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## Through the Gears

Change is happening! As you know, we have been having problems getting folks to step forward to take over as officers of North Cascades Corvairs for some time. Another problem is the low attendance at monthly meetings, even though we seem to have good participation in club events, and car shows that we identify on our schedule.

Numerous talks with active members have clearly shown support for our activities, and the need to keep the club going. One of the problems is that our membership covers a very wide geographic area, and some folks just cannot make the monthly meeting. There are always conflicts with other family or business priorities.

We intend to address this with a new direction that starts with modifications to the By-Laws through amendments that are included in this newsletter, and they will be discussed, and voted on, at the October 13 meeting. The major changes are to eliminate the need for a monthly general meeting, and establish one Annual General meeting. The Executive Board will propose several more meetings that will be incorporated with club events or cars shows, and will be scheduled and communicated electronically.

We will continue to organize special events as we have in the past, and focus on maintaining those that are considered "annual" events. Additionally, we will work on improving our ability to have members communicate with each other, as well as with the officers, using electronic media, possibly with changes to our web site. We have a slate of officer nominations that will be introduced at our meeting, and will be voted on in early November. They are Mike Klaus as president, Ron Zentner as V. President, and Fred Croydon as Secretary/Treasurer. Gale Marple has accepted the appointment for Newsletter editor, and Jeff Lee as Webmaster.

—Fred Croydon

**The October meeting  
will be on the 13th  
at 6 pm at the  
Angel of the Winds  
Casino banquet Room**

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.

## Club Format Changes

The October meeting of NCC will be held on Saturday the 13th, at 6:00 p.m. The location will be the Angel of the Winds meeting room just off of the Restaurant. If you need info on how to get there, send me a note.

The agenda will include a discussion of the proposed By-Law amendments. See a separate attachment to read those. We will vote on it after the discussion.

We will also discuss the new direction of the club with the changes, and methods of improving our communication to maintain a good level of participation in events.

There will be a formal announcement of the nominated slate of officers, and committee chairs. Voting will take place after posting in the November Newsletter. Hope to see you there.

# Corvair

## Stanwood Senior Center Show was held on Sept. 15th, 2012

By all accounts, it was another fun day at a car show.



**NCC** Corvairs at the Stanwood Show. Fred's in foreground, Gordy's in the middle, and Debbie's on the end. Andy's Cord fender and hood on the left.

## Treasurer's Report October, 2012

Balance Forward 8/31/12	2151.98
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Expenses	none
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Ending Balance 9/30/12	2151.98
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by Graham Dell



Andy's cord at the Stanwood show.



Fred C's car was judged 1st among all the 1960 thru 1969 models

## Paul Hintz Memorial



### Paul Frederick Hintz 1937-2012

Paul Frederick Hintz, age 75, passed away on Monday, September 17, 2012, at Josephine Sunset Home in Stanwood. He entered into eternal rest very peacefully while in comfort care.

Paul was born on June 13, 1937 in Leslie, Michigan, and attended schools there, graduating from Williamston High in 1955. He and Ruth were married in 1959. Paul and Ruth have been residents of Stanwood for eleven years.

Paul joined the Air Force, and served in Korea, Oklahoma, and Michigan as a truck mechanic. In 1961 he started working as an automotive mechanic for an Oldsmobile dealer in Michigan.

In 1969, they moved to Bellevue, Washington, and Paul worked as a mechanic for the Oldsmobile/Cadillac dealer. In 1979 they moved to Woodinville. Paul retired in 1999 due to health concerns.

Paul was always tinkering with cars. He was especially fond of Corvairs, and his first Corvair was a Rampside he purchased in 1966 while still in Michigan. He purchased his gray Corvair Van in 1979, and continued to use it as his daily driver. Several years ago he was given an early coupe that was not running. Although it still needs some interior work, Paul has it running well.

He was a member of CORSA, the national organization for Corvair owners, and the North Cascades Corvair club, where he was an active participant in all events.

Paul had a low key personality, but was known for his subtle sense of humor that had friends and family laughing. He was a strong Christian man. Paul is survived by his wife of 52 years, Ruth, two sons, and a daughter.



Ruth has asked if there would be any Corvairs at Paul's Memorial service. She would like all the Corvairs to park together in Paul's memory. The service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 13 at Living Hope Lutheran Church located at 7305 208th Ave. NE, Redmond.

Fred told Ruth that he would coordinate the Corvair attendance. If any of you plan to attend, please let him know by e-mail, and he will get it to Ruth. We are hoping that we can have a good turnout.





## September Wine Cruise



We were ready for what is turning out to be an annual wine tour to somewhere. This year it was a run down the island of Whidbey, which has a surprising number of wine tasting establishments featuring Washington wines, and several vineyards. Dave and Nancy Thompson did all the planning, and escorted us through the day. They live in Coupeville, the starting point for tasting, and did a fantastic job.



Those coming from the north met in Skagit valley, and drove over Deception Pass to Coupeville, and Dan Davis caught the ferry at the southern end of the island, and drove up to meet us. Roland and Yvonne Martin drove all the way up to Skagit via I-5, then did the whole trip down Whidbey Island, and at the end drove all the way north to retrace their drive back home. Clearly, they had a full 8 hour day, with the most driving of everyone on the tour.

Debbie Grainger was down from Vancouver B.C., Fred and Tawney Heffley from Ferndale, Mike Klaus from Bellingham, Dan Davis from Seattle, Fred Croydon from La Conner, Graham and Nancy Dell from Coupeville, and of course Dave and Nancy.

Our first stop was at the Farmer's Market in Coupeville, then a short walk to Vail's Tasting Room. A short drive later we were at the Greenbank Farms Wine shop and Tasting room. Then another short drive to the Greenbank Store and Grille for a wonderful lunch.



Then we were able to stretch if out and take a longer drive to Holmes Harbors Cellars for more tasting. Another jaunt and we were at Blooms Winery. Then an actual vineyard, The Spoiled Dog Winery, with a short walk into the vineyard for an explanation on how they plant and care for their grapes, followed by a look into the operation on changing the grapes to wine.

Throughout the tour we met folks who had stories about Corvairs, which we always enjoy hearing. You have heard them all, haven't you?



## More Wine Tasting Photos



The two Nancys.



Serious wine tasting going on here.



Everyone had a good time!



Graham and Nancy's new Rampside



Nancy gets a step up.

And in case you enjoy the wine too much, you can always call Steve...





## CNW Swap Meet at Joe & Lynn Phillips house

South End Tune Up & Parts Swap Day at Joe & Lynn Phillips

October 6th (Saturday) 9:00AM to 2:00PM

26217 137th St. Ct. E., Buckley, WA, 98321

Bring your parts for trade or sale. –

## Corvair College hosted by CORSA Oregon



The annual Corvair College hosted by CORSA Oregon on September 29th was a total success with more than 60 Corvair enthusiasts and 28 Corvairs of all models in attendance.

NCC members that drove the 200 miles (more or less) included Ray Langley, Joe Phillips, Roland Martin, John Barnes, Dan Davis, and Fred Croydon.



Some of the 28 Corvairs that were on display at the CORSA Oregon Corvair College. Fred's coupe is in front.



The trunk swap meet seemed to have the attention of everyone whenever there was a moment that the technical sessions were not going on. Deals were being made, and parts were constantly shuffling around.

The tech sessions included one on restoration techniques and products used to make the cars look good, and also to end up with a finish that replicates the original. Another was on everything you ever wanted to know about Corvair keys and locks, and what it takes to duplicate keys to look like original. This was presented by a retired locksmith, who is also a Corvair guy.

**CORSA Oregon** did a great job with the potluck and BBQ hamburger and hot dogs. Lots of great salads and deserts.



This picture is in color, not a black and white. I said this was a silver-grey car. Fred said it was purple. Either way, it is beautiful!





## Touring with the Pfuellers

I am emailing this from Missoula Montana. Gretchen and I are on the return end of a three week road trip in our Corvair powered UltraVan. Perhaps it would be best to not say anything until we are safely home but the fact is Corvair engines are great. Our 110 engine has powered our 4268 pound vehicle through seven states, and over passes as high as 8600 feet. To be fair, I did replace a fuel pump that was slowly starting to fail, but who knows how many miles were on the pump. Gretchen and I are having a great trip, our first ever without any restrictions as to where we go or when we need to be home. Gale & Gretchen Pfueller



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