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the **ECON**oline Organization

EconO is a nationwide organization of the owners of 1961 to 1967 Ford Econoline and Falcon vans, and pickups. It was created to offer those owners a parts and information connection to help them preserve, restore, or customize their vehicles. The primary goal of **EconO** is to maintain interest in Econolines so vendors will be encouraged to market reproduction parts that are currently unavailable. To achieve that goal, **EconO** strives to help its members take care of their Econolines by providing a bi-monthly newsletter with technical, mechanical, and parts articles, letters, and free classified ads for Econoline-related items. We offer a membership roster so you can contact other **EconO** members and those that live near each other can share their knowledge. **EconO** also has its own library of Econoline-related literature and repair information.

EconO was started and is administered by Jay Long and Brian Cochrane, who, between them, own 3 vans and 3 pickups. Frustrated at the increasing number of Econoline parts becoming obsolete at the local Ford dealer, at the low number of parts available from the 'obsolete parts' dealers, and at the alarming rate of Econolines being crushed at wrecking yards, Jay and Brian were drawn together in a local club. A continued effort to increase interest in Econolines has resulted in **EconO**, a national effort. Jay's technical knowledge of Econolines comes from his years of pursuing Econolines in wrecking yards, his library of Econoline literature and production specs, and ten years of driving them. Brian is handling the administrative chores of **EconO**.

Membership in **EconO** is only to cover Brian's and Jay's costs and is still only \$10.00 per year for the newsletter. Our year starts in April, and members joining after that receive issues they've missed with their first newsletter. Two years worth of back issues are available for \$10.00 per year. An abbreviated index of articles is on the back of this page.

If you agree that early Econolines have character, charm, and function, and you want to get or keep yours on the road, fill out and mail the attached application. Become a part of **ECON**oline Organization. A happy Econoline means a happy Econoline owner.

EconO's First Two Year's Abbreviated Article Index

April - May 1987

- I. Production and Identification
- II. Letters to Dr. EconO.

June - July 1987

- I. Tips
 - a. Speednuts for bellypans
 - b. Bushings for shiftrods
 - c. John's motor mount
- II. Heavy duty rear axle swap
- III. More production information
- IV. Member roster to date

August - September 1987

- I. Tips
 - a. Shift column bracket fix
 - b. Heater control valve from Ford pickup
 - c. STP in steering box
- II. Dual master brake cylinder conversion
- III. Still more production information
- IV. Power window conversion

October - November 1987

- I. Tips
 - a. Threading 1964 shift lever
 - b. Replacement mirror glass
 - c. Phone company door checkstraps
- II. Parts and services, Part 1
- III. Steering wheels and turnsignal switches
- IV. Y8 swap, Part 1 Thinking about it

December 1987 - January 1988

- I. Tips
 - a. Finned brake drums
 - b. Anti-rattle door clips
 - c. Wiring park lights to headlights
- II. Parts continued
- III. Y8 continued
 - a. The meat

February - March 1988

- I. Tips
 - a. Lee Brown's F-100 window division bar
 - b. Putting window van pop-open windows into regular vans
 - c. Small six alternator conversion
- II. More parts information
 - a. Junkyard substitutes
 - b. Econoline differences
- III. Literature dealers
- IV. Article index
- V. Y8 conversion, Part 3
- VI. Two examples of Y8 conversions
- VII. Adventuring in the Night-sea Journey, Part 1.
- VIII. Final member roster

April - May 1988

- I. Tips
 - a. Installing the optional ammeter/oil pressure gauges
 - b. A door handle/window crank solution.
 - c. Tinted windshields and windows.
- II. Tires, Wheels, Sway bars, etc.
- III. Disc Brake Conversion (Making my Econoline stop).

June - July 1988

- I. Tips
 - a. No glare wipers, 2 ways to do it.
 - b. Common sense.....Fire extinguishers.
 - c. Leaky speedo cable fix for '61-'64.
- II. The Parts Counter.
- III. Year-by-year Changes in Early Ford Econolines.
- IV. Dichotomous Keys to the Early Ford Econoline.
- V. 1988-89 Membership Roster (to date)
- VI. Extra applications.

August - September 1988

- I. Tips
 - a. Common sense II.....Oil, filters, etc.
 - b. KYB shocks revisited.
 - c. The real solution to unleaded gas.
- II. Intra-Econoline parts interchange.
- III. Old Econo Muse and Rationale.
- IV. Ask Dr. EconO

October - November 1988

- I. Tips
 - a. Waterproofing the doors
 - b. Heater motor fix
 - c. License lamp source
- II. More Intra-Econoline Parts Interchange
- III. What Kind of Person?
- IV. Product Review and How-to: Yent Window Seals from Dennis Carpenter
- V. Fall Carlisle '88, An Evaluation
- VI. 250 Swap for 1961-1964 Econolines
- VII. New Members

Dec. 1988 - Jan. 1989

- I. Tips
 - a. Shift lever knob removal and installation.
 - b. More emergency flashers.
 - c. Dodge contacts for door wiring.
- II. The Ultimate Econoline (Parts Interchange Finale)
- III. Making a Third Front Seat (Travelwagon style)

Feb/Mar 1989

- I. Tips
 - a. Greasing things.
 - b. Taillight lens brightening.
 - c. LCYA corrections.
- II. Small six interchange
- III. Tailgate links for pickups: how-to.
- IV. Aftermarket steering wheel horn kit modifications. Two ways.
- V. Color photo captions.
- VI. Comprehensive index
- VII. Final member roster

Preface to back issues of the ECONoline Organization Newsletter.

EconO backissues are photocopied from a master file kept in a three ring binder. Hence the hole punches show. Sorry about that.

The last page of the October/November 1987 issue didn't get the message to cancel the header. No information is missing.

Color photos reffered to in the February/March 1989 issue were a onetime shot done because we had slush money left that year. We now offer these in black and white only. Future color photos will be offered on a run by run basis.

Final year rosters are the only rosters provided.

Enjoy!