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CORSA Chapter 982

September 2010

NCC Car Shows 2010

13th Annual Orphan and Discontinued



Successful turnout for the 11th annual Orphan and Discontinued Car Show 62 Corvairs of various Variety of vehicles were there to show and shine on a hot an sunny day.

The heat continued to shine upon the 10 Corvairs and an Ultravan during the La Conner Yacht and Car show.



La Conner Yacht/Car

North Cascades Corvairs Officers

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Meeting Agenda 9/09/2010

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- Last meeting's minutes
- Treasurer's report
- Membership
- Old Business
- New Business
- Upcoming Events
- Items wanted/for sale

Through the Gears

Wow! What a thrill to get my first award for the Corvair. Judged first in the 1960 to 1969 category at the La Conner Classic Yacht and Car Show.

We put in a lot of time and effort toward getting the car to look good again; getting the body straight and back to it's original color; getting the trim straight and bright again; getting the secondary carbs installed and running again. But it was still a surprise, because there are a lot of nice cars out there. Even in our club alone, there are a lot of fantastic Corvairs.

Gale Pfueller won with his Corvair powered Ultra Van. He had a line of spectators, all day, waiting to get into his RV to check it out.

Although an award is great, the best part of a car show is the people that that ask about the Corvairs. I am sure you have experienced the folks that talk about the Corvair they had earlier in their lives, or their Dad or Uncle had one. Some remember the comments about throwing fan belts, or constant oil leaks, and the "unsafe" thing with Nader.

Then there are the many that had never seen one. And why is the motor in the back? And where is the radiator? They like the style, and did not realize they dated back to the 1960's.

So this has been a great year, because we are getting our Corvairs out at shows, and getting more people to learn about them. We had a turnout of eleven members with their cars at the La Conner Show, and I heard from folks that said they had never seen so many Corvairs at one time. Obviously they do not attend 'All Corvair' shows.

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North Cascades Corvairs (NCC) is chartered Chapter 982 of the Corvair Society of America, (CORSA). NCC serves the North Puget Sound region of Washington 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 club dues are \$20. We welcome all to join us at our regular monthly meeting or at one of the events NCC takes part in. For contacts, please see the list of officers shown in the column above. They can provide the latest information on NCC meeting or event dates, times and locations.

Please visit our website: http://northcascadescorvairs.org for much more information about our club, Corvairs and the Corvair Society of America, (CORSA). Club events, dates, times, and locations are published as soon as practical in *Vairious Times*.

NCC publishes this newsletter monthly and it is sent to all active members. NCC members may post classified ads at no cost. Please contact us for commercial ad rates. All newsletter submissions are due by the 15th of the month prior to the next issue.

NCC Meeting Minutes from August, 2010

Call to Order

President Fred Croydon called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. This meeting was held at Fred and Gail's house in Ferndale.

The minutes from July's meeting were approved as written in the newsletter.

We had a casual meeting with a potluck and auction after the La Conner event.

Attendees

Fred C, Gail, Bill C. Mary Ann C, Debbie G. John, Dan M, Paul H, Ruth H, Gordy, Fred H, Tawny H, Gram D, Nancy D, Larri, Vic, Ron Z

Treasurer Report

Old business

Continued in next column...



NCC Meeting Minutes cont'd

New Business

Reminder: Wally's memorial service will be held September 11, 2010.

Corvair Heritage Day is set for October 2nd. NCC will celebrate be holding its annual Wine Tour that day. Cutoff for an official shirt is August 1st. More details on the wine tour will be announced later.

The Canadian Wine Tour, which is scheduled for September 18th, 2010 is still in the planning stages.

The meeting was adjourned.

Upcoming September Events

09 September: NCC Meeting**18 September:** Canadian Wine Tour

Items for Sale-or Purchase

66 Monza in Chelan Paul Blaylock 206-707-6868 For more information.

Ron Zentner, Secretary



NCC Treasurer's Report

Checking Account

Balance Forward \$1004.99

Income

Dues Reported \$\\ \\$ 0.00 **Total Income** \$\\ \\$ 0.00

Expenses

Club Meeting \$.00 **Total Expenses** \$.00

Ending Balance \$1004.99



The North Cascades Corvairs line of quality merchandise

We have t-shirts (\$20), mugs (\$12), and hats (\$16.50) available for immediate or one day delivery. Coasters, mouse pads, totenformed are and ceramic tiles can hand! Sordered allable Shipping ant Meanged at a regundational cost.

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North Cascades Corvairs Business Cards

The example here shows the front of my card, and if you would like to have some of your own, call or write me, and let me know what you would like on yours. The card stock I use, printable on both sides, allows a picture of your car on the back. I can produce them for about ten cents each. So, for a dollar you can have a sheet of ten cards. Just get me a picture of your car in the pose of your choice.



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CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA

The Corvair Society of America, (CORSA) is an international organization that is made up of over 4,800 members and 125 chapters, one of which is North Cascades Corvairs. CORSA members are dedicated to the preservation, restoration and to furthering the appreciation of the Corvair automobile. CORSA supports all sanctioned Corvair Clubs with several benefits, including event insurance, members only classified ads and the monthly magazine, *Corsa Communique*. North Cascades Corvairs strongly encourages all members to join CORSA. YOUR membership in CORSA helps them provide those services. Annual dues are only \$45.00. For more information, including a membership form, contact CORSA at the following website: www.corvair.org CORSA email is: corvair@corvair.org.

September Article

Engine Temperature

Gordy has wondered what to do about not knowing how hot his '65 Turbo Corsa has been running ever since he bought it last year. He did a lot of reading, and making all the checks recommended, and everything pointed to a faulty thermister. He was not sure about his gauge either, so he spent some time with Ron discussing how to approach the problem.

Gordy took the gauge out of his dash, and found an alternative used one from Greg. He went further, and found three used thermisters from John, and he and Ron set up a procedure to check the units.



Ron and Gordy setting up

The plan was to use the kitchen oven as a calibrated heat source. The rest of the components for the test were readily available. A 12 volt battery for a power source; A toggle switch to be able to turn the power off and on; Thermocouple wire to go between the thermister inside the oven, and the gauge outside the oven.

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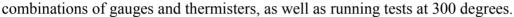




September Article

It worked, except the gauge was not reading 400 degrees. It was about 25 degrees low. Ron, the clock repairman that he is, determined that the needle could be pulled straight out, re-aligned with the 400 mark, and pushed gently back on.

The power was turned off and on with the toggle switch, and it was repeatable. The checks were continued with all the different





The bottom line was that both gauges were working, although one had to be recalibrated, and only two of the three thermisters were good.

The good used parts were put into the Corsa, and everything seems to be working just fine



Through the Gears (Continued)

This got me to pause and reflect back. Gordy and I regularly attended car shows, and I thought about getting a classic car to work on several years ago. I was one of those folks that had a Corvair back in 1962, and realized I never saw a Corvair at a show. I searched the internet, and realized they were around, and at an affordable price.

The Corvair was attractive because it was unique in many ways. Look at the styling of the body in both the earlies, and the lates. Look at the air cooled rear engine. Look at the full independent suspension, and the uni-body construction. It does attract attention, not only at shows, but around town when I drive it on errands. I even had someone follow me for several miles into Anacortes one afternoon, to ask about the Corvair.

I hope you all keep on getting your Corvairs out in public, and don't forget the Fraser Valley Wine Tour.

Fred Croydon, President

NCC at Swap Meet











NCC at the Orphan and Discontinued













Additional Pictures: http://picasaweb.google.com/dsbailey3/CorvairsNWODCSAugust12010 Dave Bailey

Orphan and Discontinued













NCC at La Conner Yacht and Car Show













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NCC at La Conner Yacht and Car Show



Gale Pfueller's UltraVan was a huge hit at the La Conner Show. Several times during the car show people waited in line to have the opportunity to peek inside. Gale and the Ultra Van won the Best GM in the show.

Information: The Ultra Van is a unique motorhome.

Powered by a Corvair engine and transaxle, it was designed by David Peterson (a professional aircraft designer) in the early sixties. These units were produced in limited quantities by the Ultra Van Corporation of Hutchinson, Kansas until June of 1970.

As a true monococque structure, the Ultra Van has no chassis. It is constructed like an airplane with aluminum ribs covered with riveted sheet aluminum on the top and sides. Compound curved areas (front and back corners) are fiberglass. All wheels are independently sprung with coil springs and tubular shock absorbers.

These units cruise easily at 60 mph and deliver 15 plus mpg. More than 200 of about 370 units produced are still on the road, many with between 100,000 and 500,000 miles of use. www.corvair.org/chapters/ultravan/

Ultra Van Interior







Corvair Heritage Day Wine Tour

October 2, 2010

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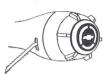
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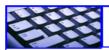




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Wine Tour Information

Fraser Valley Winery Tour in Canada (Rain or Shine)

Coordination: RSVP to Andy Clark at <u>slowboat@mindspring.com</u> is required **No later than Sept. 7th** Include the number of participants, and number of cars.

When: September 18, 2010

Time: 8:15 a.m. – 4:30 (Approximately 50 miles. No lunch break scheduled, bring snacks)

Start: 8:30 Depart Campbell River Store/Gas Station 10:30 Depart the restaurant for the first winery.

Where: Campbell River Store/Gas Station (fill up the gas tank)

http://foodpages.ca/CampbellRiverStore?showmap=1&toz

790 - 176th St., Surrey, BC V3S 5J9 / Phone: (604) 538-2454

Just north of the U.S./Canadian Pacific Highway truck border crossing (I-5 exit 276, truck route 543).

Approx. border waits are posted at www.borderlineups.com

Reminder: Participants from the United States will need a valid passport or enhanced drivers' license.

Breakfast: McJac's Roadhouse Grille Restaurant

1781 King George Hwy., South Surrey, BC Phone: (604) 531-3167

Note: There might be a nominal charge for the tasting, \$4 or \$5 and will be credited towards a purchase if you buy wine.

May want a little Canadian currency to pay the fees and not use their credit card.

The wineries during our visit sell grape wines, except for

The Fort Wine Company who sells local fruit wines and dessert wines.

Accommodations: Are suggested for the night before.

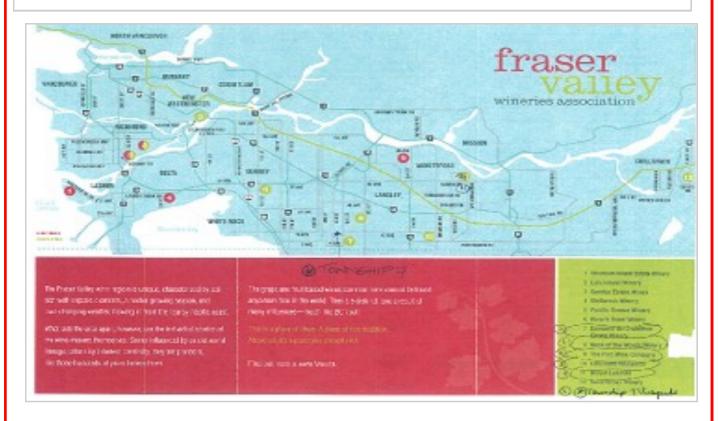
Participants are responsible for making their own reservations.

Recommendations: Organizers will be available to provide verbal driving directions back to U.S. border crossings, the Tsawwassen ferry terminal, or to the suggested accommodations.

NCC contact information during the cruise:

Fred Croyden c. (360) 421-6393 Gale Marple c. (360) 421-6395 Andy Clark c. (206) 915-4636 Debbie Grainger c. (604) 376-6106

Wine Tour Information



http://www.fvwa.ca/FVWA_Brochure.pdf

ACCOMMODATIONS: Suggestions

<u>Tsawwassen ferry terminal</u> and near the <u>Peace Arch</u> and <u>Pacific Hwy.</u> 37 km./33 min. drive from border crossings

Best Western Peace Arch Inn

2293 King George Hwy, Surrey

Phone: (604) 541-8100 or: 1-800-780-7234

www.bestwesternbc.com/hotels/best-western-peace-arch-inn

<u>Aldergrove/Lynden</u> border crossing these hotels are near the final winery we visit:

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www.super8langley.com

Upcoming 2010 Events

September 2010

9 NCC Club Meeting Denny's Restaurant - Arlington Meeting starts at 6:00 PM

11 Wally's Memorial Service

Saturday, 10:30am Sunset Hills Funeral Home

1215 145th Place SE Bellevue, WA 98007 425-746-1400

Buffet Lunch
Golf Club at Newcastle
15500-6 Penny Lane
Newcastle, WA 98006
425-793-5566

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October 2010

2 Corvair Heritage Day

14 NCC Club Meeting Denny's Restaurant - Arlington

Meeting starts at 6:00 PM

November 2010

14 NCC Club Meeting Denny's Restaurant - Arlington Meeting starts at 6:00 PM