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**There will Not be a
meeting in August.**

Time for a Change

It is time for change, and I am not sure how it will take shape. It is time for new leadership for North Cascades Corvairs. A couple of us have been in office for more than two years, and we need new names for the ballot by October.

The time is right for members to search for, and nominate new officers to be voted on by December. Andy Clark, your VP, and I have been in office for about 3 years. We are both ready to step down.

So, I know that change is coming, but have no idea what will happen to NCC. All my attempts to find someone to step up have been turned down. Unfortunately, our By-Laws do not allow me to appoint the new President.

I have not been able to visualize any scenario for the club to proceed into 2013 without officers. I do plan to resign from the presidency at the end of the year. Any one who steps forward to take over the reins will have my full support to continue the activities of the club, but I will not continue on as President.

I have only been in the NCC community for a few years, but have enjoyed every minute of it. Members have provided me with assistance in learning about Corvairs, and helped me gain knowledge to get out and find my car.

This is a very special club. It should be continued on. During the last 5 or 6 years, here are the things we have accomplished together:

While under the leadership of Bill Chellis, I helped design the club logo, and it was printed on T-shirts, engraved on hats, and used on the masthead of the newsletter. I worked on the newsletter, and helped create the basic format that is still in use today.

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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.

Time for a Change, continued

During my tenure we have been on very innovative cruises, and have drawn lots of Corvairs to several events. There have been parties and picnics. Through the last three years the club has grown steadily in membership. Our treasury has grown from about \$400 to its current \$2100.

Earlier this year we hosted the 39th Annual Pacific Northwest Corvair EconoRun. Participation from the many clubs in the northwest was great, and many comments indicate that it was very well received.

The future of North Cascades Corvairs is in your hands. I do know that it will be easier to keep the club going, than to let it die out for a while, and start all over again at some later date.

I will continue to find an outlet for my activities with the Corvair, and hope it will be with NCC. —Fred Croydon

News Flash: Ron Zentner has accepted the nomination of Vice President. Graham will continue as Treasurer. The newsletter editor will stay on as well. **We need a President and a Secretary.**

Dont forget the

NCC 2nd Annual Crab Fest

at the Dell's home on Whidbey Island.

Be there at 11 am on **Sunday August 5.**

They will supply the crab, and we will re-supply them with crab that will be harvested that day by those attending.

This will be a potluck, with attendees bringing salads, side dishes, beverages of choice, and chairs. Arriving in a Corvair is always preferred, by not mandatory. —Fred

The caravan will start at the Farmhouse Inn at the corner of Hwy 20 and the La Conner-Whitney Rd. The cars will leave there at 9:45 am. Don't be late! See you there!

Treasurer's Report August,

Balance Forward 6/30/12 2131.95

Income

Dues 46.00

Expenses

PayPal .97

Ending Balance 2176.98

by Graham Dell

Upcoming Shows

Aug 11 La Conner Classic La Conner

Aug 11 North Whidbey Show Oak Harbor

Aug 19 Hot Aug Nights Mt. Vernon

Aug 25 Lifecare Show Kirkland

This just in from Danny Davis:

Greg Miller of Beaver State Corvair club came up to our Spring Tune Up day at Sunset Chevrolet. He invites everyone to attend a great show in Albany Oregon, Timber Linn Park 9 am Saturday August 25th.

Gregory wants to show the Corvette guys what a Corvair group can stir up!

http://i287.photobucket.com/albums/11150/Dax_Corrin/carshowposter.jpg



Book Reviews

by Lauren Burton

I read a couple books this summer I wanted to share with the club. Both are available on Amazon.

http://www.amazon.com/Lifemobile-Jonathan-Rintels/dp/1935212923/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1343109112&sr=8-1&keywords=lifemobile

The first one is by **Jonathan Rintels**, who has been invited to speak at several Corvair events.

Lifemobile

Lifemobile tells the story of Benjy Bennett, an honor student with Asperger's Syndrome, who upon graduation from high school hopelessly despairs that "there's no place in this world" for someone as different as him. But then his widowed father brings home a "Deathmobile" – an old Corvair, famously characterized by Ralph Nader as "unsafe at any speed." When Benjy learns that the U.S. government ultimately found Nader's sensational charges untrue, he decides that the Corvair is "not disabled, just different," as he is, and has been unfairly stigmatized by a world that does not understand it, just as he has. The different boy becomes the different car's champion, determined to prove to the world how wrong it is about both of them. Taking Benjy and his father on a wild and emotional ride full of colorful characters and comic adventures, the Deathmobile becomes their "Lifemobile," ultimately helping them both discover Benjy's own uniquely satisfying place in this world.



The Freeway By: Dori Decamillis

http://www.amazon.com/Freeway-Young-Artists-Love-Search/dp/159109268X/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1343109664&sr=1-1&keywords=the+freeway+by+dori+decamillis

Two young painters in love sell everything they own, buy a 1970 Ultra Van and hit the road to seek their fortune. With no money, no clear destination, and a vehicle just as likely to die crossing the Rockies as it is to make it over them, Joe and Dori DeCamillis set out, in the fall of 1991, to "become rich and famous artists."

They find work as housepainters, waiters, and even sell their own blood. Armed with a well-worn list of every other Ultra Van owner in America—many of whom welcome the couple into their homes—Joe and Dori face mechanical trouble, medical trouble, hunger, bankruptcy and occasional feelings of total hopelessness.

Throughout, they keep painting their small, lovingly-rendered paintings of the interiors of houses of the people who befriend them along their way. Their paintings tell the story of the places they've been and the places Americans call home. Gradually, Dori and Joe begin selling hundreds of paintings and no longer having to wonder where their next meal is coming from.

Theirs is a story about becoming a couple, about the search for a home more permanent than a Wal-Mart parking lot: a place to build a family. Often funny, sometimes heartbreaking—with echoes of Huckleberry Finn, Jack Kerouac and Lucy and Desi in "The Long Long Trailer"—The Freeway takes a reader not simply across America, but to a place somewhere in the center of the heart.



Janet Brossard

Dear Corvair Friends, Janet Brossard's 3 year battle with cancer is over. Janet was an active member of Corvairs Northwest from its founding day. She seldom missed a club meeting. She and I attended 20+ National Conventions from East to West across the USA and we drove to many western mini-conventions. She enjoyed talking to the friends we made around the country. We co-chaired many club activities, including the 1983 National Convention in Bellevue, WA. She typed and helped me put together many, many club newsletters before there were any computer applications to do the job. She loved our Corvairs, especially the red 1964 Monza coupe. Respectfully, Jim

CORSA Convention Recap

The 42nd annual CORSA Convention was held on Wednesday July 25 through Sunday July 28 in Sturbridge MA. They served up "a full menu of meetings and events for every kind of Corvair enthusiast, including: Concours d; Elegance, Car Display, Road Rally, Autocross, Special Interest Group Meetings, General Membership Meeting, Tech Sessions, Swap Meet, Parts Vendors, and more.

There were also activities for other members of the family, too, including Bus Tours, a big Atrium Picnic and Ice Cream Social, a judged Model Car Contest, Valve Cover Racing, and two "how-to" demonstrations for making Jewelry and Holiday Ornaments. The entire Convention was capped off with a grand Awards Banquet on Saturday night with special Guest Speaker, Richard Lentinello from Hemmings Motor News."

For more info please go to the website: <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/necc/convention/index.htm>

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Old Settlers Show in Ferndale

Old Settlers 12 annual Show & Shine in Ferndale on July 28. About 150 cars of all types and conditions. Beautiful sunny day that was not too warm. the town also put on their annual parade featuring farm equipment, draft horses pulling an assortment of wagons, marching bands, classic cars, motorcycles, and the usual fire brigade.



Fred Heffley's '64 Convertible, and Tawney Heffley's T-Bucket. Both won sponsors awards.



Fred Croydon's '65 coupe and Debbie Grainger's '66 Canadian coupe.



Fred C., Tawney, and Fred H. with their awards.

Orphan and Discontinued Show

I want to extend my sincere personal thanks to all of the many volunteers who organized and executed yesterday's "Orphan & Discontinued" car show at Country Village in Bothell. No doubt many hours went into planning this event so that we could all be rewarded with a great day at a terrific venue. The goodie bags & water bottle were very nice, and I love the round CNW-logo dash plaque design! I enjoyed the music and interviews, too. MC did a great job all day. It was clever to park the Corvairs alternating late models between earlies because it generated more dialogue with people comparing one with the other.

For the record, I have nothing against the Triple XXX Root Beer Drive-in at Issaquah, but we did seem to be outgrowing the space there. The Country Village afforded us a nice grass area to park instead of asphalt, tree shade if you wanted refuge from the sun, a shaded balcony for the registration/raffle prizes/announcing eliminating the need for pop-up tents, and a variety of restaurants and shops to visit - if you managed to find the time! The number of non-Corvair discontinued and orphaned cars seemed to be fewer than in the past but maybe it'll just take time for them to "find us" in Bothell.

It was a first-class event and I feel fortunate to be able to attend this show each year. Many thanks again,

Debbie Grainger, CNW/NCC/WCC, '66 Monza Coupe



Just some of the Corvairs at the Orphan & Discontinued Show

CNW Orphan and Discontinued Show, 2012



The Corvair line up at Bothel



Gordy getting a trophy



Keri Kahonen studies his trophy



Graham and Jake picking up their trophy



Andy with a trophy in the Special category



Graham Dell's Yenko

The End