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# REAR ENGINE REVIEW

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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 (CORSА). 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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Please contact the editor at [daveeva@comcast.net](mailto:daveeva@comcast.net) if you discover any errors in this newsletter that need to be corrected.

*On the cover: It's March, St. Patrick's Day, so why not some green Corvairs... and a green Chevrolet Impala.!*

## THE EDITOR's DESK

By Dave McChesney



*If you use a little imagination, you might see a late model Corvair coupe crossing this rustic bridge.*

Once again I seem to be a little behind schedule when it comes to sending out the newsletter. I find that as I get older, I feel like I've accomplished something if I get as much done in a week as I used to get done in a day, not counting putting in a full day's work.

We had a small gathering at Poole's Public House last month, and this month we are slated for a Tech-n-Tune at Craig's near the end of the month. Primarily it is to help those going to the National Convention to get ready. We also will have a dent removal demonstration.

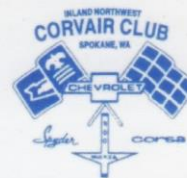
I appreciate any and all material you submit for inclusion in the REAR ENGINE REVIEW.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave McChesney".

## 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 mail.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS!

### TECH-N-TUNE

Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am,  
Craig's place,  
1525 N. Glasgow  
Post Falls, ID 83854

Help Craig, Cody, and John get ready to go to the National Convention in May.  
See a dent removal demonstration.  
Coffee and more will be available.

## JUST HANGING OUT

On Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, members of the Inland Northwest Corvair Club got together at Poole's Public House in North Spokane. Dave Raezer, Craig Nicol, Roger Becker, John Vujovich, Tom Schager, and Dave McChesney showed up.

Among things discussed was the fact that the Club is aging out. Members are getting older, so we need a method of attracting new younger members to the hobby. John announced that Cars and would begin on Saturday April 26. This will take place every Saturday through October, from 8 to 11 am. at 4000 N. 4th St., Coeur d'Alene, ID. We scheduled a Tech-n-Tune event at Craig's place on Sunday April 27, beginning at 9 am. The primary focus will be to help our members who will be going to the CORSA International Convention in May get ready. We are also scheduled to have someone give a dent removal demonstration.

It was also suggested that those of us not going to the Convention should try and get together sometime in the later part of May. The fourth Sunday of the month would be the 25<sup>th</sup>, if we want to stay with that as a guide for scheduling. We didn't make any definite plans, but if anyone has an idea as to time, date, or place, please let the rest of us know. If anything, we can finalize details at the Tech-n-Tune in late April

## 51<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL PACIFIC NORTHWEST ECONORUN

This year's Econo-Run will take place in Goldendale, WA, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> of June.

Host Hotel:  
Quality Inn & Suites Goldendale,

808 East Simcoe Drive,  
Goldendale, WA 98620

Rate is \$140 per night using the "Northwest Econorun" reference. Call the hotel directly at 1 -509 -773 – 5881.

For more information, contact R. B. Dorran, [randkdorran@gmail.com](mailto:randkdorran@gmail.com) or at 1 – 541 – 720 – 0670. Join the "Pacific Northwest Corvair Econorun" Facebook page for the latest developments.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/giThZ4jVYmm7oFDC/>

The 2025 Pacific NW Econorun registration page is now live and taking submissions.

Visit [www.columbiabasincorvairs.com](http://www.columbiabasincorvairs.com) and follow the link to sign up. There is also a link to volunteer during the event. I encourage you to get involved. Many hands make light work.

## BREAKING NEWS FROM CORSA

San Luis Obispo, California is the new location of the 2025 CORSA International Convention. Due to the unexpected cancellation of our contract by the Radisson Hotel in Santa Maria, the convention host team has secured the Embassy Suites in San Luis Obispo for the same dates, May 20-23rd, 2025.

San Luis Obispo is a historic town with unique shopping and many wineries in the area. Driving events will enjoy beautiful scenery along the coast and through the hills.

Our new hotel offers wonderful amenities for our convention: Two room suites, free made to order breakfast, and an evening reception along with an indoor pool. It is centrally located with many restaurants and shops in the area. Additionally, more airlines and flights are available to this city. Hotel room prices are \$139 for a king and \$149 for a double suite. Prices do not include taxes and fees.

Note: Reservations previously made at the Radisson in Santa Maria will be canceled. The reservation link and information for the Embassy Suites hotel will be provided by email

to members and on the CORSA Website shortly.

More details about the schedule and events will be in the next Communique and posted to the website in January. Registration for the convention will open in February. We are pleased to still be able to host the 2025 CORSA Convention, with all the events, in this beautiful area of the central coast of California. So, get those Corvairs ready for San Luis Obispo and make your travel plans. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there. Questions? Contact the club office: (630) 403-5010

### **April Birthdays**

Tom Schager  
Mike Barnes

### **April Anniversaries**

None Submitted

### **May Birthdays**

Dave McChesney

### **May Anniversaries**

None Submitted

## **CRUISE NIGHTS**

If you plan to go, contact fellow INCC members and invite them along. Please send pictures and/or write-ups for our newsletter. (The last time I checked, the new INCCC calendar wasn't yet online, so possibly this schedule is not up to date)

### **Monday**

#### **Paul Bunyan**

8625 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID

### **Tuesday**

#### **Zip's Drive Inn**

#### **REAR ENGINE REVIEW**

12218 N. Market St., Mead, WA

### **Wednesday**

#### **Paul Bunyan**

13735 Hwy 53, Rathdrum, ID

#### **Kalispel Casino**

420 Qlispe River Way, Cusick, WA

#### **Indian Trail Shopping Center**

8800 N. Indian Trail, Spokane, 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

### **Saturday**

#### **Lone Wolf Harley-Davidson**

19011 E. Cataldo, Ave, Spokane Valley, WA

May – Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Saturday, 2 – 4 pm

#### **Cars and Coffee**

4000 E. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Coeur d'Alene, ID

April 26 through October, 8 – 11 am

## **2025 EVENT SCHEDULE**

Many of these are merely suggestions. "For Sure" events are boxed and bolded. If date, time and place of a possible event is known, it is listed without any emphasis. The date of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month is listed, even if we do not have an event for that day.

### **April 2025**

Sunday April 27, at 9 am

Tech-n-tune at Craig's, focusing on our three members who will be attending the CORSA International Convention in May. A dent removal demonstration is scheduled

(20<sup>th</sup> the 4<sup>h</sup> Sunday)

### **May 2025**

Tuesday – Friday, May 20 - May 23

San Luis Obispo, CA  
2025 International CORSA Convention  
Good luck Cody, John, and Craig!

(May 25<sup>th</sup>, the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday) General Gathering  
for those not at the Convention? Time and  
place to be determined???

### June 2025

Friday --Sunday, June 6 – June 8, 2025  
51<sup>st</sup> Annual Pacific Northwest EconoRun  
Goldendale, WA

Friday – Saturday, June 13 – June 14, 2025  
Car d 'Lane Car Show (Cruise, Friday night)  
Coeur d 'Alene, ID

Flag Day Parade in Freeman??

Club BBQ?

(22<sup>th</sup>, the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

### July 2025

(27<sup>th</sup>, the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

Roger Becker has offered to host a BBQ and  
mini econo-run in late July or early August. No  
specific date has yet been set.

### August 2025

See above regarding BBQ and mini econo run  
hosted by Roger Becker.

Follow on Planning Meeting?

(24<sup>th</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

### September 2025

Palouse Days Car Show  
Haul Ass to Harrison Car Show  
21<sup>st</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

### October 2025

19<sup>th</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

### November 2025

(23<sup>rd</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

### December 2025

TBA...Club Christmas Dinner

(28<sup>th</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday0



### 2025 CORSA INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

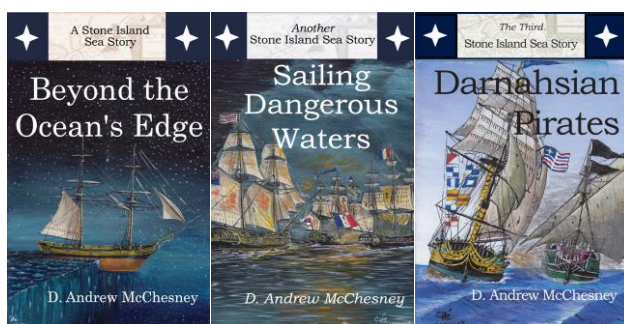
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To make use of an otherwise blank page, I include here the beginning of the fourth book in the Stone Island Sea Stories, tentatively titled *The Sea Aflame*.

### Chapter One Aftermath

Edward Pierce hurried aft from the galley carrying two cups of coffee. While he was known to have an appetite for the hot, dark, stimulating drink, he would never consider being such a glutton as to fetch himself two cups at once. One was his, while the other was for *Island Expedition's* honored guest and passenger, Harold Smythe. Pierce, captain of the schooner and commanding the Vespican fleet could have sent someone for the coffee but had elected to go himself. The

trip forward sometimes allowed his thoughts to find some sort of order.

The sun glowed red as it sank below the horizon, the sky filled with a myriad of colors brought on by fires burning north of the Sahiran coast and the clouds of vapor that had risen from the Central Sea. Pierce returned the salutes of those on the quarterdeck as he brushed past before clambering down the aft companionway. He could have returned to the great cabin via the lower deck but wanted to get a last glimpse at what was proving to be a most spectacular sunset. Truth was, he wanted a final look around, not only at the situation aboard *Island Expedition*, but also at the accompanying vessels. A couple of quick glances as he moved aft gave him all he needed to know. *Island Enterprise* and *Rose Marie* were both where they should be and keeping station as ordered.

As he entered the cabin, Smythe rose. "You needn't get up, sir," Pierce said. "After all, you are Governor, and I merely a seaman."

"But I am extremely and eternally grateful for the way you have performed your duties as a seaman."

"You're too kind, sir."

"Nonsense, Edward! If not for you I'd still be in Al Posavido, waiting for someone to come up with the funds to buy my freedom. Honestly, with what I've learned about the other Lands constituting the Independent Lands of Vespica, I felt my chances of rescue by those means were rather slim."

"It was that lack of cooperation, this opposition to unity, that posed the biggest threat to a rescue operation."

"I realize that and thank God every day that you'd returned from England and took charge. I don't believe anyone from here could have achieved it."

"I have met some very skilled seamen and true leaders of men, so perhaps my presence wasn't as necessary as you proclaim."

"Edward, allow yourself some credit. It was your ability to get along with all factions that led to your appointment. It was your skill in convincing them their duty was to the whole of Vespica, not any particular Land that made

the operation possible."

Pierce sat and handed the second cup of coffee to Smythe. "I hope it hasn't grown too cold."

"No, it will do fine." Smythe sipped at the cup, smiled in contentment and sat back in his chair.

After a moment's pause in which he indulged in the pleasures brought forth by the hot beverage, Smythe continued. "Most of those I was with came to realize that greater unity and more complete cooperation between Lands is the only way forward. A few recognized it soon after we were imprisoned, and others came to see it as our time mounted. One or two did not believe in it until we heard rumors of a small fleet blockading the port. When we saw the fleet, your fleet heading in those few weeks ago, we all knew it was only because of unity and cooperation."

"I am glad we could make it so."

"I and those who were with me will push for more unity between the Lands. Hopefully those in the fleet will feel the same and lend their support to the Unity Congress."

Pierce took a deep draught of coffee before saying: "It feels out of place to mention the Unity Congress without Dr. Robertson being here. He is Stone Island's representative, and I believe, our biggest proponent of true unity."

"I'm sure that on the morrow you could have him return from *Rose Marie* and include him in our discussion."

"No, I would not take him away from his medical endeavors. If this experiment in centralizing care of the wounded is to work, then we must... I must allow him the room he needs to see it through."

"Sad we couldn't have gotten Isaac to such expert care," lamented Smythe. "Possibly he'd still be with us, or at a point where he'd be able to join us later."

"Yes, although from what I've been told, his injuries were severe and it may be that no matter how prompt or how expert the medical care, he would have succumbed. Dying may have provided the easier route for him."

"Nevertheless, Edward, I shall miss him, as I know you will. He was your friend."