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Views From The Windshield (passenger seat)

Greetings:

Summer is in full swing, and going by so fast! We have a lot of pictures and accounts from several VW shows. We have accounts from the Litchfield show, Buses by the Big Duck, The Empire State camp-out, and as I type this, Stan is off to West River Westies, in Townsend, VT, at Bald Mountain Campground.

Stan mostly travels solo to these events, as our kids have jobs and summer commitments, but we live vicariously through his accounts and photos, and through the customers who trust him with their vehicles. Thanks to all VW enthusiasts!

- Mary-Ann Wohlfarth, Editor

COMING EVENTS

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 Stan Wohlfarth at stan_wohlfarth@msn.com, or email to events@limbobus. Snail mail can be sent to: Coming Events, c/o Stan

July 2011

July 29-31 (Fri-Sun) Burlington, VT – Wolfsgart Volkswagen Festival, Champlain Valley Exposition/Fairgrounds, Essex Junction, Burlington, Vermont.

August 2011

Aug 5 (Fri) Shrewsbury, MA Ward camping, prior to Volks-vair-fair on Saturday in Shrewsbury.

August 6 (Sat) Shrewsbury, MA - Volks-Vair Fair. Annual show & swap meet at Heberts Candy Mansion on Rt 20 Shrewsbury. Air-cooled only show for VWs and Corvairs. Rain or shine, 10am to 2pm, participant judging, 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 mansion. Contact Gerry Anderson: 603-898-2874.

August 13 (Sat) Governor's island, NYC - VW traffic jam, 10am to 4pm. Event takes place at Picnic Point, a gorgeous lawn space on the southwest rim of Governors Island. The site has stunning views of the Statue of Liberty and New York Harbor. Food, beverage, and beer vendors will be present, but we encourage you to bring picnic food and non-alcoholic beverages, as well as bikes and blades for exploring. The island rents bikes as well. Show car registration is \$20 including ferry transport, spectators admission is free. Registration opens on June 15, 2011, see website for more details:
www.volkswagentrfficjam.com.



August 14 (Sun) Terryville, CT - All VW Car Show and Swap Meet to be held at the Terryville Fairground, 176 Town Hill Road in Terryville from 9am to 3pm. Admission charged with proceeds going to local charity (Terryville Lions Club). Last year we had 310 VWs of all types from early 50s to the latest showroom models. Over 100 awards given away in aircooled and watercooled classes. Swap meet has over 75 vendors selling new and used VW related items. Camping available at the fairgrounds for a small fee. Contact Chuck Pisconski. vwsplitman@sbcglobal.net or 860-283-5256.

August 12-14 (Fri-Sun) Brookline, Ontario, Canada - Buses Of The Corn, family-oriented campout for buses and campers of all ages. Fun activities include: amazing FMBC Breakfast Burritos, swap meet, tie-dye workshop, Frisbee golf, driving challenge, scavenger hunt, and field-fresh corn roast served up within hours of picking. After that, a great campfire for all. Within an hour's drive of Downtown Toronto, there is plenty to see and do all weekend. www.busesofthecorn.ca Note new URL (DOT CEE - EH!!!)

August 14 (Sun) Vallejo, CA - Nor-Cal Bus Fest 7 at the Solano County Fairgrounds in Vallejo, CA. Gates open at 8:00 am for this display and swap event, open to ALL Volkswagen buses and trucks, regardless of year, model or condition. Held on the fairgrounds, this event will feature the full range of Type II's, from Barndoors to Eurovans and everything in between, as well as a kids area, music and the famous end-of-the-day raffle. General admission is still only \$10 per adult which includes entry, display and/or swap space. For further information please visit www.busfest.net or call 925-667-7101 for recorded information.

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WEST RIVER WESTIES 2011, BALD MOUNTAIN CAMPGROUND, TOWNSHEND, VT, JULY 15-17

By Nev and Sue Lescher

It was an awesome weekend with a record number of VW Transporters, drivers, passengers, family members, visitors, dogs, cats and birds. They enjoyed 3 or 4 days of the most beautiful July weather coupled with a visit from the Full Buck Moon that started early on Friday morning and was visible the entire weekend.



Loaded up for a river ride!

What you saw this past weekend was a rare collection of some 72 Volkswagen Campers ranging in age from 1966 thru the turn of this century. Many had unique features added by owners most likely for their own creature comforts.

These vehicles came from four Canadian Provinces; Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario. The rest came from All the New England States (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Massachusetts & Connecticut), New York, New Jer-

sey, Pennsylvania, Georgia and Illinois.

Also, attending were campers ranging in age from 10 weeks to 4,160 weeks.

But best of all was the generosity of all participants who generated a record donation of \$1,000, thru the bucket raffle, for the new Medical Imaging Facility at Grace Cottage Hospital in Townshend, VT. This facility is now well under-

way with the construction of the addition that will house the Imaging equipment including a new state-of-the-art CAT Scanner.

We hope you enjoyed your visit to West River Westies VIII on the banks of the West River at Bald Mountain Campground in Townshend, VT. Thanks again for joining us and we'll see you next year "On the River". Let's Go Camping!

The Swap Area Available or Wanted Submissions

As a member of LiMBO you are entitled to a free classified ad each issue. Try to make it 100 words or less, written legibly, and 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 applicable) and state. Be sure to mail it in time for the next newsletter submission deadline indicated on page 2 of this issue.

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IDLE CHATTER

When we lose a friend it's painful, we miss them. We can celebrate their life through our memories of them and time spent with them. This is the case with John Jordan. He was more than the LiMBO Mart coordinator or host to our club meetings and Christmas parties.

John was a friend, a very giving and caring friend. I was blessed to have traveled to the CVA Dust Off with him. We enjoyed hours of conversation and a nice dinner together with Jean Plouffe and Dale Ward who drove that day. That was the last time I saw John, and I'm grateful for the time we shared. We should all make the best of our time with family and friends, and not take anything for granted. I am looking forward to seeing our LiMBO friends at the coming events.

If your new to the club or haven't been to anything in awhile I urge you to come out and enjoy some of this year's events. Get to know some of the great and interesting people in our club!

- Coy Bethune, president of LiMBO



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, SUMMER 2011!

James Chalfin, Hadley, MA

Karen Doherty, Blue Hill, ME

Scott Feen, West Yarmouth, MA ('88 Westy "The White Whale")

Randy Kirk, Avon, CT ('72, '73, '75, '77 & '78 Westy's)

James Kohler, Erie, PA

Don & Trish Morse, Pittsfield, NH ('83 Vanagon & '73 Riviera)

Cindy Munro, Enfield, NH

Ron Rocco, Southington, CT ('84 Vanagon)

AMERIKANDO FINALE!



Congratulations to Franck and Iris of Amerikando on the birth of their new baby boy Louis.

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Litchfield Bug In 2011

By Coy Bethune

Photos by Coy Bethune and Stan Wohlfarth

Who could have asked for better weather! Not too hot like some years have been and a light breeze! This year we visited a friend in the Bridgeport area on Saturday, so we missed out on the catered dinner which is always quite tasty. However we did go to an “American Idol” spoof show which was quite funny!

As always, the swap meet had a good variety of goodies for sale! It was good to see Alex and Caroline Jordan swapping, as well as Stan, Jim and Barbara, and Clay and Mary.

The Litchfield Bug In always has a great multitude of Volkswagens from “mild to wild”. The water cooled class was a little light this year, but the Buses alone made up for that! The Bus parked next to me was also a “chrome yellow Westie”, though one year off.

The owner had just restored her so it was

like a before and after, his and mine. I believe he won first for the “Bay Window” category. The real stand out Bus was a real clean blue and white Deluxe splittie.

The three VWs that really made the biggest impression with me were a white “Rat Rod” Beetle with model “A” wheels, a beautiful black custom Super Beetle with amazing graphics.

The third was a very unique vehicle, a “Syncro Golf” which are only sold in the mountain areas of Europe. The owner said he had to jump through hoops to get it here. I’ll have to add this one to my list of what VW should be selling here. It looked like the offspring of a Golf and a Land Rover! Speaking of British cars there was also a “1303” (right hand drive Super Beetle,) that was neat.

Connecticut has some great VW shows. Make it a point to get to one this year!

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Dylan DiGennarro with Dad's Bus



Enjoying a meal.



Checking out an engine.



Buses in the field.

Litchfield Bug In 2011



John Jordan



JOHN W. JORDAN

Born in WORCESTER, MA on Jul. 30, 1947
Departed on May 25, 2011 and resided in NORTHBOROUGH, MA.

John W. Jordan, 63, passed away after a sudden illness on May 25, 2011. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Carolyn J. (Bridgett), son Alex K. Jordan, brothers Robert Jordan, Richard Jordan and his wife Terri and Stephen Jordan and his wife Jane, his beloved Aunt Joyce Sztuba and his nieces and nephews, Scott, Nicole, Neil, Gretchen, Timothy and Jesse Jordan. John was born July 30, 1947, son of the late Mary (Hall) and John Jordan. He grew up in Grafton, attended UMass where he graduated in 1970 with a B.S. in Industrial Engineering where he also met his wife Carolyn. John had a distinguished career as an engineer, working for Rexnord, Inc., then at Simonds in Fitchburg for 16 years where he was Plant Manager for several years. He retired in 2007 from Lund Knife. Always an innovator John was known for influencing the companies he worked for in ways that helped keep them competitive. While retirement came earlier for John than expected, the past several years at home yielded the gift of



time with his wife and son that created wonderful, lasting memories. Outside of work John was a passionate, life-long music lover. He was a recording engineer, running a studio from his Upton home called "Basement Tapes". Several LP records resulted from his efforts, including the historic "Wormtown 78" of Worcester's punk scene. He was a blues lover and a staunch supporter of local music. John also loved classic cars, having been a member of the

"Limbo Bus Club" that honors the VW Bus. He and his son Alex proudly worked on the "Herbie the Love Bug" Volkswagon that was used in the remake of the movie of the same name several years back, taking it on the road to displays and shows. Working on and traveling with this car gave Alex and John time with each other that will be cherished always. People who knew John will remember a generous, hard-working man who knew how to live in the present. (excerpt from the *Worcester Telegram & Gazette*)



Buses at John's funeral in a caravan.



The Jordan's "Herbie" and other VW's at the post-funeral reception.

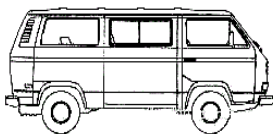
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September 2011

September 2-5 (Fri-Mon) Mark Twain Lake, MO - Buses Nowhere Near The Arch #26 (B.N.N.T.A.) at "group" campsite, Indian Creek Recreational Area located right on Mark Twain Lake, which is about 30 miles west of Hannibal, Missouri. Any and all VW's are welcome to enjoy this BNNTA family-oriented camping event. Featuring VW camping on a 22 mile long lake, an informal VW Bus show, best individual and group campsite decoration contest, scenic countryside caravan on Sat. to historic Hannibal, MO (the childhood hometown of Samuel Clemens, a.k.a. "Mark Twain"), show awards and door prizes, campfire activities, etc. Our campground is lakeside, so bring your water toys (canoes, kayaks, etc.). The campground is built/managed by Corp of Engineers with very nice facilities, clean bathrooms and shower facilities, a playground and a huge pavilion for our sole use. We restrict access to the campground to only VWs, so you won't wake up in the morning staring at the side of a motor home, just the beautiful sight of VWs of all types sprawling off into the distance! The "total" event/camping fee for each VW for the entire four day weekend is only \$30. Yep! A total of only \$30! And if you have something VW related that you want to donate to the door prize pool, please bring it along. You can check out our simple web site for more details and info: <http://www.bnnta.com>.

September 17-18 (Sat-Sun) Flanders, NJ - All air-cooled gathering at the swim and sport club, 272 Emmans Rd., Flanders, NJ 07836. Gates open at 2pm on Sat. for camping and 8am on Sun. for show and swap meet. Air-cooled vehicles only in show, all vehicles welcome for camping or swap meet. On-site bar with very reasonable prices, great kitchen and live music. Activities throughout the day for clubs, kids and everyone. No BYO alcohol or pets allowed. For more info e-mail: jeffrey@CJVWS.com or call 908-377-5577.

September 18 (Sun) Millbury, MA - LiMBO newsletter folding party at Steve and Mary Braun's, 8 Warren St., Millbury, MA 01257. E-mail marbraun@gmail.com or call 508-865-9859. Sept 23-24-25 Westies@Watkins X is set for www.westies-at-watkins.org



October 2011

Oct 7-10 (Fri-Mon) Watkins Glen, New York - Westies at Watkins X in the Finger Lakes of New York - the EMPIRE STATE! 10th year in the running at the birthplace of road racing!! This is a premier LiMBO camping event sponsored by the Empire VW Camping Club! All VWs are welcomed. We have our own loop at the Watkins Glen State Park - No reservations required - pay as you show up when you get there (approx. \$20/night). Discover the beauty of the Watkins Glen Gorge and beautiful surrounding Finger Lakes Region of New York. Activities for all, including antiquing, hiking, biking, caravanning, wine tasting, and campfire festivities. Communal breakfast burritos served Saturday morning. Pot Luck Saturday night - bring a dish to share. T-Shirts available, raffles and door prizes. Vendors welcome. Optional racetrack event on Sun. Oct 9th. We will take our VWs on the Watkins Glen International Racetrack for three laps on "Thunder Road". \$15 per vehicle to drive on the track. For directions or additional details contact Joel: e-mail: jcort@rochester.rr.com or cell (585)690-8145. Checkout pictures from past years at LiMBO-bus.org and: www.westies-at-watkins.org.

Oct. 9 (Sun) Brookline, MA—Transporterfest/VW day at the Larz Anderson auto museum (www.larzanderson.org). Join us for the 26th annual celebration of all things VW on the beautiful lawn at the MOT. Always a fun time and you never know what you might find in the swap or at the show. 9:30am till 3:30pm, early-birds and vendors can show up at 9am. Show registration is still only \$15 and includes everyone in the vehicle and admission to the car museum. Limited vendor spots are \$25. Camping the night before. E-mail Stanagon for more info: stan_wohlfarth@msn.com or call 508-333-7813.

Oct 14-16 (Fri-Sun) Lenhartsville, PA - Bustoberfest at Blue Rocks. We have booked Group 78 (and overflow group site 79). \$32 a night. Contact Andrea at rassovw@hotmail.com for further info. Bring contributions for the beer and wine tasting event on Saturday afternoon and contribution for potluck on Saturday eve. Hayride to local farm for pumpkins. Lots to do at campground and surrounding area such as Cabelas, Deitrich famous PA Dutch meat market and you can hike part of the Appalachian Trail right from campground. Call campground to reserve: 610-756-6366. <http://www.bluerockscampground.com/>

November 2011

November 20 (Sun) Bristol, RI - LiMBO newsletter folding party at Coy and Lynn Bethune's, 12 2nd St., Bristol, RI. E-mail: coyandlynn83@hotmail.com or call 401-254-2350.

"Down the rabbit hole" (a Gilbert lake SP camping adventure)

By Sherrie Coombs, Empire VW Camping Club, NY

Ah, 3 days of studying the forecasts for here (E. Syracuse), and for Laurens, NY to make the final decision of whether to go, or stay home. Can we get loaded without everything getting wet? Can we set up before it rains? Will the site be dry enough to set up our tent on? We decided to set out as early as we could, so if we had to sit in the bus until it stopped raining enough to set up, we'd still have daylight left to do it in. Packing up went smoothly; quick stop to get gas, ice and cash; and we are on the road at 1 PM. Went out 290 past Green Lakes out to Chittenango, then down 13 to Cazenovia, then across on 20 until we picked up 51 south to the campground. Saw a VW bus just before Chittenango behind a pond of a nursery there; saw a splittie in Bouckville in a car lot, and another bus in someone's dooryard further west on 20. Many waves, and peace signs, nice to have the two lanes on Rte 20 for the slow hill climbs, but Putt-Putt did just fine. By the time we got east enough to see the windmill farms, it was raining. Hmm.... "54% chance of rain, occasionally heavy at times"... Why is it whenever we go by them it is raining?

The farther south we went on Rte 51, the further into the wilderness we felt like we were going, the roads getting narrower, the non-existent shoulders to the road, riding through beautiful farm country that reminded us of Vermont when we lived there....and then.... like the blink of the eye.... A BREWERY..... huzzaa!!! Something to do on Saturday, or maybe on the trip back on Sunday!!!! No time to waste now, must get to the camp site to set up. After turning off Rte 51 onto Rte 12, the narrow road, became narrower, the sides of the road itself slightly washed out, and the hills steeper. Then we started seeing the deer; 4 before we got to our campsite. Signing in at the park office was snap (they love pre-registered!!), and off up the hill (and up, and up) to the hilltop area camping. Only one other bus there before us; Bob had arrived about ½ hour before us, and he was wondering if it was a prank and no one else was coming!!!

We arrived at 4:30 to the site, to find it was damp, but no standing water, sloping toward the site to our side where there WAS standing water. Super, looks pretty grassy, easy to get the tent stakes into, back the bus in, let it find it's "happy place" (where it wants to sit without rolling), and start deploying. Now wait a minute, we have no table... but ah, the site next to us, has two. Grab one, leave it out of the way, but get it onto the site to throw stuff on, so it doesn't have to go on the damp ground. Tent unrolled. Oops headed the wrong way... 180 degree turn... darn... it WAS going the right way.... 180 degrees back.... Bob had offered to help us set up, and one more set of hands made things go a little

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quicker. Thread the rods, stake the ends, put in the braces. Oh, bummer, Bob cut his finger!!!

Sorry Bob!!! Yes, we do have a band-aid here somewhere.. Patch up Bob's finger. Deploy inside of tent. More stakes around the tent. Still fairly cool, not too muggy, but the sky is pretty overcast and dark for that time of day. Discuss about putting up the E-Z Up. If we put it right in front of the doors of the tent with the canopy anyways, and MAYBE we will have a place to sit when it does rain. Sounds good; back to deploying and staking. Then, we hear thunder, and a few rain drops. Get the EZ up, up quick. Never gone up faster.. now grab everything off the table sitting out in the rain, that can't be in the rain and put under canopy or inside of tent.

Rich stakes the EZ up while it is pouring, and gets soaked to the skin. Rich sets up the "big boy chair" under the canopy, and sits and watches the lightening and the rain coming down (cats, dogs & chickens, oh my!!). I cower in the bus where I swear the lightening is hitting the trees right behind the tent. As it lessens a little, Rich comes in, changes into dry(er) clothes, and joins me in the bus, and we raid the cooler (what do you mean, "do I have any food in here?"..... duh!!!) for our supper. After about an hour of steady hard rain, it eases up a bit, and we venture out to bring the picnic table under the EZ up, and set up our kitchen. What walking we did through the area in front of the tent doing that, and we are already down to mud in the entire area. I knew there was some reason why I brought all these table covers, as they got pressed (literally) into service keeping the worst of the mud under them, and less of it tracked into the tent. Then sopping up some water that did seep into the tent, nothing critical got wet. Visit a little bit with others who have arrived; mention to our arrived neighbors (Bill & Chris Waelder), that the National weather service did mention a chance of flash flooding, and I believe they said specifically into site 66 (Their site was the area of runoff for the entire area sites 62 to 73). Just started to get settled into evening mode, and "here we go again...." A few more "rain drops falling on my head..." but no one is singing..... Oh, well, going to be one of those weekends!!

Rich and Bill each start a fire, to see who can make one faster and bigger (what kind of accelerant are you boys using???), and eventually the guys end up around Bill's fire drinking brews, and the girls end up at our table drinking Appletinis (camping style) (note to self, bring cinnamon sticks next time!) and playing a dice game that involves very little thinking so it is perfect for playing while drinking. Then off to bed, settling into the warm soft comfort of sleeping bags, air mattresses, and cots.

Saturday dawns fairly bright, up not too early, set up the stove, make coffee, eggs, & toast, and settle into read. Then... "here we go again!!!" it's raining again. Just a quick shower to remind us we are out in the elements. Passes quickly, we gather in groups to wait it out, and chat with each other. Rich & I take off to drive back to the brewery "Butternuts Beer & Ale" in Garrettsville. Nice little place, great art on their standard

stock cans, and Ooooh!.. they have growlers of some specialty beers. Good prices too!! We leave with a growler, and a 6 pack, and while traveling north, meet 3 more VW buses traveling south to join the fun-many waves, toots and we pass on by; We run into some rain on the road, grab some lunch at a place on the corner of 51 and 80 while watching it rain outside, and watching a really BAD movie on their TV in Spanish, which Rich can figure out the plot of, even though we can't understand a word. Drive down 80 a couple of miles to pick up some more milk, and then back to the campsite.

See more deer... Our numbers of buses has swelled now... 3 up above in the loop next to us, as well as the 7 in our loop. Then Phil & Kevin arrive in their buses, and Joe Murphy in his Ford (that's okay, we've all done it from time to time! Hope we didn't scare you too much)....

We sit and read some more, thinking about when we need to make a fire so we'll have coals to cook supper on. Well, maybe we should just start it now, just "in case" it decides to rain again..... Rich gets a good small fire going, I cut up vegetables and make two foil packets to cook on the coals, and we start cooking them. Then... oh, my... NOT AGAIN.... Yup, it's raining again. We leave the dinners cooking and tuck under the canopy and contemplate how we'll know when the packets are done. At least the foil packets are perhaps keeping the rain from putting out the coals?!?! It stops raining, and we declare the packets as done as they are going to be, and eat under the EZ up as the trees continue to shed the latest rain. Then it's another fire competition (how much accelerant are you putting on there?!?!), and the boys gather around the fire, and the girls play cards on the table (yes, more Appletinis....). Kevin and Ethan join us, and Phil wanders on in. Phil is fascinated by the large size cards we are using, and then we point out the "big boy" chair, and he goes and sits in it.... then he notices that we have a teensy-weensy bottle of apple vodka we are using for the drinks, and he announces that he feels like he is "down the rabbit hole" with things that should be big, being small, and things that should be small, being big. Sorry, Phil, we didn't mean to freak you out!!!

Another nice night for sleeping, and Sunday dawns bright and beautiful, no sign of rain, warm, but not too warm. We break down slowly, enjoying (finally) the nice weather. We get out of there about 1:00, and head back the way we came. Well, we are going right by, why not stop again at the Brewery? Take a picture of the bus in front of the sign there, and off again. A few rain drops here and there, back by the busses we saw on the way down. Stop at "Troops Scoops" in Bouckville, with a great view of 20 windmills on the ridge there, and some great diner food and specialty ice cream.

Hit home at 4:30. Rich checks on the garden, we unload the bus, start laundry, put dishes in the dishwasher, then set up the tent so it can dry out, and yes, you guessed it... it's raining again!!! Time to shower, charge the cell phones and camera, and catch up on email. Then back to reality and the stupid day job. Have to make the money to buy the beer...somehow.

BUGFEST 2011

By Jerry Spellman

BUGFEST 2011 came and went! My how time flies. Here in northeastern Illinois we have been waiting for Spring. If it came, it went. Summer is here and, along with Fox Valley VW of West Chicago, the Northeast Illinois Volkswagen Association presented its annual family fun, all VW car show, providing trophies, dash plaques, information, DJ music, and ample food. The dealer generously opened up all his facilities, car movements before and after, plus a hefty supply of help to pull off the show.

A small fee gained car entry to display or a swap setup space, while all spectators were admitted free. Roughly 85 cars filled in the sixteen regular classes, winners of such were ascertained via participant judging. There was plenty

of eye candy with classes available for Beetles, Ghias, Type IIIs, Buses, Things, Buggies and Rails over all the range of years, early to late. Water-cooled of early, mid, late were allotted classes as well as was Special Interest. (This year again there was a real live Kubelwagen.) Top prizes winners at three levels were announced mid-afternoon along with best of show. Consult nivaclub.org for better information.

Besides the cars on view there were many enthusiasts to share stories with and swappers to share parts with as well as advice and how to's. There are more shows coming in this neck of the woods, so keep your eyes peeled and remember to support those local shows, far and near.



Buses by the Big Duck

By Andrea Rasso

June 3-5 at Indian Island Park, in Riverhead (Long Island), NY



The 11th Annual Buses by the Big Duck campout did not disappoint. We had the largest turnout ever with 5 Splitties, 7 bays, 16 Vanagons, 1 Eurovan, 1 Thing, 1 Beetle, 1 Cabrio, 4 Non VW's and several day visitors from our local VW club too. Many folks commented that we had the best weather ever. Thank you Mother Nature!

Our friend Marc Pfefferle (and son David) from South Jersey, left Friday morning at 4:00 am to beat traffic. Marc met us at our house, and caravanned over to the campground. Jon Kleckner who had also left New Jersey nice and early was already at the campground riding around on his 70cc vintage Honda. As the day progressed, the campers just kept rolling in.

We had the outdoor projector going on Friday night. We saw the short movie; Leave Day, in which Pete and Diane King's bus Sunflower "starred" in.

Saturday we had a huge caravan to the Big Duck for a photo op. Afterwards folks scattered off – some went to Montauk, some to an outdoor antique/flea market in town, and others back to camp to hang out, ride bikes or go down to the beach. The potluck dinner Saturday night was delicious as usual, with no one going hungry. Before raffles, each child was awarded a "kid" prize and adults received goodie bags- with two lucky winners winning an additional door prize. As always the money collected for raffle tickets will be used to purchase raffle prizes for next year's event.

Thank you to everyone who attended...We had so many returnees, as well as some "new" folks including LiMBO members Guy and Joan who came down on the ferry with the New England gang. LiMBO members Jeremy, Jess and kids came down from Mass as well in their Bay Window Bus. Manny Hernandez leant his friend, a VW Ghia owner from Texas (who was on Long Island for business) one of



Joan & Guy Kennedy with Beth Waldron



Trying to hitch a ride in Brad's Single cab



Pete King and Sunflower

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Glenn Ring's beautiful original-owner Beetle

