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A Lakewood wagon celebrating St. Patrick's Day!

The **Rear Engine Review** is a monthly publication of the **INLAND NORTHWEST CORVAIR CLUB**, chapter 990 of the CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA (COSA). Letters, articles, experiences, technical information, humor, and recipes are welcome. It was named the Inland Northwest Car Club Council's Newsletter of the Year for 2018 and 2022

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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**. **(AND, FIND US ON FACEBOOK!)**

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We also welcome commercial advertisements from those supporting 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.

Please contact the editor at daveeva@comcast.net if you discover any errors in this newsletter that need to be corrected.

THE EDITOR's DESK

By Dave McChesney



From at least ten years ago. Tim, my '62 Rampside in the driveway. It may be the Fourth of July, with the flag flying from the antenna.

To be blunt, it is disappointing to attend the Show No Shine event every year and not see fellow Inland Northwest Corvair Club members there. What if the club paid a portion of the price for each ticket for those who wanted to go? And couldn't we, shouldn't we get together and come up with a prize basket, prize package for the silent auction or raffle? (I have donated books and paintings in the name of our club, but this year I was told they didn't want a lot of last-minute items from individuals as it tended to complicate things.)

Thanks to John Vujovich for the information about Cody's Open House. (I've already sent the information on via e-mail, just in case the newsletter doesn't arrive in time.)

I've recently started a new Facebook account as I was not longer able to get to my old one. I've joined the Inland Northwest Corvair Club group, so you may see me on there from time to time. For the most part I'm still trying to find my way around.

As always, feel free to send pictures, articles, and opinions for inclusion in the REAR ENGINE REVIEW. I'm hoping we can get a list of birthdays and anniversaries together so we don't have to label that feature as "none submitted." (I appreciate those who

have provided birthday/anniversary information. Thanks!)

CLUB BUSINESS CARDS



This shows the front and back of the actual card. If you would like some, let me know and I can bring some to a club event or send you some via the mail.

TREASURER's REPORT

Our Treasurer's Report is sent monthly to Inland Northwest Club members only, via e-mail 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. You can pay at any club event, or you can mail a check or money order to the club's Post Office Box.

CELEBRATE THE DATE!

March Birthdays

None Submitted

March 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!

OPEN HOUSE

The Inland Northwest Corvair Club's **Cody Hurley** is having an **Open House** celebrating his **New Body Shop!**

Saturday March 9th

1-4 pm

6245 N. Warrior St, Coeur d Alene.

PACIFIC NW ECONORUN

Presented by **Western Canada CORSA**
Langley, B.C.

May 31 - June 2, 2024 .

May 31, Friday afternoon:

Field Meet at Joe's Corvair Garage in Fort Langley.

June 1, Saturday:

Econo-Run through scenic areas in the lower mainland of British Columbia

No host **get together/supper** at **Jimmy Mac's** for awards and door prizes

June 2, Sunday morning:

Car Show with **People's Choice** trophies and optional "suitcase swap meet"

More information and registration available at:

<https://corsa.ca/econorun-2024/>

Sandman Hotel Langley

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Phone (604) 888 - 7263

Their 24-hour reservation line is:

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(800) SANDMAN or 1(800) 726 - 3626

The group name is:

Pacific Northwest Econo Run 2024

confirmation number is: 2308 p a c i f i

For more information contact **Don Proctor**

don@corsa.ca or (250) 203 – 5574

(Info about the Econo-Run has been posted to the INCC's Facebook group.)

STARS AND CARS

(2024 INCCC SHOW NO SHINE)

Once again it appears your reporter was the lone member of the Inland Northwest Corvair Club in attendance at this annual gala event. Thanks to the members of the Inland Empire Late Great Chevy Club who allowed me to sit with them. Noticed the presence of one-time INCC member Curt Campbell but did not have a chance to speak to him. Saw former INCC member and our current unofficial representative Don Maak as the event ended. He passed along some club banners that he'd been holding on to. They might be something to have at events where several club members are displaying cars as a group. I will keep them until such time that someone wants them for something. (I haven't yet unrolled them to see exactly what they look like, but when I do, I'll get a picture and include it in a future issue.)



A view of the crowd, with the band behind the lights to the right.

The evening progressed along much the same schedule as it usually does, with attendees arriving at 5 pm and later. There was a buffet dinner around 6:30, and the official program began sometime after 8 pm. As usual, a number of folks came dressed in line with the evening's theme, so there was a costume contest judging, although I did not note who won.

Awards, such as Couple, Man, Woman, Business, Young Rodder, and Newsletter of the Year were then given out. This year's Newsletter of the Year went to the Inland Northwest Car Club Council itself. (Don Maak sends this to us and I attempt to share it with all via email, so you should be familiar with it.)

There were a number of prize packages up for bid via a silent auction and still more prize baskets available via a raffle. Highest bids were announced, and tickets drawn to determine winners.



The large screen TV was available via Raffle!

While music has long been provided by Sharky and the Fins, this year, as well as last saw the Kevin Shay Band playing. They played a lot of music from the Sixties, Seventies, and Eighties.



One of the items available by way of Silent Auction.

Lastly copies of the Inland Northwest Car Club Council's Calendar of Events were passed out to those wanting a copy. We were told that this was a proof copy and that the actual calendar would be available at various businesses in the near future. The calendar is a great way to find out what is going on in the car club scene and automotive show scene.



Just what the ultimate man-cave needs... a V-8 under glass, It's not your usual coffee table. This was also available via the Auction.

HOW YOUR LOCAL CLUB CAN SUPPORT THE CORVAIR PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

Who Are We? This article explains the purpose of the Corvair Preservation Foundation (CPF), its National Corvair Museum (NCM), and how the Corvair Society of America (CORSA) Club Chapters can help

financially a worthy organization. Although CPF is an affiliate of CORSA, each group is fully independent of the other in terms of all financial obligations, memberships, and general operations. Specifically, the CPF is 100% funded purely from its own tax-deductible memberships and donations. Moreover, membership in CORSA does not provide membership in the CPF – and vice versa. While enthusiasts are welcome and encouraged to join both, it is also worth noting that CORSA membership is not required for CPF membership.

Our Mission! The mission of the CPF foundation is to preserve and promote the history of the Corvair through documentation, public education, and acquiring significant artifacts.

What Do We Do? The CPF operates and maintains the National Corvair Museum located at 10041 Palm Rd. (Old Route 66), in Glenarm, Illinois. The museum displays significant historical vehicles with various examples of cars and trucks, along with engines, literature, design sketches, prototypes and experimental and artifacts. CPF also welcomes the opportunity to display cars and historical items on loan by fellow Corvair enthusiasts. The National Corvair Museum has been recognized and endorsed by General Motors as the official museum of North America to tell the national story of this air-cooled wonder.

Another function of CPF is sponsoring and awarding scholarships to deserving ~~qualified~~ high school students associated with active CORSA members. This scholarship program is named in honor of Frank Winchell, who was the former Engineering Staff Vice President of General Motors and Director of Engineering for Chevrolet Research and Development Group. Considered a true Corvair hero. He played a leading role in the successful defense of the Corvair during the trials against Chevrolet and GM. He is also credited with the development of the Corvair transaxle and was involved in the creation of several Corvair concept/project cars.

How can local Corvair clubs help CPF? While CPF and NCM are operated by volunteers, it still takes donations to keep both running. We encourage clubs to create ideas to promote ways of giving to the CPF. For example, a club might have donation canisters with CPF literature available at local events. We know of at least one club who plans to restore a Corvair ~~up~~ and raffle it off with the donation of the funds raised given to CPF. Some clubs donate funds each year to the Frank Winchell Scholarship Fund, while others donate monthly to help cover the operating costs for the National Corvair Museum. No matter how small or large, every dollar counts and is most appreciated.

How can I become a CPF Member? Another way to support our organization is to become a member. When you join CPF, your annual dues not only support the ongoing operations of the **National Corvair Museum**, but also ALL our various initiatives. This includes Corvair recovery and restoration, CPF touring exhibits, funding for the Frank Winchell Scholarship program, and much more. Membership dues are only \$45/year. CPF Members enjoy an official Membership Card, complimentary window cling, and free year-round admission to the CPF's **National Corvair Museum**. Your dues and donations are tax-deductible, and you'll also have the satisfaction of knowing your contributions help keep the history and preservation of the Chevy Corvair alive for future generations.

We Need Space! We recently kicked off a national capital campaign to raise funds for a permanent museum home. We have outgrown the space we currently lease and are looking into either building a new facility or purchasing an existing building, thus providing the Corvair with a permanent home to tell its story.

Are There Donation Alternatives? Donations to the CPF are not limited to revenue only. CPF welcomes donated items such as cars, parts, literature, and memorabilia, all of which are tax deductible. Contributions through estate planning are also

possible and encouraged. If you or your club are interested in donating, or need assistance with estate planning, please contact CPF President Mike Hall at (217) 494-7105 or email at mrhvair@aol.com. Please consider supporting the continued growth and development of the CPF and National Corvair Museum with your financial commitment. For more information about our organization, museum, or ways to donate, please go to www.nationalcorvairmuseum.org.

Donations and correspondence can be sent directly (and payable to):
Corvair Preservation Foundation
P. O. Box 68
Long Lake, MN 55356

Many, Many Thanks! We thank all those who have generously contributed in the past, and we look forward to your continued support in the future. Working hand-in-hand, together we will ensure that the legacy of the Chevrolet Corvair endures.

CRUISE NITES

By now, this schedule may or may not be current. Many of these cruise nites may be on hold over the winter. If planning to go, it might be a good idea to check and see it is a go. If you do go to one, contact fellow INCC members and invite them along. Please send pictures and/or write-ups for our newsletter.

Monday

Paul Bunyan

8625 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID

Tuesday

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

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Thursday

Ron's Drive Inn

12502 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane Valley, WA

Friday

Zip's Drive Inn

1005 S. Main St., Deer Park, WA

2024 EVENT SCHEDULE

More detailed information will be available as we get closer to each specific event. Club events are "boxed." Others that might be of interest are also included. I've made a tentative start at it.

March 2024

INCC planning/quarterly meeting. TBD

April 2024

May 2024

Quarterly meeting/Tech-N-Tune/Other TBD

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, May 31, June 1 & 2
Econo-Run 2024, Langley, B. C., hosted by
Western Canada Corsa.

June 2024

Car d' Lane Car Show/INCC BBQ TBD

July 2024

August 2024

Quarterly meeting/Tech-N-Tune/Other TBD

September 2024

Palouse Days Open Car Show

October 2024

November 2024

Quarterly meeting/Tech-N-Tune/Other TBD

December 2024

Club Christmas Dinner (TBD)

FOR SALE!

Are you looking for a project car?
One of our members (Beaver State Corvair Club) has a **1961 four door project for sale**.
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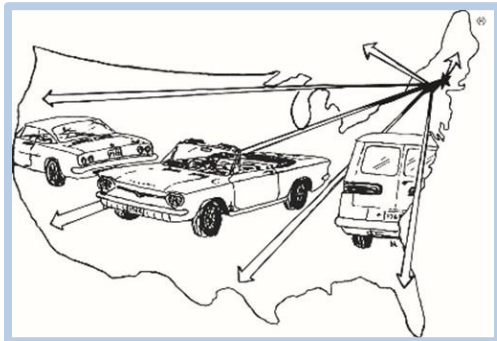
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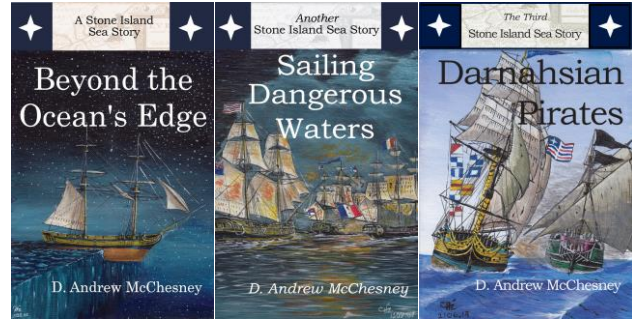
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Mall, Spokane, Saturday, March 9th, 1 pm

Arts and Craft Fair: Shadle Park High School,
Spokane, Saturday & Sunday March 23 & 24

I drew this while deployed aboard USS
Forrestal (CV-59) in the late 1980s.

