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This is the T5 Transporter. Volkswagen's latest van offering in Europe. Shown here is the "California" camper model. Since VW had to end its long relationship with Westfalia, the camper interior is also made by Volkswagen.

See more photos on page 4.

Volkswagen Group of America has announced it will unveil its newest van, called the 'Routan' at the Chicago Auto show running February 6th through the 17th. See details of this announcement and other VW related news on page 5.





Maybe it will look more like this??

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Views through the Windshield

Welcome to the first issue of The Transporter for 2008. Its the first for 2008 but my last as editor. That's right, after months of searching and begging, we finally found the right sucker, I mean, person to take over. Andrea Rasso has volunteered to take over as editor. She and her husband Brad have been long time LiMBO members and drive a beautiful Orly Blue 91 Vanagon Camper. They also put together a campout on Long Island in June called Buses by the Big Duck. Andrea is also the creative part of the Pirates of Patchogue. We're excited to have her as editor and I'm confident she'll do a great job. If you want to contact her, either to submit something for the newsletter or just welcome her to the crew you can eMail her at arasso@optonline.net or editor@limbobus.org works too. Andrea, welcome aboard.

On January 20th we had our annual business meeting. We missed you there. LiMBO is doing well, funds are in the black, membership is holding steady and the website is getting quite a few hits. Our 'Forever the Clerk', Mike Guilfoil wasn't able to get the meeting minutes finished in time for this issue, but Andrea will have them in the next issue.

Here are the highlights. I was reelected President and I'll do my best to keep LiMBO on the straight and narrow. Nevin Lescher, our long time LiMBOmart manager needed to step down and Tom Power has volunteered to take over. Tom, along with Linda Manion, have been our event coordinators for the last couple of years. Linda will continue as event coordinator so Tom can focus on the challenge of LiMBOmart manager. =) I'm sure he'll do fine.

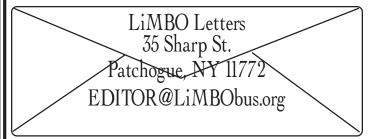
I want to take a minute here to thank Nevin for his service as LiMBOmart coordinator and he has done quite a bit for LiMBO and the hobby in general. I wish him the best and I'm glad to hear that West River Westies is still on this Summer.

More meeting highlights included phasing out the LiMBO phone. Over the next couple of months we'll faze out 413-743-1814. If anyone needs to contact a live person, the official phone number will be 508-842-2121. Thats Dale Wards home number AKA the LiMBO clubhouse.

It was also decided to reduce the price of the Internet Membership to 15 dollars. It's our hope to persuade more people to join LiMBO through the website and download their newsletter in the "Members Area".

2008 will also be the year we print a new edition of the Transporter, Traveler and Tourist Directory (TTT). I placed a form on the back page. Now, if you're not listed in the current TTT directory please fill out the form and send it back to Steve Paine at the address published. If you are currently listed in the TTT directory, you don't need to fill out the form unless your info has changed or you wish to change some aspect of your listing. For our internet members, there is a link to an on line form you can fill out. Whatever you decide to do, you need to have the forms submitted to Steve by April 15th. Tax day.

Well, I'm coming to the end of another View and the end as my editorship of this fine newsletter. It's been fun and I have enjoyed it. I'm looking forward to seeing what Andrea can bring to it, because God knows I'm out of ideas. To Andrea, good luck. To everyone else, I'll see you around the campfire. Keep on Busin' -Jim D.



Dear Volkswagen Family,

Every five minutes, someone in the United States learns that he or she has leukemia, Hodgkin or non-Hodgkin lymphoma or myeloma. Every ten minutes someone dies from blood cancer.

I am writing you today to ask you to join me in the fight against blood cancers. I am trying to raise \$4700 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of America by May 1, 2008. In June I will be participating in a great event, a 100 mile bicycle ride. I will be going to Lake Tahoe with Team in Training. Their cycling program is giving me this great opportunity and helping almost 800,000 Americans with blood cancers.

I bet you are thinking boy I sure would like to donate but, how much? So I came up with some ideas.

- ——\$1 Every dollar counts.
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- --\$50 By the way, at this level I love you.
- --\$100 I will paint your house for free, well it's not free it's 100 bucks.
- -- \$250 Wow, that is worth more than my car!!
- ——\$500 For this much I would ride with out clothes on! (Yes, there will be pictures)
- --\$1000 You know, we all have dreams and some times they come true.

To donate, please visit my website:

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You may also mail any donations to 157 Pine Circle, Bennington VT. 05201. Please make all checks out to Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of America. Any donations large or small are greatly appreciated! It's easy, and will only take a minute, that minute may save a life!

Thank you so much.

Arthur Haytko

- 03 Beetle (wife's ride)
- 85 Quantum Wagon (the babe magnet)
- 78 & 80 Westies (weekend fun)
- 69 Ghia Vert (garage ornament)

Art Haytko, is not only a LiMBO member and VW nut, but he is a real good friend of mine. When I heard he was going to do this, I thought it would be a great idea to post it here in the Transporter. I hope many of you can donate to help such a good cause. Thank you. -Jim



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The VW T5 Transporter... a quick look.

VWAG introduced this replacement for the Eurovan back in 2004. Since we didn't get it here in the good ol' USA it would seem VW had other plans for US market even then. With the Volkswagen Group of America, formally Volkswagen of American (see story page 5), announcing the new Routan for the US market, I thought it would be neat to look at what Europeans are driving. I'm also hoping that this is close to what VWAG has designed for us and that Chrysler will build a dependable and affordable van.









A couple of interior shots of the 'Westfalia' imspired VW made camper interior



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Volkswagen Announces the New Routan Minivan to Debut at Chicago

Chicago Auto Show 2008: New van from Volkswagen especially for the US market

Jan 18, 2008

source: Volkswagen AG

Wolfsburg, GERMANY - Volkswagen is stepping on the gas in one of its most important markets. Just weeks after the successful premiere of the new Passat CC at the current NAIAS 2008, Europe's largest car manufacturer will present the new Routan in Chicago (February 6 - 17, 2008).

Volkswagen will be showing its new minivan for the first time at the Chicago Auto Show. "Routan" is a newly coined word indicating the bond between Volkswagen and America. "Routan" contains both the English word "route" as well as the "-an" suffix which is appended to the names of Volkswagen's European vans - Touran and Sharan.

The new minivan is a joint development with Chrysler LLC. The vehicle will be built in the Canadian Chrysler factory in Windsor, Ontario. Of course, both the interior and the exterior follow Volkswagen's clear design concept. The appearance, technology and functionality are splendidly adapted to the US market. That's why the Routan is an imposing seven-seater more than five metres in length. Whether kids, dog, baseball gloves or inline skates - there is sufficient space for everyone and everything for the Friday afternoon trip to the park.

Volkswagen is hoping to increase its volume in North America with models like the Passat CC and the new Routan, both of which are strongly tailored to this market's requirements. Volkswagen wants to sell 800,000 vehicles just in the USA by 2018.

Volkswagen of America Changes Name to Volkswagen Group of America

AUBURN HILLS, MICH. (Dec. 12, 2007) — Volkswagen of America, Inc. announced today that it has changed its name to Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. The change will be fully effective January 1.

The new name better reflects the fact that the Volkswagen Group of America includes five distinct brands: Audi, Bentley, Bugatti, Lamborghini, and Volkswagen, as well as the related financial services functions of Audi Financial Services, Bentley Financial Services and Volkswagen Credit.

"Our company, like the entire Volkswagen Group, has grown dramatically since our formation in the United States in 1955. Our new corporate name allows our individual brands to flourish, while recognizing that we have a common support structure that gives us great strength as we face our competitors," said Stefan Jacoby, President and Chief Executive Officer. "The new name Volkswagen Group of America reflects the much wider array of goods and services we now offer, and prepares us for even more activities in the future."

Operating under the umbrella of Volkswagen Group of America, the Volkswagen and Audi brands will continue to provide sales and service under their names, Volkswagen of America and Audi of America.

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. remains a wholly owned subsidiary of Volkswagen AG, which together with its subsidiaries and affiliates worldwide is now the fourth largest automobile company in the world.







BUSES IN THE BAY '07

By Coy Bethune

On July 27th through 29th "Buses in the Bay" was held at Melville Campground in Portsmouth Rhode Island. John Netsel and Kevin Kruger were already there when my son Chris and I arrived to set up. As mid to late afternoon rolled around the Buses and Vanagons started rolling in and in the evening the Howland's arrived in their 2003 Euro van. Their were a couple of Saturday arrivals as well, we ended up with about a dozen VWs and a couple dozen people.

Saturday afternoon we cruised to Newport Creamery in Middletown for ice cream! When we got back some of us went to the beach, you get a free pass when you stay at Melville. Later in the evening we had a great pot luck followed by a raffle to support "Water For Life" (the drilling of wells in Togo Africa). We raised \$100.00. Rich's granddaughter Kaiya won the most favored raffle prize: a remote controlled Bus. We're off to a great beginning with this new event, we hope to see you next year!





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Editors note: Dale Ward sent this to me via eMail. He said it was posted on Craigs list. Not sure if it was a real ad or someone just having fun, but its funny. If the guy was serious, its funnier yet.

Restored VW Vanagon, might be open to trades - \$9000

Reply to: sale-523394474@craigslist.org

Date: 2007-12-30, 8:49AM PST

I have a "restored" Vanagon for sale. These have become very popular these days, are increasing in value and are becoming a collectors item. Compared to the \$18000 Vanagons, this is a steal!!!!!It doesn't have a pop-top?? Who needs a stinking poptop??? This vintage automobile is stock.

The good...

Seats aren't too dirty and no tears bad enough to replace. I just put some seat covers from Shuck's on them. I have the repair history. Or at least some of it. Brakes were done in 97. Squeals a little when you pump on the pedal. I just use the E-brake a lot instead. Engine was overhauled 12 years ago. It currently has 325k miles on it. Van itself has 400,000 plus miles, not varified as speedo no longer works. Could be a little more. This is low considering the van is more than 20 years old.

I have religiously changed the oil every 25k miles if it needed it or not. It did pass deq 2 years ago, and afterwards, I removed the cat converter and punched out the screens. It now gets better performance with that crap removed. Because of my performence mods, she is a fast Vanagon. I had it up to 93 in Eastern Oregon once. But of course I was going downhill.

The rust along the bottom edge all around it makes it lighter than a typical Vanagon. It is getting progressivly lighter too. This helps with the top speed. The lighter it gets, the faster it goes!

Plates are currently expired. I haven't got new ones yet as I lost the title but I can sign papers so you can get a new one. Some people call this a "bill of sale" only. It was in my brother-in-laws name and he died but I'm sure his exwife (my sister) in Colorado will sign a release of interest when I find her (she also owes me money). This might quickly resolve it's self when the FBI finds her. Van runs OK, lifters makes noise but they all do that. Sometimes it goes away...

Has a slight coolent leak. I just refill the water bottle every day before I leave for work. Not a big problem. I carry around a gal of water in case it gets hot. Perfect for the family, although the seat belts were removed from the back seats. Rear seat folds into a California King sized bed. The foam pad is a little funky from my dog. She sleeps in the van at night. I have a water bed to put in but never did. I'll throw it in. The advantage of a water bed is all that water! If you run low in the coolent system, just drain some from the water bed. Front glass has a few cracks but it's on the passenger side. So, it's OK. Has AC but doesn't work. Not sure what is wrong, probably just needs a recharge. Bought some new tires on CL recently. Well aren't exactly

new but they are OK.

Two-tone paint job (Brown with a red door). Looks really shiny when wet.

Now for the bad... Slight oil leak. I just carry a case of oil with me and a cat litter box catches the oil as it runs out, usually I can just pour it back in. So you are recycling too. I guess you could call it a "green" van. Has AM FM Cassette player. My son put his popcycle in the tape slot, but will work if cleaned. Has a huge sunroof. But won't close the last 6". It's been that way for a yr. I have duct taped it closed. It can easily be fixed. I'll throw in a new plastic tarp to put over it in winter.

Slight ding in the front. I rear ended a dump truck. I pulled it out with a come-along and covered it with a black bra. So, it still looks OK. Bra comes with the Van.

Slight ding in rear, I removed the bumper and put on one from a Ford PU. Looks pretty good. Little door behind lic-plate doesn't open anymore. Slight ding in slider. Doesn't latch perfectly but a bungy cord is good insurance. Electric door locks are on the fritz. Sometimes they won't open. The lock is broken on the drivers side. Not that big of deal as the window won't close anyway. The dog is usually in there to guard my stuff. Heaters no longer work but hey, it's a VW and this the NW! The heater leaked coolent into the cab. It has a sweet smell so it's OK. Anyway, this isn't a big prob as it doesn't get that cold here. In the winter, I heat up a big brick in my oven before I leave in the morning. If you wrap it in a towel and put it in your lap, you stay toasty! I'll throw in my brick for free. Sorry, I'll keep my oven. On really cold mornings: I open up a can of Sterno.

All in all a great vehicle that will only appreciate in value. A Subaru conversion would be awesome for this! AS would one of those faux-westy poptops. Cool thing is there is a lot of parts still available. There is a weird long-haired guy in N. Portland that has been hoarding a bunch of parts. I have his ph # somewhere. He is having a problem with his landlord and has to enter his building through his neighbors building. So he is kinda hard to get a hold of.

Van comes with a case of oil!

Van is located in Spokane, I am in Portland. If coming from Seattle, I could meet you halfway between Ritzville and Ellensburg. I might consider trading for a HumVee or Mercedes. I will throw in an extra set of tires though they are on Ford rims.

Please email your offers as I have lost my cellphone in the van somewhere.
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LiMBO has also acquired the complete repair manual for the Eurovan Winnebago. 132 pages. Lots of good information to fix the Winnebago camper equipment. Including, fridge, furnace, electrical and plumbing. Only \$20.00 (includes shipping)



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Made by Mike Verno of Stonington, Ct these Suncatchers come in 2 sizes of the 4 most popular Bus/Camper versions (T1, 2, 3 and 4).

Mike machines these out of .125" green tinted plexiglasson a hispeed computer controlled profiler from side profile photos we have supplied of the 4 bus versions.

Here is the selling prices.

- (1) Small Suncatcher (any version) \$6.00 + \$2.00 shipping by First Class Mail.
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- Set of (4) Large Suncatchers (4 versions) \$34.00+ \$3.00 shipping by First Class Mail.
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For more info or to purchase, contact Tom Power at the address on page 8.



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Welcome New Members!

by Steve Paine

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Send to: Coming Events, c/o Linda Manion 286 Fourth Avenue Woonsocket, RI 02895 BEST: events@limbobus.org

Remember, participation in any LiMBO event or activity is strictly voluntary and at one's own risk.

February

February 16, Saturday, Cambridge, Ont.- 5th Annual True Canadian Winter Bus Campout at Valens Conservation Area They have serviced sites for \$30/per night. There are flush toilets and showers nearby. They also have ice fishing and cross country ski trails in the park. Recent reports suggest Valens no longer allows us to double-up on sites; so even if we do share sites we will still pay full rate. Valens does not take reservations for winter camping, but don't panic as they simply aren't needed. Email Greg if you are coming and he will call the park superintendent to be sure that a sufficient number of powered sites are plowed. Greg's email is greg@pottsfamily.ca NOTE: It's imperative that you arrive during daylight hours, or the gate will be locked If you're ice fishing, get a license beforehand at your local hunting and fishing supplier. Valens website: http:// www.conservationhamilton.ca/parks/visit/valens.asp DIRECTIONS: From EAST, WEST, or NORTH: To get to Valens take Hwy 401 to exit 299. Follow highway 6 south for 8.6KM and go east on Regional Rd 97 for 9.6 KM. Follow the Conservation Area signs and you should have no problem finding the place. From the South: Take the QEW to Highway 403 in Hamilton. Go 7 KM West on 403 to Highway 6 North. Follow highway 6 uphill for 3 KM to Regional Road 97. Go east on 97 for 9.6 KM and the park is on your right. From more information, go to http://www.pottsfamily.ca/The_Bug_Pack/TCWBC/

April

April 17-20 (Thurs-Sun) Pleasant Garden, NC - Everybus **2008**- held at Hagan-Stone Park located approximately 10 miles south of Greensboro, NC. Park website: http://www.greensboronc.gov/Departments/Parks/facilities/reservations/hagan.htm Past events have brought more than 170 VW Transporters together for a few days of camping fun and fellowship for the entire family. Although the event does not start until Thursday, people have been known to arrive as early as Tuesday. The fee for EB will be \$15 per night per bus. There will not be an additional activity fee this year. There is NO preregistration for EB. Please do not call the park and ask them about it. There are about forty sites in the C-loop with hookups and folks usually share. There is however room for 175 to 200 buses. Plan to arrive early if you must have hook ups. When you arrive at EB and get your bus parked please come to the registration table to sign in, pay fees, and receive your EB Camping Permit. Count on some food, music and fun for the kids. More details about activities as they become available. HSP has two heated bathhouses with showers. They are located

on opposite corners of the camping area. The possession and consumption of alcohol (beer, wine, liquor) is prohibited within HSP and campground so no beer, wine, or liquor in its various retail packagings should be visible. Please take into consideration the proximity of your camping neighbors when selecting volume levels for music or raucous merriment in the later evening hours. Please note that quiet hours are from 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM. There is not an official "vendors" area because EB is really a camping event and not a show or swap meet. Technically, EB is only open to campers and their guests. However, you are welcome to set up shop at your campsite if you wish to sell bus parts, crafts, or clothing. Dogs (and pets in general) - HSP does allow pets in the campground with the following stipulations: all pets must be on a leash and the other end of the leash secured to the owner. Pet owners must clean up after their animals. There have been complaints about dogs in the past, so please carefully evaluate the impact it may have on your camping experience and that of others and decide if EB is the right place to bring your dog. If you need information on boarding your dog in the Greensboro area while you attend to EB, please contact event organizer, who can be reached by email at everybus@mindspring.com For more infomation, go to the website: http://www.mindspring.com/~everybus/

**April 20, 2007 (Sunday) Westerly, RI Transporter Rites of Spring. It will be held at Misquamicut State Beach, 257 Atlantic Avenue, Westerly, RI. We'll be gathering from 10 AM to 3 PM. It's basically a highway drive all the way to the beach! Come blow the cobwebs out of the old bus and meet with old and new friends. The surfing is great, but there's no lifeguard on duty and wetsuits are a necessity! Bring a picnic lunch. All VW lovers are welcome! For directions, go to http://www.misquamicutbeach.info/directions.htm or contact Tom & Linda: 401-762-2448 or volkswagenri@cox.net IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, EVENT WILL BE CANCELLED!! If the weather is "iffy", please feel free to contact Tom & Linda on 4/19 to make sure we plan to be there.

April 27 (Sunday) Mansfield, CT - The CVA's Annual Spring Dust-off held at Mansfield Hollow State Park from 9am to 3pm, rain or shine. This is an informal, non-judged car show. Dash Plaques to the first 200 cars. Last year we had almost 250 cars, so arrive early. Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy the cars and your fellow VW comrades! Info: Jeremy (860) 539-9704 or Joe (203) 982-6257.

May

May 1-4 (Thurs-Sun) Beavertown, PA - Granny Grose's **Buses IV** Beavertown is 24 miles north of Lewistown and 18 miles south of Selinsgrove. Grose's Campground is located 2 miles off Route 522 on Quarry Road. The campground is nestled along the Bald Eagle Forest. Campground facilities: bathhouse with free showers, playground, pavilion, game room, camp store, hiking, and biking. Granny is a kind lady and always makes everbody feel at home. There will be two areas of camping. single sites and general camping. Single sites have water and electric hook-ups, as well as fire pits. They are located about 200 yards from the general camping area. The general camping area is "hippie" style camping where the buses are packed in. Electricity will be available for some buses on a first come, first served basis. Water is readily available, and there will be some group campfires. This year's activities include mountain pies and music by the fire (so bring your musical instruments), bocce ball, kid's

activities, Saturday potluck breakfast, 50/50 drawing, door prizes, and a event yet to be determined for Saturday evening. There will also have awards, including the "Long Distance Award" and the "Granny Award." For more detailed information and pictures from last year, go the the website: http://www.grannygrosesbuses.com/ This great event is organized by Justin of the Full Moon Bus Club: (814) 931-8538 or steelersbus36@atlanticbb.net

May 4, (Sun) Vallejo, CA- Nor-Cal Bus Fest IIat the Solano County Fairgrounds in Vallejo, CA. This display and swap event is open to ALL Volkswagen buses and trucks, regardless of year, model or condition. Held on the tree-shaded lawns of the fairgrounds, the inaugural event in 2007 featured 147 buses and trucks, from daily drivers to full restorations. General admission is only \$10 per adult which includes entry, space to display or sell your Type II and/or swap parts. For details and photos of the 2007 event, please visit www.busfest.net...

**May 23-26 (Fri-Sun) Branckville, NJ - Westies In the Woods at Stokes State Forest. http://www.nj.gov/dep/ parksandforests/parks/stokes.html This is a VW Family Campout sponsored by The Bus Guild and the New Jersey Chapter of LiMBO. Group campsites A & C have been reserved. These sites do not have hook-ups, but there are bathrooms and hot showers. Camping costs about \$1 per night. THIS IS A 'NO PETS' EVENT. NO EXCEPTIONS. This has caused problems in the past. Weekend includes Saturday night potluck turkey roast, Sunday morning caravan to scenic hiking spot and on to Stewart's Root Beer/Dairy Queen, campfire activities, mountain biking, kite flying and other outdoor activities. WE NEED FIREWOOD to cook the turkeys. Only natural firewood or clean (non-painted) non-pressure-treated lumber can be burned. If you have any available, please bring as much as you can along. Contact person is Tim: tim.demarest@pobox.com or 973-656-1473.

June

June 6-8 (Fri-Sun) Natural Bridge Station, VA - Natural Bridge Campout at Jellystone Campground. This is a family friendly event. Rates in the group campsite (no hook-ups) are about \$9 per person, Thursday through Sunday, and no reservations are needed. Sites with w/e hook-ups require reservations and are more expensive. Activities include swimming, canoeing, fishing, putt-putt tournment, pasta cookoff, and raffles. All proceeds go to Ronald McDonald house. This year they are raffling off a 1971 westy camper. Event hosts: Mark Dearing Jeff & Teri Burkes, Keith (Waldo) McDonald, and David Woods of the Full Moon Bus Club. For questions, email: naturalbus@yahoo.com

**June 6-8 (Fri—Sun) Riverhead, NY - 8th Annual Buses by the Big Duck VW Campout sponsored by LiMBO/LIVC. Event held at Indian Island Campground, which is located right on Flanders Bay, at the head of the twin forks. From here you can easily travel to the Hamptons, visit wine country, see Long Island's historic Big Duck, visit historic towns and villages, shop at the Tanger Outlets and do so much more. And, you can get there from Connecticut by taking a ferry! You can go from Bridgeport to Port Jefferson, website: http://www.bpjferry.com or New London to Orient Point, website: https://longislandferry.com/Default.asp We will be in group site #2 this year. Event organized by Andrea Rasso, and she does a wonderful job! It will be held rain or shine.

June 13-15 (Fri-Sun) Louisa, VA - Small Country Campout 1. Camping area has limited electricity and water. plenty of shade. bath house, swimming pool, lake for non-power boats and fishing. More information as available, or contact: vwtgs©aol.com

June 15, 2007 (Father's Day Sunday), Harwinton, CT Litchfield Bug-In Show and Swap Meet - held at the Harwinton Fairground. This show attracts 350 cars, and it's a huge swap meet! Events will be held rain or shine. Camping is available on the fairgrounds Saturday night with bathroom and showers. Also, free food Saturday night provided by Texas Grill. And there are plenty of food vendors at the show and a couple of nearby restaurants. For further information, contact Chuck Pisconski at 860-283-5256 or email vwsplitman@sbcglobal.net

July

**July 11-13 (Fri-Sun) Townsend, VT- West River Westies V at Bald Mountain Campground. 60 sites have been secured. This is a beautiful campground right next to the West River. If the river level is high enough, this is a great place for Xtreme tubing. There are w/e hook-ups, bathrooms and showers. Scheduled activities include a tube regetta, potluck supper Saturday night (Eric's famous ribs will be available for an extra charge), and a raffle with the proceeds going to the Grace Cottage Hospital. There will be dash plaques, and a commeratative t-shirt and sweatshirt will be available by advance order. They will be produced by a local screen-printer in nearby Newfane. More details about this as available. This is a great event in beautiful part of Vernont! Event is organized by Nevin Lescher: nesu@cox.net

July 13 (Sun) Woodstock, CT - The CVA's 4th Annual New England Volks-Meet at the Woodstock Fairgrounds from 9am to 3pm. Trophies will be awarded by people's choice in many different classes. Show will be open to all Volkswagens and all German cars, owners and fans. Event will be held rain or shine. There will be dash plaques and goody bags to the first 200 cars. Camping is available on Saturday night with bathrooms and showers, and we will have live bands. There are plenty of food vendors at the show. There will be entertainment for the kids both days. Come and enjoy a weekend of true German fun. For additional info please call: Jeremy Clayton (860) 539-9704 vwbus@excite.com or Joe Hughes (203) 982-6257 vwjoehughes@yahoo.com

**July 25-27 (Fri-Sun) Portsmouth, RI Buses in the Bay at the Melville Campground 181 Bradford Ave (off Rt. 114). Campground is just north of Newport and near the beach! Check in Friday is 11AM to 8PM, and check out is 11AM Sunday. You will need to call (401) 682-2424 to make reservations betwen 10AM and 5 PM only! (The campground does not take reservations by email.) As soon as the campground opens for the season, we will find out what the camping rate will be this year. When you make your reservation, tell them you are with LiMBO. We have the "Safari Field". After calling in your reservation you must mail a deposit to hold your reservation. They do not accept credit cards! PLEASE RESERVE EARLY!!! DON'T MISS OUT!!!! Some of us may have to double up on the electric outlets which is OK with them. This year's cruise will be to Flo's Clam Shack for chowda and cakes as well as fried clams, fish and chips etc. The cruise is at noon on Saturday. Saturday night at 6:30 is the pot-luck followed by the raffle. Raffle proceeds will once again go the water well program in Togo Africa. For more information, contact Coy at 401-254-2350, or coyandlynn83@hotmail.com

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Aug 2nd (Sat) Shrewsbury, MA-Volks-Vair Fair. This annual show & Swap meet is at Heberts Candy Mansion on Rt 20 Shrewsbury. Air cooled only show for VW's and Corvairs. Rain or shine. Trophies to 3rd place. Sponsored by The Bug club and Colonial Corvair Club. Great time, music, food plus great candy and ice cream at the Hebert Candy Mansion. Contact Gerry Anderson: 603-898-2874.

Aug 2nd (Sat) Maine show caravan. This informal caravan will begin in Shrewsbury right after the Volks-Vair fair (about 3 PM) and travel to the Vacationland VW show for the VW show there on Sunday. A dinner stop along the way near Portland other stops if needed. (details about each VW show previous and below). Meet at the DJ booth. More info: Contact Jim 413-743-1814 or eMail: mrlimbo@limbobus.org

Aug 3rd (Sun) Windsor, ME- Vacationland VW Assoc. annual VW show and swap meet. Swap meet, food, music and fun. Stereo soundoff, balloon toss, games for kids Plus matchbox racers. Camping on grounds the night before. For info contact: http://users.adelphia.net/~vacvw/ or eMail: vacvw@adelphia.net

Aug 10 (Sun) Terryville, CT 17th Annual Terryville Bug-A-Fair. Large all VW show and swap meet at the Lions Club Fairgrounds, 129-176 Town Hill Road. Engine blow, RV races, games for the kids, music, food, and fun! Camping on the grounds the night before. Contact Chuck Pisconski at 860-283-5256 or email vwsplitman@sbcglobal.net

Aug 17 (Sun) Vallejo, CA-Nor-Cal Bus Fest III. at the Solano County Fairgrounds in Vallejo, CA. This display and swap event is open to ALL Volkswagen buses and trucks, regardless of year, model or condition. Held on the tree-shaded lawns of the fairgrounds, the inaugural event in 2007 featured 147 buses and trucks, from daily drivers to full restorations and everything in between. General admission is only \$10 per adult which includes entry, space to display or sell your Type II and/or swap parts. For details and photos of the 2007 event, please visit www.busfest.net

September

**Sept 5-7 (Fri-Sun) Buses by the Buoy '08 Event will be held somewhere in the mid-coast region of Maine. Details are still being worked out, but save the date! Event is organized by Michael and Sheila King: vacvw@adelphia.net

Sept 20-21 (Sat-Sun) Flanders, NJ All Air-Cooled Gathering hosted by the Central Jersey Volkswagen Society and the Swim and Sport Club located at 272 Emmans Rd. Come spend an all air-cooled VW weekend at this pastoral setting Gates will open at 2:00 pm on Saturday for camping, and VW camaraderie, and again at 8:00 am on Sunday for the show and swap meet. Everyone is welcome to enter the show, daily drivers to show cars. As long as it's an air-cooled VW, it's welcome. All proceeds will go to the Jonathan Fund. A fund set up to help aid the family of Jonathan Ferguson, a local Flander's boy who was born with a debilitating medical condition. Trophies – Dash Plaques – Raffle Prizes – On-site bar and kitchen. The food id great and everything is reasonably priced. No need to bring your own food! Admission: Entrance to the show on Sunday – \$10.00; Swap Meet Space on Sunday [includes one pass to the show] – \$20.00; Overnight Camping [including two passes to the show] – \$30.00; Kids 12 and under – FREE! For more information or to help sponsor this event, please e-mail Art Neary at nearybros@yahoo.com or Jeffrey Hicken at jeffrey@cjvws.com or 908-377-5577

**Sept 28 (Sunday) Brookline, MA The 23st Annual Transporterfest. VW Day will be held from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM at Larz Anderson Museum sponsored by LiMBO, NEATO, and BSVWOC. All Volkswagens welcome, old and new, shiny and rusty, clean and oily, straight and dented, we love them all! Join us for a fun-filled day of relaxed bus-ness. Pre-registration is not necessary, just show up on the day of the show, rain or shine. \$10 show vehicle admission fee includes two museum admissions, and dash plaques to the first 100 participants. New parts vendors fee: \$25, used VW parts vendors fee: \$10. There will be a raffle and prizes at the end of the day. For directions to the museum visit www.mot.org or call 617-522-6547. There may be an informal campout the night before the event. For more info, contact Stan: stan.wohlfarth@bentleypublishers.com or call 508-651-3502 evenings 7-10 PM.

October

**October 10-12 (Fri-Sun, Columbus Day Weekend) Watkins Glen, New York - Westies at Watkins 2008. This is the seventh annual LiMBO family campout. Discover the beauty of the Watkins Glen Gorge and beautiful surrounding Finger Lakes Region of New York. Activities for all including hiking, caravaning, wine tasting, and campfire festivities. Campout is near the clubhouse at Watkins Glen State Park. For directions or more details and information on the campout, contact Joel B.Cort of the Empire State VW Camping Club at jcort@rochester.rr.com or (585)-377-4161

October 19 (Sunday) starting in Simsbury, CT - The CVA's 10th Annual Fall Foliage Cruise, held rain or shine. Meet at 9am at The Simsbury Fireman's Clubhouse. Cruise will wind through the scenic roads of Connecticut with a few stops along the way. Please bring a picnic lunch. There will be a dinner after the cruise for those that are interested. Come and enjoy the colors of fall with us. For additional info please contact: Jeremy Clayton (860) 539-9704 vwbus@excite.com or Joe Hughes (203) 982-6257 vwjoehughes@yahoo.com

Folding Party Dates:

**March 16 (Sunday)- Folding Party at the home of Tom Power & Linda Manion, 286 4th Ave, penthouse suite, in Woonsocket, RI. The fun starts at 10 AM. Contact Tom for directions: volkswagenri@cox.net or 401-762-2448 before 9PM

**May 18 (Sunday) - Folding Party, 10 AM, at the home of the President of LiMBO Nation, Jim DiGennaro, 34 Summer St in Adams, MA. contact Jim at mrlimbo@limbobus.org or 413-743-1814

**July 20, 2007 (Sun)- Folding Party, 10 AM, at Steve and Mary's in Milbury, MA. This is a great place for this event, so come help us get out the newsletter. More details will follow as available.

**Sept 21 (Sunday)- Folding Party, 10 AM, at the home of Carolyn and John Jordan in Northboro, MA. John's email is john_jordan@charter.net

**November 23 (Sunday)- Folding Party at Coy's in Bristol, RI. contact Coy at 401-254-2350, or coyandlynn83@hotmail.com

Midwest Scene





Northeast Illinois Volkswagen Association in its attempt to stamp out mediocrity did it again! With the help of its member volunteers, their friends, and a huge contribution from the workers at Anderson Volkswagen in Crystal Lake, Illinois, the annual VWFEST came about. The Anderson people cleared their lot of cars, encouraged all to enjoy their grounds, and of course moved all those cars back. The NIVA people prepared the paperwork, chased the details, registered the participants, worked the show, supervised activities, lined up the DJ, food provider, trophies, show parking alignments, and other thankless tasks with courtesy, cheer, and aplomb.

There were 19 classes, with roughly 135 entries, 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} awards, plus best of show. Trivia test question winners were rewarded as well. A 50/50 raffle delivered a \$182 (and a matched club \$182) donation to the Leukemia Society. The DJ provided background tunes throughout the day while participants, guests, and workers trotted from spot to spot on the large lot.

Though the fall morning started out brisk, the warming sun produced a magnificent, comfortable day. Visitors and participants were delighted by the colorful variety of cars, swap articles, and displays. Lots of people were present with good advice, helpful suggestions, and entertaining conversations.

Support those local shows, far and near.







LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES AND SPECIALISTS Attention LiMBO members:

Local reps are out there to gather articles and input from other club members in their area, organize local get-togethers, meets, caravans, and recruit new members from their part of the world. LiMBO is here to support them any way we can and there by strengthen the club. Remember this is your club too!!

If you see a local rep for your area, or a specialist you would like to contact, please feel free to get in touch with them. If you don't see a local rep for your area and would like to become one, or to become a specialist, let me know at my address on page 2. Thanks

-Tom Power

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The Swap Area

Club members may submit as many Available or Wanted ads as they would like for no charge. All entries must be written out as you would like them to appear in the newsletter and re-submitted for each issue they will appear in. **Repeat ads** are subject to editorial considerations and are not recommended. Include a name, state, address or telephone number. Remember, there's probably someone out there who has what you want or wants what you have! Please limit ads to less than 100 words.

Submit ads TO:
LiMBO Classifieds
35 Sharp St.
Patchogue, NY11772
editor@limbobus.org
Submit ads Via the Internet:
http://www.limbobus.org

Submissions wanted!!

We're looking for newsletter material!! No matter how trivial you think it is, its worth considering for newsletter submission. Travel story? Technical concern. Found a new place to camp? We want to know! No article too small, no submissions rejected. Submission is as easy as an email or Type it up on your 1945 Underwood, no material rejected. If you take the time to write it, I'll print it. This is your club, so get involved. Send material to:

LiMBO 35 Sharp St. Patchogue, NY 11772 or Email: Editor@LiMBObus.org

Submit your classifieds on line @ www.LiMBObus.org

Classifieds are free to Members!!



AVAILABLE: 2001 Volkswagen Eurovan GLS with Braun L800X wheelchair lift on right side. One Owner, 35K miles White V6 Power Steering Windows Door Locks Cruise Control 4 Wheel ABS Privacy glass Protective Bra Three passenger back bench Separate AC Controls for Front and Back New tires Always garaged Excellent condition. Call Allert @ 760-753-0500 or eMail aobamb@yahoo.com (CA)

AVAILABLE: Vanagon Diesel OEM NEW motor mounts \$400. Vanagon OEM motor mounts for both 81-82 and 83-84 diesel engines. There are two different mount styles, I have three pairs. These were the last 3 pair in the country at VW dealers. Will Sell in pairs only. \$400 +shipping. Call Jon 413-563-1829 Western (MA)

AVAILABLE: Vanagon South African Big Brake Kit \$650. From Go Westy.com \$650 + shipping, never used, still in boxes. Sold van don't need. Call Jon 413-563-1829 Western (MA)

AVAILABLE: I have a set of tan biege and brown capt. chairs in better than good cond.No stains, burns or holes. These are out of an 84 GL.They have the nonadjustable arm rests and dark brown headrests. Will ship if nec. Price is \$225.00 plus shipping. phone# (570) 430-0916 (PA)

AVAILABLE: New and used parts for your Transporter, pick-up, or Microbus. Any VW really. Contact John's Car Corner in beautiful uptown Westminster, Vermont on US Rte 5 (just follow the signs)....or call (802) 722-3180. VWs since 1974. (VT)

Available or Wanted submission:

As a member of LiMBO you are entitled to a free classified ad each month. Try to make it 100 words or less, written legibly with any abbreviations that can be made (i.e. 147k mi., trans., Westy, PS, PB, A/C, etc.) Include a price if possible, your name, phone #, e-mail (if appl.) and state and be sure to mail it in time a for the next newsletter submission deadline indicated on page 2 of this issue.

Send to: Transporter Classifieds, 35 Sharp St. Patchogue, NY 11772 eMail: editor@LiMBObus.org				
or via the Web: http://www.limbo	bus.org			
Name	State or (optional) address			
Phone ()	E-mail			

'08-'09 Transporter Tourist & Traveler Directory

LiMBO (Late Model Bus Organization, international) and **NEATO** (Northeast Association of Transporter Owners) have established a directory of club members who offer their assistance to other traveling VW Bus enthusiasts in the event of a breakdown, or emergency and also to make it possible for a traveling bus person to call or visit with other members in non-emergencies.

Sometimes a talk or visit with a friendly fellow bus owner can make a trip much more fun and rewarding.

If you would like to be listed in the **Transporter Tourist & Traveler Directory** (TTT), please provide the following information. YOU MUST SUBMIT THIS FORM TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS DIRECTORY.

I understand and agree to the above conditions (signature required):

(signature):_

By filling out and returning this form, you agree that neither **LiMBO or NEATO**, nor any of their officers, members or associates will be held liable for any action resulting from the distribution, use, or abuse of the information you provide. The list of names compiled will not be sold to anyone! Participation in the **TTT Directory** is completely voluntary. If you do not feel comfortable giving out any information, do not give it.

Use of the TTT Directory is open to all members, in good standing, of LiMBO and NEATO, and only members of these organizations.

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Call (or visit, if checked above) only	between the hours of:	
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Please send completed form by April 15, 2008 to: LiMBO TTT, c/o Steve Paine, 13 Cobblestone Road, Barnstable, MA 02630-1605

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