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## PICTURES FROM PORTLAND



From all accounts, the Portland edition of the CORSA International Convention was a complete success. See cover, back cover, and pages 4-5 for some pictures of Corvanatics member's rides. All pictures courtesy of Clay Wispell.

The mailbox has been full the last couple of weeks, so if you sent in a story (or many) stay tuned for the next episode. We will have lots of tech tips courtesy of Fran Schmit.

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Well, after seeing the treasurer's report and the follow-up, I must also add my apologies. I was unaware that our printer had raised prices so much. Due to a change of employer almost two years ago, my wife Denise started dropping off and picking up the newsletter for me. She then stamps, adds mailing labels, ships them off and sends Diane all the receipts before I even get home. Quite efficient, she is. However, she did not know what we had been paying, and I never saw the receipts to know they had gone up. Everyone just assumed that the status quo was holding steady. Anyway, it's too late for me to change printer, but it is certainly something the next editor needs to keep a better eye on.

Speaking of which, I only have this issue and one more left on my current contract. I do not plan on re-upping. Three years (or is it four?) are enough. I've been told that nobody stepped up at the convention. I find it hard to believe that no one would want the prestige involved in this job! I have really enjoyed my tenure, and I hope my newsletters have been satisfactory. But, if not, VOLUNTEER!! And don't forget, all editors need material to edit.

*Garry Parsley*

# RIDING WITH THE PRESIDENT



Hello everyone. If I need an introduction I am Ken Hand, I own and operate Handy Car Care. I am very familiar with FC's as I have owned and drove one for several years, pulling parts all over the Eastern part of the US. I even made the trip to San Jose with our Van.

I don't have any special plans or agenda for the club other than to try and follow in the footsteps that preceded me. Thanks Corbin for your many years of help and leadership.

We have one of my local club members as VP now, Sam Christ. I know that he purchased a Greenbrier out in Portland and brought it back to Michigan. I think he may have another FC also. The rest of the officers pretty much stayed status quo. So there are no big changes there and I am sure that they will be published here also.

I just recently heard on the internet that there is going to be a campout at Bloomsburg, PA over Labor Day weekend, so if anyone is interested would say contact Ben Stiles for info.

As many of you will read in the minutes, we need to cash in part of the CD that the club has. This is due to the fact that many members signed up for the special fees that were given before the membership fees were increased and our income has not kept up with the out go. All should be well by the next meeting in Buffalo, NY. We took up a collection at the meeting as "MY" hat was passed around. I apologize, but I don't have the figure to give you for the amount that was collected. It may well be published elsewhere in this publication.

Hopefully I can do as good a job as Corbin did in trying to lead this group. Any member may contact me by email or phone. My email is [vairmech@aol.com](mailto:vairmech@aol.com), My phone is # 248-613-8586. 8am-7pm Eastern time.

Respectfully,

*Ken Hand*



## Minutes of the July 27,2005 Corvanatics Meeting Portland, Oregon

Meeting was opened by President Corbin Tayloe at 5:10 PM. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read, and approved, followed by a statement read by Bob Galli, concerning the loss to the treasury in the last 2 years due to two factors, one of which is; the rising costs of newsletter printing. The statement will be printed in the newsletter. A discussion followed, and the Treasurer was instructed to return Mr. Galli his \$700 when the CD matures in December of 2005.

A hat was passed and collected \$347 to help with the Treasury. Thank you all who gave so generously.

There was no old business. New business was the election of officers, and the following are your new officers:

President: Ken Hand  
Vice President: Sam Christ  
Sec/Treasurer: Diane Galli  
Eastern Director: Tim Schwartz  
Central Director: Lon Anderson  
Western Director: Lon Wall  
Director-at -Large: Ben Stiles.

Door prizes were given during the meeting, and were donated by Cal and Joan Clark and Lon and Linda Wall. Thanks for their very generous donations.

An Open Forum on Tech Questions followed, and were answered by Ken Hand and other knowledgeable members, about problems and wants for FC's.

Bill Hubble announced the formation of a new special interest group; it will be chapter #10, called Stock Corvair Group. The first meeting was at this Convention. Meeting adjourned at 6 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
**Diane Galli**  
**Sec/Treasurer**

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# TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank Balance May 1, 2004	\$ 2212.24
Cash on Hand May 1, 2004	<u>\$ 147.67</u>
<b>Total Cash Assets 5-1-04</b>	<b>\$ 2360.11</b>

## Receipts:

Dues	\$1550.00
Adv.	\$---
Misc. (Rosters, Patches, Decals)	\$ 114.95
Books	<u>\$ 135.00</u>
<b>Total receipts 2004-2005</b>	<b>\$1799.95</b>
	<b><u>\$4160.06</u></b>

## Disbursements:

Newsletter Printing	\$2383.92
Newsletter Postage	\$ 832.85
Supplies	\$ 44.49
Misc.	\$ 40.00
Book & Misc Printing	\$ 96.80
Misc Postage	<u>\$ 97.68</u>
<b>Total Expenses 2004-2005</b>	<b>\$3495.54</b>
<b>Total Cash Assets 5-31-05</b>	<b>\$ 664.52</b>
<b>Bank Balance 5-1-04</b>	<b>\$2212.24</b>
<b>Cash on Hand 5-1-04</b>	<b><u>\$147.67</u></b>
<b>Total Cash Assets 5-1-04</b>	<b>\$2360.11</b>
<b>Bank Balance 5-31-05</b>	<b>\$ 521.52</b>
<b>Cash on Hand 5-31-05</b>	<b><u>\$ 143.00</u></b>
<b>Total Cash Assets 5-31-05</b>	<b><u>\$ 664.52</u></b>
<b>Net Operating Loss 04-05</b>	<b>\$ 1695.59</b>

## CORVANATICS TOTAL NET WORTH

<b>Bank Balance plus Cash on Hand 5-31-05</b>	<b>\$ 664.52</b>
<b>CD 5-31-05</b>	<b><u>\$3454.94</u></b>
<b>Total Net Worth</b>	<b><u>\$4119.46</u></b>

**Respectfully Submitted**  
**Diane Galli, Sec/treas.**

## TREASURER FOLLOW-UP

The treasurer's report this year is not good. We have a tremendous shortfall. There are two factors involved. The first factor came in 2003 at the Carlisle Corvanatics meeting, at which it was announced that we were raising the dues to \$10.00 effective November 1, 2003. Along with this announcement, the offer was made to the membership that anyone wanting to buy three years dues could do so at the old rate of \$6.00 per year, or 3 years for \$18.00 if they did so prior to November 1. The response was overwhelming with more than 125 members taking

advantage of this bargain. This looked great on the report for 2004, with a net gain of \$1141.93, as compared to the net loss of \$384.39 shown for 2003. This net loss in 2003 showed the reason for increasing the dues for 2004. The dues should have been raised at that time *without* any special renewal rate. This amounted to giving each member who participated a gift of \$12.00. With 125 members participating, this amounted to a sizable sum. Also, without paying much attention to what the results might be, the cost of the newsletter went up another 40% about that time.

This went unheeded, as the net gain for 2004 was unintentionally masked by the fact that, with the Convention in Kentucky in June, we elected to end the fiscal for 2004 April 30, 2004, or only 11 Months, to be ready when we left for Kentucky late in May. This caused the accounting of only 5 newsletter issues as expenses for 2004, thereby omitting 1/6th of the major expenses from the 2004 report. This was my fault, as I failed to notice this fact. This, of course, must be added back into the report for 2005, when the fiscal again, is moved forward to May 31, 2005, or 13 months. This puts the charging of 7 newsletter issues for this 2005 report.

The second factor was the unrecognized fact that the cost of producing the newsletter was going up dramatically to the present day cost of approximately \$450.00 per issue for printing and mailing. This coupled to the fact that nearly 150 members did not pay any dues in 2004-2005 because they had prepaid their dues in 2003, taking advantage of the special \$6.00 rate. This condition will not get better until November of 2006, when these prepaid subscriptions run out.

We have tried to be a good team with Diane being Sec/Treas, and I, as her assistant (self appointed). Diane receives the correspondence, posts the renewals, deposits the checks in the CORVANATICS account. I print up the mailing labels to send to Garry Parsley for the newsletter, send out reminders to those who have forgotten to pay their dues. Garry has done an excellent job on the newsletter, getting it out on time. I need to apologize for not noting the fact that the printing costs were not within our budget.

We are very proud of having built this club up financially, having our CD account, and will protect it to the best of our ability. I do not want to see it disappear because of my lack of paying attention to details. After doing this financial report, I have personally donated \$700.00 to the Corvanatics fund in order to protect this CD. This does not show in this report, but will be in next years report. Again, I want to apologize for not staying on top of these things.

**Bob Galli**  
**Asst. to Sec.treas. (self appointed)**

# CLASSIFIEDS

## FOR SALE

1961 Loadside - Highly Modified - One-of-a-Kind. 110, AT, AC, PW, tinted glass, AM/FM w/cassette, 4 speakers. Cream w/red stripe and red tonneau cover. Inside of bed red carpet. Oak-framed plexiglass cover shows off the chrome w/red and stainless steel engine compartment. Two electric fans conduct engine cooling air. El Camino rear bumper with new taillight lenses and backup lights. Red leather seat w/fold-down center arm rest. Interior courtesy and reading lights. Package shelf. Center console storage. New dual mufflers and wheel cylinders in 2003. Rebuilt starter in 2004. Dual master brake cylinder. BF Goodrich TA radials mounted on gold/silver American Racing wheels. Compact spare. Gold Chisholm Coach cover included. \$7,500 or best reasonable offer.

Jim Straub, 565 Oakley Road, Wooster, OH 44691 - 330-264-2897.

Photos available via e-mail: [jilifoc@ssnet.com](mailto:jilifoc@ssnet.com).



## FOR SALE

Spyder Dash, very nice face, almost no pitting, 46, \_ \_ \_ , one of the best unrestored/unpolished dashes I've run across in a long time. great shape. Includes trip odometer attachment Also CORSA instrument cluster dash - newly refurbished exterior, pretty nice. Includes trip odometer attachment Also a refurbished CORSA instrument cluster face plate only, the black thin metal piece. Tailgate / Ramp latches complete for your rampside. Includes the coil spring on the back. I have pictures if interested. Center mount two barrel carb setup, has an electrical choke that could be converted to mechanical if needed. Freshly rebuilt carb, works great, over \$250.00 invested in setup. You can have it for 150.00 + shipping. Still buying out inventories, hopefully in the southern US (Florida -DC) North to Kentucky. I have a 61/62 Corvair Van with a tight

110hp motor. I have pictures. It had a small "ouwey" on the front drivers corner. An easy fix but the previous owner didn't want to mess with it. Decent paint job. It used to belong to the Queens then transferred to another and now me. I bought it to save it from the salvage yard. It runs, drives, everything appears to work (haven't tried everything yet), has the mag hubcaps that are sought after, under the mags are a set of pontiac or buick rallye rims. Clear title, Don't hold me to this, but If I recall mileage is around 60,000, something. Would like \$1500.00 could deliver for a fee to the southern US. thanks Scott Morehead [smorehead@lycos.com](mailto:smorehead@lycos.com)

## FOR SALE

1963 Greenbrier Black with White Accents and white top (mostly shiney) Red interior with Deluxe door panel and side walls (red & White). Has 2 rows seating 80 HP FC engine 3 spd trans with good clutch. New Rebuilds on wheel cylinders New rubber brake hoses Newer Matched set Radial Tires on Steel wheels with Deluxe hub caps New silicone systems wires New Pan Gasket oil and filter. Heater fan works installed pair good thermostats Sunroof in cab area (opens front or rear for great air flow) new floor matting front and rear Rubber fuel lines replaced Cleaned out fuel tank Installed New Exhaust Manifold Donuts installed good used starter Could used a proper tune up and carb rebuilds Changed oil fixed some oil leaks Was a GA van so has no title issued fro that state. I called Broadway title in Alabama and they said title paperwork would be no problem Cost \$150 Things it needs Speedo Cable (included but not installed) Carbs rebuilt (kits included) Engine air seals (new included) Heater control Cables (included) horn not working fuzzies Heater hoses Headliner rust above muffler an other small areas Comes with some spare parts Pictres by request first \$1200 takes it

Mike Moyer Navarre Fl 850-936-7164

## FOR SALE

1961 Rampside, PG with '66 110hp engine. Blue/white, runs well, no rust. Owned 24 years. Asking \$6500.00 Ricky Meals Clarksville, TX 903-427-3390

## FOR SALE

1963 Chevrolet Corvair Greenbrier van for sale! This 97% rust free van has 70,000 original miles. New battery, generator, plugs, and carb kit's. Interior is in great shape with no rips or tears. The body has minimal surface rust in a few small areas. Original 145 cubic inch motor. This van is a very presentable driver, but not a show van. It also features a four speed manual transmission, original paint, and spare tire cover. The van is missing the middle seat, and is sporting bias ply tires that I recommend be replaced. This van will be offered on ebay this week. Feel free to email me to arrange a time to view it. \$4500.00

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