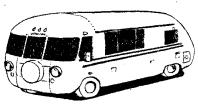
ULTRA VAN MOTOR COACH CLUB, INC.

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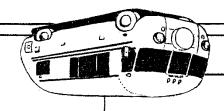


Muittier, Calif. 90605 Edna Newhouse, Secretary

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ULTRA MOTOR COACH CLUB, INC.

May 1986

OFFICERS: 1986 Ultra Year



President, Jim Craig #232 Vice President, Harold Washmuth #326 Secretary, Edna Newhouse #603 Treasurer, Louis Griggs #334

All reports of regional rallies, advertisements, etc. to be forwarded to the Secretary. Amendments suggested for the Club by-laws and technical tips to be sent to the President. Deadlines for newsletter inputs are: Nov. 15, Feb. 15, May 15, and Aug. 1st.

The President's Report

"Down The Road"

Here we are, over half way down the "Ultra Year" road headed for this year's final destination which is our "National Rally" at Fredericksburg, Texas, Oct. 5th thru 12th. I am pleased to report the road has been smooth and clear this year and a recent report from the rally hosts indicate that everything is falling into place. As you know a rally of this size requires a lot of effort by a lot of people, so if you would like to help please contact the Grootenhaar's (See the updated rally status report by the hosts elsewhere in this issue).

Along the road recently we have had two area rallies both of which were enjoyed by all those attending (See the respective reports elsewhere in this issue). In addition there are two more rallies coming up before the National Rally. Hopefully you will plan to be at the one in your area and enjoy the super fellowship and great times that we always have at these events. Besides this will give you an opportunity to check out the coach before you depart on the long trip to Texas.

A Special Request: "I request that all future rally hosts and/or the senior director attending an area rally, assure that a copy of the respective general meeting and events reports be sent to the President's office as well as the Secretary's office".

My thought here is that, with current information being provided this office, the President can be made aware of what is happening out there in Ultra land, and take appropriate action as required, rather than reading about it "after the fact" in a following newsletter. Your help here will be appreciated.

Vice President Harold Washmuth has volunteered to chair this year's Nominating Committee and with his assistance will provide a slate of nominees to be voted on and confirmed at the National Rally. The offices that require confirmation for another year are as follows: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and one each Director for East and West Divisions for three year terms.

The Directors that have terms expiring are Arnold Steenburg and Gerrit Grootenhaar. These two Directors will be completing their assigned terms and their positions will be filled in accordance with the current By-Laws. A ballot will be furnished in the next newsletter.

In the last newsletter I advised you that I had appointed Edy Ryerson as the Club Historian and in the same newsletter the Club Treasurer included a clip out regarding who owns the Ultras, Tiaras and Travelons in the club and it was to be sent to Arlene Ackerman. You probably readjusted your glasses and reread both of the sections, but never fear, all is under control. It was just a coincidense that we all, East and West started thinking about this at the same time. So the following members are actively involved in the Committee: Edy Ryerson, Chairwoman, Louis Griggs, Arlene and Robert Ackerman as Research Assistants. The committee will have a compiled report at the

National Rally. So if you can provide any information to assist, please do so. Member Mary Boso has suggested the club look into the possibilities of offering a vest that could be worn over our shirts/blouses. Some have suggested a twill type material. Any ideas? Send them to me and we will take it up at the National Rally.

Arlene Ackerman reported that her Committee has made a final selection for the jacket/cap patch that will denote the Ultra Club's 20th Anniversary (See report elsewhere in the issue). The patch logo has been approved to be used by the National Rally hosts and it will appear on all brochures, and other National related items.

Be sure and check the "Schedule of Approved Rallies and other events" elsewhere in this newsletter. For those of you that plan to attend the Ultra Rally in Belmont, MI, be advised that the Corvair Society of America (CORSA) is having their National Convention just down the road at Grand Rapids, MI, at the same time. Perhaps you can enjoy a little of both.

Bet you can't guess what make of motor coach, CORSA President Pete Koehler has? Yep! Ultra Van #465.

Keep the windshield clear and I'll see ya "Down the Road".

Jim Craig President

Openings for Officers and Directors:

Vice President - one-year term
Secretary - one-year term
Treasurer - one-year term
Two Directors - three-year terms

See your October, 1985, newsletter for your current officers, directors and committee members.

The Nominating Committee is as follows:

Harold Washmuth, (326), Chairman Pat Fitzgerald (#448) Louis Griggs (#334)

Please contact one of the above before the next newsletter to let him know of your interest in any of these offices. The ballots will be printed in the next newsletter. Votes will be counted at the National Rally in October, 1986.



From Chairman Arlene Ackerman comes a report that her committee (with Mary Boso, Ernest Newhouse and Al Polus) has finished its task on the selection of the <u>Ultra 20th Anniversary Logo Patch</u>. These arm/cap patches will be given to each member attending the National rally.

The logo selected is shown on the <u>National Flyer</u> in this issue. Congratulations to Arlene and her committee for a task well done!

Editor/Secretary



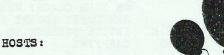
MIDYEAR RALLY AT THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS IN WATSONVILLE. CALIF.

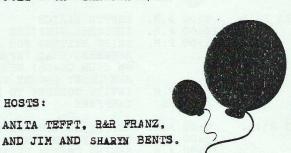


ANITA TEFFT. R&R FRANZ.









FACILITIES:

PARK ON GRASS.LARGE TREES ON PERIMETER. ELECTRIC HOOK-UPS. WATER NEARBY. SMALL CLUBHOUSE, REST ROOMS. BARBEQUE PIT. STORES IN TOWN. (ONE MILE).

WEATHER:

VARIABLE. CAN BE COOL IN JULY.

NEARBY ATTRACTIONS: HISTORIC MONTERREY WITH NEW ACQUARIUM. CARMEL. 17 MILE DRIVE. PLYING LADY RESTAURANT IN GILROY. CASTROVILLE, THE CENTER OF ARTICHOKE PRODUCTION.

BRING:

SMALL AMOUNT OF FIREWOOD. SEWING CRAFT MATERIALS AND IDEAS.

TECH SHOW AND TELL MATERIALS.

MAKINGS FOR POTLUCK, COFFEE TIME, BARBEQUE?

SWAP ITEMS.

DIRECTIONS:

FROM NORTH OR SOUTH ON U.S. 101, ABOUT 9 MILES SOUTH OF GILROY, TAKE STATE ROUTE 129 WEST. DO NOT BE TEMPTED TO TAKE 152 WHICH APPEARS MORE DIRECT-IT IS STEEP AND HAS SEVERAL HAIRPINS. 129 IS ALSO RIVERSIDE DRIVE APPROACHING WATSONVILLE. WATCH FOR CARLTON WHICH CONTINUES STRAIGHT AS RIVERSIDE BENDS LEFT. FOLLOW CARLTON UNTIL IT HITS E.LAKE AVE. (rte152). TURN LEFT. THE FAIRGROUNDS WILL BE ON YOUR HIGHT IN A FEW BLOCKS. WE WILL BE IN THE FAR WESTERN CORNER.

FEES:

\$2.00 REGISTRATION. \$7.00 PER NIGHT.

NOTES.

THERE IS A GREAT RESTAURANT IN GILROY CALLED THE "FLYING LADY" IT HAS AN AIRPLANE MOTIF. MANY MODELS WITH SOME MOVING OVERHEAD. YOU MAY WANT TO HAVE LUNCH OR DINNER HERE COMING OR GOING. MODERATE IN COST, SUNDAY BRUNCH IS \$8.95. SOME CLUBS HAVE AN INTERESTING TIME WITH SWAP MEETS. WE MADE A GOOD START AT THE ALPINE RALLY IN JANUARY. LETS ALL GIVE SOME THOUGHT AS TO WHAT WE CAN BRING. CAR PARTS AND ANY WHITE ELEPHANTS.



WEDNESDAY JULY 23rd.

COME EARLY AND SETTLE IN WITH US.

THURSDAY, JULY 24th.

9:00 A.M. KOFFEE KLATCH

10:00 A.M. INFORMAL VISITING

1:00 P.M. BRIEF MEETING FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS. QUESTIONS/ ANSWERS. WHAT IMPROV EMENTS HAVE BEEN WORTH ON YOUR COACH? WHAT WOULD CO-PILOTS LIKE TO

SEE DONE? (SORRY WE ASKED THAT!)

5:00 P.M. INVITE SOMEONE TO DINNER.

EVENING CAMPFIRE

9:00 A.M. KOFFEE KLATCH AND REGISTRATION UNTIL 11:00. 10:00 A.M. TECH SESSION UNTIL NOON. FRIDAY, JULY 25th.

10:00 A.M. SEWING CRAFTS UNTIL NOON. BRING MATERIALS

AND IDEAS.

1:00 P.M. MONTERREY AQUARIUM FOR THOSE INTERESTED. 1:00 P.M. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

2:00 P.M. FINANCIAL SEMINAR.

5:00 P.M. POT LUCK.

EVENING CAMPFIRE.

SATURDAY, JULY 26th 9:00 A.M. KOFFEE KLAICH. 10:00 A.M. TECH SESSION

10:00 A.M. CHAT & SEW. 2:00 P.M. GENERAL MEETING.

SWAP MEET.

5:00 P.M. CO-PILOTS DESERVE DINNER OUT.

EVENING CAMPFIRE.

SUNDAY, JULY 27th 10:00 A.M. RELIGEOUS SERVICES.

TEARFUL GOODBYES

11:00 A.M.

to SUNDAY BUFFET AT THE "FLYING LADY" RESTAURANT 3:00 P.M.

IN GILROY?? \$8.95.

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1986 NATIONAL OCT. CELEBRATE! 5 - 12 LADY BIRD JOHNSON MUNICIPAL PARK FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS

HOSTS

Gary & Marian Grootenhaar Jean & Betty McMasters

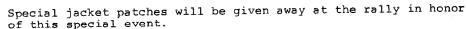
COSTS:

Daily - \$9.00 (W/E) \$10.00 (W/E/S) \$5.00 registration fee

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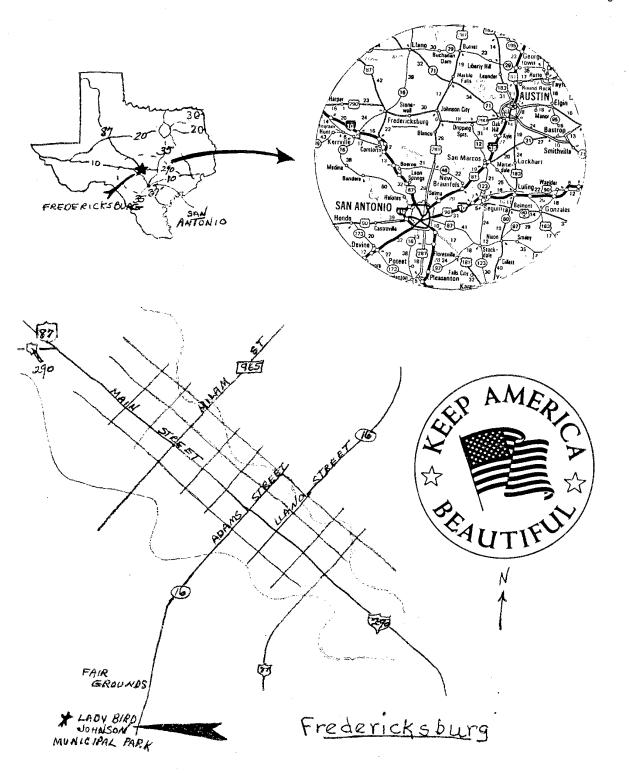
Coffee Kletzes
Tech Sessions
Crafts
Pot Luck Dinner
Dinner Out
Swap/Boutique Meet
Speakers
Prizes, awards, gifts
Games
Relaxation

Generally a good time!! Schedule will be given at a later date



Side Note: There are many attractions in the area: Admiral Nimitz State Historical Park, Balanced Rock, Enchanted Rock State Natural Area, Lyndon B. Johnson State & National Historical Park, Vereins Kirche Museum, Sunday Houses, and much more. 1986 is the 150th anniversary of Texas. There will be many side events not yet published.





Rally Report - March 19 - 23, 1986 - Suwanee, Florida

Way Down Upon the Suwanee River . . . where the River meets the Gulf . . . what a pleasant place to be! Fifty-seven people from 10 States (fartherest from New York) gathered at Miller's Campground, Suwanee, Florida March 19 - 23, 1986 and let the good times roll. Hats off to Pat and Margie Fitzgerald for choice of spot, morning orange juice and coffee, and all the other efforts involved in such a successful rally.

The Millers were most gracious--providing and stoking campfire, complimentary houseboat ride on Suwanee River (one of these days might watch for alligator wearing hat with Don Richard's Ultra ID badge); fish and hushpuppies for our potluck supper; serving catered supper, assisting with church service; whatever.

One of the gathering places was aptly named "Liar's Lair". Do you suppose any Ultra owners were there earlier?

Group unanimously approved use of term Ultra Van.

T-shirts commemorating 20th anniversary of Ultra Coach Club can be ordered through Margie Fitzgerald at \$5 each, available in small, medium or large. Will bear Ultra Van logo.

Ackermans volunteered to host next year's Florida Rally.

Groutenhaars invited attendance at Michigan Rally in July, and McMasters told of plans for hosting National Rally in Texas in October.

Sheriff George Whiteside was on prowl constantly with assistance of Deputy Ruth. Gotcha! was heard at unexpected times.

Several more were recognized as recently retired. Time does march on.

Is this a record? One-month old Julee Marie Polk was in attendance. She is granddaughter of Glann and Craig Lee and rumor has it she hopes her parents will be Ultra Van owners down the road. Howard Walthers was proclaimed oldest. Hard to believe.

Oh, yes, we are TV Stars! Yes, Ultra Vans were featured on Gainesville TV's Channel 20. Randles and Davisons paraded their coaches, Pat Fitzgerald and Gordon Harvey had speaking parts, and lots of the rest of us were 'extras'. We were able to watch the broadcast on the evening news and then see it over and over thanks to Ackerman's VCR.

Some of the activities were tech sessions, ladies' craft and gab sessions with jig-saw puzzle, Yankee Swap, slides of Suwanee River and Finger Lakes of New York, sing-along to accompaniment of Chance and Margaret Fitzgerald. Chance was winner of donated prize of propane lighter--Pat wanted it known he did not draw his brother's name--left that up to a four-year old boy.

After Palm Sunday worship service with Marilyn Davison and pastor and helpers from local church participating, time to say fond goodbyes, break camp and hit the road with the melody of "Way Down Upon the Suwanee River" lingering in our memories.

Submitted by Helene B. Hinderliter

(See Order Form for T-shirts)

ULTRA VAN MOTOR COACH CLUB CAMPING DIRECTORY

There were 19 Ultras present at the Corvair Great Western Fan Belt Toss and Swap Meet in Palm Springs, California, last November. With such a large group on hand President Jim Craig decided to hold an informal board meeting to duscuss plans for the future. One item was a suggestion by Jim Bents of San Jose that we make up a club camping directory, with inputs by the members on places they have found desirable to park and camp. Other directories do exist, such as Good Sam, Auto Clubs, KOA, Thousand Trails, etc.; but it seems like a directory of our own would be a real asset.

Do you have some special, favorite places? Tell us about them! Include those things that make them great places to spend some time. (Don't forget location, directions and cost.)

A section we'd like to include is a list of good spots for an overnight stop while you're on the road - en route - such as churches, city parks, shopping center parking lots, etc. Not all such places welcome motor homes, but many do, and it would be a real advantage to know where they are.

Since many of you travel a great deal, from one end of the United States to the other, we would like to hear from <u>all</u> areas. The directory will most likely be compiled by sections of the country: Northeast, Southwest, and so on.

Send your ideas and thoughts to me and I will compile the information into whatever format seems to surface. We need your response. Let's hear from ALL you vagabonds out there.

Harold Washmuth, Vice President 2075 N. Via Tomas Camarillo, CA 93010

Ultra Van Motor Coach Club, Inc. Treasurer's Quarterly Report-First Quarter, 1986

Balance 1/1/86:		\$4908.77
Receipts Dues Benham Capital Management Gr Refund on Club Insurance Patches sold- K. Polus	roup	600.00 34.55 16.00 4.50 5563.82
Expenses: Secretary- for Newsletter R. Franz- publicity expenses D. Peterson- retainer J. Craig- expenses Balance 4/1/86	total expenses	500.00 50.00 100.00 39.75 689.75 \$4874.07

Please look at your mailing label. The year thru which your dues is paid is shown. If you get confused and pay your dues twice, you are given credit for the following year. Respectfully submitted, Louis C. Griggs, Treas.

ULTRA POSTSCRIPTS ****

"The time of the singing of the birds has come." -- Song of Solomon 2-11-12

MOTHER'S DAY: A call came the other day from a good member, just after May 11th. It seems that "Mother's Day" was approaching, so this business son (un-named--permission to identify not granted) wanted to send his parent a gift of devotion that would display his great love and appreciation for all his wonderful mother had done for him over the years. She was now all alone and she was lonely, so he thought a "voice" around her house would be the ultimate gift. He checked at several Pet Stores and finally located a Minar Bird that talked. But the price was \$6,000. He asked the store owner, why the extreme price? His answer - the many months of training time, the rarity of the breed. After all, this large bird could recite the Declaration of Independence, the Lord's Prayer, the Bill of Rights, etc. It was an almost constant talker. The son decided that is just what mother needs, lots of good company. So he had the big bird shipped to her. On Mother's Day, he called to greet his mom and asked if she enjoyed the bird he had sent. She said. "Yes. I did! Son. I want to thank you very much. It was delicious!" She said, "Yes, I did: Son, I want to thank you very much. It was delicious:"

"Have you visited an old fashioned Grave Yard recently? It is very interesting to see what appears on people's tombstones. What would \underline{YOU} like carved on your's? What kind of a REPUTATION do Ultra members have? The BEST:

THE MODEL "T": My dad's first car was a brand spankin' new brass-radiatored model "T" Ford. Being an automobile enthusiast, even then, yours truly learned to drive at an early age. The <u>carbide</u> headlights were lit with a match. Leather straps to the front fenders held the leatherette top secure. Two years later, we got a second, <u>NEWER model "T"</u> (they <u>all</u> seem ancient now). When the model "A" came out, it was my first "<u>Hot Rod</u>" although that term was not coined until late in the '40s. Very often, the <u>center</u> Reverse Pedal was used as an emergency foot Brake. Many Ultra members know exactly how the planetary transmission worked on those early cars. However, very how the planetary transmission worked on those early cars. However, very few, perhaps, know that Cadillac Motor Car's first model was not very satisfactory....and that Henry Ford bought the design outright and promptly redesigned it into the FIRST Ford car for production at Henry's bicycle shop.

"Smart people often have differences of opinion. If there were not more than one alternative, there probably would be no controversy in the world."

GATHERING OF THE VANS: Rallies come and rallies go --- but some live in our memories longer than others. The one at Lake Casitas, hosted by Ultra's top transmission expert and Millie Eller, was definitely the <u>long-memory</u> kind. For a non-hookup camp, the amenities were superb. There was a huge yellow tent-like tarp suspended between coaches and trees....it gave us wonderful evening chill-protection and some daytime shade. Some people think of everything. They even had an <u>Easter egg hunt</u> for the young and young at heart (really--some of us oldies took part). Edna and I were sorry we had to leave a bit early because of a home appointment. Thank you Art and Millie for another great gathering. Even the Al Hoffman's from Montana, the Clark Ross's from Utah, the Lester Bell's from British Columbia were

there to enjoy a few days of camping with Ultra friends.

SEASONS: Now that Mom's and a few other days of recognition have passed, we can look FOREWARD to Memorial Day, then Flag Day, then Father's Day, then Independence Day, ad infinitum. The SEASONS (and their holidays) seem to fly by us at an ever increasing velocity. Of course, we appreciate them all. Dear Bunny may be privileged with extra free time to snooze after Easter -- not Club members -- we have rallies to go to.

"All things and ideas START somewhere. Every <u>activity</u> starts with a founder. Every <u>book</u> starts with an author. Oh, and <u>Ultra rallies</u> start with a host."

ENTREPRENEURS: We LEARN from practical experience. "Theory" may be help ful, but EXPERIENCE is the proof. Like the little boy - dressing himself "Theory" may be helpfor the first time - he started buttoning his shirt from the bottom...ok,ok! When he reached the top, there was an extra button left to be used. He started out WRONG. All of us have made mistakes in life. The little boy had to LEARN it would be better to start at the top. Most people learn by DOING and correct their errors through experience. That is NOT the best way...it is the hard way. But most people just can't make themselves ask those who performed earlier. It is too bad that the "hard way" process must be repeated for (almost) every living soul on earth. The few who are different (the remaining 6% or so) seek out and GAIN from studying the successful EXPERIENCE of others. They are the entrepreneurs, the "bridge" builders, the more successful. But...even they must learn from their own applications and, therefore, personal experience is always the final teacher.

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses, yearning to breathe free...." The STATUE OF LIBERTY stands in proud testimony to the sacrifices of men and women everywhere, working to gain and preserve the liberty we already enjoy. Millions of people wouldn't be Americans today if their ancestors hadn't decided--perhaps at the peril of their lives--to risk a new life in a new land. Most ULTRA CLUB members can trace their roots to grandparents who did just that. We aren't here by accident; our grandparents CHOSE to come. If this were not so, you and I, many of us, would be stuck away in some tiny or socialistic land "YEARNING to breathe free." Are our borders, today, too wide open? Thousands of frightened people from Central America enter each week...plus those from many other lands. Waves of refugees, adventurers, the poor and the persecuted arrive. WHY? They come in search of OPPORTUNITY and freedom. Just like your heritage, and mine? If so, we need to welcome them. If TOO MANY arrive, can our society cope? One analyst believes Mexico is going Marxist--near 100% inflation rate; their economy in shambles--30/40 MILLION may decide to cross the Rio Grande. The situation is like South Africa's, where 250,000 apply EACH YEAR to come in.

CHURCH BULLETIN: On Wednesday, the Ladies Liturgy Society will meet. Mrs. Johnson will sing, "Put Me In My Little Bed" accompanied by the Pastor.

DEAR GEORGE: The letters, cards, and phone calls were numerous this past quarter. Every message received was welcomed and much appreciated. everyone knows good member <u>George Rakous</u>. He occasionally brought his father, nearing the century mark, along to rallies. Words written by George were especially poignant -- we were sorry to learn because of increasing health problems, he felt unable to attend future rallies and was obliged to make his coach available. He enjoyed his membership very much. Anyway, I put a notice on the Bulletin Board at the Casitas rally and a visiting couple, the Alabasters from Laguna Beach, drove over to see George. Now We will all miss the original owner, but welcome John & Jan. #342 is theirs.

<u>WHICH weighs MORE</u> -- a pound of gold, or a pound of feathers? <u>You already know</u>? It's the <u>pound</u> of FEATHERS, of course! We have two common kinds of domestic weight measure...<u>avoirdupois</u> (for commodities in general) and troy (used chiefly in weighing precious metals). The first contains sixteen ounces, the latter only twelve ounces. So the feathers weigh 4-ounces more.

ANOTHER CHURCH BULLETIN: The services today will close with, "Little Drops of Water". One of the ladies will start quietly, then the rest will join in.

Many times in my books and free-lance articles written over the years, I've commented that a little "sugar" helps the medicine go down. Every time a person has a good belly laugh or a wide smile, his LIFE is extended one more month. Please come (don't miss) the next Ultra Rally...have fun.

Sincerely,

Ernest bebe Newhouse

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DIRECTORY ADDITIONS/CHANGES



#340 -	Norman & Carol Wareberg (New) 24303 Woolsey Canyon #136 Canoga Park, Ca. 91304 PH: 818-887-2105	#342 - John & Jan Alabaster (New) 871 Van Dyke Dr. Laguna Beach, Ca. 92651 PH: 714-494-5548
# 4 80 -	Roger & Tommie Young (New) 4788 S.W 39 Way Ft. Lauderdale, Fl. 33312	#497 - Donald T. Elliott (New) 9576 Woodleaf Star Route Oroville, Ca. 95966
#483 -	Allen R. Turner (New 916 Anaheim Blvd. address) Anaheim, Ca. 92805 PH: 714-774-6656	#228 - W. Christy Barden (New 2475 So. Birch St. address) Denver, Co. 80222
#250 -	Tim & Mary Verschuyl PH: 415-493-2850	#278 - Reynold & Alaca Christman Additional PH: 472-2301
#200 -	Mel & Millie Dinesen Zip 93313	#100 - Leonard & Jean Morris Add Box #24
#455 ~	Jack & Barbara Jacobsen Also add Coach #547	#264 - Dennis & Linda Radford Hobe Sound, instead of Hobo
"A" -	Violette Krantz (Summer) Box 266, Irons, Mi.	#434 - Past Members - Fred & Eleanor Leary
	Omit Box# (Winter) Add 29313 Turback Dr. Punta Gorda Fl.	Request - no phone calls or other contacts.

REMINDER - - The deadline for Articles to be placed in the next Newsletter is August 1st.

Secretary

Punta Gorda, Fl.

SCHEDULE OF APPROVED RALLIES

Rally Chairman (East) Charlie Smith #348 Rally Chairman (West) Harold Washmuth #326

Date	Location	Hosts	Telephone #
July 24-27	Santa Cruz County	Anita Tefft	415-343-7520
	Fairgrounds, Watson-	Bob & Roberta Franz	415-757-3557
	ville, Ca.	Jim & Sharyn Bents	408-997-7438
July 30-	Grand Rogue Campground Belmont, Mi.	Gary & Marian Grootenhaar	616 - 896-8630
Aug. 3		Clyde & Kaye Stanton	616 - 795 - 9078
OCT. 5-12	Ladybird Johnson Park	Gary & Marian Grootenhaar	616-896-8630
(NATIONAL)	Fredericksburg, Texas	Jean & Bette McMasters	305-626 - 0388

AVAILABLE

- #340 Ultra Van. 110 Engine, 4-sp Trans., low miles on engine rebuild. Excellent condition inside & out, Air suspension, White interior, LEVELOR blinds, Fac. Air. cond., Radial tires, Paint in good condition. \$9,000 OBO. Norman Wareberg (818) -887-2105.
- #440 1969 Ultra Van 140 HP, 6 Cyl. Corvair Engine. Very good condition.
 Asking \$7,000. Evelyn Shepherd, 7260 S. E. Tenino St. Portland, Or. 97206.
 PH: 503-775-4469.
- #455 1969 Ultra Coach 110 Corvair Engine & Trans., recently rebuilt with & guarantee. Contact "The Engraver", P. O. Box 533, Chester Springs, Pa. #547 19425 or call 215-827- 7524. (Only ONE for sale either 110 or V-8 model).
- #346 1968 Ultra Coach, 4-speed Trans. Recent overhaul, new tires, brakes, shocks, front springs, rear wheel bearing packed, forced air heat. \$7,500. Patrick P. Coxsey. PH: 805-736-6064.
- #356 1968 Ultra Van. 29,000 Miles, 110 Corvair engine, Auto. trans. Ed Grubb, 2704 Fig St., Tampa, Fl. 33609. PH: 813-876-4988. 9 P.M. E.D.T.
- #232 Ultra Van. 110 Engine, Auto. Trans., Mag. Style wheels, Radial tires, New rug, Cherrywood interior, Front steering bearings repl. & improvements done, All glass good, Paint good cond, Trans. & engine coolers, New large window installed w/LEVELOR blind in rear, Extra rear brake lights. Ready to travel. \$7,995 OBO. Jim Craig (619)-571-3493.

Turbocharger Assy. (Corvair) Disassy, cleaned & inspected. (Early Unit) \$175. Turbo Carb. (Early) cleaned & kitted \$65. Jim Craig (619)-571-3493.

<u>ULTRA COACH PAINTING</u> - \$750 (one color). American Auto Service, Mr. Keith Bowman, 8775 Miramar Place, San Diego, Ca. 92121. (619)-452-7200. (Paint used is Ditzler Acrylic Enamel with hardner).

Windshields! Windshields! Orig. Ultra. Have 2 ea. R/H Side. Plain & uncut, \$250 & l ea. L/H Side, tinted & shaded, \$350. (Pay in advance & will deliver to the July or Oct. rally). These items will be difficult & expensive to locate in the future. These prices will not last long. Jim Craig (619)-571-3493.

"Ultra Coach Owners Manual" - (Len & Edy Ryerson's Technical Manual). This is the Ultra Van technical bible. Highly recommended. Only a few remaining from last sales. Buy now before they are all gone. Price \$58, plus UPS shipping (approx. \$3.00 - \$5.00). Mail check or money order of \$58 to Len Ryerson. Send separate check on receipt of book to cover shipping charges. 18618 Rayen St., Northridge, Ca. 91324. Phone (818)-349-5058.

"New Ultra Van Rear Window" Are you ready to add a little more class to the rear of your Ultra Van? Sure you are. Get rid of that old leaking one, now and forever. I have available a very quality larger window that installs in the area of the original small one. Details are as follows: Size 32" wide by 24" high, curved to fit coach contour (24" side). Window is grade AS-3, tinted, full tempered plastic. Color of window is dark smoke-near black. (Hard to see in, but very clear looking out). Frame and inner valance is black anodized aluminum with radiused curved corners. SASE for photo, Price \$85 plus shipping (approx. \$6.00/8.00 UPS), or send \$40 deposit and I will deliver to next local rally or Texas National. \$175 installed, by appointment. Jim Craig #65. 619-571-3493.

- (A) Clark's Corvair Part's Catalog: \$2.50 (\$4.00 value).
- (B) Otto Part's Catalog: \$2.50 (\$4.00 value).
- (C) Corvair Belt -- Best Avail. -- By Otto Parts Mfg. to proper width, angle and length for long service life. Highly recommended. \$9.95 ea. or 2 for \$19.20, plus \$2.00 postage (\$1.25 for one). Profit from (A), (B), & (C) to Club Treasurer. All will be available at next Western Div. & National Rally. All available from East & West Division Merchandise Chairman after Oct. '86. Belts can be ordered by mail from: Jim Craig #232 (619)-571-3493.

1986 National Rally ---- Agenda Item 1A

Proposed amendments to By-Laws of Ultra Van Motor Coach Club, Inc.

Note: In the February 1986 newsletter, number the Agenda 1 By-Law changes; #1 thru 6.
All subsequent proposed changes will follow in numerical sequence.

J. Craig 5/5/86

We, the undersigned, do hereby present these proposed amendments to the By-Laws of the Ultra Van Motor Coach Club, Inc., to be voted on at the 1986 National Rally of the Club. This constitutes legal notice.

7. Appendix C.

Paragraph 3F. Remove present paragraph, and substitute the following:

Selects a Nominating Committee from the general membership. He <u>may</u> select a Chairman, who will secure at least two other members for the Committee. This Committee shall secure candidates for offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Directors as applicable.

Reasoning: Others beside the Board of Directors should be allowed to help secure nominees.

8. Appendix H.

Paragraph 1. B. Delete.

Reasoning: This paragraph is not consistent with the rest of the By-Laws.

The "Director Group" has no more votes than any other member in electing officers.

Paragraph 4. B.

Change last sentence to read: Decisions are final, subject only to ratification of the Membership at the next National Rally.

Reasoning: Six members make a quorum of the Executive Board. Four make a 2/3 majority. Four people with the authority to make a non-appealable decision could get us into a lot of trouble.

9. Appendix D

1986 National Rally -- Agenda Item 1B

Paragraph 2. A.

Change line A to read: Election is for "2 Ultra Years".

Reasoning: To provide continuity with '86 National Agenda item #1A 6 last paragraph.

10. Article VI - Membership

. (A) <u>Section 2</u> Associate Member - After the word *who", in first line add: "Agrees with the purpose of the club and who"

Reasoning: Adds continuity in relation to qualifications of a regular member as noted in Section 1.

(B) Section 4 - Dues - Add after last sentence - "Dues are delinquent 1st of Jan.

Reasoning: Establishes a firm date that dues are delinquent.

11. Article VII -- Officers

(A) Section B -- Remove from last sentence number "1" and number "2"

Reasoning: Correction of statement

(B) <u>Section 6</u> -- Add underlined changes to existing sentence and remove the two "A" words, <u>The</u> President <u>and Vice President</u> shall be elected for two year terms and may not serve more than two terms in any six year period.

Reasoning: Identifies terms of offices other than Directors to give continuity to Section 5 change on Agenda #1.

12. Article VIII -- Elections

Section 4: In the first sentence after the word, years, add: "except as noted above".

Reasoning: To give continuity to Section 3.

13. Article XI -- The National Rally

Section 2: Add underlined changes to the second sentence: <u>It will be held in</u> an area of the U.S. with <u>the</u> east perimeter being the Mississippi River and the west <u>perimeter</u> being <u>the</u> Continental Divide

Reasoning: Clarification of sentence.

14. Section 4: Change date of 1st to 10th

Reasoning: Will allow newsletter to arrive in members hands in accordance with section 6.

15. Section 8(B): Add to the first sentence; "in addition to a copy being attached to the official By-Law document".

Reasoning: Adds source of changes made for cross reference of records and meets requirements of Supplements of page 1 of these By-Laws.

16. By-Laws Page 1, Supplements-Add the word "business" after word annual and add, "(Ref. Art. XI, Section 8(B)", at end of sentence.

Reasoning: To clarify which report is to be filed. There could be other annual reports other than "business" types.

17. Article XII - Local Activities

Section 3: Add words "President and/or" before word National and "Rally" after National, and "and" after action in second sentence.

Reasoning: Will keep President informed of business matter that he should be cognizant of.

18. Appendix J - The Ernest Newhouse Award

Paragraph 2 -- Procedures, Para. 2A -- Add "or member couples", after word Member. Para. 2B -- Add "or combined" after word individual. Para. 2D -- Add the words "or couple" after individual in second and third sentence. Para. 2E -- Remove word "individual" from first sentence.

Reasoning: Authority for membership to grant award to more than an individual.

Signed:



:T: SHIRT ORDER FORM

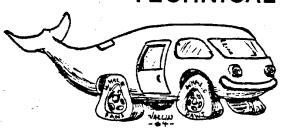
BELOW IS AN ORDER FORM FOR THOSE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ORDER A 20TH
ANNIVERSARY: T: SHIRT. THE ULTRA CLUB LOGO WILL BE SILK SCREENED ON
THE BACK ON A WHITE SHIRT. IF YOU INTEND TO BE AT THE GRAND RAPIDS,
MICHIGAN RALLY PLEASE INDICATE ON FORM. OTHERWISE, SHIRTS WILL BE DELIVERED AT THE NATIONAL RALLY AT FREDRICKSBURG, TEXAS IN OCTOBER.

PLEASE ENCLOSE CHECK WITH ORDER. FOR DELIVERY AT GRAND RAPIDS YOUR CHECK
WILL HAVE TO BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 1 JULY. FOR TEXAS DELIVERY NO
LATER THAN 15 AUGUST. MAIL CHECK AND ORDER FORM TO MARGE FITZGERALD
1079 BAYSHORE DRIVE, ENGLEWOOD, FLORIDA 33533. THERE ARE TWO OPTIONS
OF SHIRT STYLES. THE REGULAR HIGH NECK: T: SHIRT AT \$7.00. OR A HEAVIER
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TECHNICAL WHALE TALES



"Technical Whale Tales is a collection of technical tips submitted by Ultra Van Motor Coach Club, Inc. members. Although the technical tips included in this section have been reviewed for technical content and are believed to be both acceptable and workable, no guarantee is implied that they will work correctly, nor is any liability assumed by either Ultra Van Motor Coach Club, Inc. or the author for any problems resulting from using these technical tips." Forward all technical tips to Jim Craig #232.

Quote: "Its better to keep it fixed, than to have it fixed"

By UltraWrench

I am really amazed at the amount of technical information that surfaces at each of the technical sessions during the rallies. If there was some way to record all of it, we would fill up a couple of large books. But there seems to be no end to it, because each of us finds or developes an improvement or repair. These sessions are one of the highlights at each rally and if you are not attending you are missing out on some good information and a good time.

The quote noted above says it all and really, thats what the technical sessions and this article are all about.

Starting at the next rally I will have available the new 1986/87 Clarks Corvair Parts and Otto Parts Catalogs. These will be available at the National also. The club will be selling these at a reduced rate. Also I will continue to have free technical sheets available.

Only two persons responded to my tank clip-out sheet, that was in the last newsletter. So from that I assume that 98% of the Ultras still have good tanks. Hmm? One of the two persons recommended that this would be a good time to upgrade the tanks, including methods of attachment and location. A portion of his ideas are included elsewhere in this article.

Update your list of "Suppliers of tools and etc! that was in the October 1985 newsletter as follows;

Cancel:

Item #9, Abscon Industries (no longer sells rivets)

Add:

Item #15, Sierra Pacific (aluminum rivets, spec. bolts & fasteners)
1801 West El Segundo
Compton, CA 90224 (213) 636-2431

Item #10, "Ultra Windshields Avail."

Item #15, Clarks Corvair Parts Inc. (excellant parts supplier)
RT 2
Shelburne Falls, Mass. 01370

(413) 625-9776/9731 or (413) 625-2558 (24 Hrs)

Item #16, Otto Parts (Corvair hi-performance equipment) 9659 Remer St. South El Monte, CA 91733 (213) 579-5875 Item #17, Liberty Engineering (aluminum rivets & other fasteners)
9300 Mason Ave.
Chatsworth, CA 91311
(818) 882-1313

Item #18, Corvair Obsolete (spec. in hard to find NOS parts & good used parts avail.)
 10620 S. La Cienega Blvd.
 Inglewood, CA 90304
 (213) 649-1082

Technical tips that are included in this issue are as follows: "Use of low lead fuels", "Tire update", Alum. Rivet update, "Bright Bulbs", "Rear engine mount update", "Crankshaft gears",

I am getting short on technical tips for the future, and would appreciate you sharing one or more of your own the rest of us. Send them in now or bring to the next rally.

Jim Craig
Chairman

Whale Tip: Summer 1-86, Low Octa ne Adjustments. Ref. Ultra Manual Section 13, Page 13-11

Quotes from "Burgee", The South Coast Nautical Magazine. April 1986

The availability of gasoline is now not as much a concern as in the past. However, the falling octane rating should be of major concern.

The problem with reduced lead or unleaded fuels \underline{is} not the loss of lead, but more importantly, the $\underline{lowering}$ of the octane level. Low octane gasolines can cause uncontrolled burning in the engines combustion chamber. The most immediate and obvious result is engine "knock" or "preignition". If not corrected, preignition will cause major problems with internal engine components. Melted pistons, cracked cylinder heads, burnt valves and broken rings can all be the result of uncontrolled fuel detonation.

In most cases engines can be adjusted to operate on low lead or unleaded fuel of less than optimum quality by one of two methods. It is important to remember that you want to reduce the uncontrolled rate at which the gasoline burns.

The most common method is to reduce the ignition timing by as much as 5 degrees. This modification only requires the use of an ignition timing light. A secondary method that can be used is much more involved and requires the reduction of engine compression ratios. Depending on the type of motor, this can be accomplished by changing head gaskets, changing pistons or in some cases changing the entire cylinder head. All costly items, but far less costly than the results of engine detonation.

Always use the highest octane gasoline available, leaded or unleaded. Never use gasolines containing any portion of alcohol or methanol as these artifically raise the octane numbers, and attract unwanted moisture in the fuel system.

Any modification made may result in a small loss of power due to reduction of compression ratio, retarding the ignition timing, or both. The effect on engine performance should be minimal.

Mel Dinesen #200

Whale Tip: Summer 2-86, Tires for the Ultra-Update

Ref. Ultra manual section 11, Page 11-5 and Whale Tip: Winter 3-85 Make following changes to Whale Tip noted above on tires as follows: Add word "Transport" to Continental #RS771 in first column. Add "Except has one nylon instead of one rayon" for same tire noted above, in column noted "Ply Construction". Jim Craig #65

Whale Tip: Summer 3-86, Aluminum Rivet Update
Ref: Ultra Manual Section 1, Page 1-5 and Whale Tip: Winter 1-85 & Spring 11-86 Add: "and technical bulletin, dated Nov. 13, 1983", after word "Page 1-5" in first line Reference.

Remove: complete "note" at top of page of Tip "Spring 11-86".

Remove: First paragraph of Tip Spring 11-86 starting with the words "The supplement noted -- ".

Recommendation:

Do not purchase Type DD, Alloy 24S Rivets noted in the Technical Bulletin, dated Nov. 13, 1983, unless you have facilities for annealing them and keeping in a frozen state prior to use. These are very hard rivets and will usually fracture if driven/bucked without being in an annealed state. They are commonly referred to as "Icebox Rivets" in the trade. A super strong rivet for high stressed areas.

Jim Craig #65

Whale Tip: Summer 4-86, Bright Light Bulbs.

Ref. Ultra manual Section 15, page 15-12

The Ultra's are not noted for having tail running/brake lights that are blinding in brightness, but here is a way you can help them quite a bit. Order from Speedway Motors, 2 each "Super" Power Taillight Bulbs, (12 Volt-50 Candle Power) item #16 of page 280 Spec. Edition Catalog, price is 2.95 each. 300 Van Dorn, Lincoln, NE 68502 (402)474-4411.

Jim Craig #65

Whale Tip: Summer 5-86, Rear Engine Mount Update.

Ref: Ultra Manual Section 13, Page 13-9 and Whale Tip: Spring 7-86 In the Spring 7-86 tip you found out how to inspect and repair the mount and thats fine, but I recommend replacing the 1965 type mount with the later type which is available from Clarks Corvair Parts. Order the following as noted on page 160 of the 86/87 Gold Catalog, P/N C325, 1 each (if available) 1 each #C1590, \$2.90 and 1 set #C1224, 65¢. (Contact Corvair Obsolete or call (213) 649-1082) GM P/N is 3880558, price \$49.50, Group No. 0.027, Special order will be required.

Michael Volg #343

Whale Tip: Summer 6-86, Crankshaft Gears, Identification of Ref. Ultra Manual Section 13, Page 13-27, Item #4.

Ref. (A) Sealed Power P/N 221-2529, Gear

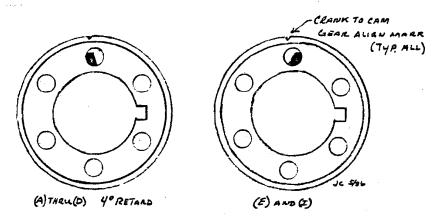
(B) NAPA P/N 8-2529, Gear

- (C) Clarks Corvair Parts P/N C 786XP, Gear
- (D) GM P/N 3885399, Gear
- (E) GM P/N 3847972, Gear
- (F) GM P/N 3859585, Gasket
- (G) Clarks Corvair Parts P/N C786A, Gasket

(H) GM P/N 3875827, Crankshaft

(I) Clarks Corvair Parts P/N C786X & (E) are same

In the process of rebuilding a 140 HP Corvair engine recently I noticed that there was no part number or position identifing marks on crankshaft gears (D) & (E) (except a 1/8" drill mark on (E). I observed that by holding the gear at eye level with the gear teeth on the far side and looking thru the bolt hole aligned with the alignment mark on the upper flange I could see one gear tooth. The tooths position in the hole will positively indicate which part number it is. (See sketch below)



Gear (A) thru (D) is made to give the crankshaft a 4° retard. This gear was used in the 1965-69* engines when applied with the automatic transmission application. *(only the following:'65/66 (4/1BC WP/G) & '68/69 W/PG)

Item (H) is the complete assy. (crankshaft, one of gears (A) thru (D) and gasket (F) or (G)).

Gear (E) was used in all engines with standard transmissions and basic engines with automatic transmissions, except 4/1BC W/PG.

NOTE: <u>CAUTION</u> -- Massive oil leak will be assured if item (F) or (G) is damaged by hot tank cleaning solutions or is not installed with new gear.

Gear (A) thru (D) when used with camshaft P/N 3839889 makes a good low RPM, high torque engine. This combination has been recommended in technical articles in recent Corvair related publications. I have personally built up three engines using this combination and all are performing as advertised.

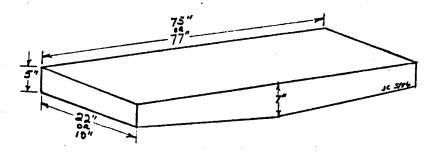
Jim Craig #65

FOR INFO -- Your comments are requested on the following:

"Replacement of the Ultra Tanks or Upgrade & Replacement?" by Walt Davison #366 Do we really want to just replace the standard tanks, or might we be better advised to use tank replacement time as upgrade time?

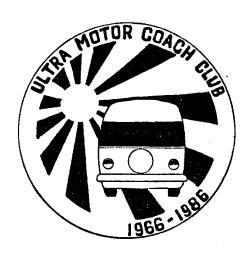
Do we really need a thirty gallon fuel tank? My proposal--new fuel tank, material? Dimensions, 77" long X 10" wide X 5" deep at sides and tapered to the center for 7" depth. Capacity: 20 Gals. (This gives a sump effect at the center and eliminates the two pickup system on early coaches. Gives approx. 7" excess space between fuel tank and water tanks) Mount tank 1" aft of present position. Gives new attach area mounting)

My proposal -- New Water Tank, Material (Stainless steel? ED) Dimensions 77" (or 75") X 22" X 5" W/7" at center = 44 Gals. 77" is current system, 75" gives room for 1" foam insulation between tank and side rail attach structure - Maybe? Yes or no? Mount tank 1" forward of present position- gives new mounting area. (See sketch next page)



This proposal does not interfere with holding tanks on either early or late models. It allows new mounting positions and adjusts tank sizes to what in my opinion is a more rational allocation of space. (How would these ideas effect structural soundness of coach body? Your comments, please. ED)

Jim Craig #65



This is the aw fish yul report of the Mar/Fla U.V. Rally teck nickle sessions.

Best things first—Frank Rudolph ex-357 demonstrated his air-bag-jack. Hook tube to tail pipe, inflate bag with exhaust, up goes coach-its quick, its neat, it works. Bag system is used on large aircraft, so system is real.

Sources: (NOT RECCMENDATIONS)

J.C, Whitney P/N 81-1486B CAT#467D \$29.95 312-431-6102

Brookstone is also reported to have similar (identical?) device. Brake lines-hydraulic. If they are original they are at least 15 yrs old. They were not stainless. They will rust. THEY HAVE RUSTED. Several members agreed, when brake pedal goes to floor, it is a source of considerable excitement. You may contemplate the other possibilities. Check manual (Thanks Edy/Len) and proceed. (Supposedly stainless lines are available-if source is found-don't keep it a secret.)

HALON fire ext. Work like MAGIC (sorry) no mess to clean up, and unlike dry chemical NO CORROSIVE RESIDUE (aluminum coach owners please note.)

Yes they are more expensive. But as has been said "the good stuff usually is."

Universal-joints: Were discussed. See your manual, Len knows-and bless him he doesn't keep it a secret.

The subject of R/W bearings did not come up. Hip Hip Hooray!! Pause here and give thanks to the team of Len/Leary (possibly others, no offense meant) theteam that has done more for us, ALL OF US, than we can ever thank them for.

But any how THANKS GUYS!!!

Tid-bit- Rain-X TRY IT YOU'LL LOVE IT.

Come to Nat'l Rally in Texas and see if air-flow management system on #366 works or not. Also by then #366 should know if lowering engine two inches was a good idea or was a waste of time. (lowered engine?)

Obviously can't cover it all, you should have been there ...

I'm off to test old #366 for a while, see you good people in Texas or wherever.

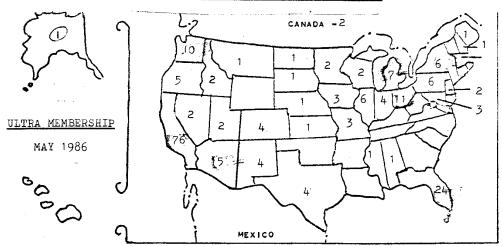
Walt D. or #366

The manufacturer has recently identified an unusual circumstance relating to the use of catalytic heaters in the close confines of an RV. It seems that freon has the ability to drastically reduce the lifespan of the heat-producing catalyst pad. Unfortunately, freon is still used extensively as a propellant in aerosol cans, i.e. hairsprays, deodorants, non-stick frying pan additives, etc. If these products are used regularly near a catalytic heater, they will likely damage the unit, according to Thermal Systems. To eliminate this potential problem, the company suggests that pump-type spray products be used in place of those found in aerosol cans.

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