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

On the cover: Left to Right: Craig Nicol, John Vujovich, and Cody Hurley, along with their Corvairs at the 2025 International CORSA Convention in San Luis Obispo, California in late May.

THE EDITOR's DESK

By Dave McChesney



From a long time ago... your editor's 1965 "Spyderized" Monza Coupe. It had been pieced together from several variations of Corvair.

This month's issue is largely given over to pictures and reports from those Inland Northwest Corvair Club members who attended the recent CORSA International Convention in San Luis Obispo, California. From what I have heard, and from the pictures they've shared, it appears it was a rewarding trip.

As far as I know, we don't have anything scheduled for this month, so why don't we show up at *Cars and Coffee* in Coeur d'Alene on Saturday, June 28th. If anyone has another idea, let us know.

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



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.

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.



UPCOMING EVENTS!

June Get Together

For those who want to connect with other club members in June, show up at the **Cars and Coffee** event in Coeur d'Alene on Saturday, June 28th. It runs from 8 to 11 am.

Any questions, objections, suggestions?

July Car Show

Derek Harmsen and Roger Becker will be attending a car show in Deer Park on July 12th, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

They would welcome any Corvair company. It's free and they will have some refreshments & snacks for those who attend.

Deer Park Fly In the same day for those who might be interested.

(If the flyers are hard to read, let me know and I can send them separately, Dave Mc)

DEER PARK HOTWHEELS

FREE FAMILY EVENT

Crackle Contest
Who's vehicle Has the best rumble
Let's find out
Crowd determines winner
with the loudest cheers !!!
100\$ cash prize & Trophy

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If we need another club get together in July, we could show up at the **Cars and Coffee** event in Coeur d' Alene on Saturday, July 26th

CLUB GET TOGETHER TECH SESSION ROAD RALLY



Hey Corvair fans, mark your calendar and get ready for the next club event on Saturday, August 9th at Roger Becker's place. We're still organizing this event, so check next month's newsletter for more details.

2025 CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

By Cody Hurley

Earlier this year I decided to wrap up my Turbo Corsa re-restoration and debut it at the convention. I didn't realize just how much I would decide to change in the "while I am here..." phase. I got most of it done before leaving and wrapped up the last few details right before Concourse Operations on Tuesday. Operations were flawless with a perfect score, immediately followed by the People's Choice Kickoff Car Show.

DEER PARK FLY-IN

HOSTED BY THE DEER PARK WPA
JULY 12TH • 10AM TO 6PM

ACTIVITIES ON THE GROUND:

- Airport Rummage Sale
- Civil Air Patrol (CAP)
- Food Trucks (Island Style Food & BBQ)
- Musical Entertainment
- Silent Auction

AIRBORNE:

- Firefighting Aircraft
- Flower Bombing-Who Can Hit the Car (2PM)
- Gliders, Selling Rides
- Possible Military Aircraft
- Spot Landing Competition
- The Barons Model Club



CAR SHOW AT MIX PARK
FROM 9-3—CHECK OUT
BOTH EVENTS!





Wednesday morning brought a few hours of thorough detailing immediately followed by my first concours showing. Thursday was the convention autocross at the Santa Maria airport. My wife said the course workers were blown away when the tires began to squeal. Apparently, nobody expected a car that nice to be driven that hard.

driven while down there.

The awards banquet also went well. I scored 96.40 points in the Concourse which earned Gold status and elevation to the senior division. Craig and John did very well in the various events, but I will let them share their stories!



The gentleman in the black shirt is Matt Wetzel of the Matt's Offroad Recovery YouTube series.



Friday was our first Road Rally and then the first Econo-Run. I broke 20mpg per my math, but that was not good enough to place. The car performed great for the 250 miles it was



Cody's Corvair at Pismo Beach



Recently discovered and unrestored
Yenko Stinger YS-014

A ROOKIE'S TAKE on the COLE AWARD

By John Vujovich

Never in my wildest dreams did this sixty something convention rookie think he'd be on his deck, coffee in hand, writing about winning the **2025 Cole Award**. I have attended a few conventions as a spectator but never seemed to have my car available and ready to participate. That changed this year with the announcement of a West Coast Convention. To all the clubs that coordinated this year's event, a heartfelt "well done" and "thank you," as it appeared to come off without a hitch.

To those who don't think they have a

shot at the top participant award, myself included, do not sell yourself short. The gist of it is, you must sign up and participate in all the Corsa sanctioned events: Concours, Autocross, Road Rally, Econo-Run, and Banquet.



For the Cole Award, as Titus Stewart explained during the participant meeting which I sat in on out of curiosity before signing up, you don't have to win anything outright, but you do need to consistently score well. The participant with the top cumulative points receives the Cole Award.

For me, this included a Silver (94.70) in the Concours, second place in IS-3 Class Autocross, third place in Primary class Road Rally, aided by my most capable navigator-friend, Craig Nicol. I got 21.3 mpg in the Econo-Run but did not place. Attending the wonderful Banquet was good for 100 points.

As the Awards Presentations proceeded, I picked up some plaques and began to wonder, "What if"? When Titus called my name for the Cole Award, you could have pushed me off my chair with a feather! A few shout outs of thanks are in order here: First, to my fellow Inland Northwest Corvair Club members Craig Nicol and Cody Hurley. Without their support my participation would have been highly unlikely. Secondly, to all the clubs who hosted, and the participant event briefers and judges, a sincere thank you! The briefings were chock full of information, and if you paid attention, they basically told you what to do to be successful. No tricks, no surprises. Third, thanks to Corsa for selecting a West Coast location and sticking with it, even though early pre-registration was light.

Finally, a sincere thank you to the Cole family for their continuing contribution to the **Edward N. Cole Award**. It's befitting of the individual responsible for seeing the Corvair through its production cycle when many faceless members of GM wished it "would just go away".

It was a great convention! I have a lot more to share on my preparation and participation, but that will have to wait for a follow-on article. In the meantime, keep on "VAIRING!" and hope to see you in Gettysburg!



Trophies/plaques collected by Inland Northwest Corvair Club members at the 2025 CORSA International Convention.

From left to right:

Craig, 2nd place Econo-Run

Cody, Concours Gold

John, 3rd place Road Rally

John, 2nd place Auto Cross

John, Concours Silver



John, Cody, and Craig enjoy a little down time while

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displaying their well-deserved hardware.



Craig, Matt Wetzel of Matt's Off-Road Recovery on You Tube, and Cody, along with Craig's Corvair.

CARS FOR COFFEE

Saturday May 24th saw Dave Raezer and Dave McChesney arrive at the Coeur d'Alene Church of the Nazarene for the weekly Cars and Coffee event. Neither had a Corvair nor a vehicle worth showing, so they parked off to the side. There was an individual there with a Corvair and he was given information about the club.

Both Daves checked out the many variations of automobiles on display, had a cup or two of coffee and then went on their way.



This is the Corvair that was at Cars and Coffee on May 24th.



This Nash Metropolitan is painted to look like the body panels are riveted on.

June Birthdays

Dave Raezer

June Anniversaries

None Submitted

July Birthdays

July Anniversaries

None Submitted

CRUISE NIGHTS

This now coincides with the 2025 INCCC Events Calendar. If you plan to go, 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

Ponderosa Bar & Grill

11205 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane Valley, WA

Tuesday

Ferraro's Italian Restaurant

11204 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane Valley, WA

Wednesday

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Paul Bunyan

13735 Hwy 53, Rathdrum, ID

Kalispel Casino

420 Qlispe River Way, Cusick, WA

Thursday

Ron's Drive Inn

12502 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane Valley, WA

Not a part of Cruise Nights, but...

Saturday

Cars and Coffee

4000 E. 4th 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 4th Sunday of each month is listed, even if we do not have an event for that day.

June 2025

Friday --Sunday, June 6 – June 8, 2025
51st Annual Pacific Northwest Econo-Run
Goldendale, WA. Good luck to any INCC members going!
(22th, the 4th Sunday)
Saturday, June 28th, Cars and Coffee?

July 2025

Saturday, July 12th, Car Show and Air Show, in Deer Park, WA.
Saturday, July 26th, Cars and Coffee?
(27th, the 4th Sunday)

August 2025

Saturday, August 9th, Club Get Together, Tech Session, and Road Rally at Roger Becker's place. More details next month.

Follow on Planning Meeting?
(24th the 4th Sunday)

September 2025

Saturday, September 13, 2025
Palouse Days Car Show
DTBA
Haul Ass to Harrison Car Show
(21st the 4th Sunday)

October 2025

(19th the 4th Sunday)

November 2025

(23rd the 4th Sunday)

December 2025

TBA...Club Christmas Dinner
(28th the 4th Sunday)

Look through the 2025 INCCC event calendar and see if there is anything the club should attend or take part in. Printed copies are available in many stores and shops around town, and it is now available online.

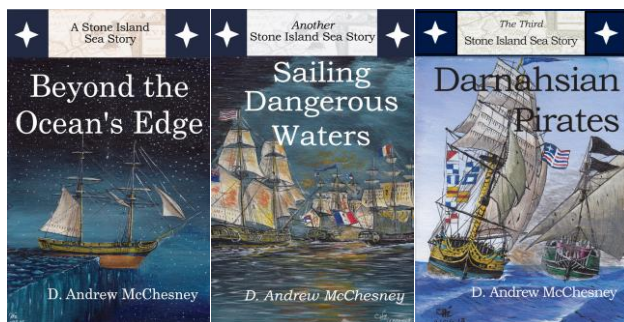
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