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CORVAIR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL:

CORVAIR renewals will be mailed to you prior to your anniversary date. Fill it out and return it to the CORVAIR secretary, along with a \$12 check, payable to CORVAIR. New WPCU members will receive a CORVAIR application from our treasurer. CORVAIR membership is mandatory.

OFFICERS: President, Wayne Jones, 882-2109 Secretary, Hazel Moore, 37-4437
Vice President, Bob Holderbaum, 863-6928 Treasurer, Bob Smith, 846-5820

BOARDS: Dick Breier, 563-4521 Sandy Burrows, 761-3563 Jim Stokes, 889-8798
Joe Buffer, 523-4801 Al Friend, 925-2568 Mike Sullivan 636-3857

WPCU MEMBERSHIP:

\$6 per calendar year. Everyone's renewal date is Jan. 1. If you join during the year, your initial dues is 50¢ for each remaining month of the current year. Half price for immediate family.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: WPCU.

MAIL TO: WPCU Treasurer
3258 37th. St. Ext.
Beaverfalls, Pa. 15010

★ **RAFFLE CAR WON BY DONALD E. STROUP OF HAWTHORN, PA. (TICKET # 5514) SOLD BY ISADORA AROUSE.** ★

Congratulations to new member, Don Stroup. Hope to see that beautiful Monza at many future events. Raffle chairlady, Carolyn Sullivan sends the following message to the membership:

Mr. Stroup was contacted by our V.P., Bob Holderbaum who was on hand for the drawing. Mr. Stroup mentioned that he was just about to purchase a second car.

The profit, after bills and the split with West Leechburg was \$1395. A suggestion strongly put to the membership: ("IF" we ever raffle another car) please, do not have a partner to split the profits with.

I wish to thank everyone who put their blood, sweat, & tears into getting ths car ready, and to all of the members for getting the tickets sold and in on time. Also send thanks to Mike & Carol Liemard of Group Corvaír for selling tickets to their members. Last, but not least, my very special thanks to my partner in life, for helping me at all times, getting the car moved around, and for putting up with a "bitchie" wife at stress times. I really ragged him. My sincere thanks to all.

Carolyn

P.S. When the tickets came in from Ralph Green, I was informed that he was in the hospital. A speedy recovery to you Ralph, so you can stop playing hookie!!

THE FINAL TOP TEN SALES PEOPLE ARE:

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| 1. Ivan Clever \$398 | 6. Wayne Jones \$170 |
| 2. The Sullivan's \$265 | 7. The Friend's \$152 |
| 3. Arch Miller & family \$200 | 8. Ralph Green \$130 |
| 4. Joe Buffer \$100 | 9. The Moore's \$110 |
| 5. The Holderbaum's \$170 | 10. Lonze Safran \$100 |

IVAN WILL RECEIVE A FINE DINNER FOR TWO AT FONDROSA (RICH LEARY)
ALL TEN WILL RECEIVE TWO PASSES TO THE GUILD THEATRE (RALPH GREEN)

WOULD THE TOP TEN PLEASE TRY THEIR DARNDDEST TO MAKE THE MEETING SO WE CAN RECOGNIZE YOU & SO YOU CAN COLLECT YOUR FREE TICKETS.

THE HEADCROFT VILLAGE CONVOY & PICNIC:

Over 50 members, and guests attended this really interesting event. The caravan was made up of 10 Vairs with 4 water pumps bringing up the rear. Everyone had a great time and learned a lot about pioneer life. After the tour and a short business meeting, everyone sat down to a delicious meal expertly prepared by no other than Wayne Jones, the Pres. himself. I understand that since this light drinking group didn't come close to finishing the keg, Jim Stokes & Carol Breier gave it their all after getting the keg back to the Breier's. Word has it that there was still some beer left, even after this valiant effort!!

A sad note is that the Mike Senater family missed the caravan at the meeting points and returned to Uniontown, missing the event entirely. We sure missed ya'll and hope that this unfortunate incident doesn't dampen your enthusiasm for future events.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

Carole & I were fortunate enough to fly out to San Diego and make the convention part of our vacation. It was a wonderful convention, in a wonderful town, and put on by a tremendous group of people. We took six reels of movies, and Wayne suggested that we show them as part of our August meeting.

After all of the hell raising that several of us chapters did last winter, the board must have known that the members wanted CORSA to get it's house in order. I really think that the board took some very bold steps in the right direction, and hopefully CORSA is now on a path to recovery. I will go into much more detail at the meeting, but for those who can't be able to make it, here is a very brief summary:

1. The officers remain the same for 1979.
2. A new insurance company with one million dollar coverage for events. We must pay a special event premium of \$75 for speed events, & \$30 for non speed events.
3. A REMINDER, IF YOU ARE NOT A CORSA MEMBER, YOU ARE NOT COVERED DURING OUR EVENTS!!
4. As of Sept. CORSA will be managed by a professional Association Management company headed by Hal Marcus, who spoke at the business meeting, & banquet. I met & spoke with him extensively during the autocross. I came away with a very favorable impression. I feel that CORSA now has the potential to become a great club (what our little car deserves). BUT IT IS EVIDENT, THAT CORSA'S MEMBERSHIP CANNOT STAY AT OUR PRESENT GLOB. IT MUST GROW TO THE 8500 LEVEL IN THE NEXT YEAR OR TWO OR WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONTINUE PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT. OUR CHARTER STATES THAT ALL LOCAL MEMBERS MUST ALSO BELONG TO THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION. NO ONE HAS SCREAMED LOUDER FOR IMPROVEMENTS THAN YOU'RE TRULY (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CORSA DIRECTOR, BILL KLOTZ). THE BOARD HAS ACTED DECISIVELY TO INITIATE THESE IMPROVEMENTS. IF YOU WANT TO SEE A STRONG NATIONAL CORVAIR CLUB IN FUTURE YEARS, YOU HAD BETTER JOIN IT NOW, TO INSURE HIS VERY SURVIVAL. APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH BOB SMITH, OUR TREASURER. (SEE INFO. ON FRONT PAGE).
5. As of Sept. there will be only one publication: a monthly magazine with articles & ads still coming through our present editors.
6. CORSA will now maintain an event calendar, to minimize conflicts.
7. Board members will get travel expenses to the national & to a mid-winter meeting. It seems to be the only way to get them all together.
8. A new constitution will be published soon.
9. Scotty Saethers will head the Chapter Plan Committee.
10. Next years convention will probably be held in Detroit to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Corvaire changing from a production car to a collector's car. HEY, THAT'S RIGHT IN OUR BACK YARD AGAIN, GET THAT VAIR IN SHAPE!!!

The speaker was none other than Bill Mitchell himself, who created the beautiful and classic style of the Corvaire. He mentioned that six weeks after the 60 Vair was introduced, Europe had ten copies at the Paris Auto Show. This was the first American design ever copied by the smooty European designers, & THEY'RE STILL COPYING IT!!! A tremendous slide presentation of clay models etc. kept us on the edge of our seats. He ended his speech in tears as he related to us that to have lost both Ed Cole & the Corvaire is a great personal tragedy to him. "I WILL BE FOREVER GRATEFUL TO YOU PEOPLE FOR KEEPING THE CORVAIRE ALIVE", were his closing remarks.

THANK YOU , SAN DIEGO CORVAIR CLUB
IT WAS THE BEST CONVENTION, EVER!!

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OUR NEXT MEETING, Tuesday, Aug. 22, 8 P.M. Second Federal in Monroeville

We will return to our regular meeting place & time for the August meeting. The agenda will include a rundown on the raffle car, our upcoming Sept. 24 gymkhana, ideas on a phone communications system, awards to the top ten salespeople, name that newsletter, upcoming events, tech. topics, and finally series of San Diego and the fantastic GUSA national convention.

OUR NEXT EVENT, SEPT. 24, OUR FAVORITE ARTZESPORE GYMKANNA, DON'T MISS THIS ONE.

Mark it on your calendar now!! The fun event of the year. We will again take over the huge Butler fairgrounds for this one. Bill & Irene are looking into the buffet dinner situation at the nearby Garden Gate. Tentative plans call for 10 AM setup, noon first car off, 5PM buffet dinner with the gang.

MARK IT ON YOUR CALENDAR.

MORE IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.

NEW MEMBERS:

Don Stroup, Hawthorn, Pa. (610)365-5281. Don is the proud owner of the 65 Monza up. What we raffled off on July 30th. Don has been presented with a free WFOC membership for the remainder of the year. Welcome aboard, Don. We are all looking forward to meeting you at the events.

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS:

FRIENDS OF CORVAIR FURNISH - We leave at 9 AM tomorrow morning. I hope we see, or saw, many of you there.

Sept. 9 - 10, Freestate Corvaire Affair, at The Cross Keys Inn in Columbia, Maryland.

SEND A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE TO: CORVAIR CLUB OF MARYLAND
P.O. BOX 204
COLUMBIA, MD. 21045

Activities include a concours, autocross, fun rally, tech seminars, Polynesian dinner, historic-shopping tour, flea market, & just plain Vaivai. Event fees are minimal, the Inn is beautiful & reasonable, located next to a lake, with a quaint shopping center within easy walking distance. Carol & I are definitely going, give us a call & we'll set up a caravan. It is an easy 5 hour drive through the mountains, interstate all the way.

Sept. 16 - 17 Hoosier Auto Show & Swap Meet. Biggest & best car show in the Midwest & growing. WRITE TO: CIRCLE CITY CORVAIRS

& THE GRIDLEYS
RT. 2 BOX 158
FRANKLIN, INDIANA 46031

Events include the show, two laps on the famous track, a banquet, and a breakfast with Corvaire friends. Wayne & Judy Jones are planning to attend. Call Wayne to set up a convoy. IMAGINE - TWO LAPS AROUND THE INDIANAPOLIS SPEEDWAY IN YOUR CORVAIRE!!!

UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS:

Aug. 26 & 27, Auto Show at Clearfield, Pa. Fairgrounds, Free, Vaivai will compete in Special Interest 1954 & up.

Sept. 9 Vintage Chevy Show, Beyond Chevrolet, Rt. 286, Monroeville.

Sept. 24 Antiques & Classic Car Show & Parade, McKeesport, Revue Park, info.

Jim Beatherington, 664-9218. If you're not up to a gymkhana, the get over to McKeesport and support Jim's fine show.

FOR SALE

63 "700" sedan, auto, radio, white walls, 50,000 original miles, good cond. exc. interior, latest inspection. Will consider reasonable offers. Dave Wohlber, Pgh. 833-7758

63 Monza conv. 110/4sp. new paint, carpet, back window, battery. Jim Kametta, Vandergrif 567-7281

PARTING OUT - 61 Lakewood station wagon, auto, 79,000 ad. runs strong.

AND

64 Monza sp. turbo eng. 4 sp. exc. black int. including buckets. Like new Monza hub caps. Mike Demeter, Uniontown, (412)437-9524.

68 Coupe ~~de~~ 304, black int. panels. Free to WFO. ~~Bill~~ Bill Artzberger, Pgh. 864-6822.

THIS & THAT

My better half reminded me that I failed to thank Irene Artzberger and Bonnie Pezel for baby sitting during the cocktail party at the show. Thank you very much for this thankless job Irene and Bonnie.

Carole & I sold \$150 worth of T shirts & bumper stickers at the national.

Wayne Jones got his very own G.E. for his anniversary. His handle is Grumper Stumper. I guess that we can't talk about the old prez. anymore on these long trips.

If you have any remaining unaid raffle tickets, please return them to: Mrs. Carolyn Sullivan, RM#2, Box 411-A, Gettysburg, Pa. 17321.

Congratulations to Ivan for a tremendous stretch run in the top ten raffle ticket contest. If you are disappointed in the sales performance of W. Loebburg, please consider that if Ivan included his 378 sales in the W. Loebburg total, the totals would be \$676 closer together. This is a significant number.

Fine sizes can be confusing. They are generally expressed in one of three systems. The metric system tells you the width of the fattest part of the inflated casing, including bottom lugs, and rim size. The old traditional "inch" system does the same. The third system states the aspect ratio of the wire chain in the width relative to the height (rim above surface).

In metric sizes, the larger number gives the tire width in millimeters. An "R" is used to designate "Radial" ply construction and the smaller number gives the rim size. In "inch" sizes, the same applies except the unit of measurement is inches to the nearest 1/100th. For example, a common Goodyear size also would be the 7.00 x 15. This is 7.125" wide on a 15" rim and equates to a 78 x 15 in metric (7.125 x 150).

The stated aspect ratio can be easily understood in the form of percentage. In a 78 series tire, the "78" means the height is 78% of the width. Tire sizes are the 70, 80, and 90 series tires. 70's are 70%, 80's are 80%, and 90's are exactly twice as wide as they are high.

An approximate interchange chart is below. The only difference in designation for Radials is the "R" in the designation.

Traditional	Aspect	Metric
5.75 x 15	≠ 70 x 15	≠ 145 x 15
6.50 x 15	≠ 75 x 15	≠ 150 x 15
7.00 x 15	≠ 78 x 15	≠ 157.5 x 15
7.25 x 15	≠ 79 x 15	≠ 162.5 x 15
7.75 x 15	≠ 82 x 15	≠ 172.5 x 15

Continued still? Surely not.

The Editors FROM "GOODYEAR JOURNAL"

AIR FILTER TEST

A clean air filter is essential for efficient engine performance. So check the filter periodically. A quick way to check the cleanliness of the filter is to pour oil through it.

After you pour the oil through the filter, if the oil is dark, the filter element is dirty and should be replaced. The filter element should be replaced.

