

Corvairs With Altitude

Tuesday, July 26 through Friday, July 29, 2011



It's time to make your plans to join Rocky Mountain Corsa in the Denver area for the 2011 CORSA National Convention.

The Convention starts Tuesday July 26 and runs through the Banquet on Friday night. We're also featuring a Car Display Saturday July 30, emulating the event that worked so well in Cedar Rapids.

We're pleased to provide the following information to help guests with arrangements. Some of the time slots are still subject to adjustment, but you can count on the daily activities – the dates are solid. For the most up-to-date information visit the CORSA web site, www.corvair.org, or Rocky Mountain Corsa's site at www.rockymountaincorsa.com.

Convention Details

Host Hotel: DoubleTree Hotel, I-25 & Orchard Road, Denver Tech Center. For online info go to www.doubletreedenverttech.com. For phone reservations, call the DoubleTree at 303 779-6161. The Convention rate is \$99.00, and is available two days before and after the actual events.

When making online reservations, use the code COR. If making phone reservations, mention "Corvair" or "Corsa".

Transportation: Naturally, we hope most of our guests arrive in Corvairs, or at least hauling Corvairs. But for those who will travel by air, Denver International Airport is a direct hub for many major airlines, including United, Southwest, and Frontier.

The DoubleTree adjacent to the I-25 corridor and a five-minute walk from a station serving Denver's award-winning RTD Light Rail trains. A few bucks and 20 minutes will put you in the heart of downtown, with no parking worries.

RV & Trailer Parking: RV and trailer parking is available on the hotel property, with overflow arranged in a covered parking garage at a next-door worship center. The overflow lot is a very short walk from the hotel and has ample parking to meet our most optimistic projections!

Camper Hookups: Camper slots are available 15 minutes from the DoubleTree in Cherry Creek Park. Please visit <http://parks.state.co.us/Parks/CherryCreek> to

make reservations. Pads with hook-ups are booked well in advance, so reserve early to ensure a spot.

Chatfield State Park is a backup location, and is approximately 30-40 minutes from the host hotel, depending on traffic. Visit <http://parks.state.co.us/Parks/Chatfield> for reservations.

Planning For Weather: Summer weather along the front range is mostly sunny with 80-90° highs offset by low humidity and evenings that typically cool into the 60s.

Brief afternoon cloudbursts are not unknown, but evenings are primo convertible time. A jacket is suggested, and you will definitely want a hat for protection against sunburn. Denver is a mile closer to the sun than at sea level, and it makes a difference you really can feel.

Special Events

High Plains Drifters - Track Day: On Monday, July 25 we are organizing a track day open to racers and tourers alike at the new High Plains Raceway, one hour east of Denver. Visit www.highplainsraceway.com for track info.

Prices have not been finalized, but will be less than \$100 per lapping entrant. Tourers will be paced, and will have a much lower fee, again still to be determined.

If you would like to cruise the curves at High Plains, please let us know so we can finalize plans. To respond, go to www.rockymountaincorsa.com and select the Contact button. We'd appreciate the following info:

1. Name
2. Lapping (race speeds) or Touring (pace car)
2. Do you have a transponder? (Yes/No)
3. Do you prefer a full day or half-day rate?

Dinner Cruise Tours: No, we won't be taking a river boat down the mighty Platte River, but we will arrange a tour guide in a Corvair each evening to lead a "cruise" of interested visitors in their Corvairs to a local eatery within 30-60 minutes of the hotel.

This is what Corvairs did with their families back in the Day! Evenings are usually very pleas-

ant along the Front Range, and we don't want to deprive the locals of the chance to see our Corvairs!

RMC "Vair-Tiks": Since you'll be attending a Convention in the shadow of the mighty Rocky Mountains, we figure you'll want to check out some of the local sights with your Corvair.

To help you pick the best route(s), we've asked each RMC member to write up a one-page description and route for a favorite near-by trip, with approximate times and key sights. Watch for these on the Convention web sites, or visit Hospitality at the Convention to pick up a Vair-Tik for your scenic tour.

Hosted Tours: Our volunteers are finalizing the hosted tours, which is a daunting task with so many opportunities nearby. A partial list of places you might want to visit while in the Denver area follows this article – if you have a strong opinion (What? Strong opinions from Corvair people?) about a tour destination, visit www.rockymountaincorsa.com, and select the Contact button. We'd enjoy hearing from you.

Colorado Rockies Baseball & Pub Crawl: During Convention week the Colorado Rockies baseball club has a home stand against the LA Dodgers. On Wednesday evening, we're organizing an outing for the game, complete with an optional Pub Crawl in Denver's famous LoDo area prior to the game.

Our group will travel from the hotel to LoDo via RTD Light Rail, which exits a few blocks from Coors Field. We'll offer a Mature Adult Pub Crawl Option, as well as a Youthful Exuberance Option so you won't have to worry about being stranded! It will be a great evening!

Check Often For Updates

The Internet is a great avenue for up-to-the-minute information and feedback about Convention happenings. We will have prices finalized and registration up in the first quarter, and hope to see your name on our guest list very soon.