convention.

In addition to these events, Valve Cover racing, a Model Car Concours, Tours, Hospitality, Crafting and shopping at indoor and outdoor vendors are all a part of the convention experience for registered participants.