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So long Summer.... We had a great time...

A doublecab Vanagon towing a Westfalia trailer. Photo submitted Via the internet.

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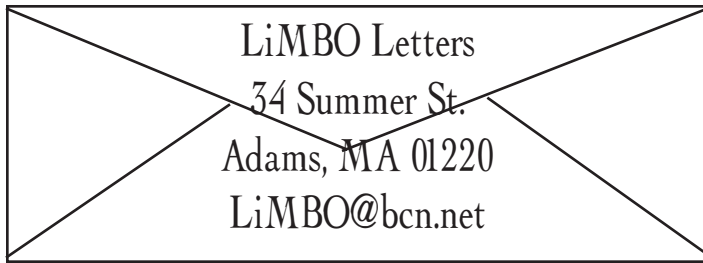
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Views through the Windshield

Hi Gang, welcome to another edition of *'The Transporter'*. Where does the time go? Its fall already and we're getting ready to put our 'Summer Buses' away and get ready for winter. There just isn't enough time anymore. Seems like just last week we were having a great time at West River Westies and now Transporterfest is over.

There are a couple of fall cruises planned around here in New England, but for the most part, the show season is about over. Thank goodness really, I've got so much to do around the house. Right now, I'm in the middle of rebuilding the front porch. Its amazing how much building materials cost! You would think the since wood is a renewable resource that it would be fairly inexpensive. No Way! It cost me a fortune just for flooring. Not to mention, railings, spindles and turned posts! I could have cheap out and gotten plywood, plain 4X4's and 2X4 railings, but it wouldn't look nice. In fact, A previous owner had replaced some of the Victorian features with plain old 4X4's post and 2X4 railings. It would have been great for a ranch in Montana, but not this house. It looks sooo much better. The porch finally matches the rest of the house, which was build in 1893.

As you may know, we have been looking for a permanent (or at least someone long term) to edit the newsletter. Well, good news, the search is over. (At least for the time being) After talking it over with Barbra, and getting her approval, I've decided to keep on as editor. We had a few inquiries and I thank you for that. This time around, we've made some changes that have made it much easier. First, its only 16 pages.



LiMBO Letters
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Hi Gang,

We'll just returned from another weekend camping with my Vw bus friends, and what a weekend it was. Nevin and Sue sure did put on a great campout . The campground was really nice, the location along the river sure did give us a nice swimming hole to cool off in, even if I thought I would have to drag one Canadian (Jerry) out. The Pot Luck dinner sure did have some great stuff. Didn't hurt winning the 50/50 raffle either. Sometimes I just wish we could make a week of one of these campouts. See ya at the next camp fire.

Tony Pelletier

Hi LiMBO,

The beginning of this story goes way, way back to about 1966 when we had our first VW. Since then we have had many campers and have enjoyed traveling around the US and Canada in them. At some point we decided that we would set as a retirement goal a trip across Canada from Vancouver to St. John's, Newfoundland with lots of stops in between.

Now, let's fast forward to August 2000. My wife, Joyce, was working at a staff fund-raiser yard sale with some of her co-workers and had parked our beautiful 1979 Tioga Green Westfalia at the curb. A man approached her and asked her if she wanted to sell it and she said no but she would check with her husband. She did and we decided that if he was interested in a rather high price, we would sell it even after owning it for ten years. He was interested, bought it immediately and drove it away with a smile.

All of this was around the time that the new Chrysler PT Cruiser was announced and we decided that we should have one to go along with our New Beetle. We went to our local dealer and placed an order and were told that it would be "several months" until delivery. We waited and waited and waited and

finally decided to cancel the order and look instead for diesel Vanagon. LiMBO stalwart, Jim DiGennaro came to our aid and told us he had just read of one on a website. It turned out to be a 1982 diesel Westfalia in Sacramento, CA just 275 miles from us. We contacted the seller and studied the images he emailed us. A trip to Sacramento and a test drive told us this one was for us.

We have lived with the plodding nature of the diesel Westy since we bought it in May 2001 and have enjoyed camping on the Oregon/California coast in it many times. Somehow, we came across and started reading all of the postings and asking many questions. A couple of the gurus passed through our area and we were able to visit with them. Our plan for the trip across Canada began to take shape. It would first require an engine swap in our diesel Westy. After much research, we decided on the 1.9 liter turbo-charged diesel engine that VW calls the "AAZ". This one was used in the Jetta/Golf models prior to the introduction of the TDI in 1998. We learned that with an intercooler to provide some power and torque boost and a re-gearred transaxle to match the engine's torque curve we would have a highway cruiser suitable for long trips on the interstates. We might even have a gain in fuel efficiency.

We decided that we wanted to have the conversion done by Westy Ventures run by Karl Mullendore in Maryland but as more research was done on getting the Westy transported across country and either driving or transporting it back after work was completed, we decided we needed to find a shop closer to us. Small Car Performance Ltd., in Tacoma, Washington has specialized in converting Vanagons to the boxer type Subaru gasoline engines for some time. We consulted with Brian Steele, there and he said that they would be willing to take on our diesel conversion.

In the meantime we undertook all of the projects that we were able to do to get the camper into tip top condition. We installed new pop-top canvas, worked over the brakes, CV joints, ball joints, shocks and installed an auxiliary battery system and some new trim items. We removed the old, inefficient copper finned radiator that was used on the 1982 model and replaced it with a new aluminum finned 1983 and up radiator, new radiator fan and new coolant hoses. A long standing tendency to overheat on hills vanished.

We worked out all of the details and on this past July 6, we delivered the car to Small Car Performance. At the time of this writing, in late August, the work has been completed and the Westy is ready for us to pick it up.

We are eagerly awaiting our first test drive. Brian has given positive reports on power and has reported on test driving it at 70 m.p.h.. We will be picking it up in the next few days and will give a full report on our impressions.

We have now have our Westy back home and have accumulated about 800 miles of driving on the new engine, etc.

The trip down from Tacoma was a breeze. We tried to keep the rpms down for break in purposes and varied our highway speeds but what a big change from the old 1.6 l diesel. We can effortlessly cruise at 60-70 m.p.h. which was attainable only on down hill runs before. Hills are no problem any longer. The new gearing is such that third gear will take us up to about 55 m.p.h. though it is not often necessary to use third. We have fueled up twice and have recorded a bit over 28 m.p.g. both times. This includes a combination of interstate, primary highway and local driving. Very nice for a vehicle of the Westy's weight and configuration.

We will be doing some local camping trips over the next few months and using the camper for "taking care of business" type of around town driving. Before next summer's long awaited trip we will have some minor body work done and generally get things together for a long Westy odyssey.

We will report on that as it happens. - Harry and Joyce Johnson



A twin set of EV's at the New Hampshire show the past June.

Welcome New Members!

by Steve Paine

Endre Algoter, San Marcos, CA
Tracey Bedford, Denver, CO
Jim & Paula Craft, Jr., Bethpage, TN ('75 Bus, '78 Bug Convertible)
Dennis Earles, Coral Springs, FL
Lisa Einhorn, Lake Oswego, OR
Joan Henley, Columbus, OH
Austin Hill, Haworth, NJ
Jon Holst, Worthington, MA
Jared Kay, Rochester, NY
Jelane Kennedy, Albany, NY ('88 Vanagon)
Scott Lightbody, Safford, AZ (Looking for the right '68-'79 Camper)
Paul Mullen, Austin, TX
Mary Reilly, Westford, VT ('84 Vanagon)
Daniel Rippe, Orford, NH ('82 Vanagon Bio-Diesel)
David Slyck, Emerald Isle, NC
Sharon Stern, Hilton, NY



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VOLKSWAGEN HOME MECHANIC'S TOOLS AND THEIR USAGE

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, nowadays used as a kind of divining rod to locate expensive parts not far from the object we are trying to hit.

MECHANIC'S KNIFE: Used to open and slice thru contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door. Works particularly well on boxes containing upholstered seats.

ELECTRIC HAND DRILL: Normally used for spinning steel Pop rivets in their holes until you die of old age, but it also works great for drilling mounting holes in fenders just above the brake line that goes to the rear wheel.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle. It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to cut hoses 1/2 inch to short.

VICE-GRIPS: Also used to round off bolts. If nothing else is available, they can be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your garage on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside a brake drum you're trying to get the bearing grease out of.

WHITWORTH SOCKETS: Once used for working on older British cars and motorcycles, now used mainly for impersonating that 9/16 or 1/2 socket you've been looking for the last 15 minutes.

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, splattering it against that freshly painted part you are drying.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans rust off old bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprint whorls and hard earned guitar call uses in about the time it takes you to say, "Ouch....."

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering your VW to the ground after you have installed your new front brake rotor, trapping the jack handle firmly under the front fender.

EIGHT FOOT LONG FIR 2X4: Used for levering the VW upward off the hydraulic jack.

TWEEZERS: A tool for removing fir wood splinters.

CELLPHONE: Tool for calling your neighbor to see if he has another hydraulic floor jack.

Snap-on GASKET SCRAPER: useful as a sandwich tool for spreading mayonnaise; used mainly for getting dog-doo off your boot.

E-Z OUT STUD EXTRACTOR: A tool that snaps off in bolt holes and is 10 harder than any known drill bit.

TIMING LIGHT: A stroboscopic instrument for illuminating grease build up.

CRAFTSMAN *X16" SCREWDRIVER: A large motor mount prying tool that inexplicably has an accurately machined screwdriver tip on the end without the handle.

TWO TON HYDRAULIC ENGINE HOIST: A handy tool for testing the tensile strength of ground straps and brake lines that you forgot to disconnect.

METAL SNIPS: See hacksaw.

BATTERY ELECTROLYTE TESTER: A handy tool for transferring sulfuric acid from a car battery to the inside of your toolbox after determining that your battery is dead as a door nail, just as you thought

TROUBLE LIGHT: The mechanic's own tanning booth. Sometimes called a drop light, it is good source of vitamin D, "the sunshine vitamin", which is not otherwise found under Volkswagens at night. Health benefits aside, its main purpose is to consume 40 watt light bulbs at about the same rate that 105 mm howitzer shells were used during the first few hours of the Battle of the Bulge. More dark than light, its name is somewhat misleading.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the lids of old style paper-and-tin oil cans and splash on your shirt; can also be used, as the name implies, to round off Phillips screws and can double as an oil filter removal wrench by stabbing through stubborn oil filters.

AIR COMPRESSOR: A machine that takes energy produced in a coal burning power plant 200 miles away and transforms it into compressed air that travels by hose to a Chicago Pneumatic impact wrench that grips rusty bolts last tightened 40 years by someone in Hanover, Germany and then rounds them off.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding the clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

A hippy bus enjoying the beautiful day!!



Views from Volk-Vair Fair in Shrewsbury, MA August 7th.

photos by Dylan DiGennaro

Nice row of Air cooled buses.



A super clean Kombi

EV cabinets by Jim DiGennaro

Ever since I purchased my 93 Eurovan I've never been satisfied with the storage arrangement. There wasn't enough. Its funny, you think with the motor in front, there would be plenty of room in the back under the seat and cushion. I'll tell ya, there is a lot of room there, but unless you like crawling on your stomach to reach up under the seat, its not very user friendly.

I like to keep enough gear, sleeping bags, plates, cups, utensils, and cookware in my bus for two people for a weekend. This also includes rain gear, spare clothes and shoes. (Not to mention, spare parts and tools) When I sold my Vanagon Westfalia, I took 5 windshield washer fluid sized boxes of gear out of it. I didn't think there was that kind of space in a Vanagon, but there is quite a bit of space if you know how to use it. When we started to transfer all that stuff into the Eurovan, we came up short. We had to get creative. We found all sorts of nooks and crannies to store stuff. But is wasn't enough. We ended up putting most it the gear in plastic tote boxes under the rear seat area and then putting the rest into another tote and leaving it in the closet until we needed it. Then when it came time to load up the gear, everything was cramped. Even for a weekend.

One of the things people don't realize, even I didn't notice, at first, the inside of the EV is about 12 inches shorter that the Vanagon. The Eurovan has a slightly longer wheel base, but because your sitting behind the wheels instead of on top, you loose some space inside. Technically, you still have the same cubic foot capacity, but its set up different. The first time I noticed the size difference is when I folded out the rear seat. On the Eurovan it slides right up and touches the drivers side rear facing seat. On a Vanagon you have about 12-14 inches of clearance there.

I started thinking about ways to increase my storage capacity in the bus. I thought I had come up with a couple of brilliant ideas. First, why not have some cabinets made that would look like factory stock. I used to have a 60's camper that had an ice box behind the passenger seat. Since we don't use both rear facing seats I would put a cabinet behind the passenger seat. The other thing I thought of was to have a cabinet over the rear bed. I even made some card board mock up cabinets and placed them in the EV and took some measurements. I approached a

local cabinet maker and gave him some ruff sketches and measurements. Three days later he came back with an enormous price to make these cabinets. Nope, pass on that. I searched the web for places like Adventurewagen and Sportmobile that used to do



conversion on VW's. Most of these companies had gone on to make conversion for domestic vans and didn't have the tooling or plans or whatever to make the VW cabinets any more. I thought I was done until a talked to Ron Maxon.

Ron is a cabinet maker by trade and happen to be the one who sold me the Eurovan in the first place. He had similar ideas for the Eurovan when he owned it but never had the time to see it though. Kinda the old story of the fix it/handyman, his house is the worst on the block because he never had time to fix it. Ron said he would be willing to make the cabinets I needed and at a price I could afford.

I gave him some measurements and he started to research it out. As it turns out, my ideas for the Eurovan cabinets were not new or original. During Ron's research he found the exact cabinets I



wanted at Eurocampers.com. He emailed me and told me to look at the site and see if that was what I wanted. Eureka! They were it exactly! I though we would take an old bus cabinet and cut it down to fit the Eurovan, but here was the exact cabinets I was looking for.

Ron had made a phone call to Steve at Eurocampers and gotten some dimensions for the cabinet behind the seats, and he set off to make some cabinets. Between the photos off the site and the ruff measurement given to him by Eurocampers.com, Ron was able to make the cabinets you see here.

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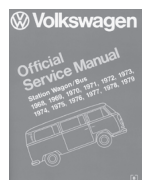
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Book Deals

Dometic Vanagon Refrigerator Repair manual

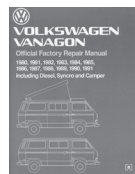
LiMBO has acquired the complete repair and part number manual for the Dometic Westfalia Refrigerator, 26 photo copied pages and spiral bound. This 'unofficial' VW dealer version covers lighting propane, operation, service and troubleshooting with fully detailed pictures. Complete resource to complete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

We have secured a deal with the recognized leader in Volkswagen service manuals for club members to purchase Type II, Vanagon and Eurovan manuals at a significant savings off retail price while helping the club at the same time.



Volkswagen Station Wagon/Bus Official Service Manual Type 2: 1968-1979, by Volkswagen United States. This comprehensive manual covers numerous mechanical procedures including: power-assisted disc brakes, dual carburetors, fuel

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Volkswagen Vanagon Official Factory Repair Manual: 1980-1991 including Diesel, Syncro, and Camper, by Volkswagen United States. This manual is the same "professional format" supplied to authorized dealers in the U.S. and Canada. It's heavily illustrated and covers every aspect of routine maintenance and service work, including air and water-cooled engines and Westfalia campers. This one of a kind manual is the source for all your Vanagon repairs or questions. 1388 pages, 2295 illustrations, 247 pages of electrical wiring diagrams, 1216 item index, softcover, 8-1/4" x 11-5/8"; \$82.00 (A 17.95 savings) plus \$7 shipping.

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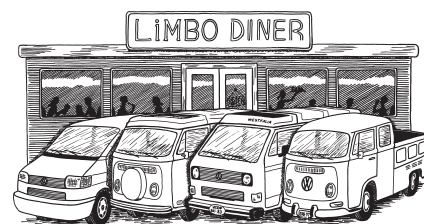
Eurovan Winnebago Repair Manual

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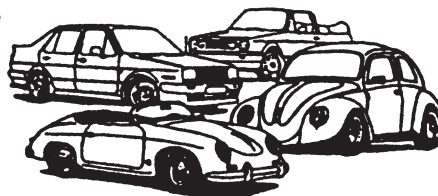
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Remember, participation in any LiMBO event or activity is strictly voluntary and at one's own risk.

OCTOBER

Oct 8-11 (Fri-Mon) Lenhartsville, PA- Kampers on the Rocks III. Once again we will be staying at Blue Rocks Campground. Hayride to pick pumpkins, corn maze, pumpkin carving contest, veg stew and potluck supper. Check out the web site at <http://www.geocities.com/kampinkombi/> or email: kampinkombi@yahoo.com

Oct 15-17 (Fri-Sun) Harpers Ferry, WV -Johns Browns Buses. The leaves should be at their peak in Harpers Ferry area of the Appalachian Mountains. Make your plans to be here. Email: JBB@kookymathteacher.com

NOVEMBER

Nov 21 (Sun) Bristol, RI LiMBO folding party. Coy Bethune's home @ 12 Second St. Bristol, RI. Lend a hand to put the latest edition of the newsletter together for mailing.
Direction: From North: I 95 to exit I-195 east to exit 2 in Mass, 136 south. Follow 136 south to Bristol. At 'King Phillip Motors' turn right (state st) then left onto 2nd St.
From NE: Take 24 south to Portsmouth, RI. Take 2nd exit after Sakonnet River Bridge, take right at bottom of exit. Follow to MT. Hope Bridge into Bristol (135 north) turn left onto State St at 'King Phillip Motors' then left onto 2nd St. Need any info call (413)743-1814, 401-254-2350 or email: limbo@limbobus.org

January 16th LiMBO annual meeting. Tentative date and location TBA. Make plans to attend the LiMBO annual meeting. In Mass or Connecticut. Discussions will be held on the future of the club and the direction it should take in the coming year. This is your club, get involved. We'll try to have a internet chat room set up at the meeting for those who cannot make it in person. For info call 413-743-1814 or email: limbo@limbobus.org.

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- (2) XL Black
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One of the main concerns Barb and I had with the cabinet being behind the passenger seat was that we wouldn't have room to get out of the bus. We were afraid with the bed folded out it would rest right up against the cabinet. As it turns out the cabinet is just the right size for your legs to slide right between the seat and cabinet.



Leg room

During this time I had found my 67 microbus in Pennsylvania and

so I combined the trip to Ron's in New Jersey with my trip to pick up the 67 in the same weekend.

One day just before I headed to Ron's to get the cabinets, I was clean the van and I pulled to lower cover off the rear seat. I had a revelation. Why not make a couple of drawers that would pull out from under the seat. Eurocampers have a similar design but those drawers slide out from the back. So I called Ron and talked to him about it. He said it was doable and we could tackle it when I came down. I told him my plans to head to PA after taking delivery of the cabinets, he said no problem.



Upper Cabinet

The weekend arrived for me to go get the cabinets and the bus. Dale Ward and I headed out bright and early Saturday morning for

Ron's house. Now I had thought we would be building the cabinets together at Ron's shop, but as it turned out, Ron had made the two original cabinets that week before. The only thing we needed to do was installed them and get some handles and hardware. We arrived around nine AM and after a little rest and a bite to eat, we started to install the cabinets.

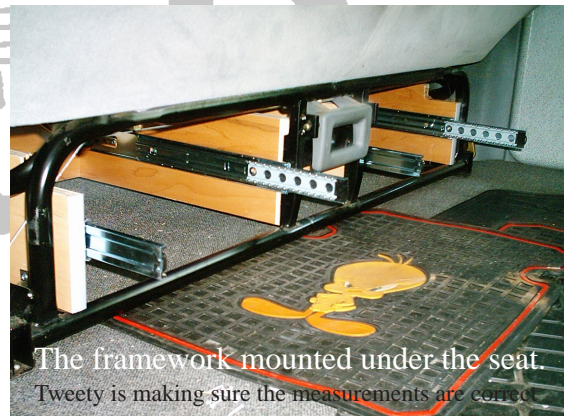
The cabinets are sweet. The one mounted to the roof above the rear bed has two separate compartments. I store towels on one side and a first aid kit and other essentials on the other. The big one behind the passenger seat is set up very similar to the cabinets

Westfalia used to use in the 60 and early seventies. I can't say enough about Ron and his craftsmanship. Mine and the ones on the internet are a near dead on match. He even made the cabinet with the area that will hold the grey and fresh water bottles just like the one's on the website. I have plans to buy the sink kit from Eurocampers to complete my cabinet, but for now that will have to wait. Ron also put an adjustable shelf in the main cabinet and extra deep drawer. There is even a flip up the table and 'spice rack' on the side.



Assembled drawers ready for installation

We had the installation of the cabinets done in no time. We took more time running to Home Cheapo and an RV store looking for hardware, than it took to install the cabinets. Once it was done, I showed Ron my idea for the drawers under the seat. He had to figured out in no time and after lunch we headed over to his shop to make them.



The framework mounted under the seat. Tweety is making sure the measurements are correct

Most people spend their entire life figuring out what they want to be when they grow up. The lucky one's that do figure it out and are good at what they do. Most of us just settle into something we're decent at and make it look like we know what they are doing. Then there are those select few that figure out what

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The Swap Area

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

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AVAILABLE: '82 Diesel Vanagon, 202K, brown/tan with brown check interior, 4spd, PB, Michelins, Sanyo stereo, rear deck speakers, 25-30 mpg. Purchased 10/91(120K), daily driver till 3/00(192K) when complete engine rebuild done by owner(25yr. BMW tech), weekend use since then, 10K now on engine. Have all service records since new. Very meticulously maintained by owner since purchased (e.g. brake/clutch fluid, coolant, and gear oil changed every two years, engine oil changed every 2K), all repairs by owner. Always garaged, repainted as original, no rust, very nice original van. PA classic title and reg.(no renewal), can be transferred to a PA buyer, PA state inspection till 9/05. Pictures available, \$3500 firm. Dave, 717-243-2437, rwoodsidefaller@aol.com

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AVAILABLE: 1983.5 Westfalia First year of the watercooled. Light tan/yellow color. Interior in very good clean shape. Original canvas in good shape. It runs rough, but with a little work could be a good camper. It does have a spot on the rear corner that had a new panel welded in. Needs to be skim coated and smoothed out. Some other very minor rust spot on the front bumper and a small one where the propane tank mud flap goes. Located in Mystic, CT \$1700.00/b.o. (860)572-2006 wmonk@snet.net

AVAILABLE: 1985 Vanagon Westfalia Camper GL. Gold, 93K miles, 110 K on good used motor. New Muffler. Good shape, full camper, ready to go camping. \$6500 Call Randy 518-781-3354

AVAILABLE: 1990 Vanagon GL Nice maroon camper van. New rear hatch and wiper motor. New tires, brake pads, calipers, complete exhaust, propane reg, and stove ignite. ph 315-587-9062. Charles H.

AVAILABLE: 1991 Last year silver vanagon camper van. Original owner, special treatment! Awning, new exhaust, hatch supports and toaster oven. Propane stove, fridge and a/c work great. Two new tires. Real nice looking rig. ph 315-587-9062 Charles H.

AVAILABLE: Grey Jumpseat for vanagon. Includes bracket to mount behind drivers seat and seat belt. Cloth in good shape no rips, stains or tears. Black vinyl bottom scuffed a little \$75.00/b.o Rear three point seat belts from a 91 carat. Both drivers and pass sides. Most hardware if not all. You will need your female ends from your van. \$75.00/b.o Mostly complete 78 Westy cabinets/sink ice box/rear seat \$50.00/b.o. All in Mystic, CT (860)572-2006 wmonk@snet.net

AVAILABLE: Label reads: Instant Heater, VW Model VW256-168, MFG by Stewart Warner Corp., Model #8349A 12Volt Serial 0105. Maintained my camper at 70-75' at -10' with the curtains closed and top raised. Consumes 1 gal gas per 8-91 hours. Removed 9 years ago. Present condition unknown. \$100.00 plus shipping and it is heavy!! Don 530-675-2673 or P.O Box 205, Brownsville, CA 95919-0205.

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they want to do and take to it like they were born to do it. Ron is one of those types, it was like he was a natural born wood craftsman. I know, its his job and to an outsider, it seems like he is a natural, but let me tell you, I can tell. He's a natural.

When you do a new project, you're always a little more cautious because you're unsure. Not Ron, he took one look at the space under the seat and had it figured out in the time it took me to explain what I wanted. Ron knew what he was going to do to make those drawers and how he was going to do it. I was just there for the ride. We had those drawers made in a matter of a couple of hours. He was doing calculations in his head faster than I could write down the measurements. Cuts were made and parts were going together faster than I could figure out what he was doing.

Ron uses drawer slides like those you find in home cabinets so he made a box to mount the slides, mounted the box to the seat frame and fit the drawers in. We started with a piece of wood mounted to the rear frame across the back of the seat and then mounted everything to it. The underside of the frame lent itself nicely to mount the box for the drawers and to hold it on the front we just used some small brackets and attached to the wheels that seat slides on. Its a slick operation, check it out in the photos.

If your interested in having some cabinets of your own made, and not just for the EV, Ron makes and modifies all sorts of cabinets, contact Ron at (201) 358-9169. You can also check out Eurocampers.com and buy the German made one's Steve sells there. Click on check out the 'EV Kitchen' section.

My next project with Ron is to modify the cabinets for my 67 bus. He cuts down the big side cabinet so that passengers in the back can see out the right side. You don't loose as much storage as you would think. It makes the bus look much bigger inside too. I'll keep you informed.



Camping out before Transporterfest

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It may not seem like much, but 4 pages can be hard to fill when there isn't content coming in. Second, we found a new printer last winter, it took a load off. I don't have to run to the printer, pick up the newsletter and deliver them to the folding party. Which was usually at least two hours away. By the way, we'll be have the final folding party for this year on November 21st at Coy Bethune's home on Bristol, RI. Check out the events page for info on that.

Now, I'd like to do something different with the newsletter. Here at LiMBO HQ we're gotten some complaints that we we're more a North East club than a national club. We'll here is your chance. I'm looking to add some associate editors to the staff. Those that inquired about being the editor, I'll be contacting you about this personally. What I'm looking for is some regular contributors to the newsletter from other parts of the country. You'll get your own bi-line. All I want is a single column story, wether it be event coverage, outing, tech tip, trip you took, whatever VW related. I'd just like to get some thing every issue. It isn't hard to do, you can email me the story. I'd like to have a rep from the south, the mid west, the west coast and south west. If your up to the challenge, let me know, <LiMBO@bcn.net> or call me direct, **413-743-1814**. If you have something you would like to see different in the newsletter, let me know that as well!

Now for the rest of you, winter's coming and I know there won't that much to do, so wether you sit down at an old Smith-Corona or send me an email, send me something for the newsletter. I'm really easy, if you send it, I'll print it. SEND ME SOMETHING!! Okay, enough begging.

Many of you know I own a Eurovan. At first I wasn't sure I was going to like it. I bought it more out of necessity than actually wanting one. I needed something that I felt comfortable towing my Scamp trailer.

I've got to admit, its turned out to be a pretty good car. I've made some improvements that have made it better for camping and its really started to grow on me. Check out page seven for the camping modifications. Truth be told, if I could get a later model Vanagon, and have the same power as the EV, I'd still rather have the Vanagon. But for now, the EV's going to stay in the DiGennaro stables for a while longer.

Well, I've run out of space, so that's about it. Enjoy the issue, don't forget to send me something. Talk to ya later, keep on busin.... Jim D

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

-Kevin Kruger

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VW Anthropology

by Michael Beach

I'm sure most of us have found a penny in the back seat of a VW that we purchased from someone or found some paperwork in the glove box. There is always something that someone loses in the crack that someone else always finds.

The other day I was stripping out my 73 westy and I came across a plethora of items from snoopy crayons, to legos, girls berets, and even an old cracker jacks joke book. How long has it been since you seen one of those? Of course lots and lots of pennies.

It got me to thinking as I was cleaning out this stuff, and picking it up from between the seat and the closet. What was it like for this little girl/boy to be sitting in the back of a camper both of them not much more than a few years old, coloring, eating cracker jacks, playing with their lego's. I'm sure we all have memories of being in our parents BIG car in the back seat teasing our little sibling or being teased by our older siblings. But somewhere at some time there was a child that was more than likely my age who lived in another state in another town who was enjoying the life of being a VW kid, we should all be so lucky. I know that all these items will stay in the bus (*Wilson*), not because they should but because they belong to

Wilson. He has picked up these items through the years and they are part of his collective whole. True they have no real meaning to me. But to some person who grew up in the 70's there is a memory of crayons and cracker jacks that will always be there, and an orange 73 westy that took them on that trip we call life...

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Do you know this man?

Flip the newsletter around and find out who he is....

It's me your friendly editor. The top of the page photo was taken by Kevin Norton, Memorial Day Weekend, 1990. About a month before I got married. The bottom of the page photo was taken last week with my kids.



Send in a past and present photo of yourself ... We'd like to see what you looked like back in the 'good ole days'!!