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We will have an in-person general meeting some time in the Spring, possibly attached to the Sweetheart Cruise.

### Through the Gears

I am happy to report that North Cascades Corvairs is making a successful transition to new leadership for next year. **Mike Klaus** will be president, **Ron Zentner** vice president, **Fred Croydon** secretary/ treasurer, **Gale Marple** will continue as the news editor, and **Jeff Lee** will continue as the web master.

Looking forward, I see a new streamlined club that will provide better communication between members, without having monthly meetings. The club meetings will happen in conjunction with the many car shows and events that members usually attend. There will still be one major annual meeting for all members.

All activities that we have done in the past, like the Sweetheart Cruise, a Summer Picnic, and a Fall Wine Tour, will still be scheduled. We will be asking members to be the organizers for each, along with support from the officers.

Typically, North Cascades Corvairs monthly meetings had poor attendance. It may have been because of the middle of the week evening, or the location, or just the meeting itself. I think many of the guys just want to stand around their cars, and talk about what they are doing with Corvairs.

We usually have good turnouts when we decide on a specific car show, or a club event. So, our new focus will be in this area of interest.

Several members of the club, under the direction of Mike, are working on developing a better communication system to keep all members up to date with each other. More about that later.

On this positive note, join me in welcoming Mike and Ron to leadership in the club, by stepping up to help the club move forward to better serve you. You can do this by being responsive, and active when called upon.

—Fred Croydon

The North Cascades Corvairs, (NCC) car club is chartered Chapter 982 of the Corvair Society of America, (CORSA). NCC serves the North Puget Sound region of Washington State and areas of the Lower Mainland of British Columbia. Club membership is open to anyone who shares our interest in the Corvair automobile, ownership of a Corvair is not required. Annual dues are \$20, or \$23 for non-CORSA members. We welcome all to join us at our regular monthly meeting. Please contact Fred Croydon at 360-466-2266 or fredngale@wavecable.com for the latest meeting date, time and location information.

### The Family News Corner

We got this happy news from Graham and Nancy Dell of Whidbey Island:

The Rampside now has a grandniece, Cheryl, 8lbs. 9oz, rust free baby girl. Her name is Cerys, should be Esther as she was natural born in a birthing tub full of water.

#### Graham Dell

More fun in the sun pictures from Mike Klaus.



Pretty Cars!



### Treasurer's Report November, 2012

Balance Forward 8/31/12 2176.98

Expenses \$30.70

Ending Balance 9/30/12 2146.28

by Graham Dell



#### The Great Western Fan Belt Toss

...that was held in Palm Springs would not have been a complete success except for the arrival of **North Cascades Corvairs** members **Graham Dell and Mike Klaus!** Graham and Mike met up at the breakfast-chow line, both of them surprised that the other would be in Palm Springs. Nice warm, fall weather made it seem like a Northwest summer weekend (with palm trees!).

There were several very cool Corvairs, including a dark blue Rampside that looked like it was on the showroom floor. The **GWFBT** is famous for a great swap meet, and even in this age of ebay and craigslist, this event shows off a great number of vendors and garage-clean-outs. Lots of things to buy — just no easy way to get them home.

The Palm Springs area is a great place to spend an October weekend. Extend your summer a little bit longer and plan to come down next year!

#### Míke Klaus

## Selling Paul's Corvair and Miscellaneous parts



Ruth Hintz asked if she had to keep a Corvair in order to remain in North Cascades Corvairs. When she learned that she did not, she asked that we get rid of it all, so she could finally park her Ford in the garage.

Gordy and Fred Croydon, with the help of Gale Marple, and Ruth, loaded up the engine blocks, heads, transmission, differential, shrouds, bumper, and a bunch of other stuff into the 1962 Corvan, in preparation for the CNW Fall Tune Up and Swap Meet.

The van ran smoothly for the short trial trip to La Conner, to be sure everything would be working okay. Then, on Saturday, November 3, there was the uneventful hour and a half trip to Kent Sullivan's Corvair garage on Corvair Lane in Kirkland.

A picnic tent was put up to protect the many parts spread out on the ground from the expected rain that did not show up. Everything was either sold or given away. I am sure there are some happy folks who got great deals. Ruth was happy to learn that nothing was being returned to her garage.

Dan Gabbert of CNW is the new owner of the gray Corvan. It was driven to his home just north of Bothell after the event closed down.

#### Fred Croydon.



**For Sale** Paul Hint's **1964 Corvair Coupe**. Four speed. 110 motor TTT25YN black primer with red top exterior and black interior. \$2000 or best offer. Call Ruth at 360-629-3179 More pictures on page





# Beware the Computer Gremlins!

Hi, I want to introduce you to a sneaky little lady who drops in sometimes when I'm trying to prepare or send technical information. She rearranges the words to mean something totally unintended. Her name is Missinformation and last night she paid me a visit while I was preparing a tag to Eric Hicks request for a 1961 Corvair wheel.

The little pest climbed onto my lap and slipped in some incorrect information into the text I was typing that I was totally unaware of until today. Very sly, this one!

The original message should have read that the 1961 Corvair wheel actually has 4 equally spaced tabs near the outside of the rim to hold the wheel cover in place. The tabs are on the part of the rim just outside of the rim section where the valve stem is located. No other early Corvair wheels have this feature.

My apologies for her intrusion. She may be cute but can certainly cause problems! Roland Martin

### Newsletter Tech Tip

Working on the 51 year old rusty Rampside that I acquired, I discovered Fluid-film. Its advertised primary purpose is rust prevention. I have used it on rusted nuts and bolts to separate them. It is absolutely amazing. Read all about it at: http://www.fluid-film.com/

I think caution should be used on parts that are to be painted. The stuff is difficult to remove from metal once it comes in contact. *Graham Dell* 



### CNW Fall Tune Up









#### NCC Communications

Several members of North Cascades Corvairs are expermenting with a few new methods for communicating with all members on the Internet. This is an effort to make it easier to get any messages out to the entire club quickly, without having to call a meeting. We will still have meetings, but not the monthly meetings of the past.

We do want participation at car shows and other club events. We have found that the regular e-mail postings by Andy Clark, listing those members who plan to attend an event was effective, and encouraged more participation. We hope to build on that, and make it easier for any member to send e-mails to the entire cub.

Mike Klaus has identified a few of us to explore the options, and in a month or so we should be able to put something definitive out.

One of the options being considered is a program called Kona, and it is very interactive, allowing a calendar of events, and members to post anything they have in mind regarding club activities.

Another is the use of Facebook to post and plan activities, and provide an outlet for members to participate in group discussions.

Still another is the update of the coding used in our current web site.

We are just starting to explore the use of Yahoo Groups for planning and posting activities, as well as comments from members.

The last option is a secondary web site for activities that would include an annual chronological schedule of events, along with the ability to feature special events. There would be a section to post as many pictures of the event as are available. The limitation here is the inability of all members to communicate back to all other club members.

The bottom line here is that we are working on the issue, and hope to get back to you soon. *Fred Croydow* 





## The Corvairs Northwest Fall Cruise...

...was a well planned and executed event for a dozen cars and 21 people. The day started with a gathering of participants in Factoria for instructions on the route and a general idea of what to expect.

The cruise went up to Kirkland, through Redmond, Fall City, Snoqualmie Falls, and finally to Carnation. This was a great drive, with beautiful scenery, as the gold colors of maple leaves were everywhere. The backdrop was the lush green of evergreens, and the foreground of large maple trees on every hillside of the valleys we drove.



The Falls were boiling over with tumbling white water, and it created a mist spray that looked like smoke as it rose from the bottom river bed.

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The surprise stop in Carnation was at a dealer that specializes in buying classic and exotic cars to restore. The show room was jammed with a wide variety of vehicles from a Mini and Morris Minor, to a '29 Stutz Blackhawk.



Another highlight was lunch at Sliders Cafe, which will soon be named "House of Slide". The don't serve "sliders". The owner plays the slide guitar. (Does he ever!) The husband and wife team that owns and operates the old converted gas station, warmly welcomed our Corvair group. She waited the tables, and he cooked and provided entertainment after cooking was done, and while we had dessert.





We had a great time, and many were making plans to come back in the warmer weather. Yum!

## The 2013 Pacific Northwest Corvair EconoRun...



...will be hosted by **Corvairs Northwest**. **Joe Phillips**, VP of that club, and a member of NCC, is in the early planning stages. Wenatchee will most likely be the location, and it will probably be held on May 17,18, & 19. This will be the 40th of these annual events, and should be as good as the show we put on, and most likely better.

Wenatchee is in the center of Washington State with several highways available to get there. The daytime temperature in Wenatchee mid-May is usually between 60 and 70 degrees, with lots of sunshine. This is the apple blossom time of the year, with many activities around that event.

Start planning by putting that on your own calendar.

## Keystone Klassics by *Fred Croydon*

Our dark green '65 Corvair is one of the few Corvairs that has Keystone Klassic wheels. They are 14 X 7's and we get lots of comments about how nice they look on the car.

The car was purchased in 2007 with them, but the hubs insert with the Keystone logo was damaged. During the next year, two of the inserts fell off somewhere while driving. I created a Corsa style logo, printed it on magnetic vinyl, and put them on the hubs.

I was still wondering how to make this look more professional, or at least like it belonged to the car. Then I read somewhere about using horn ring inserts. Checking Clark's catalog was just the right thing to do. I found Corsa horn ring inserts that looked like they would work, and purchased one to check it out.

Since the car also has a fifth Keystone Klassic wheel for a spare, I was able to work with that hub to see if I liked the results. The hub has a 5/16 inch depression in the center that had to be filled in order for the horn ring insert to be supported.

I used the Hub as a mold, placed Saran wrap over it to prevent sticking, and pushed in JB Weld metal epoxy. After it set, I removed and sanded it to be flush with the top of the hub. Then it was drilled and tapped for #10 machine screws to match the placement of the two holes in the hub.

The last step was to epoxy the horn ring insert to the molded plug, and fasten the new piece to the hub. It looked good enough to order four more inserts.

The pictures show the original Keystone hubs that can be purchased on ebay, the Corsa style hub created, and finally how it looks on a wheel and the car. *Fred Croydow* 













### Coupe for Sale

These are additional pictures of the late Paul Hintz'1964 Corvair Coupe. It has been kept in his garage.

If interested, please call Ruth Hintz at: 360-629-3179



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