

The Transporter

The official newsletter of the Late Model Bus Organization, international- LiMBO

The face of the future for VW vans here in the USA?

Caravelle & Kombi



Close, but probably not. I found this photo of a Caravelle/Kombi on the VW of South Africa's website <www.vw.co.za> This is what VW is selling there for a van. According to what I've read, the new VW van to be sold in this country will be fully designed by VWAG but made by Daimler-Chrysler right here in the good ol' USA. We'll see what happens. Look for whatever shows up to be in your dealership sometime in 2008. -Jim

INSIDE: Shows.. Tech tips & more

September-October 2006

www.LiMBObus.org

You have a copy of volume 19, issue #5 of *The Transporter*, which is published 6 times per year by the Late Model Bus Organization, International inc. Deadline for next issue:

November 1st 2006

The Late Model Bus Organization, international is dedicated to the maintenance, restoration, and improvement of post-'67 VW Type II's including Vanagons & Eurovans! The only prerequisite to joining is enthusiasm for these great vehicles.

Membership in LiMBO (which includes a subscription to *The Transporter*) is \$25 per year (\$30 US funds from US bank for non-US members), 2 years is only \$48 (\$58). Make checks payable to LiMBO. *PLEASE* direct correspondence to the appropriate address listed below:

Editorial/ Submissions

The Transporter
C/O Jim DiGennaro
34 Summer Street
Adams, MA 01220
413-743-1814
editor@limbobus.org

Associate Editors: Events

Linda Manion & Tom Power
286 Fourth Avenue
Woonsocket, RI 02895
events@limbobus.org

Membership, Address Change

Steve Paine
13 Cobblestone Rd.
Barnstable, MA 02630
nuvi@capecod.net

Website/ Internet

Philip Dlugolecki: LiMBO@limbobus.org
Contributing editor
Bill Dummitt: bill@campinginthe parks.com
Nevin Lescher: nesu@cox.net

New Members

Back Issues:

Dale Ward (LiMBO)
9 Golden Hill Ave.
Shrewsbury, MA 01545
limbobus2002@aol.com

Local Rep. Coordinator

Tom Power: volkswagenri@cox.net
LiMBO-Mart Coordinator
Nevin Lescher: nesu@cox.net

Officers

President/Classified editor

Bill Monk
3 Oak Street
Mystic, CT 06355
(860) 572-2006
wmonk@snet.net

Treasurer

Glen Smith
30089 Hickory Drive
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
cmoney@mail.ameritel.com

Secretary

Mike Guilfoil
10 Meadow Parkway
Franklin, MA 02038
m.guilfoil@verizon.net

Back issues of *The Transporter* are \$4.00 per copy.

Some issues are available as photocopies only. Also some more recent issues available on line www.LiMBObus.org for 2 dollars per issue.

Although every possible care has been taken to make the information contained herein as complete and accurate as possible, NO LiMBO CLUB MEMBER, PAST OR PRESENT, SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE USE OR MISUSE OF INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN.

Observe proper safety precautions when working around a vehicle, especially an older vehicle. Pay strict attention to manufacturer's directions, wear safety goggles, gloves, respirators, and proper clothing. With proper care the automotive hobby can be accident free and fun.

LiMBO is not affiliated with Volkswagen of America, Volkswagen AG, or Westfalia. 'Vanagon' 'EuroVan' and the VW logo are trademarks of Volkswagen.

Visit Us On-Line at: <http://www.LiMBObus.org>
(413)743-1814

General Email: LiMBO@limbobus.org

Copyright 2006 by LiMBO, Inc.

INSIDE:

Features:

Event report: Stateline Volks Folks Annual Show	4
Johnny's Cafe	5
Tech article: To Cool or Not Too Cool	7
Article feed back	11
Welcome new Area Rep	13

Departments

Views though the windshield	2
Letters	3
Midwest Scene	6
LiMBO-Mart	8
Coming Events	10
Swap Area	13
Area Rep directory	14
Welcome new members	15
Parting shots	16

Views through the Windshield

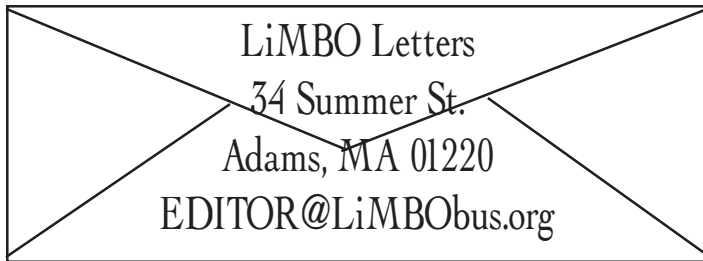
Hi Gang,

Welcome to another issue of *The Transporter*. As I write this, its hard to believe its fall already. We just finished three days of the nicest weather here in a few weeks. Sunny, warm high's topping 80 with no humidity. Made me a bit depressed too. It got me thinking about all the fun I had this summer attending shows and campouts and then I started thinking about whats coming next. Winter. Yuk. I wish we could go from Fall, right into Spring with maybe just a little bit of winter snow around Christmas.

What fun we had this summer. Camping out at the Cyder Mill in Mystic, CT Memorial Day weekend. Thanks to Bill and Amy Monk for putting on a good time. Then off to Long Island for the campout formally known as LiMBO on Long Island, now called Buses by the Big Duck. While I didn't get to attend that campout, I heard it was a great time and Brad and Andrea Rasso did a wonderful job putting it together.

I hit a couple of VW shows this summer. Litchfield, Terryville, the CVA show at Woodstock and the Vacationland VW show. Good times were had by one and all. We really lucked out with the weather, nice at all of the shows. If your looking for a show to attend next summer, make plans to attend the CVA summer show in Woodstock, CT. Its a really nice location and a great bunch of people putting it together. I think it has some really good potential to be the highlight of the summer show season. What I really like about these shows is they have camping available the night before. Lots of different people show up, putting up tents or sleeping in the back of their Squarback. Its a good time hanging out with people you may not see camping at a traditional campout.

continued page 11...



Dear Jim-

I've been on my wander since September, and am having a great time. Just wanted to give you an update on what's been going on.

In January I went to Buses by the Bridge in Lake Havasu and got to see some old friends and meet some people I had just met through emails. It was wonderful. I spent some time with old friends in Joshua Tree California, then ended up in Tortilla Flat Arizona for a couple of months. I hadn't been there for 25 years or so since my parents lived in Apache Junction, so decided to wander through and check it out.

I camped at a Forest Service campground for 2 days, ended up with a job, staying for 2 months. There was a Help Wanted sign in the window of the restaurant/gift shop, so went in and applied. I worked in the gift shop, also on the patio where they served burgers and beer and had live music every afternoon.

Great way to spend the winter.

I made reservations on the Alaska Marine Highway for the end of May leaving out of Prince Rupert British Columbia, planned on making several stops on the way north, then just wandering around the interior, then driving back to the Lower 48 on the AlCan.

I stopped in Estes Park Colorado the first part of April to visit an old friend I hadn't seen for several years. He was in poor health, finally convinced him he had pneumonia and had to see a doctor. Turned out he also had a severe lung infection, a partially collapsed lung, etc and had to have surgery. I ended up staying in Estes for 3 months taking care of him.

By the end of June he was well on the road to recovery, so I made a quick trip to the UP of Michigan to spend the 4th of July with my family. They have a cabin on a lake and most of the family was going to be there - brother, his wife, kids and grand kids, and my sister, her son and family were camping at a campground just down the road. I didn't tell them I was coming, so it was a huge surprise. My sister's grandson Evan, who is 5, had called me several times wondering when I was coming home. I got a lot of hugs and snuggles from the little ones, which was just what I needed.

I wasn't sure what I was going to do after that, Curly didn't need me to stay with him in EP any more, so checked Workampers to see what they had available. I

ended up with a camp host job at Pawnee Campground at the Brainard Lake Recreation Area near Ward Colorado. It's about an hour south of Estes Park, elevation 10350 feet. It is gorgeous. Clear air, a mountain lake nestled in front of the mountains, I love it. I usually end up in Estes Park on my days off at Curly's, doing laundry and taking a REAL shower after a week of dry camping.

A friend from Michigan is coming to visit in a couple of days, can't wait to show him around. I haven't done any hiking yet, but I figure I will get on the trails when he is here. Since I've been wandering, my mail has a hard time catching up with me, so I just got my renewal notice. I am sending it in ASAP, going to get the on-line newsletter this time. I will miss the paper copy, but it will be easier this way.

I am committed here until the first week of September, I'm not sure what I will be doing after that. Tortilla Flats wants me to come back this winter, but I really want to be in Maine this fall for the colors, then drive down to Key West for a bit. There is a VW gathering in Death Valley in November, I also want to go to Lake Havasu in January again, I don't know what I'm going to do. I will probably decide the week before I leave here. If I make it to the East Coast I will try to make a folding party - I want to meet the people who work so hard to get the newsletter out to the rest of us. I will keep you posted. Happy trails.

Barb Cotton
inmy83westy@yahoo.com
<http://spaces.msn.com/members/inmy83westy>

Barb, I'm jealous. Sounds like your having a great time. Keep us informed and if you want to attend a folding party, let us know. Your welcome to camp out in the driveway, I'll put out a power cord and everything. -Jim

BOSTON ENGINE

508-358-6264
www.bostonengine.com

Rebuilt Air and Water Cooled Engines
Parts and Machine Shop Service
Customer Tech Support
30 Years Experience
Bob Donalds



Official printing company of LiMBO



Event report: Stateline Volks Folks Annual Show. By Jerry Spellman



It's hard to be excited about anything when the heat is high, the humidity is high, and the sun is high, but if you go to the Stateline Volks Folks annual show in Rockford, Illinois, you will find your fun will reach a high. This was the 19th annual Vintage Picnic, a show for all VWs. From way back the club has offered a relaxing site (Alpine Park), Special trophies (wood crafted creations), generous hospitality (sincere welcoming attention), an eye appealing show (VW vehicles) and abundant goodies (door prizes galore).

Though the predicted temperature degrees was to be 100, and hopefully the number of entries was to be 100, and the door prizes might have come close to 100, and normally 100 people would fill the area, none of these actually reached that number, not even the temp.

Just about everyone left with something, be it a door prize, a tyedye shirt (the kids made) or a trophy, but certainly with advice, fixit help, or contacts. There were 15 classes, plus best paint, best interior, and best of show, and all 33 trophies were given out. The people who run Stateline know how to look out for their guests, are generous with their time and talents, and go out of their way to bring you comfort and fun.

Support those local shows near and far (despite that toll road!).



Marty's VW Service
Sales and Service
New and Used Parts
VW Wrecks Bought and Sold

203 Center Street
New Milford, NJ
Fax: (201) 261-7474
(201) 261-4244

Johnny's Cafe by Fred Garnes

July 2006. My wife Chris and I were returning home to Minnesota from another great time camping in our 85 Westfalia with our group of Canadian friends at Bird's Hill Provincial Park about 10 miles northeast of downtown Winnipeg Manitoba. We were attending the Winnipeg Folk Festival, that is held in the park, as Chris & I have done for the past 10 years.

At the border crossing on US Hwy 59, we had to wait in a line at the US border for 35 minutes, for who knows why. We had never waited as long as this before. Interestingly enough, there were only two people on duty, so who would thoroughly search vehicles if they wanted to? With all the government terrorist fear propoganda it makes you wonder. Anyway, when it was our turn, we passed through with no problem, as usual. Nobody was hiding in the back of the Westy waiting to enter the USA to do harm in rural northwest Minnesota.

As we came into Thief River Falls, Minnesota we decided it was time to have lunch. Coming into the downtown we turned left at the first traffic light. We saw Johnny's Cafe and pulled over into a parking space. We walked in to find a tiny joint with maybe no more than 15 stools around the counter. No room for tables here. This is the kind place where you watch your food cook, as the grill is behind the counter. The vibe in the place was very friendly, and I joined in contributing to the banter with the locals and the waitress/cook.

There was a fella sitting next to Chris doing the daily Minneapolis Star Tribune crossword, and the waitress/cook and he, together apparently, do the Jumble puzzle

every day when he stops in for coffee. I leaned over and asks him if he happens to be a math teacher as my wife here is. He replied that he's retired but a was a science teacher. That gets a conversation going between Chris and him, as Chris is fairly well addicted to crosswords and puzzles. He is also.

I kept noticing a guy down the end of the counter, while we ate our lunch. For some reason he seemed like a car type of guy. I finally up and asks him: say, the only guy I know in town is a VW guy named Marvin, you know him? Sure he's a pal, I see him most everyday, he replied. My name's Jon and I've got VWs too. Later, when I wrote down his name I spelled Jon with an H. NO! No, my mother beat the H out of me when I was a kid- he jokes!!! I Told him my name. He asks where am I from, and I reply Detroit Lakes. Jon says I know you who you are! So, it also turns out that Jon and I had talked only once many years ago, on the phone, when he'd called me about some VW parts he was looking for. He'd gotten my name and number from Marvin.

I'd met "Mad" Marvin in the early 90's at the Bug In in Minneapolis. Marvin was quite the character and drove about a 8' long single cab, and had collected a small fields worth of VWs. I haven't seen Marvin in many years. The last time he stopped around he was towing a split window bus with his split window bus, going down to the Twin Cities to sell the bus to someone.

Jon also has a stash of VWs. In fact he has a rare 57 Binz double cab pick up truck that he'd bought in Fargo, for \$500, a number of years ago. I told Jon that my VW pal Corey had discovered this very same truck a couple of years before he bought it, and that I have the taillights and the Binz manufacturers tag to this very truck that I somehow wound up with, (I won't tell you how either), years ago. When Corey found the Binz, the owner wanted \$1500 for it, which was too much for it's rusted hulk, so we thought then. The owner had no idea of what the truck REALLY was, just that it was a VW that you never see any of its kind. A few years later, Corey and I had heard that someone from a town "up north" had finally purchased the truck. Well, now we finally know who!

So, who knew that making that left turn while passing through Thief River Falls and sitting down to lunch at Johnny's Cafe would turn out to be such a friendly venture of VW discovery, and a last additional serendipitous hit to a great time at the festival.

Fred Garnes
Detroit Lakes, MN

SALES · SERVICE · PARTS

The Bus Co.

VOLKSWAGEN BUS SPECIALISTS

PO Box 621 Duvall, WA 98019

(206)523-6525 FAX (206) 524-8868

visit us at:

WWW.THEBUSCO.COM

Daryl Christensen

(425) 788-4070

aatransaxle.com



P.O. Box 546 • 29924 NE 173rd St. Duvall, WA 98019

Midwest Scene



Buses line up on Friday night to enter.

Buses Nowhere Near The Arch 21 By William Dummitt

Held every Labor Day weekend, Buses Nowhere Near The Arch has a reputation for a good time despite frequently sweltering weather. The 21st edition of this event was blessed with a beautiful weekend and pleasant, clear weather. This event was originally known as Buses by the Arch back in the days when it was held near St. Louis. About 80 VWs were on hand from as far as 1500 miles away, including a pair of diesel vanagons powered by vegetable oil from restaurants found enroute.



The Volskaffe van won the award for best re-engineered bus.



This single cab, found sunk in a barnyard shortly before the event, was hands down winner of the award for "most in need of restoration."

To Cool or Not Too Cool

Typing 2 Ink By Jim Bryant <jbryant@niu.edu>
(Printed with permission from the good folks at NEATO and the Old Bus Review -Ed)

Like many original middle seats, some bus owners remove it as “in the way.” It will disappear with only a bracket to remind the owner what was once there. Unlike middle seats, it may go in a box and rattle around for decades. So, where is yours? Long tossed? In a box of parts or stuffed in the cubby hole under the driver seat?

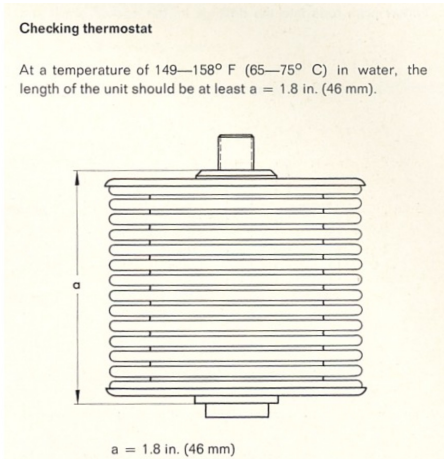


Photo 1 - Original Bellows-Type Thermostat

If you still have the original German bellows-type thermostat, you can set it to VW specifications (Photo 1). But, the last few times I've ordered a thermostat, I've received a “spring” Brazilian thermostat (Photo 2). They arrived in VW/Audi and MTE-Thomson boxes labeled as part number 040.119.155.1, but also another label with 111.119.159A on it. The split bus Parts List offers 111.119.159 as the original part number. Using VW part number taxonomy, the “A” indicates that this is the first revision to the original part. That is a decades-long run for an original part needing only one improvement.

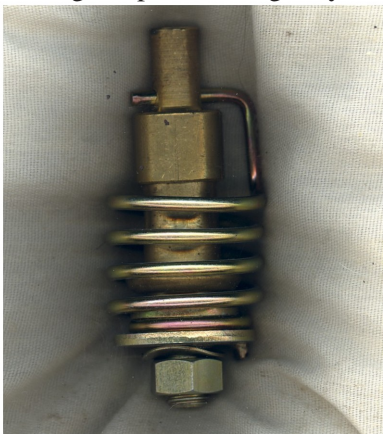


Photo 2 - New Spring-Type Thermostat

I am not inclined to fight improvements. The copper bellows was known to crack, rendering it useless. The spring design appears to be sturdier. It's not like any one is going to lie on the ground and give me grief for non-original parts tucked up behind the cooling tin. If the specifications for expansion/

contraction are the same, I can live with the changed design. VW designers engineered the thermostat and its connecting rod and flaps for a purpose, albeit one that might seem the

antithesis of the air-cooled concept.

What bothers me is that the new design doesn't fit the original thermostat bracket. The old thermostat had a bottom that looks like a sliced circle to fit in the bracket hole, while the Brazilian thermostat has 8mm threads for a washer and nut and a tab to position it (Photo 3). At the top, the bellows was intended to expand no farther than the bracket to keep it from over-swelling and breaking. The newly designed spring will hang up on the top of the bracket. It won't work to just install the new thermostat on the old bracket and call it good enough. Instead, there are two solutions; one will work for you.



Photo 3 - Old Bracket with New Thermostat
Securing the bottom of the new thermostat to the old bracket can be done with a washer/nut, but alignment in the hole is sloppy.

The first is to modify the bracket to accommodate the new thermostat. Stan Wohlfarth sent me a picture of his modified bracket (Photo 4) after he installed his. Technically, it is “clearancing” the bracket so the top of the spring thermostat doesn't hang up on the bracket. This is not only the simplest approach, but it also allows for an old bellows thermostat to be installed at a later date if one becomes available. All it takes is a little grinding or a hack saw to cut away enough of the top part of the bracket that the spring clears the bracket as it expands.



Photo 4 - Modified Bracket - Note material cut away at top of bracket to allow spring to clear bracket when thermostat expands.
(Photo by Stan Wohlfarth)

conitued page 9...



www.limbobus.org

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 transferred 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

LiMBO has also acquired the complete repair manual for the Eurovan Winnebago. 132 pages. Lots of good information to fix the Winnebago camper equipment. Including, fridge, furnace, electrical and plumbing. Only 20.00 (includes shipping)

NEW ON THE LiMBOmart
The LiMBO HATCHstix
 '73-'79 Bus, '80-'91 Vanagon



This Strut props the rear hatch open on your WESTFALIA to provide adequate ventilation. It is 10" long and fits between the current lock assembly. This is a re-design of Jim Harvey's original version.
 Available now on the LiMBOmart for \$8.00 plus shipping



LiMBO Beer Tankards

Heavy Duty 16oz Glass (Beer) Tankards with black & white LiMBO logo, dish washer proof. You've probably had your favorite microbrew at your local pub in these same glasses and tried to stagger home with one under your coat. But now you can have one of your own! Only 15.50 per pair (includes shipping)

LiMBO-Mart



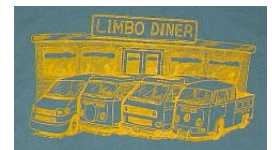
LiMBOclock

Ready for immediate shipping. Order yours now. \$15.50 includes shipping

LiMBO Tee shirts.

All new LiMBO logo Tee Shirts. Gray or Oceana green with black or yellow LiMBO logo on left front with 'LiMBO Diner' artwork by Chris Brown on back. (as Pictured)
 Sizes Large through Double Xtra Large. Price: 16.50 (12.00 plus 4.50 shipping) Specify size and color when ordering.

FRONT



BACK

Send Check or Money Order to:
LiMBO-mart
 C/O Nevin Lescher
 295 Reed Ave
 Windsor Locks, CT 06096

Mechandise can also be purchased through our Website using Pay Pal
www.LiMBObus.org

NOW AVAILABLE ON THE LiMBOmart



"The LiMBO CAP"
 A Solid Six-Panel Pigment-Dyed Cap
 Embroidered LiMBO Logo, One Size Fits All

\$15.00 plus \$4.50 shipping by USPS Priority Mail
 Send Check or Money Order Payable to LiMBO
 LiMBOmart, % NEVIN LESCHER
 295 REED AVE, WINDSOR LOCKS, CT. 06096-1230

..continued from page 7

The clearancing solves the conflict at the top of the bracket. Placement at the bottom leaves room for improvement. You can hook the alignment tab on the side of the bracket, throw on a large washer & nut and tighten the thermostat in place. For a more perfect union, salvage your old bellows thermostat from the recycling bin. Drill the threaded hole in the bottom so the 8mm threaded stud on the spring thermostat will fit through the hole. Put the thermostat in a vise and use your hack saw to cut the very bottom off—the piece you cut off makes a perfect spacer to fit in the old bracket hole before putting on a washer and nut. A word of caution, don't lose the nut that came with the thermostat. It's not 8mm x 1.25 threads we all know and love. It's a finer thread.

The more enthusiastic (and equipped) of you could weld up the oversize hole, then drill a new 8mm hole for the stud on the end of the thermostat and a smaller hole for the alignment tab. Then, of course, you would need to grind it smooth, sand it to a mirror-finish, powder coat it in your oven with the OEM specification semi-gloss black and bolt the gleaming finished product underneath your 40 year-old work truck eh?

Fellow bussers, we're reaching a tipping point in the life of our split screen busses. If you've been online in the VW bus world, you may be aware of the 1966 Westfalia which sold at auction for \$99,000 in 2005. Somebody wanted that camper REALLY bad. Step down from the clouds a bit to a January 2006 Barrett-Jackson auction where a 1966 21-Window Deluxe sold for \$48,600 and you may see the future. The Hagerty collector car network newsletter actually said, "worth every penny" on that deal, then presented a graph of 21-Window values going from about \$10K in 2002 to over \$35K in 2006.

As I write, my 21-Window Deluxe is loaded to the windows with a couple of long blocks, some industrial-strength shelving, two oak chairs and a bicycle. I'm moving and the Deluxe has been my work horse. Last weekend I went to haul another load to the new place and heard a "pop" when I shifted into reverse. I had only first gear, so I managed to get back into the garage. After five minutes under the bus (and a little grease on my hands) I was online ordering a \$12 shift rod coupler.

I should be back on the road today if UPS delivers, but it gives one pause. Take good care of your bus. You may not get \$30K or \$40K for it, but your children may if you treat it right. That's my plan. In the mean time, I'll make sure to have a working thermostat, drive the Deluxe as much as I can and get my double cab back on the road for hauling duties.



Photo 5 - New Bracket - Good luck finding one.

But I digress. There's still the second thermostat bracket solution. I did find online an aftermarket parts place which listed a bracket to fit the new thermostat (Photo 5). It looks to be just the bottom of the bracket with no frame for the thermostat. For two years it has been "out of stock." Maybe a trip to Brazil is in order. No, that's not in my future. -Jim Bryant

*Editors note: It was a bit of a coincidence that shortly before this article was originally published in the spring issue of the **Old Bus Review**, I had completely restored my cooling system in my 67 bus back to its original design. So I thought it would be a great idea to reprint it here in **The Transporter**.*

As a employee at a VW dealership, I have some unique venues to pursue in my quest for old VW parts. As it turns out, VW was the cheapest place to buy the thermostat from and they also still had several of the parts needed to make the everything work. Either I was lucky and VW had some old stock or they went back to their original supplier, because the thermostat I received, was the exact original replacement as shown in photo one. -Jim Digennaro.

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**

NEW!

New LiMBO-Mart Item:
"LiMBO Polar Pals" 4 for
\$12.00 + \$4.50 Shipping &
Handling. PayPal or check/money
order to LiMBO.



NEW for SUMMER
THE
LiMBO Polar Pal

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.

SEPTEMBER

****Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2006 Watkins Glen, New York Westies at Watkins Glen 2006.** The fifth annual LiMBO family campout at Watkins Glen State Park. This Park is easily accessible from Highway 14 in the town of Watkins Glen NY. Discover the beauty of the Watkins Glen Gorge and beautiful surrounding Finger Lakes Region of New York. Activities for all, including hiking, caravaning, wine tasting, and campfire festivities. Optional activities include driving your VW Van on the racetrack of Watkins Glen Raceway. All vans welcomed, not just Westfalias, but they must have a VW emblem. **CAMPING INFORMATION:** The activity field has been reserved to try and keep us all as a group. This is a large field with a baseball diamond next to the pavilion field house at the Watkins Glen State Park. It is an open grassy field with very limited resources but we are self contained and there is an enclosed field house with electricity, bathrooms and picnic tables. Warm showers are also available. The beauty here is that you do not need to make any reservations with the State Park or some website. Just drive up to the park ranger booth and pay for the number of nights and come find your camping space. No long term planning or reservations required. For further campground information, please call Watkins Glen at (518) 486-7340. Pet Owner information: **DO NOT** leave dogs unattended anywhere in the park. No dogs allowed on Gorge Trail. Pet owners must show current rabies certificate for their pets. For more details and information on the campout and race track event, contact Joel 585-377-4161 or email <mailto:jcort@rochester.rr.com>

Sept. 28-Oct 1 Berlin, MD- Pony Pitch Campout Event held is at Assateague State Park sponsored by the Full Moon Bus Club. Go camping at Maryland's only ocean park, located on Assateague Island, a barrier island bordered on the east by the Atlantic Ocean and on the west by Sinepuxent Bay. There are two miles of ocean beaches that offer swimming, beachcombing, sunbathing, surfing and fishing. The campground includes beach houses and showers. The event will be held in "I Loop", and Ted, event organizer, will be in site I-67. The cost is \$30 per night per site. Site limitations are as follows: Maximum of 6 people per site, maximum of 3 sleeping units per site (1 vehicle and 2 tents). There are 2 vehicles permitted per site, as long as one of them is not a sleeping vehicle. Activities may include pot luck meal and trip to local BBQ stand. Ocean City MD is about 20 minutes away and there are stores, including a grocery and Wal-Mart about 15 minutes away. More details will follow as they become available. More info at www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/eastern/assateague.html. The phone number for the park is 410-641-2120. The number for reservations is 1-888-432-CAMP (2267). Ted's e-mail is MedicTed@gmail.com. His phone number is 610-960-4980. Feel free to contact him for more information.

OCTOBER

****October 1st Brookline, MA -The 21st annual Transporterfest/VW Day**, sponsored by LiMBO, NEATO and BSVWOC will take place on Sunday October 1 from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Join us for a fun-filled day of Volkswagens, old and new, shiny and rusty, clean and oily, straight and dented (we like 'em all:). Last year we had 91 Volkswagens gather on the beautiful lawn at the Larz Anderson Auto Museum for a day of relaxed bus-ness. \$10 show vehicle admission fee includes two Museum admissions and dash plaques to the first 100 participants. New parts vendor fee: \$25, used VW parts vendors: \$10. We have a huge raffle at the end of the day with lots of prizes for children and adults. We are planning to have an informal campout on Saturday night at Canoe River campground in Mansfield, MA (www.canoeriver.com). Please e-mail or call Stan if you want to camp. Show pre-registration is not necessary, just show up on the day of the show, rain or shine. For directions to the museum visit www.mot.org or call 617-522-6547. For more show info, e-mail stan.wohlfarth@bentleypublishers.com or call 508-651-3502, evenings 7 -10 pm

Feedback on a recent LiMBO article

Hello Phil,

I'm a new Limbo member and just received my first copies of the transporter. Your article really hit home. (See Phil's pop top replacement article, May-June 2006 -Ed) My wife and I replaced our canvas this summer. You mentioned that you wouldn't want to do that job if the temps were in the 80's. You should try it when the temps are in the 90's!

That was the weekend I had available and, well, that's when I did it. I know it was supposed to be a four person job, but Karen was the only help I had. God, I was sweating so much trying to screw down that metal rail, I was slippin' all over that upper bunk platform. The spring loaded lifter got away from me also. It didn't hit me, but it did scar the velveteen underside of the pop-top.

We have a late '83 which looks just like yours. We're planning a month long cross country trip in 2008 and we're gonna do it in Wolfie. We're going to have lots of work done before then, rebuilt 2.1 (Boston Bob), rebuilt tranny, 16" Ronal wheels, big brakes, aux battery, S.A. headlight grill, body work with new paint, etc, etc... We just love that Vanagon and want it to be a part of our lives forever.

Anyway, I just thought I'd introduce myself and I hope to meet you some time.

Best Wishes, Julius Borges
www.Borgesguitars.com

...Views continued from page 2

The campout highlight of the summer for me was West River Westies in Townsend, VT. I was looking forward to camping out and hitting the river for some serious relaxing time tubing down the West River. Nevin & Sue Lescher really out did themselves again this year. I missed the LiMBO regatta, (not sure what happened) but it looked like a great time.

We have some real Gourmet cooks in our club and at the pot luck they showed their stuff. 10 bowls of macaroni salad? Not here. Eric Linscog Barbecued up 40 racks of ribs... Yum Yum.. My mouth still waters up. Can't wait til next year. Nevin, you are doing it again, right?

The rest of the summer has been a blur. Barb and I did some family vacation stuff and I've been working extra at the radio station.

Buses by The Buoy just happened a week or so ago. I really wanted to attend. I've only be able to attend three times in past 10 years. September usually finds me doing things I put off all summer. So unfortunately, I miss out. Next year, I need to prioritize better. I'm told it was a good time and the weather was great. There are some photos on page 16.

There is still things happening this fall. I'm planning to attend Transporterfest in Brookline on Oct 1st. Get out there and enjoy the last few events before we have to put our van's away for their winter slumber.

Until next time... Keep on Busin' -Jim D.

Oct. 6-9, 2006 Columbus Day Weekend, Lenhartsville, PA, Kampers on the Rocks 4 at Blue Rocks Campground. Contact the campground for reservations at (610) 756-6366. There is a NEW SITE NUMBER THIS YEAR: SITE 122 A & B, and the reservation # is 574. When you make your reservation, be sure to tell them you are with the Kampin Kombies VW Group at our new site # 122 A & B. See the Blue Rock link for more details on the campground or for directions. www.bluerockscampground.com. Here's the proposed itinerary for Kampers IV 2006: Friday Night: Check in & Campfire. Saturday: Hayride to Pick Pumpkins: the camprground offers this (there may be a fee) Bluerocks has a fantastic Pumpkin carving contest, if you want to participate. Saturday Night: SAUERBRATTEN & Pot luck supper. Grab your pots & grab your pans, we're having a percussion jam!! Join us with any percussion or whatever kind of instruments and we'll jam away by the campfire! Sunday: Pumpkin Pecan Pancake breakfast. There is also the Harvest Hike for Hope. A hike to raise money for MS. If you sign up for the hike your Sunday night Stay is FREE! Lots of great hiking, biking, Junk yard crawling & wondering around in Cabella's (just one exit west off Rt. 78) & much, much more! For more information contact Pat Miller at kampinkombi@yahoo.com or 908-281-9222.

October 15 Old Saybrook, CT- The CVA's 8th Annual Fall Foliage Cruise, from 9am to ??? Held rain or shine this event will begin at Old Saybrook VW 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

October 15 Pomona, CA Pomona Swap Meet Large CA swap meet, find the parts you need for your VW! More information check the website at: <http://www.pomonaswapmeet.com>

****LiMBO sponsored event.**

Contact us <limbo@limbobus.org> to find out about LiMBO sponsoring your event

Folding Party Dates and Locations:

Nov 19th, Adams, MA

Schedule subject to change

For more info call 413-743-1814 or

eMail: LiMBO@limbobus.org

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>

AVAILABLE: 1964 VW BEETLE PICK UP - \$12,500

Not quite a bus, but a lot of fun This is a 1964 VW Beetle modified into a Oak Bed Pick Up. The original Beetle floor is under the body. It has a 1972 Super Dual Port High Performance Engine. 4 Speed with a Performance Shifter. 100% frame off restoration done in the late 90s. Interior looks better than when it was new. Paint Red with Blue, Purple, & Gold speckle. Oak Bed 5.6" long. 5.6" wide. This is a super fast high performance screaming engine car. Has a spare tire/wheel & an extra matching rim. Please direct all questions via email to dm@oldmacks.com Photos here: <<http://s8.photobucket.com/albums/a40/rockhopper78/Meehan-Bug/>> D A Meehan: 617-528-4061 (MA)

AVAILABLE: 67 WESTFALIA CAMPER BUS FOR SALE Nice bus located in Rhode Island. Please email for several hi-res photos. \$13,500 Tom Laferriere 401-651-2295 (RI)

AVAILABLE: 1971 WELL LOVED CAMPER MUST BE SOLD 1971 camper, 6000 miles on reconditioned engine, good tyres, dent in roof (garage door closed on her) Salvage - because front right panel had to be replaced (it doesn't look any different than before) few dings and starting to rust. Has bed, closet, sink, cupboard, table, curtains etc. Good buy for someone who wants a challenge. Hard to give her up, I've had her since 1981 but will let her go for \$500. Glynis Davey: 510-669-9086 (CA)

AVAILABLE: 84

VANAGON GL 7 Passenger, 112K mi., 4 speed, includes new muffler not installed, \$1900 George Pippin 860-871-8981 (CT)



AVAILABLE: 85

WESTFALIA FULL CAMPER Includes side mounted canopy, 160K mi., 4 speed, rare 5-passenger model, extra factory bucket seat, \$5800 George Pippin 860-871-8981 (CT)



AVAILABLE: 1986 Syncro Vanagon \$1500. It needs some transmission work, but it does run and drive. Its just missing 5th gear. The body is in decent shape with only a couple of dents/very little surface rust anywhere. The interior is good with no rips or obvious stains (missing the sliding door and rear hatch interior panels). The Vicous Coupler should be O.K. I know it worked when I bought it. It is complete and has not been molested like some vehicles in this price range. This should be an easy project for someone to complete. I also have an extra rear hatch, AIR mass meter, CPU, and alternator that go with it. I bought this van in 2002 and it has been sitting waiting for a rebuild. Since then, I've had a daughter and really don't need this toy. My 1973 transporter will have to do. The Syncro is located in Cynthiana, KY near Lexington, KY. Chris: 859 271 2137 (KY)

AVAILABLE: 1987 VW Camper, 82k miles, 17 mpg, very good condition. Stored every winter, no rust. AC has problems. Asking \$6K Call 814-333-8379 in Meadville, PA for more details. (PA)



AVAILABLE: 1987 Wolfsburg GL Vanagon - 260K Miles 3rd owner N.C. Van - NO RUST: Everything Works: AC/PW/PL/CC - VW Phatnoise music system. Known Problems: Needs engine, rear heater core, Powersteering pump has small leak and windsheild has small rock chip. Looking to sell 2k or B/O or looking for good engine to fix - call or email kukuz4@hotmail.com - located, Southington, CT Mark Kukowski: 860-747-6441 (CT)

AVAILABLE: VW DIESEL MOTOR For sale in western mass. 1.6 Lt. vw diesel motor removed from a Rabbit pick up. It is a spare motor that I bought for my 5 speed diesel Vanagon. My present spare motor is a Canadian 1.9 TD. This very good running motor will bolt into a Vanagon and other vw vehicles. I will not ship this motor. Come and get it. \$500 cash only!!!! Call cell ONLY! John: 413 563 1829 (MA)

AVAILABLE: Stool for 73 Westy. Fabric good but dirty. Make Offer. Tom Schlaudecker: 716-769-7728 (NY)

AVAILABLE: VANAGON PARTS IN WEST MASS Parts for sale Vanagon doors,trans,glass computers, rust free complete front to rear metal power steering lines, grills hatches, seats, camper parts, mirrors, bumpers,new clutch slave cyl. sliders, and everything else you can think of. Call cell ONLY! John: 413 563 1829 (MA)

AVAILABLE: 1991 WATERBOXER ENGINE Going complete THICO with our 1991 Westy. Selling perfectly good Waterboxer, exhaust, ignition, fuel system, ac compressor, the whole works at once. 110K , \$1000 Engine is in NH. Phil Frassica 802-247-8000 (VT)

AVAILABLE: 1975 BUS PARTS \ BLUE GREEN STOOL \ TRASH BIN. I have for sale a complete FI setup from a 1975 bus everything is there except the fuel pump \$200,Original aluminum side step in pretty good condition \$75 and last but not least a Blue Green Stool and Trash bin in Excellent condition from a 75 Westy \$125 each. All prices are Negotiable Best Offer. Jamie: 774-571-0029 (MA)

AVAILABLE: BAY WINDOW BUS PARTS For sale: Slider windows for door and opposit fit 77 and up bus \$75/ obo for the pair. Gas/elec 2 cu/ft ref with freezer - works good \$35 , cannot ship - pick up in NH. Complete exhaust for 75-78 bus, some parts new, some good used \$200 all or by the piece. New 72-74+79 muffler - I paid \$139 sell \$99,NEW. All the engine tin for the 75-78 bus \$50/all or by the piece. 77 bus with lots of good parts - e-mail me. All parts plus shipping. Robert in NH at bibwoss1@verizon.net or 603-673-1580 evenings best (NH)

AVAILABLE: 1982 VANAGON MOTOR MOUNTS For sale, A pair of never used OEM from dealer factory motor mounts for a 1982 diesel Vanagon. These parts are no longer available from dealer network. Call cell ONLY! Cell 413 563 1829 \$500 plus shipping from Western Mass. John 413 563 1829 (MA)

WANTED: Wanted to buy: 85-90 Westfalia in New England area. Prefer Weekender version but full camper is fine. Looking for one in excellent shape w/ solid drivetrain (newer/rebuilt engine) Jason:603-818-1433 eMail: jasondenton@comcast.net. (NH)

WANTED: WANT RHD VANAGON SLIDER Want left hand sliding door and frame and rails from an rhd [uk] vanagon. Duggy: 201 491 6202.(NJ)

Welcome new Area Rep...

Joe Ames is a long time member of LiMBO and just renewed his membership. Joe is from Malvern PA, near Philly, and noticed that there was no Pennsylvania Rep. So he has stepped up to the bat and volunteered to do so. Joe owns a 1978 Bay Westy in restoration. I for one would like to welcome him into the fine group of volunteers, who, with all their effort make LiMBO the great outstanding club it is. Contact Joe at:


Joseph Ames
10 Andrews Rd.
Malvern, PA 19355
joe.ames@comcast.net

Thanks, Tom Power - Area Rep coordinator,
volkswagenri@cox.net


BentleyPublishers™
.com

Volkswagen technical automotive reference

Volkswagen Jetta Service Manual: 2005-2006
1.9L TDI PD diesel, 2.0L turbo FSI gasoline, 2.5L gasoline
by Bentley Publishers
Softcover, 8 3/8 in. x 11 in.
832 pages - 1491 photos, illustrations and diagrams
Bentley Stock Number: VJ06
Price: \$79.95



Volkswagen Jetta: 2005-2006 Repair Manual on CD-ROM
CD-ROM, Windows 2000/XP
Bentley Stock Number: VA56
Price: \$99.95



eBahn.com - Online Volkswagen Repair Information
Online access to repair information for Volkswagen vehicles is available at www.eBahn.com

- Current and updated repair procedures and wiring diagrams
- Look up and identify Diagnostic Trouble Codes
- Interactive component locations

Available in 3 day, 30 day and 365 day subscriptions accessible online with your email address and password

BentleyPublishers.com/Volkswagen

- Volkswagen repair manuals on CD-ROM and books for most Volkswagen vehicles from 1992 on.
- Original Volkswagen owner's manuals
- Technical discussion forums
- Original Volkswagen Service Training technical literature

Bentley Publishers is always looking for qualified applicants for a variety of positions. For more information on job opportunities at Bentley Publishers, visit www.BentleyPublishers.com/careers

BentleyPublishers™ .com
1-800-423-4595
More information on every title is available on our website

1734 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge Massachusetts 02138 USA
617-547-4170 617-876-9235 / Fax

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

Brad Johnson

645 "E" St. SE
Washington, DC 20003-2716
202-543-4123

EuroVan Specialist

Jim DiGennaro

34 Summer St
Adams, MA 01220
413-743-1814
(Grumpy after 10pm)

Steve Paine

13 Cobblestone Rd.
Barnstable, MA 02630
508-362-9877

Glen Smith

"Buses near the Bay"
30089 Hickory Dr.
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-5461.

Todd Olson

7511 Sunfish Dr. NE
Rockford, MI 49341-9051
616-874-5536
todd.olson@charter.net
www.busesbythebeach.com

Fred Garnes

28042 Randolph Rd.
Detroit Lakes, MN 56501
218-847-3973
fcgarnes@yahoo.com

Bill Bowman

"Buses Nowhere Near the Arch"
1514 Wild Goose Run
St. Charles, MO 63303
636-949-2455
Email: bill@bnnta.com

Ron and Becky Maxon

The Bus Guild
"Westies in the Woods"
591 Hickory St.
Township of Washington,
NJ 07676
201-358-9169
beckybus12@hotmail.com

Dennis Haynes

970 Smithtown Ave.
Bohemia, NY 11716
516-563-8248

Joel Cort

"Westies at Watkins"
5 Hunters Drive North
Fairport, NY 14450
585-377-4161
jcort@rochester.rr.com

Brad Rasso

35 Sharp St.
Patchogue, NY 11772
rassovw@hotmail.com

Pete Sottnik

300 N. Gardenia Ave.
Broken Arrow, OK 74014
918-258-1401
VWSottnik@cox.net

Joseph Ames

10 Andrews Rd.
Malvern, PA 19355
joe.ames@comcast.net

John Hamill

John's Car Corner
Rte. 5, Box 85
Westminster, VT 05158
802-722-3180

Ken Madson

PO Box 621
Duvall, WA 98019
206-523-6525

Karl Bloss

21 Saint Andrews Dr
Hurricane, WV 25526
304-760-2115
kbloss@charter.net
www.vwww.org

CANADA

Frank Condelli

RR#2
1873 Concession #8
Almonte, Ontario, Canada
KOA 1AO
613-256-6763
www.busfusion.com
fk@aol.com

Welcome New Members!

by Steve Paine

- Paul Bissex, Northampton, MA ('90 MV)
- Bernie Campoli, Panama City Beach, FL
- Dorothy & Harry Graebel, Marysville, ON ('89 Westy)
- Joseph Healey, Pawtucket, RI
- Kimberly Hobbs, Seattle, WA
- Gerald Lagadec, Halifax, MA
- Tim McDermott, Bay Shore, NY
- Steve Miller, Cranston, RI
- JoAnn Phillips, North Providence, RI
- Vicki Purnell, Homosassa, FL
- Robert Rohde, Wilbur, WA ('83 air-cooled Westy)
- Christopher Sanor, Atlanta, GA
- Tom Schlaudecker, Findley Lake, NY
- Jim Slawnikowski, Romeoville, IL
- Kenneth Stoffel, Denver, CO
- John Westerhoff, La Quinta, CA



Beware of Baron Von Lobster Shorts... Seen here strutting his stuff at Buses by The Buoy. Photo by Phil Dlugolecki
(*By the way, I've seen better legs on a table...ed.*)



**STEBRO/Vanagon
Stainless Steel
Exhaust Systems**
Stainless Steel mufflers for all Vanagons
with 2.1 litre waterboxer engines
both 2WD & Syncro models

Frank Condelli & Associates
RR #2 Almonte, ON, Canada, KOA 1AO
phone: 613-256-6763 email: Fkc43@aol.com
web: frankcondelli.com
toll free order line: 888-878-3276
Member: LiMBO - IWCCC - Capital City VW - Vanagon List

Available or Wanted submission:

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

Send to: **Transporter Classifieds, 3 Oak Street, Mystic, CT 06355** eMail: editor@LiMBObus.org
or via the Web: <http://www.limbobus.org>

Name _____ State or (optional) address _____

Phone () _____ E-mail _____

Parting shots

A quick note from Stan Wohlfarth about Buses by The Buoy. Photos by Stan and other various LiMBO members.

To All:

Once again Buses by the Buoy was a great time with lots of buses and vans showing up.

A great big THANKS to Mike and Sheila King for a wonderful job putting together this event again!

-Stan

