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INCC Corvairs in St. Maries, ID as we circumnavigated Lake Coeur d'Alene two years ago this month

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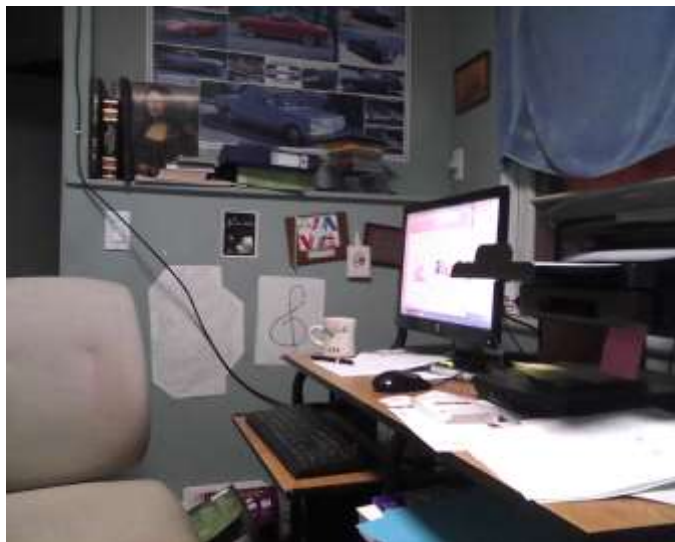
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THE EDITOR'S DESK

By Dave McChesney



Yes, this is the real thing... your editor's desk.

Those that have been a part of the Inland Northwest Corvair Club for any length of time may remember that a couple of decades ago, our newsletters were all in hard copy. The editor printed (or had) numerous copies printed out and sent each member a copy via the USPS. As a club we also received (and shared) copies with other regional Corvair Clubs/CORSA Chapters. When we met, the editor or designated Post Office Box checker person would bring those copies and we'd pass them around, hoping to get a glimpse of what other clubs were up to.

Today, the vast majority of newsletter copies go out via e-mail. I can physically print out a half-dozen copies, mail the few I need to mail, and still have a couple left over. E-mail also allows us access to newsletters from across CORSA, whether they are sent directly or via CORSA CHAPTERS. Since I'm connected via CORSA CHAPTERS I receive a number of newsletters each month and in the interest of sharing, forward them on to others in the Inland Northwest Corvair Club.

To say the least, it is a bit confusing, and somewhat disappointing when club members ask that I not forward them. I'd think we would want to see what other clubs are up to. What kind of events do they have? How are they dealing with the current pandemic?

Many of the newsletters have technical advice we may need or have Corvairs and parts for sale. I always thought we should be taking a look at the wider Corvair world.

So when I send a handful of newsletters each month, it isn't to clog up your in box. It's to let you see what's going on out there with the idea that one of you might see something and say, "let's do this." In addition, as I forward these newsletters, I often add reminders for our club, such as being in the need for newsletter input, etc. If you don't find any interest in a particular newsletter/issue, how hard is it to hit "delete."

If you've requested I not send them, I won't, but again it confuses me that you don't want them.

I'm always open to input for the REAR ENGINE REVIEW. We can use personal Corvair stories, maintenance hints and tips, pictures, recipes, or information of a general nature. If you go to and participate in a car show or other automotive hobby related event, help me get the news in the REAR ENGINE REVIEW. Snap a pic or two and send them along with brief note. I'll get it in the next REAR ENGINE REVIEW

ON A SAD NOTE

Distressing to learn, via the Spokesman-Review, that Earl Davis, a former and active INCC member passed away in late July.

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE!

If you have pictures or other information about Corvair or automotive events from the past, feel free to forward. I'll do my best to include them, regardless of how long ago the activity occurred.

CLUB BUSINESS CARDS

Contact INLAND NORTHWEST CORVAIR CLUB Web-master Dave Fender for business cards with current club logo on them. They have a place where you can add your contact information. Return address labels might be small enough to fit in the area provided.



The front of the card looks like this.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Our Treasurer's Report is sent monthly to Inland Northwest Club members only, via e-mail or USPS.

CAR D'LANE BBQ & POTLUCK at CRAIG'S

Out of an abundance of caution, our editor/reporter decided not to attend this event on Saturday July 18th at Craig's new place in Post Falls. No one else has provided information or pictures of the event, so we can only hope that it went well and that those who attended had a good time.

AUGUST PICNIC/BBQ

Due to personal health concerns and the continuing Covid-19 Pandemic, our host has decided to cancel the event set for his place on Sunday August 1th.

CELEBRATE THE DATE!

August Birthdays
None submitted

August Anniversaries
None submitted

INCC members, let us know your Birthday and Anniversary dates and those of your most immediate family. We'll help you celebrate by listing your special days here. Who knows, a fellow club member might send you a card!

CRUISE IN'S

(It's very likely that these are currently on hold, waiting for the stay at home order to be lifted.)

We've called these *Cruise Nights* in the past, but it seems they are now **Cruise In's**. The schedule below is from the new 2020 Calendar of Events. If you go, contact fellow INCC members and invite them along. Please send pictures and/or written descriptions for our newsletter.

Monday

Paul Bunyan

8625 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID

Tuesday

Cinderella Nights (6/2 – 8/25, 6:30 – 8:30 pm)

Yokes, Post Falls, ID

Zip's Drive Inn

12218 N. Market St., Mead, WA

Wednesday

Paul Bunyan

13735 Hwy 53, Rathdrum, ID

Steer Inn

7920 N Division St., Spokane, WA

Thursday

Prime Tyme Bar & Grill

Hwy 2 & Westwood, Chattaroy, WA

Ron's Drive Inn

12502 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane Valley, WA

Friday

Monitor Hot Rod Cafe

2960 Easy St., Wenatchee, WA

Zip's Drive Inn

1005 S. Main St., Deer Park, WA

Saturday

Kalispel Casino

420 Qlispe River Way, Cusick. WA

2020 EVENT SCHEDULE

More detailed information will be available as we get closer to each specific event.

(Any and all events subject to cancellation or rescheduling due to Corona Virus/Covid 19 Pandemic)

AUGUST

~~Sunday, 16th~~

~~BBQ, Picnic at John Vujovich's place~~

CANCELLED

SEPTEMBER

~~Saturday 12th~~

~~Run To Harrison Car Show, Harrison ID~~

~~Saturday 19th~~

~~Palouse Days Open Car Show, Palouse, WA~~

CANCELLED

OCTOBER

Nothing currently planned. Any suggestions?

NOVEMBER

Nothing currently planned. Any suggestions?

DECEMBER

~~Sunday 13th~~

~~Christmas/Holiday Party at Longhorn BBQ~~

(October or November might be a great time to hold a "pre-planning" meeting for 2021, so we can have any possible events scheduled and on the books for early in the New Year.)

JANUARY 2021

Nothing currently planned. Any suggestions?

FEBRUARY 2021

INCCC Banquet "Show No Shine" Info TBA

MARCH 2021

Nothing currently planned. Any suggestions?

MY CORVAIRS

Over time it seems, your editor has cajoled INCC members to send pics of their Corvairs and a little about themselves and their cars for inclusion in the REAR ENGINE REVIEW. Recently, a fellow member suggested the editor get the ball rolling by including pics of his own Corvairs. So, here goes...

I remember going to an auto-show at a Chevrolet dealer in Puyallup, back in the fall of 1959 and seeing the very first Corvairs that were available. I thought they were neat, as did my Dad.

A few years we lived in Palouse where I was in the eighth grade. Dad worked overseas and Mom needed a new car. She bought a 1965 Corvair 500 Sports Sedan with the 110 horsepower engine and four speed manual transmission. It was Ermine White with an Aqua interior. (I've got pictures somewhere in the house and I'll include pics when I find them.)

This was the first time I remember us having a new car. A summer or two later we took a trip to Minnesota. When I was old enough to take Driver's Ed., it was the car I practiced in, along with my time behind the wheel in the Dodge used by the instructor. I took my driver's test and got my license in the Corvair.

After graduation, I joined the US Navy and eventually found myself stationed at NAS Whidbey Island. I needed a car, and at a local dealership I found a traded in 1965 Corsa Sports Coupe with the 180 horsepower engine and four speed transmission. I bought it and drove it for a number of years. Finally it seemed, no one wanted to work on it, and not

having a place to do so myself, I set it aside, sold it for pennies and move on to other vehicles.

Later while stationed at NAS Lemoore, California, my then girlfriend's stepdad came home in a 1962 Corvair he'd bought. Once again under the spell, I found and purchased a Late Model Corvair that was a composite of several vehicles. According to the VIN it was a Monza, but it had bits of trim from a 1966. Someone had built up a turbo engine for it. While the heads and other basic parts were for a 180 hp turbo engine, the turbocharger itself was a 1963 model. It even had a "Turbocharged! 180 hp Spyder" decal on the air cleaner.

I had that Corvair until just a few years ago. During that time I rebuilt the engine, painted it, tried to redo the interior and construct a custom dash for it. I ended up towing it to China Lake, Ca and then driving back to Spokane with our two dogs upon retiring from the Navy.

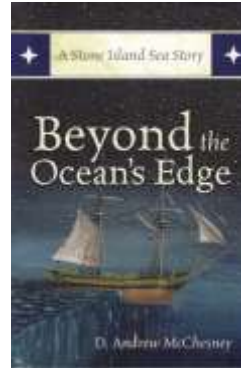


My 1965 "Spyderized" Monza Coupe, sitting in front of our current residence, sometime in the early part of this century.



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My current collection of Corvairs is much smaller and includes this 1/12 scale die-cast model of a 1969 Corvair convertible. I found it at the Early Ford V-8 Club Swap Meet at the Spokane Fairgrounds a few years ago.
(To be continued next month)



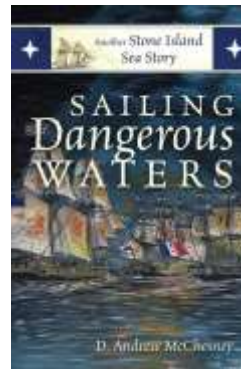
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