



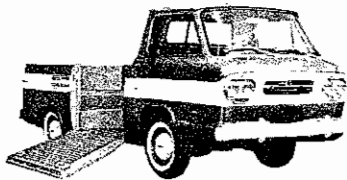
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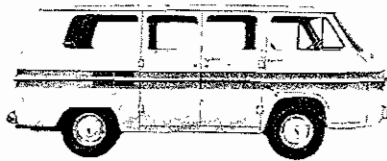
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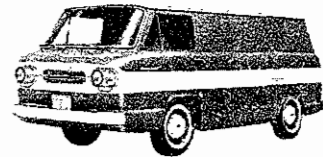
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RAMPSIDE/LOADSIDE



GREENBRIER SPORTSWAGON



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 CORRECTION: Spring Ed'n, page 2, "Back Issues(16)" should read "B.I.'s(15)"

PRESIDENT'S CORNER by Ken Wilhite...

School is in full swing, and I've found myself "glued" to my drawing board, turning out audio-visuals for our medical technology department; add to this my annual hay fever, and you've got a pretty "beat" person!

I'm inviting your attention to a new column, PRODUCT REPORT, in which I will be discussing certain items that may be beneficial to Corvanatics and their "machines". In my spare time I've been making sketches of proposed logos for CORVANATICS which eventually could be used for jacket patches, decals, T-shirts, etc. Unfortunately I haven't been too happy with what I've come up with, so why don't you give it a shot? Certainly there are other artists within our group! Forward your ideas to me. We'll toss them around within the group, and the winner will receive \$25.00 plus a year's free membership. How's that? KEN

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT by Cecil Miller...

We came home from the National Convention with some very encouraging news! Over 100 applications were picked up from the display area, and many have already been returned to us with checks. A hearty Corvanatic handshake is extended to the following new members who have joined us since our previous newsletter:

William Amey, Alexandria, VA;	Frank Murray, Hellertown, PA
David Anderson, Mason, OH;	Peggie Parkent, Hydes, MD
Howard Dowdell, Hesperia, CA;	Bill Provins, Victorville, CA
Jack Fishman, Atlanta, GA;	Charles Sadek, Silver Spring, MD
Richard Kruszewski, Philadelphia, PA;	Henry Smith, Winston-Salem, NC
Bill Morse, Beacon, NY;	Ronald Wright, American Fork, UT

The same handshake goes to reinstated original member Art Herschberger who heads SOLAR AUTOMOTIVE, INC. in Princeton, Wisconsin.

Financially we're doing fine... treasury balance after Spring Edition expenses is \$194.76.

Many thanks to those who wrote, complimenting us on our work. It's nice to know our efforts are appreciated. We are always striving to improve and give our members the BEST - which is what they deserve. CECIL

TECH TOPICS by Russ Long...

(Editor's note: We received no column from Russ for this edition - probably because of his very busy schedule, including keeping up with his graduate-school studies, teaching a high-school class, and living up to his responsibilities as CORSA treasurer. Hurry back, Russ!)

Meanwhile please continue to send him your technical inquiries, experiences or hints on performance, maintenance, preservation, restoration, specs, etc., many of which are no doubt suitable for publication in this column to help others. His address is, as always, on the inside front cover of every newsletter.

As a substitute for the regular TT column, we thought you might be interested in a convenient recapitulation of production figures and other "vital statistics" of all 95-inch-wheelbase Corvairs, as published in four recent editions of CORVAN ANTICS:

Model Name: .....	Corvan	Greenbrier	Loadside	Rampside
Model Number: .....	R-1205	R-1206	R-1244	R-1254
Production 1961: .....	15806 units	18489 units	2475 units	10787 units
" '62: .....	13491 "	18007 "	369 "	4102 "
" '63: .....	11161 "	13761 "	- "	2046 "
" '64: .....	8147 "	6201 "	- "	851 "
" '65: .....	- "	1528 "	- "	- "
" Total: .....	48605 units	57986 units	2844 units	17786 units
Wheelbase: .....	95 in.	95 in.	95 in.	95 in.
Cubic Capacity: .....	191 cu.ft.	175 cu.ft.	80 cu.ft.	80 cu.ft.
Curbweight: .....	2805 lbs.	3005 lbs.	2705 lbs.	2715 lbs.
Payload Capacity: .....	1795 "	1595 "	1895 "	1885 "
Gross Vehicle Weight: ...	4600 lbs.	4600 lbs.	4600 lbs.	4600 lbs.

Refs.: '61 Corvaire Shop Manual, pages 1-8, 10-72,73,74; CORSA COMMUNIQUEs July '73, p.5

CORRECTION: Winter '75 C.A. page 26, Loadside Total Production "2849" should read "2844" and Cubic Capacity "175 cu.ft." should read "80 cu.ft." (for Russ) NICO

PRODUCT REPORT by Ken Wilhite...

The most interesting item that I've run into lately is a product, called RAIN-X. Rain-X is a liquid polymer which, when applied to your windshield, dispels water off at an amazing rate. I've actually driven quite a distance in pouring rain - without using wipers, as I had a blown fuse and I didn't want to get wet! A lot of pro rallyists are using Rain-X, and swear by it! It also makes bug removal a lot easier.

I've found it difficult to locate Rain-X. I purchased my last bottle at a service station, but I understand that AUTO-WORLD, 701 N. Keyser Avenue, Scranton, PA 18508, is also selling it. I believe the price is \$1.95 per bottle. KEN

1976 CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS AND MENELEE GREENBRIER (FRONT COVER) by Cecil Miller...

The '64 Greenbrier appearing on the cover belongs to Robert Menelee of Mount Crawford, Virginia. Bob and wife Carolyn are fairly new members of CORSA, and their Greenbrier - which is painted a beautiful silver-blue metallic with a darker blue stripe - came away a Convention concours winner in the Modified-&Custom-Truck class. And to top that, Carolyn also won the raffle for the '63 Monza Convention car! CECIL AND PAT

1976 CORSA NATIONAL CONVENTION by Cecil and Pat Miller...

Attending the CORSA National Convention each year has been an important part of our lives since joining CORSA in 1974 and we have always planned our vacations to coincide with it. This year was no exception. Although our home is in North Carolina, Cecil's job assignments are often far from there.

The week before this year's convention found us in Northern California, busily preparing for our annual trek home. We had only driven the 3149 miles from Winston-Salem, North Carolina to Fortuna, California in May in our '65 Corsa - its fourth cross-country trip! But it was "Phily or Bust"! So after a very tiring and exhausting 4-day trip, we arrived back home in North Carolina on July 13. Eighteen hours later we were en route to Phily in the same '65 Corsa, with a friend pulling our trailer and our other '65 Corsa concours car. Unfortunately, neither of our two vans nor the Rampside were ready for this year's convention. Hopefully, our '64 Corvan will be ready for next year.

With a record number of 1015 conventioners registered, this year's event brought the biggest turn-out ever - both in terms of members attending and the appearance of more vans, pickups and "Briers" than at any previous national meet. And gorgeous they were! The only disappointing fact was that most of them were owned and/or driven by non-Corvanatics members. But that didn't stop us from taking their pictures and jotting down names and addresses in hopes of acquiring new club members.

Preparing and entering a car in concours competition took up much of our time and therefore we didn't get a chance to mingle with the other members as much as we would have liked. Fellow CORVANATICS members we did get a chance to speak with were Russ Long, Dennis Kugler, Dave Newell, Mark Ellis, and Art Herschberger.

Monday, July 19, brought the end of yet another exciting convention and we were home-bound via the Pennsylvania-Dutch Country and Gettysburg. After touring these fascinating places and making numerous stops at those tempting antique shops and "used parts" yards, we headed for I-81 and North Carolina. As we came onto the ramp, who should we encounter but the Menefees - Robert in his concours-prize-winning '64 Greenbrier and Carolyn in her newly-won '63 coupe... Virginia-bound! After exchanging a few greetings on our CB's, we rode along together for a while, offering our assistance should they need it as the little coupe was having a few problems. However, all went well and we bade our good-byes on down the road.

See you in 1977 - in Minneapolis!

CECIL AND PAT

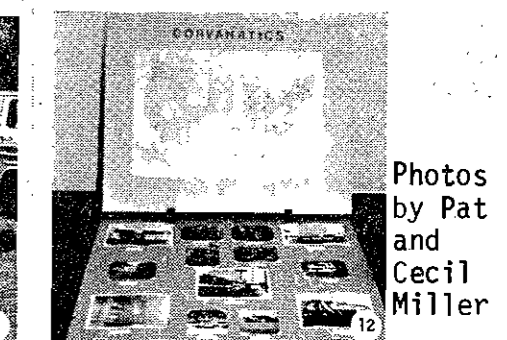
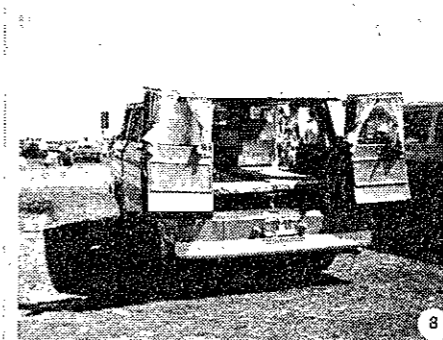
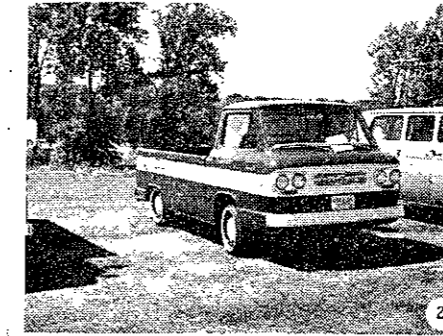
CONCOURS RESULTS\* by Nico DeJong...

Photo**:	Class:	Place:	Points:	Name:	City & State:	Year & Model:
(2)	Truck, stock	1	91.00	W. Burkey	Encola PA	64 Rampside
(3),(4)	Truck, altered	1	81.00	H. Dexter	Fenton MI	64 "
(5),(6)	" "	2	79.00	W. Hollyoak	Severna Pk. MD	61 Corvan
-	" "	3	74.63	R. Marlow	Midland Pk. NJ	64 Greenbrier
-	Truck,m'fied & custom	1	83.63	R. Menefee	Mt.Crawford VA	64 "
-	" "	2	83.13	W. Matenkosky	Greenburg PA	62 "
(7),(8)	" "	3	81.63	D. Joslyn	Seattle WA	62 "
(9),(10)	" "	4	81.00	G. Anderson	Lincoln NE	61 "
-	Ultravan	1	70.13	N. Yocum	Norristown PA	.. Ultravan
-	" "	2	62.38	J. Brandt	Lutherville MD	.. "

\* Source: CORSA COMMUNIQES, Aug.'76, page 7

\*\* See following page

CONCOURS RESULTS (CONT'D)...



(1) Ready for the judges...  
 (4) Same as (3)  
 (7) D. Joslyn(62 Greenbrier)  
 (10)Same as (9)

(2) Wm. Burkey (64 Rampside)  
 (5) W. Hollyoak (61 Corvan)  
 (8) Same as (7)  
 (11)Unidentified conventioneer (barely visible in prone position under his rig) demonstrating Greenbrier versatility by using it as an effective sunshade.

(3) Harold Dexter(64 R'side)  
 (6) Same as (5)  
 (9) G. Anderson (61 G'brier)  
 (12) Outstanding CORVANATICS display by your secretary-treasurer Cecil Miller and wife Pat. Large U.S. & Canada map, photos, and application blanks drew much attention... and several new members!

Photos by Pat and Cecil Miller

NICO



BACKFIRE from Readers...

"I purchased a '64 Greenbrier just now which I'd like to restore; am 71, only a fair mechanic and having a ball with Corvairs!" JACK McCULLEN, PHILADELPHIA, PA

"Stopped by on the way from New York to California by '65 Greenbrier (20 MPG). Sorry you weren't home. Will try to write story on trip." J. HENRY TULLEY, MINEOSA, NY

"Are there any C.A. back issues still available?" DUNCAN AUCLAIR, VANCOUVER, B.C.  
10-4! See page 27 of C.A. Winter '75 and inside front covers for price, etc. EDITOR

"I appreciate all the time and effort you put into CORVANATICS." GEO. WELLS, COLUMBUS, GA

"I hope C.A. won't backslide as one newsletter I know. Many of us seldom write; yet, we look forward to CORVAN ANTICS each quarter." JOHN HOWELL, LENOIR CITY, TN

"Do you have Greenbrier or Rampsides patches and/or decals?" LEN DUDICZ, HAYWARD, CA  
See logo contest announcement in PRESIDENT'S CORNER. EDITOR

"(a) Back issue ordering instructions? (b) Greenbrier camper folder xerox? (c) Info on special crossmember for installing 4-spd. transmission?" AL TIRELLA, HIGHLAND, NY  
(a) See page 10; (b) Send \$1- to editor; (c) See C.A. Feb./Mar. '73, page 6. EDITOR

"How much are back issues and whom do I pay? Story attached." DAVE ANDERSON, MASON, OH  
Back issue ordering instructions on page 10. In line with our "illustrated text only" policy, we'll appreciate a B&W photo or cartoon for the great story you sent us. EDITOR

INDEX FOR C.A. VOLUMES I, II, AND III (1972 THROUGH '74)... Recent response to our request for volunteers to compile an index (C.A. Winter '75, page 27) has been very favorable. Tony McKeown already sent in a table of contents for these three volumes! Thank you very much, Tony! However, we feel that - in addition to a table of contents - only a comprehensive, compact, and alphabetical INDEX for these volumes -- when filed in the handy clamp-type CORSA binder -- will truly turn these "bound" volumes into a quick-reference guide for 95-inch-wheelbase Corvairs. Such an index would contain many more items than those listed in the tables of contents of every newsletter published as of June '74. So if any or some of you would be willing to undertake that by no means small project, your friendly editor would be glad to try to find the time to proof, edit, and produce it for the benefit of all of you who have - or are going to have - these back issues (see C.A. inside front cover for ordering instructions).

We suppose that a computer print-out would probably be ideal, but not strictly necessary. Before anyone puts an index together, however, why not write us so duplication of effort may be avoided. Besides, we'd like to hear your ideas. We will of course show full credit for any work anyone does on this project. NICO

UNDELIVERABLES... It just had to happen sooner or later -- the mailing label came off one of the Spring '76 newsletters before reaching its destination! How did we find out? As you know, all undeliverables are automatically returned by the U.S. Post Office. So this one came back minus a mailing label. Will the unlucky subscriber please rise and drop a line to your editor? For the sake of good order, kindly also indicate date and check number of your latest dues payment, and we'll promptly send you your copy as yet!

CORVAN ANTICS also "bounced" when mailed to:  
Clifford W. Boram, New York, NY; Lemuel K. Edwards, Wichita Falls, TX  
Dale Brown, Sherwood, OR; Lee A. Hart, Houghton, MI  
Russell Chevrette, Portland, OR; Gaylord W. Peterson, Fellsmere, FL  
Does anyone know the current whereabouts of these good people? They had to be dropped from our rolls, and we'd like to reinstate them, if possible.

EXPIRATION DATE, DUES, ETC... For the benefit of "old" and new members alike, CORVAN ANTICS has a somewhat unique system of helping you keep your membership and subscription in force. As long as your dues are paid up, the fourth line on your C.A. mailing label always shows your expiration date (E.D.). In this connection, secretary-treasurer Cecil Miller has asked us to announce a minor change. Contrary to the notice on page 30 of your '75 Winter C.A., your E.D. is defined as the last day of the month in which your annual dues were received -- plus one year -- and as of this newsletter it will be shown as MONTH AND YEAR ONLY on your mailing label... as long as you're paid up. When your E.D. approaches we show the notice SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL INVITED on the fourth line. THIS IS YOUR ONLY REMINDER. NO SEPARATE REMINDER NOTICES ARE MAILED and we suggest you always check your mailing label for the status of your membership.

Finally, some of you have been paying your dues in multiples of \$5-, and Cecil will appreciate it if you will help him simplify his bookkeeping by paying your dues for only ONE YEAR AT A TIME.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK... A look at the calendar reminds us that CORVAN ANTICS is still behind schedule and we haven't made much progress catching up. This time a very painful series of kidney stone attacks put your editor in a hospital and kept him from getting the Summer Edition out when he wanted to. Anyway, we appreciate your patience and understanding. By trying harder we hope to be running on-time again with the Winter Edition.

Speaking of trying harder, isn't it sad to see that there wasn't a single Corvanatic among the eight winners in the "truck" concours competition at this year's National Convention? It seems that every member who takes any pride at all in our club ought to resolve to do something to keep that from happening again. Here are two suggestions:

- (1) More of us should participate in concours competition. Why not plan on polishing up your rig and compete in next year's convention concours in Minneapolis? Granted there's only one first-prize winner per class but, as we understand it, everybody gets at least a ribbon, so nobody goes home empty-handed.
- (2) Let's try to make a Corvanatic out of every owner of a Corvan, Greenbrier, Loadside or Rampsides in the community we live. Begin by xeroxing that application form you receive with every newsletter, put a supply in your glove box (with your name and phone number if more info is wanted), slip it under the windshield wiper of every Corvan van or pickup in sight, and talk to the owner when you can. Try it... you'll like it!

CLASSIFIED... Free to CORVANATICS members. Non-members: \$3-/5-line ad. Commercial rates upon request. Approved furnished 8 1/2 x 11-inch sheet insert free.

FOR SALE: '64 GREENBRIER; will sell as is or will part out. Original red w/white stripe, 3-spd., not original engine. Front floor rust, all panels straight; no chrome bumpers, 2nd or 3rd seats, or windshield. Send SASE or call 513-851-2982 after 5pm. Mike Demeter, 11446 Kary Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45240.

...DON'T CALL COLLECT! Either my daughter or I can say where they are stored.

FOR SALE: (a) '64 GREENBRIER; standard unit, automatic, 110 engine, solid blue; asking \$1650. (b) GREENBRIER DELUXE; 4-spd., 110 engine, 3 seats, new battery, good tires, chrome bumpers, red interior. Asking \$2000. These "Briers" can be seen by calling Walt Roeschen at 215-584-4373, Lucon Rd, Schwenksville, PA 19473...

FOR SALE: ORIGINAL OBLONG PLUGS for inside FC beds to keep water out. Rampsides and vans (3), Loadside (6); 35 ¢ ea. or \$1-/3. Ed Gridley, RR2, Box 158, Franklin IN 46131. (These are new plugs and most generally missing from side panels. This allows water to run in and rusts out doors and side panels).

WANTED: CORVAN GAS HEATER, complete; DELUXE WINDSHIELD CHROME. Chuck Sadek, 15605 Pamela Dr., Silver Spring, MD 20904 ph. 301-384-8420.



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