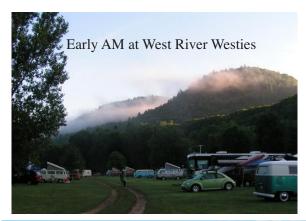
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A few shots of various campout and VW events so far this season.

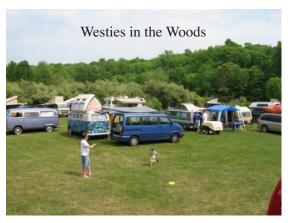
















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Views through the Windshield

Hi gang,

Welcome to another issue of *The Transporter*. We're smack dab in the middle of summer and boy what a summer it has been.

It seems like I haven't had a weekend off since Memorial Day Weekend. Don't get me wrong, I'm not complaining, its been a blast. We started with Westies in the Woods, at Stokes State Park in Branchville, NJ. Great time. Plenty of good food, great weather and camaraderie. Tim and the Bus Guild crew really put in the effort and it paid off in spades. Nice work guys.

Then it was off to Buses By the Big Duck in Riverhead, NY on Long Island. Brad and Andrea Rasso laid out the welcome mat and made everyone feel at home. The weather dampened the campground but it didn't dampen anyone's spirits. Thank you Andrea and Brad!

Litchfield weekend is a bright spot on the VW show map. Chuck Pisconski and the crew did a great job, the weather was perfect and the Bug-In Bash feast was second to none.

We actually were able to stay home for a couple of weekends, but then it was back on the road for the New England summer meet sponsored by the CVA. Jeremy and the Volks put on a great show that is in a nice location, Woodstock, CT and has some real potential. Let hope they continue this event, it is one not to be missed.

West River Westies IV was one that will go down in LiMBO lore. Nevin, Sue, John and Kevin did a great job getting the campout together. Eric Linscog made is world class, finger lickin', spare ribs again. But the high light of the weekend came from Mother nature. We believe we encountered a tornado on Sunday afternoon. Check out my report on page 5.

I've got a break for a couple of weeks. I'll need it. Barbra has a 'Honey do' list that I need to tackle. Then August 4th will find me in Shrewsbury for the Volks-Vair affair, the 5th at the Vacationland VW Assoc annual meet in Windsor, ME and then onto Terryville Bug-A-Fair on August 12th.

Speaking of traveling, our Long Island area reps and Buses By the Big Duck host Brad and Andrea Rasso are heading on a cross country trip to the Pacific Northwest in their 91 camper 'Blue Max'. If you would like to keep track of their progress, offer them a place to rest or just offer word of encouragement, stop by their website: http://bradleyvw.tripod.com.

Well, I'm out of space for this issue. There is still plenty of summer left, get out and enjoy it. We'll see you around the campfire. Keep on Busin' -Jim D.

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Hi LiMBO,

Just a note to let you know we attended the June Jitter Bug sponsored by Johns Bug Shop in Niagara Falls, Ontario. It was held at Fireman's Park. Once again it was a beautiful warm day for this great show with over 200 VW's of all types there. (Even a couple of Audis sneaked in.) The clutch eater teeter-totter was a big hit and the swap area was large. The only problem we had was that we made the mistake of parking under a Mulberry Tree for shade. At the end of the day we had a horse of a different color, our white Great Dane was purple and white. Here is a snap of the three of the nicer vans at the show. We hope to get to a couple of events in New England this year.

Motor On Dave & Carol Steele Dundas, Ont.

PS: The sun doesn't really shine this bright at 3:58 AM. I have to reset the camera.





One Weekend and Two Events-Hockenheim Ring and Bad Camberg

By Gary M. Byers

Hey Gang,

Two great VW events took place over the weekend of 22-24 June. First was the VW bus tuning/camping event held at Hockenheim Raceway, about 15 miles from my house. The second was the Bad Camberg old-timer event held once every four years. It was about 60 miles in the opposite direction. Which one did I attend....both!!

The boys loaded Doka our 1983 Double Cab We arrived at Hockenheim late Friday afternoon and set up camp in the drizzling rain. We ate and walked around admiring the other busses.

After eating Saturday morning, we jumped in Doka and headed home to switch vehicles. We jumped in Oscar our 2002 EuroVan, and drove the 90 miles to Bad Camberg.

Most folks that are into old-timer VWs have heard of the Bad Camberg event. I had missed the last event. So, I made sure I was there this time. The event is geared towards something like the 1957 and earlier VWs. There was a pretty impressive collection of old VWs.

I must have heard over 20 different American voices there. I was also hoping to run into Bill Bowman. I was only there for about 10 minutes when I actually found Bill. He drove a friend's old beetle in from Belgium. We spoke for a little while and continued on to admire the vehicles.

After a couple of hours in Bad Camberg, we headed back home, switched out vehicles, and drove back to Hockenheim Ring.

When we arrived, the busses were already on the racetrack. If I understood it right, the first group of busses to run was the slower and non-modified ones. We were late and saw the modified busses run.

Sunday morning I heard a couple of guys standing by my truck speaking English. I struck up a conversation with them. Turns out, they were from California. They were in the process of delivering a bubble window Westy to Great Britain. They had been at the Bad Camberg event and heard about the Hockenheim Ring event and decided to check it out.

All too soon it was time to pack up and head back home. This was to be the end of my 2007 VW bus camping season.

Take Care, Gary

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West River Westies IV Reflections

By Nevin Lescher

First off, Sue and I want to thank all for your participation in West River Westies IV. It was really great to see how many Bus Volks turned out for this event at what Sue and I really feel is a beautiful place for a VW Bus gathering.

There were 63 registered vehicles as of Monday when we cleared the campground, leaving only one camp chair and one plastic wine glass. Both were claimed and removed. The unofficial breakdown of vehicles was something like this: 7 Eurovans (both Winniebago & Weekend), 33 Vanagons including Westfalias, 11 Bays, 3 Splits, 1 Rialta, 1 New Beetle and 3 Mobile Homes. Also welcomed were our Canadian friends for Up-de-Nord border: Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and British Columbia. The Down-de-Nord border visitors were from all the New England States, New York and New Jersey.

You couldn't have asked for better camping weather for this event. Even though the West River flow from the Townshend Dam was not like it was last year, the LiMBO Regatta went off with winner's times twice last years. (11.5 minutes).

The Potluck Supper showed up a vast selection of delicious dishes plus Eric's Apple Smoked Baby BBQ Ribs. You would never find anything like this in any five star gourmet restaurant with these on these the menu! This was followed by a Bucket Raffle with proceeds going to the Grace Cottage Hospital in Townshend, VT. Thanks to Jamie McHahon, Rich Macensky & Connor Hilton. Grace Cottage Hospital received a \$400.00 donation.

We hope all enjoyed just what they came for, we think!!!!! For those who left early for home on Sunday, you missed the best part of the weekend on Sunday afternoon. Momma Nature came a-calling again for the 3rd time in 4 years with a mighty Microburst. (The 15 or so survivors on site claim it was a Tornado). Wow, what a Whopper this one was!!!!! — 4" of rain in 10 minutes, at least 55mph winds: Canopies, awnings, rugs, tents, tree branches and most everything else including the LiMBO Webmaster's Easy-Up Wally World Canopy were airborne. See it all on www.LiMBObus.org, click Photo Album.

Thanks to all for your participation, we hope to see you all next year for bigger and better X-treme Tubing and reduced entertainment from Momma Nature.

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West River Westies Wipeout Whopper!

We just got back from West River Westies. It was a great time as usual. Good food, good company and good tubing. The river could have been a bit higher, but we made the best of it. The time just flew by. Barb and I made a long weekend of it, arriving Friday afternoon and staying until Monday.

The weekend was capped off with a tornado!! Nevin Lescher is calling it the 'West River Westies Wipeout Whopper'!

Most folks checked out by noon, a few others were taking their time packing up and the rest of us were just chillin out on Sunday afternoon. When about 1 PM the skies starting getting dangerously dark. It didn't take but 10 minutes for the storm to get upon us and it opened up!

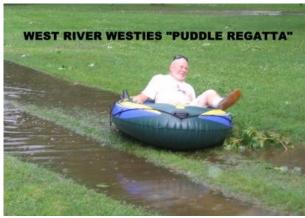
The rain came down in buckets and the wind was howling something fierce. EZ-Ups were blowing apart, awnings were being ripped off and Phil Dlugolecki nearly became a para-sailer when the wind grabbed is EZ-Up and took it and him for a ride. He flew a good 5 feet in the air and landed 15 feet away from were he started. The my kids, assorted pets and our friends kids were hunkered down in our motor home while Barb my friend Paula and I tried to save our awning and EZ-Up. The awning came out fine, but the EZ-Up didn't fair so well.

Nevin Lescher was out holding down his canopy when the awning was ripped off of Julie Olsen's Eurovan Camper and was set flying in his general direction. He was lucky, his EZ-up stopped the awning from hitting him. To his credit, he saved his Vodka Martini.

The scariest moment for me was when a burst of wind came up and started to push the motor home. I had the stabilizers down and the wind leaned the camper over a good foot to the side. While the rational side of me was relatively sure the camper wasn't going to go over. There was a split second when I wasn't sure.

It was scary to say the least.

No one was hurt and only minor damage to a few canopies and few broken branches. Later we found out that a small tornado touched down near the river and snapped a tree and turned over a couple of campers in a neighboring campground.







Nevin points to where he was standing when Julie's awning came toward him. The leg of his EZ-up stopped the awning from hitting him.



Phil surveys the damage after his 'flight'.



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THE FIRST VW Part 1

I regret that he never had a name. Something ennobling would certainly have been appropriate, for my first bus took me on an adventure that changed my life. Ever since that initiation I have had a steady stream of buses to carry on the tradition born that fateful year long ago.

My love affair with the Volkswagen bus began in the seventies on a sunny afternoon, in Florida. I sat in the passenger seat of a pickup truck, parked and waiting for a friend to return from the Vet's office where he had taken his little dog. I had hitchhiked here to visit and consider the merits of spending the winter. A change in life style and a vacation was necessary because I had wrecked my truck. Having left home to run away and join the circus, in a few years I had accumulated a pony act and a dancing horse. These animals joined me and my dog to enjoy life on the road – that is until the unfortunate event took place – but that is another story.

Sunshine and palm trees create practical weather, enabling work to take place outdoors. So here I was, at the beginning of a new chapter in my life. As I sat in the truck, I saw, through the side window, a magical vehicle pull up and park next to me. The curious microbus was dark green and rigged for camping with jalousie windows on the side and a rack with two bicycles on the front. A flowery couple, obviously enjoying themselves, ambled out of it and went into one of the stores. I studied this unique vehicle as I sat there and I was sold. It was love at first site. This small practical vehicle could double as housing in addition to transportation. I was a guy pursuing a creative trade that required travel. As I sat in a quiet truck seat the introduction to Volkswagen and all it had to offer piqued my interest. I recognized how a compact, unique and loveable mode of transportation could be perfect for me.

It wasn't until a year later that I would find and buy my first Volkswagen. Back in Michigan, my friend Hayes had spotted a camping van with a "for sale" sign in the front window and suggested that I go take a look. He knew about my gift and encouraged me with my aspirations to become an artist. This was to be my first bus, a white 66 with pop-top and jalousie windows. The interior had cabinets and a bunk for camping. Once the bus was mine it didn't take long to outfit it. First priority was comfort ability for my white spitz dog, and myself, an area for my painting gear and storage of personal effects inside. The bus was perfect. With a two-piece windshield, the compact cabin had overhead ventilation. The dash was a metal affair curved downward at the facing edge with decorative vertical slots, each rounded in a careful symmetrical way. Underneath the dash and gauge console was a tray to lay things. The floor at the center of the cab sprouted a four-speed stick and the emergency brake lever. The bucket seats with fabric covers suited Superdog and myself just fine. A little gap between the seats made maneuvering to the central living area very easy. The center of the roof had an extra-added attraction: a pop top that when lifted, made it possible to stand up to put your pants on. The back had a bunk in the middle with a small closet on one side and a shelf across the top. A small table folded down near the side exit doors.

With the addition of a cooler and a couple of throw rugs and a quilt for the bed, the microbus became a suitable traveling home for an adventuresome duo.

Thus the adventure began.

The first order of business was to decorate the bus. A perfect panel existed next to the jalousie windows to letter the word "sign". I was also experimenting with a device called an airbrush. Soon my moniker "Krazee Davee" was emblazoned across the entire side I painted a bright orange splat above and around the driver's window to entertain the suggestion that I had been pelted with something orange. To add to the humor, upon this funny shape was lettered "I got it!"

The magical microbus began to transport Superdog and myself to many places. We now had unlimited possibilities. We traveled to many places. Whenever we needed work, I would find the downtown drug store where all the merchants gathered for a cup of coffee at ten o'clock each morning and park the decorated bus nearby then I would step outside, get a brush and some color and begin to paint on it. This ploy for meeting clients was very effective. The lettering of "Mobile Sign Shop" on the roof of the bus took place in such a fashion. The lettering began up in northern Michigan, where we started our travels and continued at other places along the way.

Being on display, applying my skills to the sign work already on the bus always lead to a job or two from the local merchants. Inevitably someone would ask me to look at his or her storefront. Soon I would be at work on a store window or an office door with never a lack of ideas and designs to provide these eager people.

Early in my relationship with this mechanical conveyance, a slight inconvenience occurred when the beloved bus refused to start. I was elated to find out that by planning ahead and parking on a hill, the situation was easy enough to live with. When it was time to go, by rolling down the hill and popping the clutch while in gear, the bus was easy to start. Even on a flat area, the small efficient size made the bus easy to get rolling by pushing it myself and then by rapidly jumping into the driver's seat to repeat the above-mentioned procedure. Soon we were roaring on our way.

When I had saved enough money to get a new starter, I made a special trip.

Hayes had suggested that I go to downtown Jackson to Fletcher's Garage to get the starter fixed. I arrived in front of the two-story brick storefront with service bays adjacent to it and out of habit, scanned the available parking spaces for one with the suitable incline and ample space in front to facilitate ease of starting. I then went inside and spoke to the new owner of the business, Kelly, who was my age. "I would like to buy a starter from you but I don't have enough money to hire you to install it," I began, "Can I buy the piece from you and install it myself in your driveway?"

Evidently this odd request coming from an equally odd individual created a good impression because his response was to be very helpful. When the bus was in front of his bay doors and I was underneath attempting to dismount the starter, I discovered I did not have the proper tools to get the job done. Soon I was back inside and my good-natured host provided me with the special tools I needed.

Over the years Kelly not only became a good friend but his place of business, renamed "Kelly Imports," soon sprouted signwork by Krazee Davee.

During several points in my career, his garage housed a variety of painted projects that I had undertaken; lots of business vehicles were decorated there, 4x8 wooden signs constructed and even a complete set of rounding boards for a carousel received the magical touch in the back room at Kelly Imports. Those were the days of sharing an amber beverage on a tailgate after work with an occasional smoldering herbal accompaniment.

As the years brought maturity to the fellows at Kelly Imports, in addition to keeping an endless succession of VW busses running in top shape for me they became mentors of clean living and examples of involved members of the community.

AUTUMN COLORS

Watching the trees turn color from northern Michigan through the central Midwest and on to the southern states was perhaps one of the most outstanding events of my lifetime. The summer up north coming to an end and the promise of work in Florida during the next winter and having found the perfect combination for living and working wherever I was promoted this adventure. The magical bus was the perfect conveyance to take me to the early morning sights around the country and my first extensive autumn viewing expedition that first wonderful year.

My intention was to start in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and head south through Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee as the color gradually shifted with the eventual destination being Florida.

The first jump of my journey was straight north through the middle of the state. Although the color was about seventy percent in Jackson County, as I headed north the intensity of color became complete.

I had fallen in love with Michigan during the several seasons of performing in many of the towns across its length and breadth. After high school I had joined a tented circus as a drummer in the band to initiate a lifestyle full of adventure. The microbus helped me retrace some of the memorable route the show had taken and allowed me to stop and see a couple of the girls I had met.

Tourist destinations in the U.P. were all closed down by this time yet apples and pumpkins were available all along the way. The hint of winter rode the breeze and an ominous overcast sky influenced a change in plans. I headed south and soon arrived at the Mackinaw Bridge. Once safe on the mainland the temperature was tolerable. With the cold threat behind me I became, once again amazed at how a hundred miles can influence the temperature. I went on to become an expert at finding the right latitude for personal comfort.

Many of the most memorable times I have had with my beloved bus were when she broke down. As I headed south through Indiana on the interstate, I reached a point where the van just refused to go any further. Rolling to a stop, I had to hike to the next exit and get friendly with the mechanic that drove the wrecker parked at the gas station. The first order of business once the van had been pulled to this establishment was to pinstripe and letter the mechanic's toolbox. Scottsville, Indiana, was the name of the community. Call it divinity, serendipity or whatever you will, but the timing of my arrival couldn't have been more perfect. It was almost Thanksgiving and while the VW was waiting for the parts we needed, I walked into town to find some work. Literally, every store I went to was ready to have Christmas decorations painted on the picture windows and glass doors, thanks to the artistic service having been provided for years by the local signpainter, who incidentally, had died the day before I broke down.

This coup allowed me to rapidly establish rapport with all the members of the business community. Not only did I paint Christmas wreaths, Santas, Nativity's and holiday messages of all sorts for the next few weeks but the contacts also led me to dude up hot rods, create extensive pen and ink artwork for a nautical themed menu and fine signwork for a jewelry store. Because of the void that existed with the passing on of the local sign painter I could have easily assumed his role in this town and moved right

in. But a longing would take me from this place that could have become my home. With the last project finally complete I was ready to head down the highway. An enthusiastic youngster headed me off before I got to the entrance ramp of the interstate. After begging me to paint one more painting, I then returned to his dad's car lot to paint a small mural on the glove compartment door in his sportscar. I finally did make it to the expressway loaded down with many fond memories. That community had a lot to love.

SAWMILL FAMILY

My life would have fared quite different if I had stayed in Indiana but the lure of the highway kept calling. Soon with the festive colors of hardwoods flanking both sides of the rolling highway, I was headed into Kentucky.

I decided that autumn would be especially pleasant in a University town, so Bowling Green became my next destination. I had grown up on a college campus so I was certain I would fit right in. At the edge of a nearby town I stopped at a corner gas station and while looking at fancy paint jobs Hot Rod magazines I met a young fellow. The sensational paint jobs on the extensively customized vans of the day warranteed ongoing research such as flipping thoroughly through magazines. Outside in the parking lot the elaborate paintwork on the bus had piqued his curiosity. He had a 40's car being made into a hot rod and wanted a mystical scene painted on the large trunk lid. I followed him to his family's large sawmill and saw the dark blue vehicle in one of the buildings. On the car, I visualized a rugged mountain scene with a castle atop in the midst of subtle clouds and a large moon. The foreground would have a winding road that led to the ominous dwelling.

During the project I was made part of the family. They lived in a large house in the middle of town. Meals took place in an equally large kitchen. In addition to my host's siblings and parents, his grandparents ate with us for each meal. I sat at the biggest dining table I had ever seen and enjoyed a seemingly endless parade of large serving bowls heaped with southern vittles. Collard greens, fried okra, lima beans, cornbread, fried chicken and mashed potatoes with white gravy were among my favorites.

Back on the automotive mural project, the castle was a small size leaving plenty of room for the rest of the vista on the car trunk lid. I wanted this dwelling to have accurate features upon close inspection. To create intricate details I made friskets or stencils. I carefully cut out interesting shapes on index cards and sprayed color through them. Thus turret roofs with shingles, block walls with doorways and illuminated windows were created. The tedious process produced stunning results that my customer, now my friend, found to be very pleasing. Once complete, I took the memories of this job, being part of his family and the Polaroid photo of this latest masterpiece and bid adieu and headed south into Tennessee.

To be continued.... next issue.

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For more info or to purchase, contact Nevin Lescher at the address on page 8. -Nevin Lescher.

RIGHT: This is the Lurking Gnome. There have been a number of sightings at VW camping events around New England. Last seen here at Buses by the Big Duck. This elusive creature is very hard to catch on film. He usually only comes out late at night and lurks about under the cover of darkness. He has been known to imbibe alcoholic beverages before disappearing back to the mysterious place from which he came. If you're lucky, perhaps you'll be able to see him at a campout near you! We here at LiMBO understand that it is good luck if you come in contact with the Lurking Gnome.

Oil Drips, leaks & Seepage. Pushrod reseal by Paul Kappils

A 26 year old 2.0L Vanagon engine comes with old seepage/ leaks. Gotta be expected as this air-cooled engine has 105K miles. I figured the oil seepage would be eliminated with the expected engine rebuild. Since it wasn't too bad, I figured I could live with it. Maybe drop the engine this winter for the expected rebuild. Meanwhile running will with 18-20 M.P.G. and all four cylinders within tolerance for the Bentley Manual's compression test. So no urgency for rebuild, just oil drips on the floor after a drive. Hard to determine just where oil seepage originates.

I decided to do something after recently learning that the pushrods tubes can be resealed/replaced without removing the heads. A definite improvement over the old 1600cc Type 1 engines I'd worked on. Generally, I've been finding easier access-repair on the Vanagon - which I've owned for three years now.

With the Bentley Manual specs & diagrams and some advice from my local dealer, North Penn VW in Colmar, PA, I found the resealing job pretty strait forward. I set the van wheels up on 4" wood block ramps and folded the mudflaps up and away. I replaced the pushrod tubes and their 16 O-rings. Then resealed new valve cover gaskets using spray can white grease. Probably didn't have to replace the pushrod tubes, but the new ones look good.

One caution from the very experienced service advisor at North Penn. "DON'T TORQUE THE HEADS" it "Could create problems".

Very pleased with the results. Oil seepage very much reduced. Hope it works as well for you if you decide to do it.

Paul C. Kappils Perkasie, PA.



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. For more information on any event, please contact Tom & Linda, the event coordinators, at volkswagenri@ cox.net or 401-762-2448.

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.

July

**July 27-29, 2007 (Fri-Sun) Portsmouth, RI - Buses in the Bay at the Melville Campground 181 Bradford Ave. (off Rt. 114) Portsmouth, RI. This is a new LiMBO event! Check in Friday is 11am-8pm, and check out is 11am Sunday. Call (401) 682-2424 to make reservations betwen 10AM and 5 PM only! (The campground does not take reservations by email.) Tell them you are with LiMBOWe have the "Safari Field". The cost is \$30.00 per night. After calling in your reservation you must mail a \$30.00 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 O.K. with them. There will be kids games Saturday morning, a cruise to Newport Creamery Saturday at noon, and a raffle Saturday afternoon. For more information, contact Coy at 401-254-2350, or coyandlynn83@hotmail.com

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. 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

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 matchboc racers. Camping on grounds the night before. For info contact: http://users.adelphia.net/~vacvw/ or eMail: vacvw@adelphia.net

Aug 9-12, 2007 (Thurs-Sun) Mt. Vernon, OH Dixie Bus **Gathering** at the Rustic Knolls Campground. Folks will be arriving as early as Thursday evening. Friday evening there will be a fire for you to cook overSaturday morning carabus to the largest Volkswagen show in the Midwest. Admission is only a few dollars. If you are a vendor or a vendor wannabe, bring your stuff. Chili dinner on Saturday evening will be provided at the host's expense, but please bring a pot luck item to share. Sunday morning breakfast will be the World Famous Breakfast Burritos. Please bring something to add. The event will be in a public, family orientated campground, and leashed pets are welcome. The campground offers swimming in the pristine waters of Lake Rustic Knolls, a playground, a fishing lake, and most all beautiful scenery! The cost for each night of camping is \$20 per bus or family of 4 (\$2 a head for extra people.) It's suggested that you have CASH to pay for campsites, American Express is NOT excepted. Also, bring some cash for the 50/50 raffle. This group has acquired a nice following, and camp together a few times throughout the year. But, they certainly like adding to the tribe, and hope you will join them. For further information go to event website: http://www.geocities.com/dixie_bus_gathering/ The phone number for the campground is 740-397-9318 (phone answered until 9 pm) The contact person for the event is Frank and mobile phone 614-Biffath, email: <u>f.biffath©neopost.com</u> 406-8121.

August 10-12, 2007 (Fri-Sun), Brooklin Ont - Buses Of The **Corn** This is a family event for VW Bus owners. The event is held Brooklin, a small community just North of Whitby, Ontario Canada, in the Group Camping area of Heber Down Conservation Area. The group camping area has pit toilets and showers, and will accomodate at least 120 buses, so there is plenty of room to go around. There is a large fire pit for group campfires, and 2 covered picnic shelters with barbecues. There is a severely limited amount of hydro available on the site, and it is recommended that you bring your own drinking water. Plenty of picnic tables are provided. Pets must be leashed. Pre-registrations is now extended until August 1st. Weekend - \$18CDN until June 30th, or you can pay \$25 at the gate. One Night - \$12CDN until June 30th, or \$15 at the gate. Pre-registration should include: name(s) of those attending, email address and/or ielephone number, year and Model of vehicle. home address, license plate number, number of nights attending, and how you are paying: money order, cheque or paypal. Send email to pre-register to: BOTC@pottsfamily.ca Send your paypal payment togregpotts@rogers.com Or mail pre-registrations to: Greg Potts, 10 Alford Crescent, Unit #35. Scarborough, Ontario Canada M1B

4C9. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANYTHING BY MAIL AFTER AUGUST 1st. DIRECTIONS: Take Exit #410 from Highway 401 at Brock St. in Whitby. Go North on Brock St. to Taunton Rd. Turn LEFT onto Taunton Rd and continue about a mile to Country Lane Rd. Turn RIGHT on Country Lane Rd. to the end and then turn RIGHT onto Lyndebrook Rd. Follow lyndebrook about 150 yards to a parking area with a gate on the right side of the road. Open the gate, drive through and close it behind you. Follow the gravel road to the end, it's about 1/2 mile or so. Please note: There is a Brock ROAD in Ajax with an interchange to the 401. That is not the exit, Brock STREET is about 5 miles to the east. U.S. Citizens REQUIRE A PASSPORT. For more infomration go to: www.busesofthecorn or email: BOTC@pottsfamily.ca

Aug 12, 2007 The 2007 Salt City VW show and Campout near Syracuse NY will be held in Oneida Shores park, McKinley Ridge field Just .5 miles from the public beach (\$fee) and located in the spacious grass field of McKinley Ridge Park.VWCCNY, in response to member's and participant's suggestions has sought for a Park setting that will be both CHILD and DOG friendly. We also intend to tie in a VW camping aspect to our weekend show. Oneida Shores McKinley Ridge park was chosen, for it's beautiful setting, large grass field, clean restrooms, easy access from a major interstate (I-81) and proximity to camping. and a public (fee) beach. Directions are easy Interstate 81 exit 31 turn LEFT onto Bartell rd. about 1 mile follow signs

CAMPING: Create an overnight adventure and enjoy your choice of over 50 shaded lake view campsites - spaces for tents and self-contained RV's and sites with electric and water, all with individual parking areas, picnic tables, grills and hot showers, plus free beach and boat launch access during beach hours, are all available for your convenience. Reserve early as these sites fill up quickly by early summer. VWCCNY will waive the show registration fee for anyone camping @ Oneida Shores campground in the 2007 event weekend A camperbus is not required, camp from your classic VW beetle or cabriolet. Read the PDF Flyer here: http://www.limbobus.org/images/vwccny.pdf. Campground info http://onondagacountyparks.recware.com/

DATE CHANGEAugust 12th (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

Aug 31-Sept 3, 2007 (Friday-Monday), Bloomsburg, PA, Kampers near Knoebels VII at Indian Head Campground. Come and join us for a fun weekend of VW bus family camping including, but not limited to, Friday night ice cream social, campfire conversation, canoeing, kayaking, hiking, biking,

caravan to Knoebels Amusement Park, junk yard runs, and the famous Saturday morning potluck brunch. Contact the campground directly (570-784-6150) and tell them you're with the VW Bus camping group. Price is \$22.00 for group bus area. Water and electric sites are available for \$24.00 - request "section A" to be close to the group area. Prices reflect a discounted rate. Payment of first night is required to hold your spot. Free hot showers and flush toilets adjacent to group area. E-mail to let them know you're planning to attend and so we know how many magnets to make! kampersnearknoebels@verizon.net For more information go to the website: www.geocities.com/ bens bus/knk.htm

September

**Sept 7-9, 2007 (Fri-Sun), Lubec, MainBuses by the

Buoy '07 Event will be held at the Southbay Campground. This campground is a rustic one man operationAn article about the owner can be found at this link http://davidmichaelkennedy.com/blog/
index.php?p=122&more=1&c=1&tb=1&pb=1 Rates are US \$12.00 per bus per night. Reservations are not needed. All credit cards are accepted. This is the most Eastern point in the contiguous US, a long haul for some, but we will try to make it worthwhile. More details (maps, lobster feed, things to do) will appear on the web page as they develop http://users.adelphia.net/
evacvw/ Event details will also be posted here when available. Contact people are Michael & Sheila King: users.adelphia.net/

Sept 7-9, 2007 (Fri-Sun), Campin\(\text{alouette}, Beloeil, PQ, Canada Grands Rendez-vous, CICCW. Go to: \(\text{http://} \) westfalia.qc.ca/activites.aspx

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 14-16 Grand Rapids, MI- Bus Boo! Join the always entertaining Buses By the Beach group for annual fall bus camping event held two weekends after Labor Day Weekend every year. This Halloween themed campout is designed to be fun the young and the young at heart. So bring the whole family, decorate your campsite and have a memorable time with the greatest bus people on earth. Weekends activities include chili cook off, site decoration contest, adult and children costume contest and bus to bus trick or treating. For more information please go to www.busesbythebeach.com or eMail: todd.olson@charter.net

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 BBQ 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

Events continued....

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 Wal-Mart 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:

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**

Welcome New Members!

by Steve Paine

Ryan Caisse, Leominster, MA Reid Chapman & Cathy Cleary, Asheville, NC ('84 Westfalia, '04 Jetta TDI)

Michael Clancy, Merrick, NY ('86 GL Westfalia, '01 EuroVan MV Weekender)
Diane Davis, Rochester, MI
Sam Josovitz, Bridgeport, CT
Robert Kilarjian, Northport, NY ('84 Westfalia)

Thomas Lapointe, Schofield, WI **Bruce Maxson,** Cooperstown, NY ('73 w/ camper interior)

David & Mary Menge, Spencerport, NY ('69 Camper Bus)

Randy Nunes, Palmyra, VA **Yvon St. Marseille,** Vaudreuil-Dorion, Quebec ('90 Westfalia)

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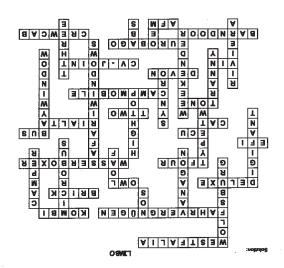
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Tube bus rides again! Seen here at West River Westies IV transporting a load of happy tubers up river! Photo by Nevin Lescher



Midwest Scene





Some 70 cars entered the competition for 3 place awards in 20 classes at NIVA's BUGFEST 2007 at the beginning of 'summer'. Bill Jacobs Volkswagen of Naperville, Illinois, cleared most of their dealership lot so that showcars, swappers, toy providers, food griller, and D J could comfortably enjoy one another's company. Those people had plenty of stories, advice, help, and fun to share. At this kickoff of the Northeastern Illinois Volkswagen Association summer activities, there are always some new showcars, new stories, new people, and new winners to enjoy. Besides all that, the weather was the best of recent years for this show. While NIVA members worked the show with administrative skill, providing goodies, ballots, and such, the Bill Jacobs dealership is thanked for the movement of cars, the openness of human comfort services, the dogs, brats, liquid refreshments, and the like, and overall hospitality. Just toward the end of the day, a caravan of new beetles, driving across our land, arrived and shared their experience thus far. They will continue to California, mostly driving on Route 66.

By the way, that Manek family (counting an in-law) picked up three trophies! There ought to be a law! Maybe NIVA needs an attorney!

Support those local shows, far and near. -Jerry Spellman





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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WANTED: Newsletter Editor. Its time for some new blood. I've been doing this on and off for 10 years now. I'd like someone else to give it a shot. Graphic design experience not necessary, but helpful. I'm self taught. If I can do it, so can you. We have a printer and distribution process in place, we just need an editor. If you can spare a few hours every other month, we want to hear from you.: Contact: Jim Di-Gennaro 413-743-1814 or eMail: editor@limbobus.org. (MA)

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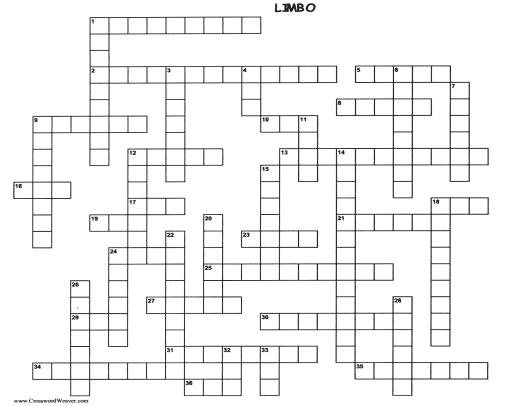
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As a member of LiMBO you are entitled to a free classified ad each month. Try to make it 100 words or less, written legibly with any abbreviations that can be made (i.e. 147k mi., trans., Westy, PS, PB, A/C, etc.) Include a price if possible, your 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.

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LiMBO Crossword by Rose Lee Geiger



ACROSS

- 1 One of many camper versions of the VW transporter imported from Germany
- 2 Made -up German word meaning 'pleasure of driving'
- 5 Name of a Transporter with mid-

- range trim 8 Vanagon model Transporters
- 9 A model of early buses 10 A nickname
- for the Microbus 12 Fourth generation Transporters
- '92 to present 13 Engine used in the watercooled
- Vanagon 16 Electronic

- - Injection 17 Electronic Control Unit (computer for fuel

Fuel

- injections) 18 Specifially. Transporters from '68 -'79
- 19 Catalytic Coverter 21 Mini-motor
- home -Winnebago Eurovan 23 Second generation

- Transporters '68 to '79
- 24 First generation Transporters '49 to '67
- 25 Another name for camper
- 27 Englsih company for conversion of buses
- 29 Registration Number for any vehicle 30 Constant Velocity

Joint

- 31 Slang for Winnebago Eurovan
- 34 Bus made before mid-1955
- 35 Another name for double-cab pickups
- 36 Abr. for Air Flow Meter

DOWN

1 Models with a higher level of trim plus extra options

- 3 Any Transporter from '80 -
- 4 Abr. for New original stock (not rebuilt)
- 6 Any VW Transporter from '49 to
- 7 A model of VW bus
- 9 Form of fuel injection for '86+ vanagons
- 11 Bus made from 1968-19

- **12** ANY Volkswagen Transporter
- 14 Type of front windshield found only
- Microbuses 15 Transporter
- with a raised 18 Another name for
- 1968-79 20 Four-wheel drive version
- Vanagon 22 Accessory package for
- 24 Affectionate name for Transporter
- 26 Type of conversion by ASI
- 28 Third generation Transporters '80 to '91
- 32 Abr. for Original Equipment Manufacture/
- 33 Abr. for Anti-Locking Braking System

WORD BANK: Abs, afm, barndoor, baywindow, brick, bus, camper, campmobile, cat, crewcab, cv-joint, deluxe, devon, digifant, ecu, efi, eurobago, fahrvergnügen, hightop, kombi, loaf, microbus, nos, oem, owl, rialta, riviera, safariwindows, syncro, tfour, tone; transy, tthree, ttwo, typetwo, vanagon, vin, wasserboxer, weekender, westfalia, wolfsburg.

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