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The Forward Control Corvair People



Riding with the President

by John Nickel

As I write this we are waiting for our spring snowstorm to hit tomorrow evening. I guess that it will be a few more days until I can get outside to work on the van to get it ready for upcoming shows in April. I hope that your weather is more forgiving and you are able to begin/complete your preparations for upcoming shows as well as for the convention in June in Independence, MO.

Your Board of Directors has finished updating the By-Laws and the final draft is contained elsewhere in this issue of the CorvanAntics. Please read through them and if you have comments please forward them to the Secretary, your Director or myself so that we can be ready to vote on their acceptance at the convention's Corvanatics meeting which is on Wednesday evening at 9:00 pm the 28th of June. We are working on having a couple of tech sessions during the meeting, so the formal part of the meeting will consist of elections, voting on the By-Laws and announcements. We also hope to have snacks available during the meeting as well. We hope that you can be there. If you have thought about becoming a more active participant in the Chapter, please



consider running for job as Director, President or Vice President. We welcome new thoughts and ways to improve the largest chapter in CORSA. The BOD meets telephonically every other month (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct and Dec) and the meeting usually lasts about an hour. Something else to consider is that I want to invite each Director to write an article for the newsletter, sort of the same way that the CORSA Directors write the Directors Turn at the Wheel.

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Speaking of voting, please remember to vote in the CORSA Board of Directors elections that are on-going until the 1st of May. Even if there is only one person running, your vote is always counted and appreciated.

The Editor has asked that if you have an article you'd like to submit or pictures you've taken of your FCs (Hi Res Please) send them to her or to Molly. She says that she isn't an expert and welcomes all the help she can get to make your newsletter better.

Get out there and drive your Trucks and Vans when you can! You are the ones who keep them in the public's eye and hearts.

John Nickel, President

Corvanatics Merchandise

Details and pictures at <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/corvanatics/merchandise.php>

Item	PDF	Mailed
Corvanatics Jacket/Hat Patch	N/A	\$2.50
Corvanatics Surface or Window Sticker	N/A	\$2.00
Corvanatics Magnet	N/A	\$2.00
Corvanatics Lapel Pin	N/A	\$3.00
Corvanatics Key Fob	N/A	\$8.00
Corvanatics Hat	N/A	\$18.00
Corvanatics Roster*	Free	\$2.00
Powerglide Transmission Book by Bob Ballew	Free	\$10.00
Differential Booklet	Free	\$5.00
3-Booklet Set <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paint Codes (includes cars thru '64) • Prices and Options • Paint and Trim Combinations 	Free	\$5.00

*Roster available only to current members. Send request to Corvanatics@gmail.com

From the Secretary

by Molly Bacon

Important notice

If you recently received a Dues Due postcard from me, my address was **incorrect**. The city should be Pine Mountain **Valley**, GA **31823** not Pine Mountain and 31822. If your letter was returned, please send it again with the new city and zip code.

I sincerely apologize for any inconvenience.

Dues Due Change

You remember from last newsletter that we have changed the way we collect dues and that you will be dropped at the end of the month your dues are due. I allowed a grace period and below are a list of those people who are right at the very end of their grace period and soon to be dropped if they do not pay ASAP.

You can find your dues date on your membership cards or you can email or call me to check up on when you're due.

Since last newsletter:

266 members

6 new members

37 members renewed their dues

4 members were dropped

WELCOME!! to our new members

Norm Wright	FL	
Ronald Hansen	NE	1964 Rampside
Dan Avallone	FL	1963 Rampside
Stuart Smith	AL	1962 Rampside
Mark Chindlund	CA	1963 Greenbrier
Ron Tumolo	VA	1962 Rampside



Please encourage any FC owner you see or communicate with to join Corvanatics. I can provide you with a PDF of a welcome letter and membership form you can print and pass out or request some of the Corvanatics business cards. Just email me at Corvanatics@gmail.com or call me to have these mailed.

Dues Due!!

Dues Already Owed and you will be dropped 3/31- the end of the grace period

Michael Raley	Jan 2017
Chad Barrett	Jan 2017
Bob Sullivan	Jan 2017
Don Filkins	Feb 2017
Larry Schmuhl	Feb 2017
Joseph Pinal	Feb 2017
Jamison Hiner	Mar 2017
Don Hudock	Mar 2017
Jon Protteau	Mar 2017
John Lantz	Mar 2017

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Coming due before the next news-letter

You must pay before the end of April or you will be dropped then.

Cole Adcock	Apr 2017
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Coming due May and June

Be proactive and pay now. You will never be penalized for paying early.

Addison Cook	May 2017
Stan Gee	May 2017
Gary Rubin	May 2017
Jim Worthington	May 2017
Jeffrey Murrell	May 2017
Danny Robertson	May 2017
Brian Tucker	May 2017
Ed Bittman	June 2017
Bill McColl	June 2017
Gary W Moore	June 2017
Thomas Pedigo	June 2017
Bill Rudolph	June 2017
Bill Wallace	June 2017
Stan Darke	June 2017
Ted Moon	June 2017
Rod Murray	June 2017
Dwight Riley	June 2017
Greg Vargas	June 2017

Don't Forget

Corvanatics Business Cards

Email, call, write me or order online at the Corvanatics website in the merchandise section for a "stack" of Corvanatics business cards to give out whenever you see an FC.

Thanks,
Molly Bacon

The Winner Is Bill Wallace! \$10 Clark's Gift Certificate

**Remember, you can
only win if your
dues are current**

Post Your Ads There

*From CORSA Eastern
Director Allan Sacki*

The Classified Ad pages are back up and running on the CORSA website. CORSA Members can post an unlimited number of ads there for free!

Anybody can shop through the online classified ads, but to post an ad, you need to be a CORSA member. To view or place an ad, visit www.corvair.org, log in, click on the "Classified Ads" menu item, and try it out! Your ad will remain active for 90 days.

Online CORSA Classified Ads are in addition to the classified ads posted in the CORSA Communique magazine. You can place ads in either or both places.

Proposed Corvanatics By-Laws & Policies

As a part of this edition of CorvanAntics you will see proposed by-laws and policies.

Your Board of Directors has worked on these for the last few months and now wants to hear your thoughts on what should be in the documents. Please read through them and share your com-

ments with the President, Secretary, or your Directors so that the documents can be ready to be voted on at the Corvanatics annual meeting at the CORSA Convention.

Don't know how to contact your officers? See page2.

Baby Picture

from Christy Barden

This is Christy Barden's Rampside. He says he has owned it for 40 years, and after someone ran into it, he decided it deserved a new paint job.

The truck won first place in the Rampside category at the Great Western Fan Belt Toss & Swap Meet last October. Christy admits that it was the only Rampside entered, but it looks like a winner anyway! Christy Barden lives in Nevada City, California.

Your baby pictures can appear here too. You don't need to send a story, just email me a high-quality photo of your FC, along with a caption that describes your vehicle and includes your



name and if you want, where you live. Send your email to CorvanAnticsNews@gmail.com.

Are You In?

Corvanatics encourages all Corvair enthusiasts to support our parent chapter, the Corvair Society of America (CORSA).

CORSA is the #1 Corvair group in the world. In addition to their ongoing dedication to Corvair preservation, CORSA supports all sanctioned

Corvair clubs and their events with a wealth of benefits, including event insurance, the national convention, and their award-winning monthly magazine, "The Communique." For more information visit CORSA's website at www.corvair.org.

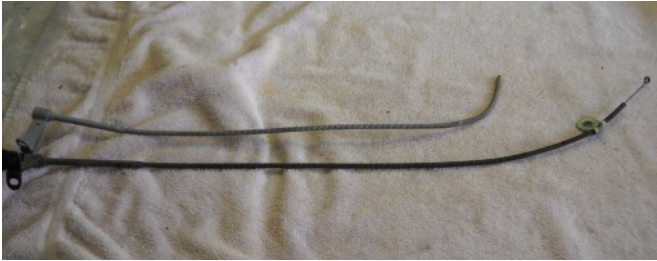


website at

Vent Cable Repair

by Gary Baxter

Recently the cable for the passenger vent failed. I looked through my spare parts and could find several for an Early model car, but none for a FC. I removed my old cable and compared the two.



The car cable is longer. Not only is the cable longer, but so is the housing. A closer look revealed that even though the mounting bracket looks similar, the car bracket has a longer tube and the shaft that the knob attaches to is also longer. That means you cannot just cut the end off the car one and slide it into the FC housing. It runs out of travel before the knob is down all the way. The FC cable is shown above the car one in the pictures.



My solution was to cut the car cable next to the curled eye and remove it from the car housing. Then I removed the knob from the shaft. I clamped the shaft in a vise and by carefully twisting and prying, I was able to remove the knob. I then shortened the shaft so it was the same as the FC shaft. I threaded the end with 12-24 threads, applied a little glue and pressed the knob back on. Then the cable was lightly oiled and slid into the FC housing. If you do not want to remove both knobs to measure the shaft

length, you could measure the difference in the housing tube length to know how much to shorten the shaft. I forgot to measure the FC shaft before discarding it, but it is approximately 3 3/8" long.

Next a new eye was formed. With the cable all the way in, I measured 2 7/16" from the end of the housing and marked the cable with a piece of



tape. That was the distance from the housing to the inside diameter of the eye on the original cable. I then clamped the cable and a 5/32 drill bit in a vise with the cable as close to the edge of the vise as I could get it, with the tape aligned with the edge of the drill bit. Using vise grips to hold the cable close to the end, I then carefully bent the cable two turns around the drill bit. I then trimmed the small excess end off. Due to spring



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back when forming, this gives an eye that is about 11/64" I.D., which fits nicely over the vent pin. I also bent the cable slightly at the eye so the



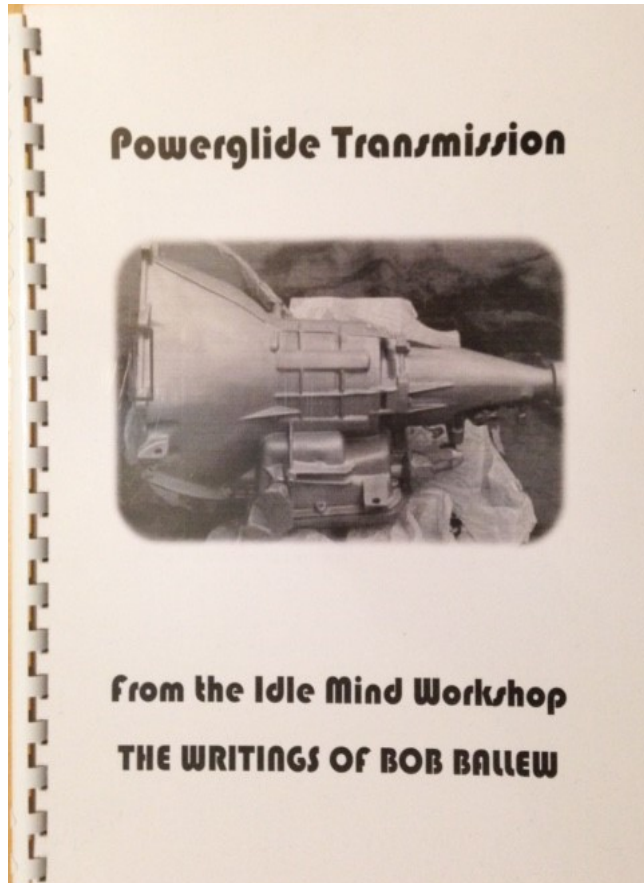
eye is more centered on the cable like the original. Note, in the pictures the tape is shown at 2 3/8", but that is to the eye O.D., not the I.D.

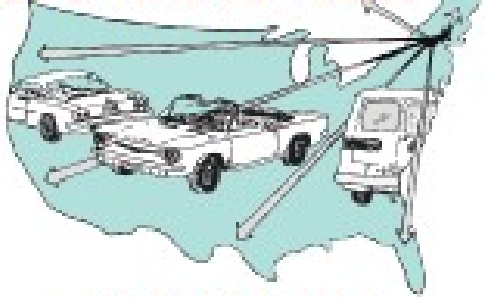
Installing it is the hard part. You pretty much have to have the headlight bucket out. Convincing the cable and housing to bend around and fit through the hole in the vent flange inside the body takes some care, as it is hard to get your hand in there to guide it. Once that end is attached to the vent flap, you then mount the bracket end back to the dash and adjust so the vent is fully closed before installing the clamp at the bulkhead.

Same old price, Great new look

by Molly Bacon

Our booklets; Membership Roster, Powerglide Transmission Guide, Differential Technical Guide, and the three booklet set containing Paint & Trim Codes, Prices and Options, Series, Codes & ID Numbers have a great new upgraded look. They now come with smudge-proof, clear, plastic covers and a nice plastic ring binding. The binding allows them to open and lay flat, plus they are being printed on heavier weight paper. The best part; they're the same price. Powerglide Transmission Guide is still \$10. It's almost 100 pages. The Differential Technical Guide and the three booklet set are still \$5, and the membership roster is the best deal at \$2. And, the roster is always printed at the time it's ordered. Place an order from the website Merchandise page, <http://www.corvair.org/chapters/corvanatics/merchandise.php> or send a request and a check for the amount (shipping included) to Corvanatics, PO Box 155, Pine Mountain Valley, GA 31822



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Corvanatics is open to anyone with an interest in Forward Control Corvairs. Annual dues are \$10 for an emailed newsletter and \$12 for a mailed newsletter. Application and payment is made to the Secretary/Treasurer either through the Corvanatics website at www.corvair.org/chapters/corvanatics/membership.php or by mail. If mailed, please include a completed membership form. Forms can be printed from the website or obtained directly from the Secretary/Treasurer.

Stories, articles, photos, memorabilia, or any other item for publication should be sent to the editor. All of these can also be sent by email to CorvanAnticsNews@gmail.com.

Technical material will be sent to the Technical Editor for review. Authors are asked to submit a photograph of themselves for the article.

For advertising in the newsletter, please contact the Secretary/Treasurer. Members can have a free small ad in the newsletter. Display advertising is also available at the following rates:

- Full page \$25
- Half page: \$15
- Quarter page: \$10
- Business card (2" x 3.5"): \$5
- Photos for ads are \$6 each and can be color or black/white

Please submit print-ready or typed copy and pre-payment to the Secretary/Treasurer. Authorization and payment must be received prior to each issue. Deadline for publication is the 15th of February, April, June, August, October or December. All ads must be Corvair-related.

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Corvair Lover's Holiday

by Molly Bacon

Corvair Lover's Holiday was Feb 17 & 18 in Pensacola Beach, FL, and was hosted by West Florida Corvair Club.

Saturday started out with a threat of rain, which kept some people from attending and participating in the People's Choice, Corn Hole Tournament, and Valve Cover Races. Ultimately, Mother Nature was good to us and the rain came only during the overnight hours. The clouds were gone by late morning and it was a beautiful day.

Rampsides dominated the FC class. In fact, that's all there were on display; seven Rampsides. All but one was a Corvanatics member. I tried, but couldn't get them to join. We did sign up two new members, collected dues from current members, and sold some merchandise.

Lots of people had lots of fun competing in valve cover races and a spirited corn hole tournament. Lots of door prizes were given away. Chris Brown, our Historian and Director-at-Large, won the grand door prize, a new flat screen TV.

Be sure to come to this event next year if you can.

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Rampsides all in a row



Billy Cannon's 62 Rampside with a 140 engine



Ed Lindsay's 61 Rampside



Stuart Smith's 62 Rampside

More from Corvair Lover's Holiday



James Law's 63 Rampside



Russ Thuleen's 62 Rampside with a Turbo engine



Jerry Moyer's 64 Rampside

Follow-up on Fuel Line Question

Last month Fran Schmit asked about how best to keep gasoline from escaping when working on a fuel line. Our tech editor offered a suggestion last month, and since then, Eric Kirven wrote and said "I use a Hose Pinch Plier. They come in various sizes. You pinch the hose and the handles clamp together. Stops the flow from the tank. You still have what is left in the line." Gary Baxter added that this only works if the hose is good, and the hose isn't the part you are replacing.

*Show Season is Coming: Go, Enjoy, **Send Photos!***

By Your Editor

I read Molly's report on Corvair Lover's Holiday, got a reminder about our local club's planning meeting for 'Vairs in the Valley in October, and opened an email from the folks who are putting on Corvairs at Barber Motorsports Park in May, all within a week. It reminded me to take the opportunity to ask you to go to events, have fun, take photos and notes, and send them to me at

CorvanAnticsEditor@gmail.com.

For information on **Corvairs at Barber Motorsports Park** in Leeds, Alabama, May 26 and 27th, hosted by Vulcan Corvair Enthusiasts and Choo Choo Corvairs, contact Vulcan Corvair at (936) 524-7611 or (256) 839-1905, or email gtochief@gmail.com.



CORVANATICS BY-LAWS

I. General

1.1 Corvanatics is chartered as a Special Interest Group; Chapter 001 of the CORVAIR SOCIETY OF AMERICA (CORSА)

- A. The Chapter shall meet the Chapter operating expectations of the CORSA Chapter Plan.
- B. Its members have a special interest in preserving and enjoying the Chevrolet Corvair 95 series FC ("Forward Control") vehicles. Models in the series are the Corvan, Rampside, Loadside, and Greenbrier.
- C. The CORVANATICS emblem is as designated by the Board of Directors, and as defined in Appendix 1.
- D. The goals of the chapter are to promote friendship, encourage family participation, support organization functions held by the chapter and promote the FC vehicles to others.

II. Membership

2.1 Membership in Corvanatics is open to anyone upon acceptance of a membership application and payment of dues.

- A. Membership consists of Member and Spouse and all children of Member and Spouse under the age of 18 years
- B. A member shall have but one vote which may be cast by either the member or the member's spouse, but not both.
- C. Members will receive a membership card that has the member's ID number and membership renewal date.
- D. Membership requires that dues are current.

III. Dues

3.1 Dues in Corvanatics are separate from CORSA dues and are set by the Board of Directors

- A. Membership dues are annual as set by the board of directors.
- B. Dues shall be paid to the Secretary – Treasurer.
- C. Dues shall be paid when a member joins.
- D. Dues must be renewed on or before the renewal date to continue membership.
- E. Nonpayment of dues shall result in termination of membership
 - a. Notification will be sent before termination is finalized.

IV. Meetings

4.1 Chapter meetings are to be held during the annual CORSA Convention and shall be conducted under Robert's Rules of Order.

- A. The meeting time and date is to be published in the Newsletter and website as soon as it is known.
- B. The meeting shall be open to any interested individual, but any voting is limited to Corvanatics members in good standing.



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- C. A Quorum shall consist of members present at a duly publicized meeting.

4.2 Other Meetings

- A. Outside of the annual meeting, the Board of Directors shall have the right and ability to meet at the request of any two elected officers.
- B. These meetings can be held in person or by electronic communication.
The Board can invite others as deemed necessary.

V. Officers

5.1 Governance of Corvanatics shall be under a Board of Directors consisting of elected officers.

The Board of Directors shall have general management authority over the affairs and property of the Chapter and shall perform all duties appropriate and necessary to sustain the Chapter's purposes. The Board of Directors shall list his or her contact information in the newsletter. The Board of Directors shall meet at the annual business meeting, and at other times as deemed necessary by any of the elected officials. Minutes of all Board of Directors meetings shall be presented at the following membership meeting. It shall be a duty of the Board of Directors to publish a dated and complete copy of the by-laws after any amendments or revisions.

A. President

1. To be elected as President, the individual shall be a member in good standing for at least nine months prior to nomination.
2. The President shall preside at all membership and directors meetings.
3. The President shall be elected for a one year term at the annual meeting.
4. The President shall have the ability to call special meeting of the Board of Directors as deemed necessary.
5. The President shall appoint all committee chairmen and members, and special project persons as appropriate. Such appointments shall be subject to the consent of the person appointed.
6. The President will act as an ambassador to any functions or activities held by the chapter or any other club he/she attends. He/she will seek ways to help build membership and create ideas and help promote and maintain interest for and by its members.
7. The President shall have signature authority on the Corvanatics bank accounts.
8. The President may designate any member to represent Corvanatics at any event where he or she may not be in attendance.

B. Vice President

1. The Vice President will preside over all meetings if the President is unable to attend.
2. The Vice President shall be elected for a one year term at the annual meeting.
3. The Vice President shall become President upon the resignation of the President.
4. The Vice President shall become President if for any reason the President cannot continue.



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5. The Vice President will act as ambassador to any functions the President cannot attend.
6. The Vice President will be an ad-hoc member on all committees and report to the president as needed.

C. Secretary – Treasurer

1. The Secretary Treasurer shall be elected to a two year term at the annual meeting.
2. The Secretary Treasurer shall take the minutes of the business affairs of the annual meeting.
3. The Secretary Treasurer shall receive all membership applications and dues renewals
4. The Secretary Treasurer shall maintain financial account(s) in the name of Corvanatics.
5. The Secretary Treasurer shall be authorized to make disbursements pertaining to chapter operations to include:
 - a. Routine disbursements for newsletter, postage, office supplies – as needed for daily chapter expenses and chapter items for sale.
 - b. Disbursements including donations and other non-routine items up to an amount not exceeding \$500.00. These disbursements to be authorized by the President
 - c. Disbursements exceeding \$500.00 must have prior approval of a quorum of the Board of Directors and be approved by vote at a membership meeting.
6. The Secretary Treasurer shall maintain a stock of chapter items for sale.
 - a. The Secretary Treasurer shall accept payment and handle delivery of items.
7. The Secretary Treasurer shall register the Chapter at the CORSA Registry.
8. The Secretary Treasurer shall deliver a financial summary at the annual meeting
9. The Secretary Treasurer shall provide a financial report from time to time per request of the Board of Directors.
10. The Secretary Treasurer shall provide audit materials to his or her successor or as requested by the President.
11. The Secretary Treasurer shall coordinate newsletter printing and distribution.
12. The Secretary Treasurer shall solicit and receive payment for newsletter advertising and forward advertising information to the newsletter editor.
13. The Secretary Treasurer shall solicit newsletter material for publication and forward these to the newsletter editor.

5.2 Directors

- A. Directors shall support the Chapter, its purposes, and uphold the bylaws of CORVANATICS in their respective divisions.
 1. The geographic territory of the divisions shall correspond to the CORSA divisions.
- B. There shall be four Directors; **Eastern, Central, Western, and Director at Large.**
- C. The Directors shall provide liaison between members and the Board of Directors and have voting privileges as part of the Board of Directors.
- D. The Division Directors shall list his or her contact information in the newsletter.



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5.3 Appointed Chairpersons

Appointed Chairpersons shall be members in good standing who are appointed by the President with their consent.

A. Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter Editor shall produce the Corvanatics newsletter, which shall be known as CorvanAntics, as set by the Board of Directors.

B. Technical Editor

1. The Technical Editor shall review submitted articles of a technical nature in conjunction with the newsletter editor.
2. The Technical Editor shall assist by appropriate and/or available means in answering member's technical questions.
3. The Technical Editor may create articles of a technical nature for inclusion in the newsletter.

C. Historian

The Historian shall be responsible for researching and maintaining a history of the chapter and its activities.

D. Webmaster

The webmaster shall be responsible for creation and maintenance of the chapter web site.

E. Other

Other chairpersons as deemed necessary by the President including, but not limited to, Secretary separate from the Treasurer and a Membership Chair

VI. Policies and Procedures

Operating policies and procedures of the chapter will be approved by the Board of Directors, and will become operative upon signature of the President and Secretary/Treasurer. A current reproducible copy of all policies and procedures will be kept on file with the Secretary/Treasurer for distribution upon request and also for record purposes.

VII. By-laws

The By-laws will be reviewed every two years for any needed changes and approved by the Board of Directors.

- A. Proposed changes may be submitted by members in good standing at any time.
- B. Proposed changes shall be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors for preliminary evaluation and approval. The Board of Directors shall then reproduce and distribute a copy of



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the proposed changes to all members via the newsletter before the proposal is brought to a vote at a regularly scheduled meeting or by ballot.

- C. A majority of members will approve the changes for them to be in effect with approval being through either a regular meeting or balloting, but not both.

VIII. Approval

Approved this by a majority of the CORVANATICS members present at the annual meeting held during the CORSA convention on this date: _____ or by balloting that concluded on this date:

President

Vice President

At-Large Director

Eastern Zone Director

Central Zone Director

Western Zone Director

Secretary – Treasurer



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Appendix 1 Emblem

The CORVANATICS emblem is round, with a white background. It has a red edge border, with an inner circle outlined by a red line. Between the outer border and the inner circle is the word "CORVANATICS" at the top, and the words "CORVAIR PICKUPS VANS 'BRIERS" around the bottom. The inner circle contains a frontal view of a Corvair forward control vehicle, red with a white belt stripe, with "95" on the license plate. Beneath this vehicle is the word CORSA in red letters.



Corvanatics Policies and Procedures

A. Membership

1. CORSA membership is strongly encouraged.
2. Dues
 - a. \$10.00 yearly for emailed newsletter
 - b. \$15.00 yearly for a mailed newsletter.
 - c. Due Date is set to the first of month following the month joined.
3. New member
 - a. New member gift choice, if available:
 - i. Patch
 - ii. Window sticker
 - iii. Surface sticker
 - iv. Magnet
 - b. Receives:
 - i. A timely welcome email will be sent if an email is supplied with membership.
 - ii. Membership card sent within a week.
 - iii. New member gift included with membership card
4. Notification of dues renewal
 - a. Members will receive a notification; either email or mail, if no email was provided, plus it will be posted in the newsletter at least two months before their dues will expire. The month of the member's due date, always the first of the month and can be found on their membership card, if not paid, they will receive a final written notice. If still not paid at the end of that month, their dues due month, they will be dropped from the membership roster.

B. Chapter Fee

A Chapter Fee is paid to the CORSA Treasurer yearly.

C. Newsletter

1. A newsletter shall be produced bi-monthly for distribution either by email or print media per member's request.
 - i. Bi-monthly will be January, March, May, July, September, and November
 - ii. The newsletter will be ready for publication no later than 15 days after the first of the bi-monthly month listed above.
2. The printed newsletter is printed in black and white except for the edition featuring the convention results.
3. The current edition of the newsletter will be withheld from being published on the website until the next edition is published.

Approval

President

Secretary -Treasurer

Vans in the Corvair Joyride

(in 2015, we think)

from Alan Gonick



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