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A snowy bus

This unknown bus was all snugg in its blanket of snow.

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Views through the Windshield

Hi Gang,

Area Rep directory

Welcome to the winter 2007 issue of *The Transporter*.

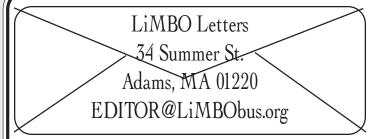
So how were your holidays? Did Santa bring you everything you wanted. If so, your very lucky. Christmas at the Digennaro's was pretty good, if I say so myself. Christmas eve we had a family gathering at my house. It went quite well. We saw family we hadn't seen in quite a while. It was a lot of fun. My honey got me a I-pod Nano for Christmas. That was great. I'm listening to it right now as I write this. Christmas was good. We haven't had much snow this season, which it good for cars, but not so good for those seasonal businesses that rely on it. Actually, most of January was pretty nice all things considered. We'll have to wait and see what February and March brings. Hopefully, Spring will be here sooner than later. Of course- one way or other- spring is only six weeks away.

I had hoped to have to the minutes from the annual meeting in this issue, but it wasn't meant to be. People have lives and sometimes things just can't get done. One thing from the meeting I can tell you about. I've been elected President! Yeah, its cool. Hopefully, I'll be able to keep a steady hand on the tiller and maintain the dignity and integrity of the office blah blah blah.. Where's the girls?!

Seriously, I'll try and do my best and if you have any ideas or thoughts about the club, let me know, the machine is always on and my eMail is always available. 413-743-1814 or <mrlimbo@limbobus.org>.

Inside this issue you'll find a nice travel blog from Fred Garnes also a review of Rusty Buses in the Snow. I also found another article from an old issue of *The Transporter* by our Treasurer Glen Smith about replacing wheel bearing in your Vanagon. The usual departments are in here as well. With the exception, I'm embarrassed to say,

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Welcome New Bus driver:

It's a boy!!!!!

Joe Jr (actually Joe III and the fifth Joseph in direct patrilineal descent) was born 5:58PM January 1, 2007 @ 8lb 7oz. Half-bald with fine blond hair — and pipes fit to play tenor sax as boss as his old man.

Mother Joanne is resting peacefully after a long but spectacularly uneventful delivery.

It is our first, and we're really looking forward to many "voyages of discovery" with him — just as my father did with his boys. In his Volkswagen Westfalia!

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Camping with your son under a clear, starfilled sky? Priceless.

From the desk of:

Joseph Ames Jr, MBA, MS Malvern (Philadelphia), Pennsylvania Site of the Paoli Massacre, 9/20/1777

Congrats Joe and Joanne from all of us here at LiMBO!!!

the Swap Area. For the first time in the history of LiMBO and the newsletter there isn't any classified ads. I left the mast head up for the classified section, but unfortunately there hasn't been any submissions.

Which kind of brings me to my next subject. Submissions. Or the lack there of. Its been long understood that getting submissions for this or any other newsletter are hard to come by. I'm always trying to get submissions for the newsletter and more recently the Website. I've said it before and I'll say it again: THIS IS YOUR CLUB, GET INVOLVED!!

I've always said that if your take the time to write it, I'll print it. So long as its not porn, most anything goes. With this new age of electronic mail there really isn't much of an excuse not to submit something to the newsletter. If you have access to the internet and can send an eMail, then you can send an article to me. Just write it in the message body. I'll do the rest. Its doesn't have to be *War & Peace*, just tell us about a modification you made to your bus, or maybe this great camping spot your found. A show you attended, whatever. If you take the time to write it, I'll print it.

If for some reason, you don't have eMail or your more of an oral story teller, well we have just the thing for you. Fellow member and board member George Bossarte has a tape machine hooked up to his telephone and access to a transcriptionist. So now if your in the mood to tell your story, you can call George. His number is 617-876-0390. So please take the time to type, hand write, tell or eMail us something today.

If your a regular visitor of the LiMBO website - and you should be -in the coming weeks your going to see a face lift of the site.

Phil Dlugolecki, our Webmaster/ internet guru has been mentioning that its time to update the website. Internet traffic is down at the site. One of the factors, in Phil's opinion, is lack of fresh content.

As Phil likes to remind those of us on the board, he is a website engineer, not a content designer. So while he can make the page look good and read correctly on your browser, he doesn't write stories or come up with ideas for content on the site. So far only a sparse few have really

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Summer Trip by Fred Garnes

My wife Chris and I completed our annual road trip to Visit my family in New Jersey this past August in our 85 Westy. We rolled off 3287 miles, 5290 kilometers, trouble free as usual. We traveled the same route going both east and west going below Lake Superior: across Minnesota to Duluth, across northern Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan to the Sault (Sault Ste Marie) and into Ontario. There we picked up Trans Canada 17 until we arrived at Espanola. There we headed south on Hwy 6 to Manitoulin Island, (world's largest fresh water island), to South Baymouth to take the Chi-Cheemaun car ferry over Lake Huron to Tobermory-coming the same way west it was our 4th time sailing on her. From Tobermory we continued on Hwy 6 passing south of Toronto, and entering the states north of Buffalo at Queensboro Ca./Lewiston NY. From there we dropped down to interstate highways which took us to our destination in very northern New Jersey. All except the interstate highways in NY state were traversed on 2 lane roads.

We slept 3 nights in the Westy going east and 4 nights traveling west. One night, going west, we slept on the ferry's loading parking ramp in Tobermory as we were too late arriving to sail on the last run north for the day. That gave us a chance to walk the village and we watched a night girls soft ball game at the town's ball field for it's last few innings. By

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5:30 the next morning vehicles of all sorts were queuing up around us in the loading ramp for the 7:00 departure. Other nights were spent in provincial, state, and our favorite- state forest campgrounds.

Most tanks of gas returned us 20+ mpg. With head winds, 2 tanks gave us 17+ mpg. One tank, on the flat with a tail wind, returned 21.75 mpg. This is traveling between 60 and 65 mph the entire trip. As there is a very small leak at the oil pump, which requires the engine to be dropped to be repaired, (so it stays leaky!), the 1.9 used about a 1/2 quart of oil or hardly any. The camper has 95,000 miles on it and I've always used VW, Mann or Mahle oil filters and the recommended 15-40 or 15-50 weight. Before the trip I decided to try, for the first time, non dinosaur juice- synthetic oil. Years ago I changed to synthetic grease in the transaxle. Oh, most every component in & on the camper is original except for the usual wear items. It has never been winter driven and lives a sheltered life when not in use in a garage. So, once again the Westfalia, now with a bit over 95k on the speedo, gave us a most pleasurable adventure.

I keep watch of license plates and the different types of VW vans, campers and motorhomes passed on the road.

Here's a run down...

- * 7 provinces
- * 34 states
- * Vanagon Westy- 5
- * Vanagon- 2
- * Vanagon high top camper- 1
- * Eurovan MV-8
- * Eurovan camper- 1
- * Eurovan- 4
- * Rialta motorhome- 3
- * Vista motorhome- 1
- * Bay window Westy- 3

Here's a list of spare parts I carry on board our 85 Westy. Call me a pessimist or fatalist, but I prefer being called a REALIST as the reality of Vanagon parts being available and in stock at ANY auto parts store is zero!

- * Fuel pump- used
- * Fuel pump relays- used
- * Water pump
- * Thermostat & gasket
- * Distributor- used
- * Distributor cap & rotor
- * Spark plugs 4 ea.
- * Alternator- used
- * Oil filter
- * Fuel filter
- * Quart of oil
- * Coolant 2 qts. 50/50
- * Radiator fan motor resistor
- * Length of coolant hose & clamps.
- * Piece of coolant steel pipe
- * Engine belts- used
- * Fuel injectors 2 ea used
- * Pressure tank cap
- * ECU- used, for 1.9 Digi-Jet injection system
- * Tools
- * Bentley manual & Haynes Vanagon manual (published in England & recommended as a compliment to the Bentley)

As most of these items are small they fit in the bottom of the rear most compartment & a bit on the rear most overhead shelf, both as accessed via the back hatch.

Cheers! Fred Garnes- Detroit Lakes, MN fcgarnes@arvig.net



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Welcome New Members!

by Steve Paine

Barry Deans, Belleville, ON ('88 Westfalia)

Ned Flanagan, Hamden, CT Jason Gallant, Salisbury, NH Carson Michaels, Seattle, WA Werner Schink, Sacramento, CA

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added to the content of the site. Nevin Lescher for one comes to mind right away. Nevin doesn't even have much internet experience. He has ideas, send stuffs to Phil and Phil tries to make it happen. As Phil says, 'at least he's trying'. This kind of sounds like what I was talking about at the beginning of this column. CONTENT!! WE NEED CONTENT!

Phil has been trying to come up with a new program to make using the website easier.

One of the major issues facing our intrepid Webmaster, intergrating the site so that one password will have access to most of the site. Right now the way it stands, if you want to post a classified to the website, you have to create your own ID and password. If you want to post to the forum, again a separate password and ID. If your internet savvy, you know there are enough passwords you need to remember without having to remember two or three more for one site alone.

Your probably saying that is no big deal, websites do that all the time, it should be easy. Your right, it should be easy, but considering the limited budget we have to work with and the fact that we have only one real Webmaster, our choices are limited.

We've been working with a new program, or at least new to us, that will make uploading photos, ads, forum items and blogs, relatively simple. A couple of the 'major players' in the VW web world use a similar program, so you internet 'junkies' might recognize the program style and will know how to use it. So keep checking the website over the coming weeks for the new and improved LiMBO website <www.LiMBObus.org>

The one thing we decided not to change on the LiMBO site is the mast head at the top of the page. Many of us have come to think of the stylized Vanagon dash pod, with the links to the website, to be a symbol of the LiMBO website. You see that dash pod and you know your at the LiMBO site. Kind of like the Ebay logo or Starbucks. You know you have arrived!! So be careful when you visit the site not to think its still the same old site. There maybe a whole new site lurking under there.

Well, that is about it for now. We'll see you in the Spring. Keep yourself warm. Keep on Busin' -Jim D



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VOLKSWAGEN ELECTRONICS RESEARCH LABO-RATORY DISPLAYS FUTURISTIC TECHNOLOGY IN A FAMILIAR AND NOSTALGIC PACKAGE

PALO ALTO, Calif.-Volkswagen of America, Inc. is introducing an exciting new concept vehicle from its Electronics Research Laboratory (ERL), located in Palo Alto, California. The ERL has taken a 1964 Deluxe Microbus and retrofitted it with a collection of cutting edge technologies. Dubbed the "Chameleon", this renovated bus contains projects developed by ERL engineers and external partners that explore novel design concepts for tomorrow's cars.

With the goal of preserving the classic look of the Microbus, the theme of the concept vehicle is "Hidden Technologies." This goal is appropriately parallel to Volkswagen's continuous mission to develop technologies that enhance the driving experience while limiting driver distraction. The large size and unique layout of the Microbus provides a tremendous platform to creatively integrate many different technologies. A multitude of projects are showcased in the Chameleon, representing the latest advancements in the topics of audio, speech, sensors, displays, navigation, lighting, batteries, solar cells and much more.

In addition to being a cultural icon, the Deluxe Microbus carries a uniquely Californian flavor. With its 21 windows and soft-top canvas roof, the vehicle was a favorite of surfers and adventurers on the West Coast, and is considered a prized collector's item today. Acknowledging California's traditionally environmentally friendly attitude, the ERL collaborated with Hybrid Technologies (www.hybridtechnologies.com) to replace the original VW engine with an all electric drive engine powered by lithium polymer batteries. Surfboards mounted on the roof are also lined with flexible solar panels that provide an additional source of energy to this 100% electric vehicle.

The interior of the bus is full of surprises, with an interactive digital instrument cluster, imbedded capacitive touchpads, digitally enhanced sound quality, exciting rear seat entertainment options, and speech activated controls available throughout the cabin. The exterior houses several exciting new approaches for keyless entry, LED lighting, wide-angle parking cameras, switchable glass and much more.

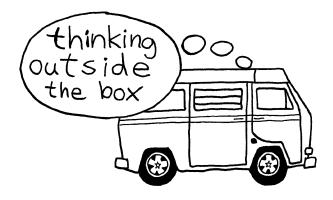
The Volkswagen Electronics Research Laboratory intends to use the Microbus as a public relations tool to showcase the potential future of automotive electronics set in the nostalgic package of this favorite old-timer. The Chameleon has already been showcased in Germany to Volkswagen executives and engineers. It will be making its North American public debut at the AltWheels event in Boston, MA on Friday, September 22, 2006.

Editors note: I saw this bus in person at the Muesum of Transportation during Transporterfest/VW day held there. Nice looking bus. I would love to intergrate some of those features into my own 67 bus. The plasma screen TV was nice as well as the rear projection tv on the back window.

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Blast from the past... The Transporter's Greatest Hits

R&R THE REAR WHEEL BEARING ASSEMBLY...

I've owned Vanagons since 1982 and currently I own three. Over the years I have made numerous repairs on the vehicles. Each time I try to document what I have done and how, then send the information on to LiMBO so the other members can benefit from what I've learned.

This time I want to talk about rear wheel bearings. One of my Vanagons has almost 190,000 miles on it. The van started making a slight "noise" that was hard to figure out what and where the noise was coming from. So I did what most people would do, I kept on driving! But like all bearing noises, the noise became louder over time. Eventually it was apparent the rear wheel bearings were giving up.

I bought two used bearing housings from the local salvage yard. The manager of the yard knows me quite well so I knew if the used bearings were also defective, the yard would refund my money. Both housings cost \$30. After the purchase, my thoughts turned to installing them and removing the old ones. The Bentley manual shows the job needs special tools, it is interesting to note the special tool you REALLY need is not mentioned in the manual.

The tool you NEED is a wrench used to remove the axle nut. No other special tools are required. The needed tool can be purchased from numerous sources and I paid \$7 for mine. Using the wrench to remove the axle nut was the only difficult part of the whole operation. This nut is on VERY tight, 253 ft lbs.

With the weight of the vehicle on it's wheels, I removed the cotter pin and placed the wrench around the axle nut. The wrench has a square hole for a breaker bar to be used, but I did not have a long enough and strong

enough bar. The wrench is very thick and made of steel. I loosened the nut with a short handled 2 lb sledge hammer. With the wrench in place, I whacked the wrench repeatedly until the nut came loose. You have to hit the wrench guite hard and it will probably come off the nut after each whack. Just put it back on and hit it again. Mark the position of the nut so you can see if it moves after each blow. I did not have to wind way up in order to put enough power on the wrench to loosen the nut, but you definitely have to hit the wrench quite hard each time. The wrench WILL stand up to the hammer blows. If this method is unacceptable to you, then use a long, strong breaker bar, a bar three feet long or so. After the axle nut is removed, everything else is just removing nuts and bolts.

With the axle nut removed, the van can be raised off the ground. Next remove the brake drum, be sure the parking brake is not engaged. The wheel hub under the drum will slide right off with only minimal effort. Next you'll need to remove the parking brake cable. It may be necessary to loosen the brake adjustment cable at the center of the van in order to remove the cable from it's lever. The rear wheel cylinder brake fluid line must be disconnected and plugged so the brake fluid won't drip out. Once the line is plugged, the entire brake backing plate assembly can be removed by taking out the bolts behind the assembly. None of the parts on the backing plate need to be removed, in other words the rear brake mechanism is left entirely in tack.

After the backing plate is removed your almost home free. There are only four bolts left. These bolts hold the wheel bearing housing in place. Remove the bolts and with a little effort the assembly will come right off the axle shaft, no special tools required. The seals inside the bearing assembly will tend to

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LiMBO-Mart



LiMBO STICKERS

New LiMBO Stickers are available. Its black and White and uses the original LiMBO artwork with club web address below. Its two inch in diameter and is static stick for years of use. It can be transfered to a new vehicle. Comes to us from membership coordinator Steve Paine's Business, Cape Cod Impressions. So it has to be good. While supplies last! Price: 3.00 shipping included.

Book Deals

Dometic Vanagon Refrigerator Repair manual

LiMBO has acquired the complete repair and part number manual for the Dometic Westfalia Refrigerator, 26 photo copied pages and spiral bound. This 'unofficial' VW dealer version covers lighting propane, operation, service and troubleshooting with fully detailed pictures. Complete resource to complete all repairs. Also includes VW tech bulletins updates. Price: \$13.00 (includes shipping)

Eurovan Winnebago Repair Manual

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Rusty Buses in the snow

Here are a few shots of *Rusty Buses in the Snow* held on January 13th-14th at Dale Ward's family estate in Shrewsbury, MA across the street from Ski Ward ski area.



The 'Hearty men' hangin out at the campfire. from left: Stan Wohlfarth, Dale Ward, Jim Digennaro, Jim Phillips. Missing from the photo, Dylan Digennaro (he was sleeping)





From left: Jim Phillip's '82 camper, Dale's '76, Dale's '91 Daily drive (half hidden), Stan's '80 camper and Jim's '93Eurovan MV Weekender.



In the foreground left in the above photo is Dale's 76 camper. Unfortunately, its too rusty to travel on the road anymore. Now he's only able to drive it around the Ward estate. Occasionally, he likes to camp in it, so when he gets in the mood to camp, he invites others to join him. We did one impromptu campout last summer before the "Volk-Vair Fair". With the annual meeting coming Dale decided to try camping out the night before. Rusty Buses in the Snow was born.

Also in the photo, you can see Ski Ward in the background. Land that Ski Ward is on is owned by the Ward family but leased to another company.

Dale's family has trucking company. The barn in the photo is the "Ward truck Museum". It's the barn that the Ward family uses to store their Mack trucks. Some of the trucks date back to the 50's. Some real nice pieces.

The family estate is located on about 40 acres, plenty of space for camping. Only a few Semi-Trailers to share the space with.

While we didn't have any snow the weather wasn't too bad. Overcast and about 35 degrees during the day and about 30 degrees at night. Dale had a good supply of wood on hand.

The ski hill only had one trail open and Stan was the only one of our group who hit the slopes. He pretty much had the place to himself. Hopefully, we'll do it again next year and more people will show up and we'll have snow!

Photos by Stan Wohlfarth.

COMING EVENTS

Coming Events is **the** place to get your bus or VW related event listed! Please send the vital stats: date, time, location, activities, costs, and contact person/phone number or address. Plan ahead and list your event **early** for maximum participation.

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

Feb. 17-18, (Sat. & Sun.) Cambridge, Ont., 4th Annual True Canadian Winter Bus Campout at Valens Conservation Area They have serviced sites for \$25.50/per night. There are flush toilets and showers nearby. They also have ice fishing and cross country ski trails in the park. Valens allows us to double-up on sites, bringing the cost down to only \$17/night per bus. 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 If you arrive and there is no-one at the gatehouse, insert \$7 in change to operate the gate, then once you're in and set up they will come around and register you, deducting that \$7 from your fee. 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 MEETING PLACE FOR CARABUS: Eastern Ontario buses can meet up at noon on February 17th at the WalMart at Cinemart Rd, just North of Highway 401 in Scarborough. From there it's about an hour's drive across Toronto to the TCWBC. 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 12-15, (Thurs.-Sun.) Pleasant Garden, NC EveryBus 2007 9th annual gathering of VW Transporters. Take the week off, load the bus, and hit the road. EB is held at Hagan-Stone Park located about 10 miles south of Greensboro, NC. Park website: http://www.greensboro-nc.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 15, (Sunday) Jacksonville Beach, Florida 9th Annual Volkswagens at the Beach Show and Swap Meet sponsored by SEVWC Jacksonville Chapter Full details for details go to the web site: www.sevwcjaxchapter.com. For additional info or questions email Arvid Nelson at r66bug@bellsouth.net.

**April 22, (Sunday) Westerly, RI Transporter Rites of Spring. (New date!) 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 4/21 to make sure we plan to be there.

Sunday April 29 - The CVA's Annual Spring Dust-off, Mansfield Hollow State Park, Mansfield, CT from 9am to 3pm. We have had this show so many years we lost count! Held 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.

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May

May 3rd - 6th, Beavertown, Pennsylvania Granny Grose's Buses III The campground is nestled along the Bald Eagle Forest. Campground facilities: bathhouse with free showers, playground, pavilion, game room, camp store, hiking, and biking. There will be two areas of camping. Single sites and General camping. General camping area: Pack em' in! \$10/Bus/night. Includes 2 adults. \$2ea. extra. If you don't like camping hippie style, then this may not be the camping area for you. Electric will be available for a some buses in the general camping area, first come, first serve. Water will be readily available for the general camping. Single Sites: \$20/night. 6 people/site. Electric outlet and water. The single sites and overflow camping are about 200 yards from the general camping. PLEASE, NO SPACE HEATERS. Because of the close quarters camping in the general area, there will be 2-3 fires. Single sites may have their own fires. WHAT'S GOING ON?: There will be Door Prizes, 50/50 drawing, Bocce ball, Kid's activities, Saturday Potluck breakfast, and a Saturday evening carabus (6miles) to an "all u can eat" seafood buffet. Sunday morning, there will be a carabus (7miles) to a Volkswagen show/ drag race. You do not have to participate in the Saturday carabus or the VW show. You may just come for the weekend of camping. We will also have awards, including the "Win It For Us Award", "Long Distance Award", and the "Granny Award". DIRECTIONS: Grose's Campground is located 2 miles off Route 522, in Beavertown, Pennsylvania. Beavertown is 24 miles north of Lewistown and 18 miles south of Selinsgrove. There are blue campground signs at the turn in Beavertown. You will turn left if coming from Selinsgrove. You will turn right, if coming from Lewistown. Since the address they have for the campground is a box number, mapquest gives you a general area. However, I entered the road that the campground is on. Quarry Road, 17813. That will get you onto the campground's road. The campground entrance is about 2 miles from the beginning of Quarry Road (Lr54058). In Beavertown, turn off Route 522 onto Zechman Street. At the stop sign, turn left onto Sassafras Street, then a right onto Quarry Road (Lr54058). Look for blue Grose's Campground signs. Contact Justin at 814-944-5290 or steelersbus36@atlanticbb.net with your info to make reservations. No deposits required. You can pay in full at the campout. FREE camping for the Bus that travels the farthest to the campout!! A free GGB2 magnet for each pre-registered Bus or Bug. For more or updated info, go to Justin's website: http:// www.grannygrosesbuses.com

May 4-5, (Fri. & Sat.) Pineville, Louisiana, Cenla Bugfest at Buhlow Lake Boat Landing, VW Show and Swap Meet sponsored by the Cenla Volks Folks Vintage VW Club. Onsite camping Friday night for show participants and vendors with electrical hookups and toilet facilities available. Campsites are "first come, first served." Drive-in Movie--"Cars"-- at 7PM. All participants and vendors welcome, free hot dogs, cokes and popcorn. Saturday: 7-9AM- EAA Breakfast, \$5.00, 8AM-3PM-Show & Swap Meet with vendors, food and door prizes. Participant Judging: Top 20 Air, Top 10 Water, Top 5 Type II and specialty trophies. Advance registration: \$10, Day of Show: \$15, Vendors & Swap Meet: \$20. Profits to benefit the Lions Club. Contact Mitzi Eason at 337-208-8125, Beth Fleury at 318-473-8118, or email cenla.vw@cenlavolksfolks.com

**May 25-28, Branckville, NJ Westies In the Woods tentatively scheduled for Stokes State Forest. Group campsites and a cost of \$1.00 per night. Details will be posted as available. Contact person is Tim: tim.demarest@pobox.com or 973-656-1473

**May 25-28 Fri-Mon Old Mystic,CT Buses By The Mill IV
This is the fourth year of camping on the ground of B.F.Clydes
Cider Mill. This is NOT A CAMPGROUND, it is a seasonal
cider business that is closed. We get free use of their grounds,
electric, and water. We rent a couple clean portapotties and have
clean running water on site. We have a couple group meals (no
one ever goes hungry!!!), so bring a couple dishes to share.
Pancakes, eggs, toast, potatoes, bacon and juice will be provided
by the Monks Sat and Sun morning. The main picnic will be on
Sunday. Address is 129 North Stonington Rd. Old Mystic, 06372.
Directions: Exit 90 off of route 95, take route 27 north, turn right
a stop, bear right at fork, the mill is on the left hand side. Email:
wmonk@snet.net, phone (860)572-2006. Please let them know if
you're coming so they can get a head count for food and party
favors!!!!!

May 27, (Sunday) Manassas, VA BugOut 61 at Old Dominion Speedway, 10611 Dumfries Rd. Spectator Ticket Prices: Adults (Age 12 and Up): \$15.00 Children (Age 11 & under): Free. Entry Fees: Show Car Pre-Registration: \$15.00, Show Car Registration: \$20.00, Slalom: \$25.00, Drag Racing (Street): \$25.00 (Pro): \$30.00 (Super Pro): \$35.00. Swap Meet Vendors: 10' x 15' - Includes One Person: \$50.00 Commerical Vendor Space: 10' x 10' space: \$175.00, 10' x 20' space: \$275.00, 10' x 30' space: \$375.00. Contact info: Email: bugouts98@aol.com Phone (703) 471-0559 Fax: (703) 471-0657, Mailing address: Pro Show Productions, PO Box 222096, Chantilly, Va. 20153. For more information go to:http://www.bugouts.com/eventinfo.php Camping: Prince William Campground: (703) 221-7181 Travel Trailer Village: (703) 221-2474

June

**June 07-10th, Mississippi Mills, Almonte Ward, ON Canada Busfusion 2007. Will be held in conjunction with RiverEdge Festival of the Arts at the North Lanark Agricultural Society's Almonte Fairgrounds. Promising to be the premier Canadian VW camping event. We look forward to seeing you all there! See www.busfusion.com for more details and pre-registration form. Call: 613-256-6763 or email: busfusion@aol.com

**June 8-10, 2007 (Fri-Sun.) Riverhead, NY Buses by the Big Duck VW Campout sponsored by LiMBO/LIVC. Indian Island Campground 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 Islands historic Big Duck, visit historic towns and villages, shop at the Tanger Outlets and do so much more. The cost is \$27 per night for noncounty residents. Local Suffolk County residents pay \$17 per night, but must also have a Green Key Park Pass (\$20, good for three years & available at park office) We will be camping in a reserved group area equipped with electric and water. Please contact Andrea at rassovw@hotmail.com for further information or to add your name to the attendance list. Last minute arrivals are welcome...so if you do not know your plans until the day before...don't worry...we'll have room. Your (CASH ONLY) payment will be collected by Andrea at time of arrival, but please check in at the parks front office first. If you plan on arriving after 10 p.m. or before 8:00 a.m., please inform us ahead of time so we can let the park know. Any VW's (bugs, Ghias, things etc...) and their owners are welcome to attend as well. Pot luck dinner/raffles will be on Saturday night. IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT PETS: YOU MUST HAVE ACTUAL RABIES PA-PERS WITH YOU. THE TAG IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH PROOF. THE PARK WILL NOT LET YOU IN IF YOU DON'T HAVE THIS PAPERWORK. ALSO, DOGS MUST BE LEASHED AT ALL TIMES. NO EXCEPTIONS. Bridgeport to

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 c/o: Amy Monk 3 Oak Street Mystic, CT 06355 editor@limbobus.org Submit ads Via the Internet:

http://www.limbobus.org

There were no classifieds submitted this issue!!

Submit your classifieds on line @ www.LiMBObus.org

Classifieds are free to Members!!

Events continued....

Port Jefferson Ferry website:http://www.bpjferry.com/ New London to Orient Point ferry website: https://www.longislandferry.com/Default.asp For more information, go to the event website: http://arasso.tripod.com/

June 17th (sun, Fathers Day) Harwinton, CT- Litchfield Bug-In. Show and swap meet. At the Harwinton Fairground. 350 cars last year. Huge swap meet. Camping on grounds the night before as well as the Bug-In Bash. Contact Chuck Pisconski at 860-283-5256 or email: vwsplitman@sbcglobal.net

July

July 7th& 8th, (Sat.& Sun) -The CVA's New England Volks-Meet, Woodstock Fairgrounds, Woodstock, CT from 12-5 Saturday and 9am to 3pm Sunday. 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. Will be held rain or shine. There will be dash plaques and goody bags to the first 200 cars and camping is available on Saturday night. There will be live bands and entertainment for the kids. Come and enjoy a weekend of true German fun. Thank You!! For additional info please call: Jeremy Clayton (860) 539-9704 vwbus@excite.com or Joe Hughes (203) 982-6257 vwjoehughes@yahoo.com

July 7-24, Durban, South Africa, Africa Beetle Marathon This event follows the Marathon Format. The marathon format concept differs widely from that of the more traditional and well-known rally. The event is strictly amateur and not affiliated to any motor sport body locally or internationally. Prizes consist of trophies for specific positional finishers as well as medals to all who finish within the specified allowable time. 6000km's with an 18 day time limit. For more information, including rules and costs, go to http://www.beetleafrica.com/enter.htm Contact information: Telephone / Fax: +27-31-7675044, E-mail: info@beetleafrica.com Address:P.O.Box 310, Link Hills. 3652 South Africa You can also contact David Lewis for information at David_Lewis@uml.edu

**July 13th-15th, Fri-Sun Townsend, VT- West River Westies IV. From Promoter Nevin Lescher: Pending something unfore-seen, West River Westies IV will take place on July 13, 14 &15th, 2007 at the the Bald Mountain Campground, Townshend, VT. If the West River flow is up again like it was this year, there will be lots of water for Xtreme Tubing. Also an expanded VW Bus & Van Model Exhibition and Contest for children of all ages and something new----The Volkswagen Train More details will be forthcoming in April 2007 on the LiMBO Regatta, Potluck Supper and a new and different style of raffle to benefit the Grace Cottage Hospital in Townshend, VT.

July 27-28, Fargo, North Dakota The 2nd Annual Volkswagens in the Valley car show, swap meet, and navigation rally sponsored by The Red River VW Club. This year's event will be held in conjunction with the Fargo Park District's German Folk Festival that takes place the same weekend. There will be German food and crafts as well as a German folk band coming all the way from Germany! This is sure to be a nice treat for anyone who loves Volkswagens. Friday night- navigation rally, cookout, and camping at Lindenwood Campground: http://www.fargoparks.com/facility_camp.html or 701-232-3987, RV sites with w/e, \$24 per night, tent sites, \$13 per night, firewood concessions and toitelry items available. Saturday- car show, swap meet, and German Festival. For more information, please contact Andrew at info@redrivervwclub.com or visit our website at: http://www.redrivervwclub.com

August

August 4th (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.

August 4th 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. (details of each show previous and below). Meet at the DJ booth. More info: Contact Jim 413-743-1814 or eMail: mrlimbo@limbobus.org

August 5th (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

August 19th (Sun) Terryville, CT- Terryville Bug-a-fair. Large all VW show and Swap meet at the Lion Club Fairgrounds in Terryville, CT. Engine blow, RV races, games for the kids, music, food and fun. Camping on the ground the night before. Contact Chuck Pisconski at 860-283-5256 or email: vwsplitman@sbcglobal.net

**Aug 31st-Sept 3rd (Friday-Monday), Buses Nowhere Near The Arch #22 (BNNTA) about 30 miles west of Hannibal, MO. Group campground at Indian Creek Recreational Area right on Mark Twain Lake. All VW's are welcome to enjoy this BNNTA family-oriented camping event. Featuring VW camping on a 22 mile long lake, informal VW Bus show, best individual and group campsite decoration contest, scenic countryside caravan on Saturday over to historic Hannibal, MO (home of Samuel Clemens, a.k.a. "Mark Twain"), awards and door prizes, campfire activities, slow drags, etc. The total event/camping fee for each VW for the entire four day weekend is only \$30. Website for more info: http://www.bnnta.com For more info, contact event organizers Bill & Kathryn Bowman at bill@bnnta.com

September

Sept 7-9 Buses by the Buoy '07 Event will be held way Downeast, Lubec or Eastport, Maine. This is the most Eastern point in the contiguous US, a long haul for some but we will try to make it worthwhile. Formal announcement will be made in early April through the BbtB mailing list.and at: http://users.adelphia.net/~vacvw/ Event details will also be posted here when available. Contact people are Michael & Sheila King: vacvw@adelphia.net

Sept. 14-16 (Fri.-Sun.) Cape May NJ Camp Out. More details as available. Contact people are Mark and Carol Foster at Mlf1605@aol.com

Sept 27-30 Berlin, MD- Pony Pitch Campout on Assateaque Island, about 20 minutes from Ocean City MD. Go camping at Maryland's only ocean park located on a barrier island bordered on the east by the Atlantic Ocean and on the west by Sinepuxent Bay. You'll be camping RIGHT ON THE BEACH!! There are 2 miles of ocean beaches that offer swimming, beachcombing, sunbathing, surfing and fishing. The campground includes beach houses and hot showers. Further details about event activities as they become available, but may include a pot luck supper and a trip to a local BBO stand. The event is sponsored by the Full Moon Bus Club. The website for Assateague State Park is http:// www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/eastern/assateague.html The park phone number is (410)641-2120. Call 1-888-432-CAMP(2267) for reservations. The event is held in "I" loop, and you can make reservations NOW. Sites are \$30 per night. Site limitations are as follows: Maximum of 6 people per site, maximum of 3 sleeping units per site (one vehicle, 2 tents.) There are 2 vehicles permitted per site as long as one of them is NOT a sleeping vehicle. THESE ARE NOT W/E SITES. If you require these services, the closest w/e sites to the event are in "H" loop. These sites are \$40 per night. There is a grocery store and a WalMart in Ocean City if you need supplies. The contact person for the event is Ted Wojton: medicted@gmail.com or 610-960-4980. He will be camping in site "I-67."

Sept. 30 (Sunday) Brookline, MA The 22st 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 14th (Sun.)- The CVA's 9th Annual Fall Foliage Cruise, Simsbury, CT from 9am to ??? Held rain or shine this event will begin at The Simsbury Fireman's Clubhouse and 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 18, Shrewsbury, MA at the LiMBO clubhouse AKA Dale Ward's house. Contact him for directions: limbobus2002@aol.com or 508-842-2121.

May 20, Barnstable,MA at the home of Steve Paine house. Contact him for directions: nuvi@capecod.net or 508-362-9877 July 22, Milbury, MA at Mary's house. Details to follow. Sept 16, Northboro, MA at John Jordan's house. Details to follow.

Nov. 18, Bristol, RI at Coy's house. Details to follow. Locations subject to change. Call ahead. Back up location, Dale's in Shrewsbury, MA For more info: 413-743-1814 or limbo@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 34 Summer St., Adams, MA 01220 or Email: Editor@LiMBObus.org

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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Once this is done, simply put everything back together, reinstall the parking brake cable, bleed the brake system and readjust the parking brake cable, if necessary. Tightened the axle nut with the weight back on the van. Make the nut as tight as you can get it and if you don't have a torgue wrench, take the van to a shop and have them torgue the nut to spec. If you take the van to someone, don't forget to install the cotter pin while you drive the van.

If you can't find a salvaged wheel bearing assembly, I talked to the people from The Parts Place in Michigan and they told me

they would rebuilt the assembly and return it to me. Of course you still have to remove and replace them. I don't remember what they charged, but it wasn't ridiculous and it wasn't any more than buying the actual bearings and seals out right and installing them yourself. If you decide to do the entire job, which means removing & replacing the bearings inside the assembly, you WILL require special tools.

If anyone out there needs more help or details on this repair, call me, 301-884-5461. The job is really not difficult for the average shadetree mechanic and other than the wrench I needed no other special tools were required.

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BRAD'S SPLIT CREW CAB

This is the new LiMBO calendar, available from the LiMBO website. <www.LiMBObus.org> Its free to download. There are two versions. One is a PDF file that you can download and print out to hang on your wall, or there is a Jpeg image of the calendar so you can save it and place it on your desktop. It will be updated each month. By the time you read this, March should be posted to the website. Let us know what you think. limbo@limbobus.org> You can also submit a photo for consideration.

You'll also notice that not only are there National Holidays listed, but also VW related events listed as well. That way you can plan ahead and attend your favorite show.



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