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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK....

Dear fellow-Corvanatics,

I'm sure you were as shocked as I was when the February edition of CORVAN ANTICS reached you in the mail. As you know by now, editor Ken Wilhite announced that he was unable to continue publishing this neweletter. I know that his many contributions and dilligent, hard work will be sorely missad. Ken was not only the founder of our CORVANATICS group and was our president, but also almost single-handedly edited and published the CORVAN ANTICS newsletter for almost two years. On behalf of all members, many thanks for all you did for us, Ken, and we want to wish you story measure of success with your work and studies. We elso sincerely hope that you will soon be able to again join our ranks of Corvair 95 and Greenbrier owners. Meanwhile we trust that you will continue to remain with us as our '74 president. I know that we will often need to draw on your valuable experience and advice to keep our organization alive and well. I propose that our group extend to you the honor of being the first honorary member of CORVANATICS, in recognition of your many endeavors for the good of our club.

This issue of CORVAN ANTICS is a rather presumptive one in several respects. First, in view of the absence of recent newsletters, I assume that no one is taking up Kan's job as editor. I can't stand the thought of CORVAN ANTICS dying a premature death by default, so —— even though I'm not sure I'm qualified and despite the fact that my time is very limited —— I am willing to serve as your editor-publisher for the remainder of 1974.

First off, CORVAN ANTICS will have to be a quarterly until further notice. As I said earlier, my time is very limited, and I don't want to bite off more than I can chew. I own a '66 Corsa, '62 Greenbrier and a '61 Greenbrier-camper. The '61 "Brier" needs a ring job, among other things, and the '62 isn't even running yet. My job, product info. at the John Deere Waterloo Tractor Works, leaves very little time for working on my Corvair "wheels", so it looks like we may not be able to make our annual vacation trip out West this year with our camper or any other Corvair for that matter. Last week a motorcycle plowed into one side of the Corsa, so now I have to get that '62 Greenbrier going before I can start work on the camper. I'm desperately trying to make it at least to the National CORSA Convention in Chicago in August.

But -- getting back to CORVAN ANTICS -- I'm also assuming that the '73 officers will agree to be willing to serve for at least the remainder of '74 on a protem basis. May I suggest that we have an election by the end of this year? It would give our officers the feeling of serving with the consent of the membership and it would also give more people a chance to serve. Adoption of two officers for each position (pres. and vice-pres., secr.-treas. and assistant secr.-treas., etc.) would offer several advantages:

- (1) In case of illness, vacation, job interference, etc. the assistant may carry on.
- (2) The work load may be spread out over two people.

- (3) More members will get a chance to actively participate in running our organization.
- (4) The assistant will become the logical choice for nominee for the job during the following year because he or she will be familiar with the job and therefore better qualified. By using mail ballots, the members could write in candidates including themselves thus giving all a chance to volunteer. I would suggest the following type of slate:

President	(nominee)
	(write-in)
Vice-President	R.
	W.
SecrTreasurer	n.
	w.
Asst.SecrTreas.	n.
_	W.
Editor	n.
	w. ·
Asst.Editor	n.
	W
Technical Editor	n.
	W.
Asst.Tech.Editor	n.
	W.

As you can see, I have changed our cover somewhat and I hope you'll like it. Why not drop me a line and give your opinion and any suggestions you might have.

May I also urge you to send in your '74 dues (\$5+) if you haven't already done so. I understand that our treasury is quite low and your dues will help meet increased printing and mailing expenses. Howard Mayhew's address -- your trusted and esteemed secretary-treasurer -- appears on the cover, and I know that he too will appreciate your contribution.

Finally, a brief word about the coming Fourth Annual National Convention of CORSA, scheduled to be held in Chicago this year on 16, 17 and 18 August near the Hillside, Illinois, Holiday Inn. I believe that we owe it to the people that are organizing this event to show up in full force. Besides, you'll be glad you went. These conventions are out of this world and a whale of a lot of fun! I urge you to go, if at all possible. Let's adopt the motto "CHICAGO OR BUST!" See you there!

Corvanatically yours,

Nico

TECH TOPICS

We have no technical article at this time from our technical editor and capable writer Russell Long, simply because time did not permit us to get in touch with him. We know that we'll all be looking forward to see Russell resume his very interesting and useful series. Incidentally, Russ, congradulations with your newly-added assignment of treasurer with CORSA! I read about it in a recent CORSA COMMUNIQUES issue.

In the absence of a technical article by Russell, permit us to pass on what we consider to be a substantial improvement to the Greenbrier design. As you know, access to the heater, starter and transmission, etc. from above is cumbersome because it requires removal of the rear seat and loosening the heater in order to lift that part of the floor that is above the transmission. We installed a U-bar to which the heater housing is now suspended. We also cut the floor cover at its obtuse angle, welded an angle-iron to the chassis (for floor cover support). As a result, we can now pull the floor cover without having to remove the back seat, which — in view of the kitchen and sleeping equipment we carry — makes service in that area much easier.

FEEDBACK (READERS' RESPONSE)

No periodical is worth its salt if it isn't tuned in on the readers. So we'd like to hear from you soon and often for four reasons:

- (1) Giving us your comments, both constructively critical and the complimentary variety, whatever is applicable, will make CORVAN ANTICS a better newsletter. Your "feedback" will tell us if we're going in the right direction, and your good ideas are always welcome.
- (2) Sharing your experiences with others through this medium can often be not only of interest but also of much use to others. It doesn't necessarily need to be technical enough to fit Tech Topics. Any Corvair-95-or-Greenbrier-related

write-up fit to print will be printed and gratefully acknowledged.

- (3) It will discourage your editor from writing long editorials.
- (4) It will give you the pride of having done a service to your neighbors, even though they may be five states away.

Unless indicated otherwise in your letters, we'll assume that you won't object to publishing the fruits of your pen. We'll reserve the right to paraphrase, if necessary. Thanks a whole bunch for anything you may want to send in —— and keep those cards and letters coming!

CLASSIFIED

For lack of any ads this time, we have taken the liberty of lifting the Corvair 95 and Greenbrier ads out of the latest issue of CORSA COMMUNIQUES, so please bear in mind that some of the goods may be gone or provided for.

Ads are published at no charge to CORVANATICS members. The deadline for the next issue is 1 August. Please submit all ads to the CORVAN ANTICS editor.

For Sale

'64 Greenbrier, 95HP, 4-speed, both over-hauled in last 2500 miles, 62,000 total miles. No rust or dents, showroom fresh with new paint, pampered with red reclining buckets, matching rear upholstery, chrome roof rack, AM/FM Multiplex and tape player, new wheel bearings/U-joints/Positraction/ring-&-pinion/clutch, Michelins, recent concours lst-place winner, \$2495-.

R.L. Davis, 121 153rd Place SE, Bellevue, Wash.98007. Phone 206-747-5286.

'62 Loadside Pickup, model R1244, no ramp, one of only 369 made, restorable condition and driveable; best offer. Chris Wiley, 1744 Shenandoah Drive, Lexington, Ky.40504 Phone 606-276-1307.

Two front Greenbrier/95 Monroe HD Shocks, new, \$10-. Chuck Winans, P.O.Box 3055, Parkersburg, W.Va. 26101.

'61 Greenbrier <u>Cas Heater</u>, complete with controls and defroster hoses; needs some welding; \$20- postpaid. Mark Shields, Box 387. Toccoa Falls, Ga.30577.

New Body Parts for '61-65 Greenbrier/95: right side rear lower panel, right front rocker panel, right front door sill plate, left front rocker panel, left side panel extension, rear exhaust grill, also clutch and accelerator cables; SSAE for price list. '61-63 or '61-65 Greenbrier/95 4-speed Positraction differential \$35-. James Jimeniz, 2826 Memorial Drive, Two Rivers, Wisc.54241. Phone 414-793-1982 days.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Following is the latest membership roster. It is probably badly in need of corrections, additions and deletions, and we will greatly appreciate it if you will send in the necessary corrections before 1 August. This way it may appear updated in the next edition of CORVAN ANTICS.

An up-to-date roster may serve more than one useful purpose. It can be a life-saver during a vacation trip or it can help you provide for a pleasant stop on the way. Obviously it will also help us assure you of CORVAN ANTICS delivery.

CORVANATICS MEMBERSHIP ROSTER							
Name:	Address:			Unit	& Year:		
				Corvan (C), Greenbrier(G)		
				Loadsid	e(L), Rampside(R)		
Arsenault, Donald J.	614 Argyle Ave.	Ambler	Pa.	19 002	63 - G		
Attwood, Robert	15 Lost Valley Dr.	Orinda	Cal.	94563	64 - G		
Boram, Clifford	271 E. 7th St.	New York	N.Y.		62 - C		
Brenneman, Wally	Route 1	Kalona	Ia.	52247	– G		
Bordelon, Ronald J.	2528 Missouri Ave.	Metairie	La.	70003			
Chevrette, Russell	618 SE 36th Ave.	Portland	Ore.	97214	- C		
Compton, J. W.	700 Spring Garden Dr.	Bluefield	W.Va	24701	64 - G		
Dancer, John	407 Wood Street	Stochbridge	Mich	49285	64 - G		
Davis, Donald A.	3366S 600 East	Marion	Ind.	46952			
Davis, Forrest E.	1106 7th St., South	Fargo	N.D.	58102	61 - G		
DeJong, Nico H.	3422 Veralta Drive	Cedar Falls	Ia.	50613	61-G,62-G		
Demeter, Michael	341 W. Galbraith Rd.	Cincinnati	0.	45215	62 - G		
Ellis, Mark	145 Ivywood Lane	Radnor	Pa.	19087			
Eronson, Burton D.	W. 1619 8th Avenue	Spokane	Wash	99204	65 - G		
Fisher, Bill	4058 N. 14th Avenue	Tucson	Ariz	85705			
Forman, Jim	1400 Delane Drive	Las Cruces	N.M.	88001			
Gallup, David L.	6100 Yecker	Kansas City	Kans	66104			
Goode, William P.	3811 Pyka Drive	Dallas	Tex.		63 - C		
Grafton, Dennis C.	Florida Bible College	Hollywood	Fla.		- G		
Grille, Alvin	P.O. Box 24012	New Orleans	La.	70184	65 - G		
Gruetzmacher, Ga ry	R.R.2, Box 211	Bethlehem	Pa.	18016			
Halvorson, Clarence R.	, 1724 DuPont Drive	Lemon Grove	Cal.		62 - C		
Harp, Rush	Yankee Town Pond Rd.	Bearsville	N.Y.	12409	- G		
Hart, Lee A.	207 Pearl Street	Houghton		49931	61 - G		
Hendricks, Bruce	312 Cox Street	Mason	0.	45040	62 - G		
· Herschberger, Art	124B Fulton Street	Princeton		54968			
Jackson, John C.	2934 Vivian Lane	San Jose	Cal.		61-R		
Jones, Orville	734 East Martin	Indianapolis	Ind.	46227			
Kirkwood, James G.	804 West North St.	Kokomo	Ind.	46901			
Kyger, Russell K.	2206 Perrine St.	Lafayette	Ind.		62 - G		
Lippert, Orville	Route 4, Box 275	Defuniak Springs		32433	61-G,64-G		
Loftin Jr., W.R.	4943 Park Rd., Apt.202		N.C.	28209			
Long, Russell	P.O.Box 5095	Fresno	Cal.	93727	63-C		
Martin, Keith	1890 North 36th Street	•		49053	64 - G		
Mayhew Jr., Howard	P.O. Box 690	Woodbury	N.J.	08096	61-G,61-G,62-G		
McKeel, Michael B.	4235 S.Dearborn Road	Melvindale		48122	64-C,65-G		
Nelson, Gary	1122 12th St., North	Fargo	N.D.		62 - G		
Newell, David	1481 Hamrick Lane	Hayward	Cal.		.61 C		
Parker Jr., S. Josh	Box 88, Route 1	Hurdle Mills	N.C.		·62 - G		
Payne, Jack R.	4614 Applestone	Memphis		. 38109	64 - G		
Renner, Bill	1131 Shelby St. 3135A South 18th St.	Indianapolis	Ind.		61-C,61-G,61-R		
Scheible, Ralph		Milwaukee		20904	64-G 61-R,62-G,63-C		
Schwartz, Woody	13150 Old Col. Pike	Silver Spring	Md.		-G		
Sherman, Roger	Route 8, Box 292ww 218F Craig Street		•	26505 30577	61 - G		
Shields, Mark J.	3311 W.Irving Park Rd.	Toccoa	Ga. I11.		62 - C		
Skony, Peter M.	Route 2. Box 291	Gaston	S.C.		61-G _• 64-G		
Smith, Robert J.	Route 216	Poughquay	N.Y.		-G		
Shepard, Spencer H.	Porter Hill Road	Middlebury		. 06762	63 - G		
Sterling, John D.	108 Boes Court	West Lafayette	Ind.		64 - G		
Stroop, C. R.	P.O.Box 6155	Jackson		39208	J 37-3		
Thornton, James	24867 Calaroga Avenue	Hayvard	Cal.	94565	65 - G		
Van Scyoc, Jim R.	6319 Seerley Lane	Indianapolis	Ind.	4	55 0		
Wilhite Jr., Ken	807 S.Jamestown	Tulsa		74112	64-C		
Wisby, Tom	4115 Sewanee Drive	Winston-Salem	N.C.		0.7-0		
Yingst, James O.	ATTO DEMONICE DITAC	MTN9 CANADATEM	M.C.	_, _00			
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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER....

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And greetings to you all! As you can see, CORVANATICS has been resurrected!

Nico DeJong, one of the earliest members of our group, will take over as editor of the newsletter, which will become a quarterly after this issue. I will remain president for the remainder of 1974, and will write a column for the newsletter.

You'll notice that the membership fee has now gone up to \$5-. This will allow us to have more capital to work with, as we just "broke even" last year. So bear with us. Some of you people paid just before I had to relinquish editorship of the newsletter, so let Nico know - UK?

See you all in a couple of months!

KEN

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