

Whales on Wheels

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2019



**UVMCC was incorporated
in October 1967 for all who
are interested in Ultra Vans
CORSA Chapter #008**



2019 NATIONAL RALLY—KEARNEY, NE



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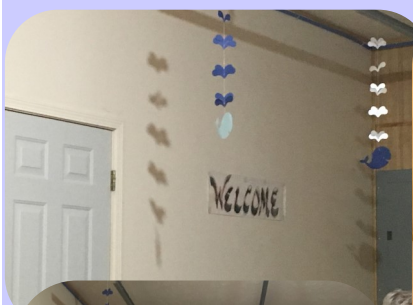
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Day 1

Whale decorations, welcome bags, dinnerspread and dinner, Hostess Sherry Morrow giving Rally instructions



Day 2

Tech sessions, some of the coaches (yes, that's a corn field back there), lively bingo in the evening



#398



#333



#400



#402



#500



#328



#424



#20



Day 3

Arch Tour, tech session with Chris Shade (Shade's Classic Cars), Pot Luck Dinner, Yankee Swap, Casino night—fake money, real prizes



Day 4

Business meetings, Coaches on display downtown "on the bricks", movie—The Long, Long Trailer

Owen's luxurious interior seating



We made the newspaper

Day 5

Blueprint Engine Plant, Classic Car Museum, Banquet at the museum, group picture



Front Row—Molly Bacon, Sherry Morrow, Fran Jones, Sherry Morrow's Corvair, Patty Mello, Ken Hand, Olga Anderson, Owen Strawn
Back Row—Chris Brown, Gloria Beck, Dave Beck, Carl Jones, Tom, Ella, Jo (Sherry's friends and helpers), Mary Lou Kramer, Jerry Kramer, Jerry Mello, Gary Anderson
Those who had to leave early—Joe Scalet, Jeff and Abigail Stonesifer, Ted and Pat Malo

Day 6—Our parting sunrise



Miscellaneous Rally Pictures



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!!

Minutes from the Rally general membership business meeting

The meeting was called to order at 11:10AM CDT by outgoing President Jerry Mello.

The bylaw minor revisions made in the Board meeting were read. Owen Strawn made a motion to approve. Jerry Kramer seconded the motion. The members in attendance unanimously approved. (Bylaws are posted on the website at the very bottom of the membership page, <http://ultravan.club/dir/corsa-chapter-008-and-uvmmc-membership-information/> and will be mailed to the mailed newsletter members)

There was a discussion about the 2020 National Rally being held either before or after the CORSA Convention (July 7—11) near San Diego, CA.

Since so few members are able to attend rallies, there was a discussion about the different venues possible for a virtual membership meeting. Possibly a conference call or a webinar.

Craig Lamond who owns the website URL, ultravan.org, has offered it to the club. Carl Jones made a motion that the club look into purchasing it. Gary Anderson seconded it. The majority of the membership approved it. This would allow us to have ownership so no one else could take it.

Election results were read by Secretary, Molly Bacon

President – Ken Hand

Vice President – Brenda Standal

Secretary – Molly Bacon

Treasurer – Molly Bacon

Newsletter Editor – Molly Bacon

Because the new bylaws were approved, the newly elected Director positions have been eliminated (see Bylaws Article VII, Section 4)

Since no one sent nominations for the Ernest Newhouse Award in advance to be included on the ballot, the award was not presented. The two qualified nominations sent with the ballots will be carried over to the 2020 ballot.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30PM CDT

CONGRATULATIONS!!

WHALES ON WHEELS WAS AWARDED THE THIRD
PLACE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AWARD AT THE 2019
CORSА CONVENTION



FROM THE PREZ



WOW!

LITERALLY. A LOT HAPPENED AT THE RALLY AT KEARNEY, NE. I FOUND OUT THAT IT IS PRONOUNCED "CARNEY" FOR ONE, THEN AFTER THE BALLOTS WERE COUNTED I WAS ELECTED PREZ! THANK YOU FOR ALL THE VOTES!

I THINK WE HAD 8 COACHES SHOW UP, ONE WAS BEING TOWED AND THEY ONLY STAYED A COUPLE OF DAYS. I ACTUALLY LIMPED IN ON 5 CYLINDERS WITH A BAD CAM, I THOUGHT ABOUT TRYING TO DRIVE HOME BUT I DECIDED AGAINST THAT SINCE I HAD A PLACE TO KEEP IT AND ULTIMATELY WORK ON IT. A BIG SHOUT OUT GOES TO CHRIS SHADE OF SHADES CLASSIC CARS IN HASTINGS, NE. [HTTP://SHADESCCLASSICCARS.COM/](http://shadesclassiccars.com/). I WILL BE BUILDING A NEW ENGINE, SHIPPING IT TO CHRIS AND THEN I WILL TAKE THE TRAIN OUT AND PUT THE NEW ENGINE IN AND DRIVE THE COACH HOME.

AT THE BUSINESS MEETING THERE WAS A LOT TO TALK ABOUT SINCE WE HAD SOME MAJOR CHANGES PROPOSED FOR THE BY-LAWS. THE NEW BY-LAWS WERE VOTED ON AND PASSED. THERE WERE SOME COMMENTS ON THE BY-LAWS AND THOSE WILL HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE FUTURE. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO COMMENT THAT THERE WERE SOME NOMINATIONS FOR THE ERNIE NEWHOUSE AWARD BUT THEY WERE NOT SUBMITTED IN THE MANNER THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN NOR IN THE TIME FRAME THAT ALLOWED TIME FOR CONSIDERATION FOR AWARDING THIS YEAR.

I HAVE LOTS MORE TO SAY BUT I THINK I NEED TO SAVE SOMETHING FOR THE NEXT ISSUE! LOL

Ken Hand

Annual Dues Due

With the bylaw changes, UVMCC's dues are now due at the end of the year. You still can be proactive and renew them now, either on the website, <http://ultravan.club/dir/corsa-chapter-008-and-uvmmc-membership-information/> or by mailing them to UVMCC, 5425 Morrow Rd., Gladwin, MI 48624.

Dues are \$5 a year for an emailed newsletter and \$15 a year for a printed, mailed newsletter. You can pay for more than one year at a time.



Coming Due By Year End

Phil & Margaret Bartholomew	Doug & Margaret Bell
Paul Bergstrom	Dan B... & Heather H...
Bill Bikle	Rick Brummet
Jenny Dionis	Larry Forman & Rosie Walker
Randy & Cheryl Gilchrist	Tosh & Annie Gregg
Patsy Husmann	Bob Kodadek
Jerry & Mary Lou Kramer	Robert W. Langdon
Damian Lee & Christine Tulk	Joel & Laura McGregor
Rick & Suzanne Milne	Art & Marilyn Moore
Nick & Shonna Riepe	Leo & Betsy Senn
Greg Shaw	Pete Smith
Ellen Snell	Clyde & Kaye Stanton
Jérôme Stevens	Gabriel Villagran
Kazui & Ai Wachi	Joseph & Phyllis Wilhelm
Darrell G. Woofter	

Last newsletter we asked for thoughts and prayers for Larry Forman and here is his response

Hi Everyone,

I just wanted to send a quick note how appreciative I am for all the positive thoughts and prayers for my recent recovery from what started as food poisoning.

Rosie and I attended the 2019 International Met Convention in Castle Rock, CO. We left Sacramento on June 14th caravanning with another Met owner who was also flat towing his Met behind his RV as we did behind our Ultravan. We had a great time and left on Sunday, June 23rd, stopping in Salt Lake City to do some research of my family history. We stopped in Reno on June 28th planning to do some hotel checking for a possible 2021 Met Convention in Reno the next day. We had dinner at the Grand Sierra Resort while we camped in their RV park.

I contracted food poisoning from that dinner but felt just well enough to drive to Sacramento until I again felt bad enough to go to the emergency room at Sutter General. I was transferred to the hospital a day or so later while they continued testing me. I was then transferred to the ICU when my blood pressure dropped and my liver panel went through the roof. They called Rosie and said I was "gravely ill" when I could not remember my name or where I was (a first for me). After spending six days lying in bed at Sutter General, I was released after noon on July 4th. Later I read my discharge papers where they said I had "extreme sepsis" and pneumonia. Either of which could have killed me.

I am extremely glad to have now about fully recovered and am thankful for all the wonderful concerns and prayers and cards/notes I received. It is extremely humbling to come through something like this. I am now back to working on the Ultravan with plans to continue working on Rosie's Met and back to my normal routines.

Live well,
Larry

Welcome to our new members

Illinois

Connors Powers

Ted Malo

Indiana

Michael McKeel

Kansas

Gary Moore

Ohio

Ray Mitchell

South Carolina

Jamie Cheek #345

Welcome back since 1998

Michigan

Ralph Bates #313

ROSTER CORRECTION

It was brought to my attention that I missed the listing for two states in the Ultra Van Help List. Please contact me, Molly Bacon, uvmcc_membership@yahoo.com if you would like a corrected copy of the Roster. I have also listed the missing entries below.

There will be a new 2020 roster coming out at the first of the year.

ARIZONA

Terry & Linda Porter and Caroline Tolby, Pearce 85625. 520-824-3448, cell 520-507-0881. TLC Arabians. An hour south of Willcox, AZ at I-10. One space, water, electric and sewer. Many spaces for water and electric. Most services an hour away. Social and repair visits welcome. Shop and welder.

CALIFORNIA

Jim & Marlene Craig, Joshua Tree 92252. 760-366-9104. This is near Highway 62. Have many spaces, water and electric hookups. Food and parts store is 5 miles away. Would welcome visitors for a few days visit and repair visits also. Jim has full shop facilities. Call ahead.

From Eric Kirven about the Great Western Fan Belt Toss—Oct 25-27

Corsa West (Host club for the Toss this year) has reached out to me to see who may be coming. They want to have an Ultra Van Class but they need at least 3 entries. Plus, they want to know how much of the field to reserve for our coaches. There was a mix up on the registration form last year or the year before. It said camping was \$50 a night. It is \$50 for the weekend (Friday and Saturday night.). The city of Palm Springs gets the money, not the host club. If you haven't been before it is dry camping.

I will be attending. Please let me know if anyone else is. Ultravan345@Yahoo.com

COOKING ON THE GO

BY LARRY FORMAN



I received this recipe this morning and it looked good so I made it for dinner tonight. It is SUPER easy and I made just a few changes. Since we had bags of four chicken thighs each that were browned, frozen, and sealed for possible travel and other uses, I used one of those bags. The browned thighs are bone-in, so I had to pull the bones out after about 7 hours of slow cooking. I had to also be sure that I removed any knuckles along with the bones. The texture of the pulled chicken was much better than chopped chicken. We only had mild chilies, so it could have used a bit of "heat" (since it had none), but even with that, Rosie said it was really good.

We used our 3 qt. Instant Pot Mini on low temp slow cook, and the recipe filled it nearly 3/4 full or a bit more. After several hours cooking, we drained about 1/3 to 1/2 of the liquid to use as soup for lunch. I would have cut down the chicken stock by about half to keep it from being excessively soupy. I did not add any salt since I was concerned that the chicken stock might already have plenty of salt in it. We did not have a lime or avocado for the topping but it was still very good.

You certainly could use raw chicken thighs as per the recipe, but I suspect that browning them and leaving the bone in might have added some flavor.

I will definitely make this again, but will likely try either medium or hot chilies next time.

Highly recommended and Chungah, owner of <https://damndelicious.net> seems to live up to her web site's name. This would be an ideal dinner recipe for slow cooking at an RV park or while on the road if you have an inverter at around 750 watts or more.

STINKY RV?

SUBMITTED BY ROSIE WALKER

What can you do to ensure that your vintage trailer doesn't get that funky musty smell? Mold and mildew can make your trailer stink and do damage to the soft surfaces inside your RV. The musty smell when you walk into the RV is an indication that there are damp areas where mold could be growing. A dehumidifier in your RV when it is stored for extended periods of time will prevent the build-up of moisture.

Mold can occur during winter as windows are closed and the surface of walls and windows become colder because the outside air temperature is lower. Simply opening a window is not a solution in the winter months, this is where a dehumidifier comes in. It will reduce the level of humidity in the air by sucking in air from the room at one end, removing the moisture, and then blowing dehumidified air back out into the room again.



Many RV owners find that compressor dehumidifiers would not work well at temperatures below 60 degrees Fahrenheit, and there were often problems with the compressor dehumidifier machines icing up. [These dehumidifiers](#) address these issues, functioning consistently well at all temperatures.

You can also attract and remove moisture from the air with a [scented moisture absorber](#). For \$10-\$30 you can protect your vintage trailer from moisture damage while you eliminate musty odors. Excess moisture is absorbed into the white calcium chloride crystals. The white crystals begin to harden and form a solid mass. Hardened crystals must be discarded and re-purchased as they are used. Another trick is to place open containers of coffee (a cup or so) in your cabinets. The coffee grounds can help neutralize any odors that you may already have.

[Courtesy of the Vintage Camper Trailers Magazine](#)

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UVMCC is open to anyone with an interest in Ultra Vans. Annual dues are \$5 for an emailed newsletter and \$15 for a mailed newsletter. Application and payment can either be made online with PayPal at <http://www.ultravan.club> or make checks payable to Ultra Van Motor Coach Club and mail to the treasurer at:

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Stories, articles, photos, memorabilia, or any other item for publication should be sent to the editor by the 15th of March, June, Sept, and Dec. Send newsletter submissions to WOW by email to the Editor, Molly Bacon, uvmcc_membership@yahoo.com

Digital submissions are preferred, but even hand written are acceptable. Mail to: UVMCC, 5425 Morrow Road, Gladwin, MI 48624

Authors are asked to submit at least a photograph of themselves for the article with any other relevant photos.

Technical material will be sent to the Technical Coordinator for review.



Founded in 1969, **CORSA** is a group of automobile enthusiasts working to satisfy the common needs of individuals interested in the preservation, restoration, and operation of the Corvair. CORSA's long range goal is to promote reproduction of parts and render technical assistance to increase your enjoyment of the Corvair, and to further the general public's appreciation of the car.

Corvanatics encourages membership in CORSA. Visit their website, www.corvair.org

Short Reports

Bits of information from our members



Will return next edition

Profit and Loss for Quarter 1 - July 1—Sept 30, 2019

Income—\$778.50

Expenses—\$1374.04

Hutchinson, KS to have an Ultra Van permanently on display

The Reno County Museum in Hutchinson, KS, started looking for an Ultra Van for display over a year ago. Now, they have one. Ultra Van #393 was donated to the museum this summer. Below is the Press Release from the Museum.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Something big is coming to the Reno County Museum:

Through a donation, the Reno County Museum has gained the opportunity to accept an UltraVan into its collection. This particular UltraVan is in need of some restoration and preservation efforts. We are happy to announce that Collins Bus Corporation will lead those efforts

Why Collins? Well the Collins Bus Corporation's origin story begins with the UltraVan. "Since Don Collins, Sr., the founder of Collins Industries was integral in the early days of the UltraVan, it only made sense for Collins to again lead the charge," said Henry Platts Manager, Reno County Museum.

UltraVans were produced by Ultra Inc. at the Hutchinson Naval Air Station from 1966 to June 1970. "We are very excited to be part of the restoration process on this UltraVan, bringing it back up to its original look and feel," mentioned Chris Hiebert, Vice-President / General Manager of Collins Bus.

UltraVans are a unique type of class A motorhome. They are powered by a Corvair engine and transaxle. The UltraVan was designed in the early 1960s by aircraft designer David Peterson. The construction of the Ultra is very airplane-like, with boxed aluminum sections and fiberglass body extensions.

Since its beginning, the UltraVan has held customer loyalty even though it is no longer in production. This lead to the development of a nationwide UltraVan club which is still in existence with yearly rallies. In 2017, the Reno County Museum hosted one of these rallies.

We are inviting you to share in documenting its arrival. Which is expected to happen in the next couple of days. We look forward to coordinating this with you.

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