





REAR

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The Rear Engine Review is a monthly publication of the INLAND NORTHWEST CORVAIR CLUB, chapter 990 of the CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA (CORSA). Letters, articles, experiences, technical information, humor, and recipes are welcome. Please submit your material to:

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All material must be submitted by the end of the current month for inclusion in next month's issue.

The INLAND NORTHWEST CORVAIR CLUB welcomes past, present, and future CORVAIR owners, as well as those who are simply curious about these unique vehicles. We welcome CORVAIRS of every degree of restoration or modification, including other vehicles utilizing CORVAIR components. CORVAIR ownership is not required! Club events, dates, times, and locations are published as soon as practical in the Rear Engine Review, or on the club web-site.

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We also welcome commercial advertisements from those supportive of this club, Corvairs, and the automotive hobby. Corvair and other automotive products and services will be given the highest priority, followed by those of a more varied and general nature.

THE EDITOR'S DESK

By Dave McChesney



Way back when... your editor's '65 Spyderized Monza sitting on the street in front of our house. Picture might even be from the last century. The last I saw of "him," Ralph was headed to a new home in Montana.

I usually don't have a problem writing something for *The Editor's Desk*. This month I am struggling perhaps because the Inland Northwest Corvair Club is at a crossroads. It is harder to come up with events and activities a majority of our members are interested in or will participate in. It may also be that many are losing interest in the club and our unique and amazing automobile.

While that might be an accurate assessment, I believe we have enough interest to revive the club and keep it going. Thus the reason for meeting last month and again this month. Hopefully we will come up with a plan to breathe life back into the INCC.

I believe we need to be more connected with other car clubs in the area, along with the Inland Northwest Car Club Council. If we support and participate in events of other clubs and the Council, perhaps we'll end up with more support and cooperation from them. Sometimes as Corvair owners we tend think we are not part of the larger car club scene. Our air-cooled wonder cars don't boast 440 cubic inches and 600 horsepower, so we don't connect with and seem to stay away from other clubs and their activities.

The INCCC's premier event, the Show No Shine comes up later this month, but over the past few years we haven't made much of a showing. From what several people said at our January meeting, perhaps the cost keeps a lot of us from going. Still, you would be hardpressed for an evening out, complete with a meal, live music, perhaps dancing and other activities for the price of a Show No Shine ticket. There is also the chance to donate as or on behalf of our club a raffle prize to aid the INCCC's scholarship fund raising efforts, or to win one of the many interesting and valuable prizes. (We should remember that much of the INCCC's efforts provide scholarships for students in our area.)

We need to communicate better amongst ourselves. It's not just, "Wow! That's a great idea!" It's also speaking up to say that it isn't that great of a plan. I've tried for a couple of years to list individual's birthdays and couples' anniversaries for the month within the pages of the REAR ENGINE REVIEW. In two years, not one INCC member has provided their name(s) for a particular month. Nor has anyone contacted me to say it is a bad idea.

Additionally, we publish a list of Cruise Nights here in the Rear Engine Review. Do any of our members go to these events? If any do go, do they contact other club members and invite them along, or do they provide pictures and commentary for a future issue of the newsletter?

These days communication is so easy. We have phones, e-mail, texts, and in a pinch, old fashioned, so called snail mail. And yet we never seem to use it.

Lastly, while I'm on a rant, and I know I've said it before: we need to have some sort of activity each month. If we don't have a car show, a tech and tune, or other club event, we need to just get together for an afternoon... or a morning.



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 member Dave Fender for business cards with current club logo on them. They have a place where you can add your contact information. The extra small return address labels might be ideal for this.



The front of the card looks like this.

(I've cropped the URL from the club emblem on the front cover as we currently do not have a web-site. If there is enough interest, I might see about getting us a web-site, a web-page on the CORSA web-site.)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Our Treasurer's Report is sent monthly to Inland Northwest Club members only, via email and USPS. For those members well behind in payment of dues, we do not press for back dues, but only for payment of current dues. The list of members who are behind in their dues is growing. You can pay at any club event, such as our upcoming meeting at Frankie Doodles. Or you can mail a check or money order to the club's Post Office Box.

CELEBRATE THE DATE!

February Birthdays None Submitted

February 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!

ANOTHER IMPORTANT INCC MEETING

Sunday February 19th 3:00 pm

Craig Nicol's place 1525 N. Glasgow Post Falls, ID

We will be going over and perhaps rewriting our by-laws, attempting to create something that fits the Inland Northwest Corvair Club of today. Several of those who were at our January meeting at Frankie Doodle's will be in attendance, but any member who is interested in the future of our club is welcome to attend.

If you have ideas for the club's continued existence but won't be able to come to the meeting, be sure to share your ideas with other members who will be attending.

INCCC SHOW-NO-SHINE

The **2023 Show-no-Shine** will be held **February 25, 2023**, at the Mirabeau Park Hotel, N Sullivan Road and East Mission Avenue in the Spokane Valley. No host social hour begins **at 5:30 P.M.** with dinner following. Tickets are \$50 each. See the flyer below for contact phones for more information, and to purchase tickets.



WHEN: Saturday, February 25th, 2023 TIME: Social hour at 5:30 with dinner to follow WHERE: Mirabeau Park Hotel, Spokane Valley COST: \$50 per person * ON SALE NOW * BAND: The Kevin Shay Band Raffles, 50/50, Silent Auction, Awards & more!

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FOR TICKETS CALL:

Dress up as your favorite Grease character or in 1950's attire if you wish.



Here, in slightly larger, easier to read form are numbers for information and tickets.

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OUR JANUARY MEETING

Sunday the 22nd of January saw, INCC members Mark Connolley, Dave and Sue Fender, Patrick Johns, Dave McChesney, Craig Nicol, Bob Phelps, Tom Schager, and John Vujovich get together at Frankie Doodles in downtown Spokane.

The original intended purpose of the meeting was to elect a new slate of officers to replace those who had resigned or were no longer interested in serving. As it turned out, the meeting was more about keeping the Inland Northwest Corvair Club going.

Some things that were discussed included how to get younger people involved in and interested in the Corvair automobile, and perhaps making more use of social media to that end. We also talked about getting back to regular monthly get togethers, perhaps by participating in some of the Cars and Coffee events that seem to be popular these days. John Vujovich agreed to check into that.

We also made suggestions for various events during the upcoming year, although firm dates have not yet been set. We are looking at a tech and tune, maybe another Lake Coeur d'Alene cruise... but as a potluck, rather than eating at the golf course's restaurant. A visit to the Byrd Museum, a trip to Albeni Falls Dam, and attending Cider Fest in October, were also mentioned.

Most importantly, it was suggested that we review and perhaps update the by-laws so they are a better fit for the club as it is today. Craig volunteered to host a committee for that effort. After some discussion with regards to the upcoming Super Bowl, we decided to meet at Craig's place on Sunday the 19th of February, with the meeting starting at 3 pm. Besides going over the by-laws, it is likely we will also firm up dates and times for other events we have in the works.

CRUISE NITES

The schedule below has been updated to reflect the latest information in the Inland Northwest Car Club Council's 2022 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 (June – August)

Curley's Hauser Junction LLC 26433 W Hwy 53, Hauser, 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

Kalispel Casino

420 Qlispe River Way, Cusick, WA

Thursday

Ron's Drive Inn

12502 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane Valley, WA

Friday

Zip's Drive Inn

1005 S. Main St., Deer Park, WA

2023 EVENT SCHEDULE

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

Sunday, February 19, 2023 3 pm... Inland Northwest Corvair Club meeting at Craig Nicol's place to review by-laws, etc..

Saturday, February 25, 2023, 5:30 pm, Inland Northwest Car Club Council's Annual Show No Shine Event.

Mirebeau Park Hotel in Spokane Valley. More info elsewhere.

March

April

May

Friday & Saturday, May 19 & 20, 2023 Northwest Econo-Run at Gearhart, OR Hosted By CORSA Oregon. More information in coming issues of the REAR ENGINE REVIEW

June

Monday – Saturday, June 19-24, 2023, CORSA International Convention, Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells, WI

Even if we don't have an event scheduled for a particular month, we should try to get together on a regular basis. Perhaps we need to choose a day, time, and place where we get meet each month if nothing else is scheduled.

Clark's Corvair Parts OUR 50TH ANNIV 2023

Thanks to the support of 1,000's of Corvair owners over the last 50 years we continue to grow and reproduce more parts every year. We respect your trust and always put our customers first. We would also like to thank our 24 employees, 10 have been with us over 20 years and some as long as 46! Have a great year and enjoy our monthly sales and specials all year-Joan & Cal Clark

SPECIAL SALES EVERY MONTH- each month we'll send an email (if you have signed up) and also list in a special sale section on our Home page www.corvair.com

FREE 50th MEMENTO gifts with your first order in 2023

FREE CATALOG WITH AN ORDER- if you have not received a free 2019-2025 catalog yet, just ask for one.

LIST YOUR CORVAIR FOR SALE- NO
CHARGE- sell your Corvair or a spare
you just don't have time for! For all of 2023
we will list it on our website at NO

CHARGE- check the website for details (Corvairs For Sale)

CLARK CAR SHOW & PARTS SALES- See our 2023 supplement or website for more details. We expect around 130 cars, and will offer tours of our buildings including the Upholstery Dept. Cal will be giving an old fashion "slide show" showing the building of our complex and history. Parts on sale! SEPT 16, 2023 -rain or shine

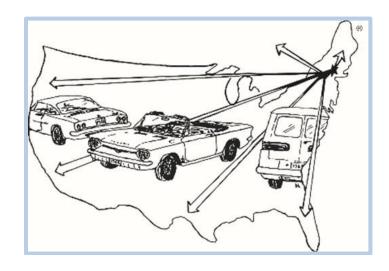
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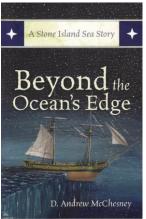
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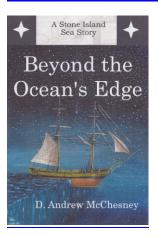
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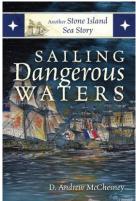




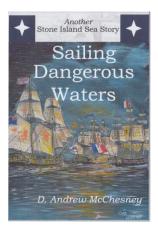
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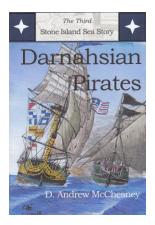
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