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Rich Macensky preparing his potluck
dinner at the "Blizzard Out"
Campout in the Poconos.
Recap on page 16.

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Views Through the Windshield

By: Andrea Rasso

Welcome to the Annual Meeting Edition. Full details of the meeting are found on page 12-13.

The graphic on the right is from the Zits comic strip. I found it on www.cafepress.com. You can buy it as a poster, shirt or mug. You know me...always looking for fun VW related stuff to share.

I have condensed my space to this little corner, because I've so many submissions, that I've run out of room. Of course, I don't mind. I'd rather have more from you, than me having to fill space. In this issue, there are so many event recaps to read about— in fact, Joel Cort usually sends his True Canadian Campout Recap...but again, I've just no room. I am sure next edition we will have much more recaps as the show and camping season are right around the corner along with spring. I'd like to get a "tech" article in the next edition...anyone?

In Oatmeal's Eurovan Column, he discusses his dilemma that we all hope not to face down the road. Using his EV as a daily driver adds another dimension to his situation. Read his column on page 14.

Lastly, as I have no room left, I continue with the travels of Amerikando, including an article submitted by Franck and Iris written specifically for me and this newsletter which highlights their leg from NY to Mexico. By the time you read this however, they will probably be in California.

Hope you enjoy....Andrea



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Dear Andrea:

Great issue, and thanks for the mention. Enclosed is an advertisement from Coker Tires that might be of interest to all. Nitrogen filled tires. Coker is a leading (largest) source of tires to the classic and collectable car market.

I will be after them to see if they would take an interest in our buses.

Fred Williams

Editor's Note: The pages from the catalogue regarding Nitrogen filled tires that Fred sent me is available as a pdf file on <http://www.cokertire.com/>. See page 63.

This synopsis is from an article on the San Francisco News Blog and submitted by Joel Cort.

Burning Van Event Draws Dozens of 'Volks' to Ocean Beach

An annual event for people who are slightly obsessed with decades-old camper vans, Burning Van drew its largest crowd ever this year. Dozens of people pulled their vans in around 3 p.m. and stayed long after dusk, drinking and passionately discussing their wheels. There was talk of lighting van parts on fire to conclude the festivities, but according to a discussion thread on TheSamba.com, that never happened.

Editor's Note:
I found additional photos of the event on the Samba. Check them out! Sounds like fun.



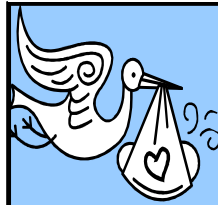
Dear Andrea,

Per usual, the January/February issue of *The Transporter* was full of interesting and informative articles. I was especially fascinated with Franck's and Iris' Amerikando adventures and seek your permission to have it reproduced with appropriate attribution in *Keynotes*, the newsletter of the Volkswagen Association of Western New York, of which I am a member. I'm sure our members will enjoy reading it as I did.

Thank you for your consideration.
Austin Swanson

Editors Note: I did indeed allow Austin to reprint the article. Hope you enjoy the follow up in this edition.

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FUTURE UW DRIVER ARRIVES

Rigel Thomas Pelletier came into the world on 01/15/10 at 10:04 am and weighing 9 lbs 1 oz, and was 21 inches long.

Congratulations
Tony and Jen.

Rigel is the name of the brightest star in the constellation Orion and is the sixth brightest star in the sky.



Feb., 12, 2010

Dear Andrea,

First I want to say nice job with the newsletter. I enjoy every issue. Keep up the great work.

Now, this is an FYI. Just something I came across on a recent trip to visit family and friends in Glasgow, Scotland. Anyone for a new type 2 camper?

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I don't know much about where these T2's are coming from, but I was told that Danbury Motor Caravans has been doing business for many years and produce a quality product.

For those folks that want to do some research this is a website <http://www.danburymotorcaravans.com/>. I just like seeing a new T2 camper /caravan.

Dave Brackett

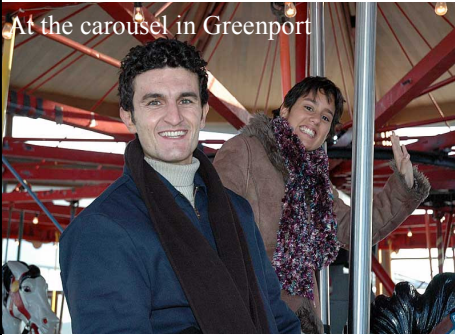


Stan Wohlfarth of Stan's Classic Service has a fully functioning website now at <http://stanagon.com>

Amerikando In New York

By: Andrea Rasso

While it is two months ago that you last read about the adventures of Franck and Iris, it was the next day after that edition went to print (Saturday, Jan. 9th) that our club; Long Island VW Club(LIVC) spent



the day with them for a tech session to fix their bus. It eventually took several sessions to get everything fixed. But at the first session a happy surprise was that the repairs coincidentally also fixed their heat problem. When they originally bought the bus, they had no heat. Their mechanic in Argentina did

not think they needed it for their road trip. Besides thinking it was too hard to fix, he thought it unnecessary since their original plan was only to be on the road nine months, and in NY area during summer of '09. After the first tech session ended, we stayed another hour and LIVC member Frankie Abadie set up a mock stage and conducting an interview, which is now a neat, well edited, short documentary posted on You Tube at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=grViayKU_1k.

After much laughs and good fun at the first tech session, Franck and Iris drove (with heat) back to our home where we chatted all evening, over Argentinean wine, antipasto and Italian pastries.

Franck and Iris spent the evening in our guest bedroom, and on Sunday morning (after a Skype phone call to France) seven



Iris and Paul A. eating donuts at the tech session

LIVC members came over and we caravanned out to eastern Long Island. While we live here and often travel out east ourselves, it is not common that we "sightsee" in the middle of the freezing winter. Landscapes were different- everything was quiet and serene....and there was no traffic!

With an Eos, Passat and our Blue Max, we drove first to the Big Duck for a photo op. Next was to a vineyard before heading to Horton's Point Lighthouse on the north shore, then to Orient (end of the north fork) for some photo ops of the bay. We ended up at Greenport; a cute "touristy" town on the north fork of eastern

long island. We rode the classic indoor carousel and had dinner at a BBQ restaurant in town.

The Wednesday after that, I played hooky from work to go on a "field trip" with Franck and Iris and LIVC club member Jimmy, who gave a fireman's tour of Ground Zero. We also went to the Empire State Building. For Franck and Iris, who spent much time in the city, today was the first time they were in a NY Taxi cab. They enjoyed the novelty of it.



Atop the Empire State Building

At the end of the week, we said goodbye over dinner, with a wonderful meal at an Argentinean Restaurant, again with club members.

They left on ML King Jr. Day. After leaving Long Island, their plan was to tour Washington DC for the day, on their way to their next destination; Miami. With traffic heavier than expected, time was not on their side so they bypassed DC, continued south, and at the end of the day laid their heads down in Charleston, SC.

LIVC with Franck and Iris at the Big Duck

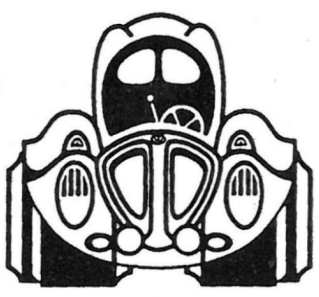


We wish them all the best as their journey, their dream continues. We enjoy receiving updated emails and checking the website. Even when English translation has not yet been updated, the photos are fantastic.

Some have asked me, "What did you get in return"...meaning for all the time and money spent to help and host Franck and Iris.....

Those asking, were not vintage VW owners... so, it was hard to explain and have them see the logic of it. Of course all of you reading this can relate. We are a family. We are a team. We are there to help others, who like us, have a love affair (ok...addiction) with the vintage VW lifestyle. If this couple can indeed accomplish the goal they set out, then we, their VW family are the pit crew to help them, and become part of the journey, part of the story.....and friends for a lifetime...

In close, here are a few examples of things Franck and Iris expressed were so "American". Our marble cheese cutting board with little built in slicer; Americans have little gadgets for everything. Our Bilco doors; like the movie Twister. Alleys and fire escapes of NY City; like the pursuit chases of Starsky and Hutch. A few unfriendly New York City workers (no explanation needed on that one). Standing around eating donuts and coffee; like in the movies, and they were very excited to experience this during "break time" at the tech session. And lastly (of what I remember) is saying the letter "o" instead of zero. This, they have just never heard of.



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Amerikando From New York to México (Jan/Feb 2010)

By: Amerikando's Franck and Iris Thibaud Köchig

New York... These two words were at the center of all our preoccupations during so many months that it was crazy to think that now we were leaving the Big Apple. Just before going over the bridge to Staten Island, We stopped the bus in front of a pizzeria for five minutes, just to buy a cup of coffee. From the pizzeria, out come some of the workers who noticed the bus. They came to speak with us and they even invited us in for the best pizza that we have eaten since we left Argentina!

A few minutes after we get back on the road we start reminiscing of all this city has given to us. A great Christmas, the snow, the wonders of Manhattan, the beauty of Long Island and all the friends we met including Manny, Maria, Steve, Andrea, Brad, Don, Sue, Frank, Peter, Kristin... New York has been great to us and we are feeling very nostalgic right now.

We wanted to be in Miami before January, the 30th, to assist with our first VW event in the US: the Volksblast, in Miami. And so we did. It was a long drive but with the heat fixed by our friends of the LIVC, we really enjoyed it. We discovered Charleston, SC and felt in love with this beautiful city. Then we stopped for few days in Saint Augustine. We discovered (and enjoyed) the Kennedy Space Center and finally, we arrived in Miami on Thursday, January 28th. The most Latin-American city of the US welcomed us with a big sun and we spent the two first days on the beach, swimming and swimming and swimming! Then we discovered the different aspects of the city: the Cuban district, Miami Beach, the art deco buildings and the downtown.

On Saturday, Volksblast officially started (even though we helped prepare for it days before with the club). As we did in other shows before, we transformed the bus into a little store to show and sell our t-shirts, postcards and framed photos. We began meeting people too.

Now we have to tell that since the beginning of the trip we have been looking for sponsorship, and have spent entire days looking. We wrote presentational documents in the three languages we know, looked for contacts of the marketing services of all the enterprises which might have an interest, and sent hundreds and hundreds of emails...all without any positive answer.



Then on Sunday, the 31st of January, during Volksblast the miracle finally happened. Again, with our little shop set up, we started speaking with a man, telling him about the dream we have and the long road that we still have to drive. We were speaking in Spanish. He listened to us and at the end of our conversation, he gave us \$20 and wished us "good luck". An hour later, we were speaking with other people and the man came back. We looked at him and he said "Sabes que? Yo te voy a pagar la gasolina hasta Francia!" (Translation: You know what? I will pay for your gas until France").

We couldn't believe it. At the beginning, we didn't want to believe it. We spent the entire day selling our stuff and saying that we don't yet think that it's really true as it could be a false promise. But at the end of the day, when we called the man, he invited us to his house so we could speak about our project!

Joe Orriols is the name of the man and Bullseye (www.bullseyepowdercoating.com) is the name of the first enterprise who wanted to help us. More than a sponsorship, we found new friends. Joe himself, his wife Dalia, his associate Leo; all of them were so sweet to us. We really feel that there is a personal connection with this sponsor that would not be there if it were sponsorship from a large enterprise. Joe feels like he's a part of our journey and we believe he's an important part.

Bullseye a metal refinishing company, is probably the only small company that uses a technology traditionally reserved to the big industry. They paint all kinds of metallic pieces. They usually do a lot of work on cars and they gave us such a perfect finish to our wheels and bumpers that they looked like new. When Joe saw the huge difference, between the "new looking" wheels next to the old and sick paint of the bus, he decided to give a new paint job to Renata (our bus) and now our loved bus looks like a new one!

One more time, we felt very nostalgic when we had to take the road again. On Sunday, the 14th (Valentine's Day), we celebrated our first wedding anniversary in Disney World and then we made the longest drive of the trip: from Orlando to El Paso in one week, including a stop in New Orleans during Mardi Gras!

It's where we are right now, on Sunday, February 21st. Tomorrow we will go back in Mexico. We will spend few days in one of our favorite countries and then we will enter back in the US. We still have a lot of things to see there. The great National Parks of the West, and California, where we'll have to take the boat that will transport our bus to Asia.

With our first sponsorship, a recently painted bus and amazing places to discover, the second part of the journey should be great!





Kleckner's Korner: By: Jon Kleckner

Our annual meeting in January proved to be a successful one, resulting in a large and diverse turnout. It even had shades of a campout, as I had to put on my mechanic hat and help a member with an oil leak. After waiting a few hours to make sure the Vanagon made it home, I headed back myself from the home of our exceptional hosts, the Jordan's. One of the fun parts of my job is to frequent Massachusetts (my second home). Yet at age 60, I still can't figure out where my favorite state is.

Lately we have had a larger number of members writing articles. Keep them coming. The stories have more diversity and educational value than ever before. In particular interest to me are the contributors from around the world, as my goal is to travel to as many continents as life will allow; and of course, I hope to be in a camper. As our vans age, everyone has a story to tell. Sharing these stories can provide help to others for an easier ride. Today, VW Camper owners keep up with having their vehicles quite dependable—more than ever before. Having the ability to live in them sets them apart as they can also be defined as a home, too.

Our Blizzard Campout in February was the best ever. The people, food, togetherness, luxuries and warmth made it an unforgettable experience. I look forward to several more, as Otter Lake will be a mainstay with us.

This is my last year as president—and it has been second only to traveling and camping with the greatest crowd of fellow campers; yet it's been a short run, and a blast doing it. Let's keep the ball rolling and make it the best decade of camping ever.

COMING EVENTS

Coming Events is the place to get your bus or VW related event listed! Please send the vital stats: date, time, location, activities, costs, and contact person/phone number or address. Plan ahead and list your event early for maximum participation. For more information on any event, please contact Tom & Linda, the event coordinators, at 401-722-2119, volkswagenri@cox.net, or email to events@limbobus. Snail mail can be sent to: Coming Events, c/o Linda Manion 27 Woodward Road #6B, Lincoln, RI, 02865

Next deadline is May 1, 2010

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

April 2010

April 25 (Sunday) Mansfield, CT - CVA's 20th Annual Spring Dust-Off at Mansfield Hollow State Park, from 9am to 3pm, rain or shine. This is an informal, non-judged car show. Dash plaques to the first 200 cars. Last year there were almost 250 vehicles so arrive early. Bring a picnic lunch and check out all kinds of VW's and your fellow VW comrades! No alcohol or tire burn-outs! For more info, contact Jeremy at (860) 539-9704, vwadct@comcast.net or Milt at redbug203@sbcglobal.net

May 2010

May 13-16 (Thurs-Sun) Beavertown, PA - Granny Grose's Buses 6 sponsored by the Full Moon Bus Club. Beavertown is 24 miles north of Lewistown and 18 miles south of Selinsgrove. Grose's Campground is located 2 miles off Route 522 on Quarry Road. The campground is nestled along the Bald Eagle Forest. Campground facilities: rustic bathhouse with free showers, playground, pavilion, game room, camp store, hiking, and biking. <http://www.grannygrosebuses.com/> Many activities are planned for kids of all ages including 50/50 raffle, bocce, carabus to local ice cream stand, Saturday potluck breakfast (sign up for that at the above website), and live music in the evening. Every bus gets a door prize. and all door prize contributions are welcome. There are two areas of camping: **Single sites** have water and electric hook-ups, as well as fire pits. They are located about 200 yards from the general camping area. This area tends to be quieter and its close to the playground so it's good for families. Reservations are required for this area, and some of these

sites have already been reserved, so act fast! Single Sites are \$26/night for two buses. A third Bus will be an additional \$14/night. No more than 3 Buses on a site. **The general camping area** is "hippie" style camping where the buses are packed in. Electricity will be available for some buses on a first come, first served basis. Water is readily available, and there will be some group campfires. Sites are \$12/night, includes 2 adults.\$7/night per extra adult. Vending from your bus is allowed, and event T-shirt info will be available later. For more information and reservations for the single sites, please contact the event organizer, Justin: (814) 931-8538 or steelersbus36@atlanticbb.net

May 16 (Sunday) Millbury, MA - Folding Party at the home of Steve and Mary. Details when available. 508-865-9859.

May 28-31 (Fri-Sun) West Milford, NJ 07480 - Westies in West Milford at Westbrook Park, 857 Westbrook Road. \$5 per person per night. Plenty to do: area hiking, (14 mile hike to NYC view), boating in nearby Greenwood Lake, nature museum, (Weiss Ecology Center). Potluck supper Sat. night. More details to follow. For more info, contact Jon Kleckner: jonsmtrs@optonline.net or (973) 506-4293.

June 2010

June 4-6 (Fri-Sun) Riverhead, NY - 10th Annual Buses by the Big Duck at the Indian Island Campground (631 852-3232). If you're coming from New England, you can take a ferry from Bridgeport <http://www.bpjferry.com/> or New London <https://www.longislandferry.com/>. The campground's fee is \$29 per night for non-county residents. Local Suffolk County residents pay \$19 per night, but must also have a Green Key Park Pass (\$20, good for three years & available at park office). We will be camping in a reserved group area equipped with electric and water. We will be in GROUP SITE #2 and #4 Your (CASH ONLY) payment will be collected by Andrea at time of arrival, but please check in at the parks front office Last minute arrivals are welcome, so if you do not know your plans until the day before, there will be room. Pot luck dinner/raffles will be on Saturday night. For more information, go to the website <http://arasso.tripod.com/> or contact Andrea at rassovw@hotmail.com **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PET OWNERS:** Pets must be licensed and vaccinated. You must have a copy of the rabies certificate and dog license certificate with you. The rabies tag and dog license tag is NOT GOOD ENOUGH. Also, DOGS MUST BE LEASHED AT ALL TIMES.

June 10-13 (Fri-Sun) Almonte, Mississippi Mills, Ont, Canada - Busfusion 2010 at the North Lanark Agricultural Society Almonte Fairgrounds, located 35 km west of Ottawa, on the banks of the

Mississippi River. The fairgrounds have level camping spots along the banks of the river, toilet facilities, running water, a dump station, and a building for a communal dinner, swap meet, and other gatherings. It's a short walk to the town center, no need to move your vehicle. Bring bikes for a ride in the country. For more info, go to www.busfusion.com or email busfusion@aol.com

June 20 (Fathers Day) Harwinton, CT - The 22nd Annual Litchfield Bug In from 9am till 3pm at the Harwinton Fairgrounds on Locust Road. Admission is charged with all proceeds going to local charity. Overnight camping is available on the grounds with clean modern restrooms provided. Also on Saturday at 6pm the annual Bug In Bash , with free food provided by the Texas Grill will be held. You can also attend the Fathers Day pancake breakfast at the firehouse in town on Sunday morning. Swap spaces are both indoor and outdoor with plenty of room for vendors. Average space is 20 by 20 feet. We usually get 300 VW vehicles in the show and around 100 vendors. Also clean modern restrooms with showers for the campers...For additional information contact: Chuck Piconski at 860-283-5256 or ywsplitman@sbcglobal.net

July 2010

July 9-11 (Fri-Sun) Jim Thorpe, PA - Camping at Mauch Chunk Lake Park. This is a great county park and includes camping along the lake, nice beach area with lifeguards, bring your own boat or rent one, plus a concession stand, all within walking distance from our camp! There is a lot to do in the nearby town of Jim Thorpe including: historic train ride, shoppes, biking, hiking and river fun on the Lehigh which is scheduled for a whitewater release that weekend. The cost of the event is only \$4 per person per night! We have group sites A & B reserved. This is a red cup event, but the rangers are friendly. Bathrooms are nice, with flush toilets/showers and are just off of site A. No electric. The group area is totally shaded but rocky. Please RSVP so the organizers can make sure there is enough room. Malissa and Ken Weikel email: missnken@dejazzd.com Check the park website for details including boat/motor restrictions if you want to bring your own. <http://www.carboncounty.com/park/>

July 11 (Sunday) Lebanon, CT - CVA's 6th Annual New England Volks-Meet at the Lebanon Lions Fairgrounds, for 9am to 3pm, rain or shine. Trophies will be awarded by people's choice in many different classes. Show will be open to VW's and all German cars, owners, and fans There will be dash plaques and goody bags for the first 200 vehicles. Camping is available on the fairgrounds the night before the show, entertainment by live bands. There will be entertainment for kids both days. For more info contact Jeremy at (860) 539-9704, ywadct@comcast.net or Milt at redbug203@sbcglobal.net

July 16-18 (Fri-Sun) Townshend, VT - West River Westies VII at the Bald Mountain Campground. Bring your family and friends, pets, bicycles, tubes and rafts, cameras, something to share at the potluck supper and a donation for the raffle to benefit Grace Cottage Hospital in Townshend, VT. Make new friends and greet the old ones. Go tubing on the West River, bicycling on State Forest Road, enjoy Eric Lindskog's famous pulled pork sandwiches and BBQ ribs, the potluck supper and bucket raffle. Camping rates: \$23.83/day includes W/E hookup and Vermont tax. Call Bald Mountain Campground for reservations. 1-802-365-7510. The campground has free showers and ample bathrooms. Nev and Sue Lescher, are your WRW Wagonmasters. nesu@cox.net

September 2010

Sept 3-6 (Fri-Mon) Bloomsburg, PA - Camping Near Knoebels X at the Indian Head Campground. A vintage camping weekend of Pennsylvania's coal region. Come out for the tenth anniversary campout featuring the Friday evening dessert social, Saturday morning caravan to Knoebels Amusement Resort (www.knoebels.com), Sunday morning

potluck brunch, and everyday kayaking/canoing on the Susquehanna River, hiking, road trips, and great campfire conversation. Camping rates are \$24 for group/tent sites, \$26 for water-electric sites. Request the VW Bus section and the group reat. Go to <http://mysite.verizon.net/bensbus/knk.htm> for complete details.

Sept 25-26 (Sat-Sun) Middlebury CT - CVA's 2nd Annual Oktoberfest at Quassy Amusement Park, from noon to 6 both days. Trophies will be awarded for CVA Choice and Quassy Choice. Show is open to all German cars, owners, fans and anyone who enjoys an amusement park and Oktoberfest! There will be dash plaques for the first 100 cars. Camping will be available on the show grounds Saturday night. Every show car receives a complimentary park pass. There will be German food, bands and beer available at the Oktoberfest. Don't miss this weekend of German fun! For additional info please contact: Jeremy Clayton (860) 539-9704 ywadct@comcast.net or Milt McDonald redbug203@sbcglobal.net .

October 2010

Oct 8-10 (Fri-Sun) Watkins Glen, New York - Westies at Watkins 2010 in the Finger Lakes of New York. This is the 9th year in the running this event 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 go when you get there, \$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 events on SUNDAY Oct 10th. We will take our VWs on the racetrack for a three laps on Thunder Road. \$15 per vehicle. Come on the track or in the grand stands. For more info, contact Joel Cort, home phone: 585-377-4161. cell phone: 585-690-8145 or jcort@rechester.rr.com

Oct 15-17 (Fri-Sun) Lenhartsville, PA - Bustoberfest at Blue Rocks. We have booked Group sites 116 (and overflow group site 114). Contact Andrea at rassovw@hotmail.com for info and to get info on mailing first night deposit of \$30. Bring contributions for the beer and wine tasting event. Potluck on Saturday eve. Hayride to local farm for pumpkins. Lots to do at campground and surrounding area. Check out site at: <http://www.bluerocks campground.com/> **IMPORTANT NOTICE: YOU NEED TO CONTACT ANDREA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHEN YOU KNOW YOU ARE GOING TO ATTEND TO REGISTER AND MAIL HER YOUR 1st NIGHT DEPOSIT.**

Oct. 17 (Sunday) TBD location in Connecticut - The CVA's 12th Annual Fall Foliage Cruise from 9am to ???, rain or shine. To be determined start location. Will wind through the scenic roads of Connecticut with a few stops along the way. Bring a picnic lunch. There will be a dinner after the cruise for those that are interested. More details when available. Contact: Jeremy Clayton (860) 539-9704 ywadct@comcast.net or Milt McDonald redbug203@sbcglobal.net

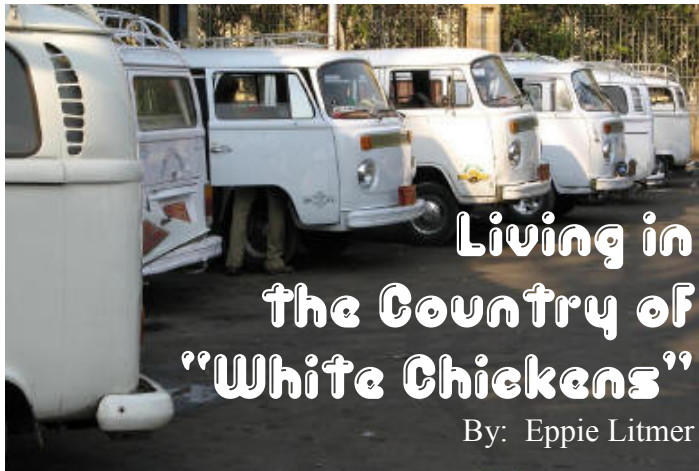


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Living in the Country of "White Chickens"

By: Eppie Litmer

We are long-time VW fans, my husband and I. I have had VWs since the early '70's when I got my first driving licenses in Ohio. In 1987, we bought a new Vanagon Camper. That vehicle has travelled all over the United States. We still have it, but now with a 5 speed and a Tiico conversion. We also have a 1965 Vintage VW convertible. At the same time, we continue to buy and drive other VWs, Audis as well as other German and American cars.



We first moved overseas to Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates. We took our 1965 VW with us. Since all the cars there were new, and only few old VWs in the UAE, the Emiratis seem to be "car crazy" an expressed much interest in our 1965.

When we moved to Cairo, Egypt things were much different on the VW scene. Old VW beetles and busses were and still are being used for everyday transportation needs. Egyptians, through necessity and clever mechanics, manage to keep VWs on the road long past the usual dates with the junk-yard. It's not uncommon to see VWs from the 1950s still in use as everyday cars - some having added modern VW fenders and tail lights. Determining the exact model year of a beetle or a bus takes quite a bit of examination and research.

When we first moved to Cairo, one of the memorable sights, was of an old Transporter, side door and windows all open, with kids screaming and hanging from the open doors and windows. It drove down a busy street, dropping small boys off after school. The bus wouldn't come to a full halt, but slowed down, and the boys standing by the open side door (barn door) would hop off at their stop - akin to parachute jumpers! Certainly a sight that would make most American parents cringe. I could have kicked myself for not getting a photo.

Throughout Cairo, Transporters are used for a variety of business purposes. New

Double cab: a rare sight (single cabs are rare too)



cars are expensive, so the Cairenes keep their machines going forever. They cobble pieces together, and have access to parts shipped in from Brazil. You'll see some Eurovans but the older Type II's (Splitties and Bays) are what most Cairene Bus owners use.



In Giza, across the Nile from Cairo where the Pyramids are located, these white buses are referred to as "White Chickens" (picture at top left of page). They are the main source of mass transit in the suburb. They travel the streets of Giza, side door and the engine door open. They even have their own "Bus Station". They leave the engine bay door open because they claim that the open door gives better engine cooling.

For more, check out my weblog at: <http://vagabondblogger.blogspot.com/>



An Example of Egyptian Craftiness:

Hassan, the owner of this van, is very proud of his home-made conversion from air-cooled to water-cooled. He also built the roof-top rack himself and painted the entire van by hand with a brush. It will not win a beauty contest but he drives it on the busy streets of Cairo each day. This van started out as a 1981 air-cooled. Hassan added a home-made set of headlights to mimic South African headlights along with a radiator and a carbureted Golf 1800cc engine (thus converting it from air to water). Hassan made the new front radiator vent himself. Hassan was also proud to point out the water pipes running coolant up to the front. He made sure we noticed his plumbing and mechanical work. He says the van cruises at 120 kilometers per hour on the highway with the new engine - much better than before.



Photos above: produce and supplies delivery buses.



A new sight on the streets a VW ambulance



Occasionally you'll see something like this, where the owner has outrageously decorated his Bus. The numerous antennas are extremely popular.

LIMBO MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Coy and Lynn Bethune

Where Do You Live? Coy: We live in Bristol, Rhode Island. Lynn was born and raised in Newport R.I. I was born in Gloucester Mass and raised in Portsmouth R.I. (home of Buses in the Bay Campout!!). Both kids were born in Newport and raised in Bristol.

Tell us About Your Family. Coy: Our son Christopher is 22 and is studying Video Game Development at Bristol Comm. College. Our daughter Shannon is 13 and in middle school. They both enjoy gaming, computers, camping, VW shows, art and music.

I am on the board of a living historic farm in Bristol called Coggeshall Farm (coggeshallfarm.org). The Farm is representative of the 1790s. I have been a member of the 2nd R.I. Regiment (an American Revolution War reenactment group) since 1978. We even drove the Bus down to Yorktown Va. for the 225th anniversary of the "Battle of Yorktown". This was the final battle of the Rev. War, where General Charles Corn Wallace surrendered to General



My first two Beetles. The one on the right was my first (the one made from two). The yellow one on the left is the "Sport Bug".

Washington ending the War for Independence. We both enjoy photography, hiking, camping, and of course VW shows.

What you do for a living? Coy: Lynn works as a Certified Nursing Assistant at St. Elizabeth's Home in Bristol for 11 years. She enjoys working with the elderly. I've been working at Hood Sailmakers for 20 years. Before that I was a auto mechanic at independent shops, two VW dealerships, and my own shop for a short time.

What is the History of your VW addiction? Coy: It all started when my father and I got two 1962 Beetles pretty cheap and made one out of the two; including patching the floor with part of the roof from the other. I drove this Bug when we were dating. Then one day I saw a sweet yellow '73 "Sport Bug". I bought the "Sport Bug" (my first car loan) and enjoyed it for several years until I hit a telephone pole while sliding on ice! It was around this time that we got married in 1983. About a year after we wed I founded the V-Dub Club of R.I. One of our first members was Steve Mierz, who went on to start the



Coy, Lynn, Christopher and Shannon

the War for Independence. We both enjoy photography, hiking, camping, and of course VW shows.

Lynn took courses from N.Y. Institute of Photography. She enjoys tennis, biking, reading, and cooking

over the campfire. I enjoy visiting with everyone at the events. We also deliver The Good News, which is R.I. Christian newspaper.

CVA Club. In the next several years, we went on to put on seven R.I. Bug Bashes, start a second club: "Bay State VW Club" (in Massachusetts), put on several Bay State Beetle Days, and ran the "East Coast Caravan" (from Mass. to Manassas for Bug Out).

During all that activity I'd replaced the "Sport Bug" with a '71 Super Beetle that I still have today. I also bought my first bus shortly after that, it was a '67 micro that was blue, white, and rust! This is when I got involved in LIMBO and NEATO. Transporter Rites of Spring started right here in Bristol at Colt State Park. After freezing for a couple of winters I sold the '67 and bought my first watercooled VW, an '84 GTI. Then it was on to a '87 GLI. It was nice but it didn't handle like that GTI. Of course I like how easy they are to work on (most of the time). Even my '96 Golf is nice and simple.

Lynn: For me, I thought VW's were too small at first, but I became

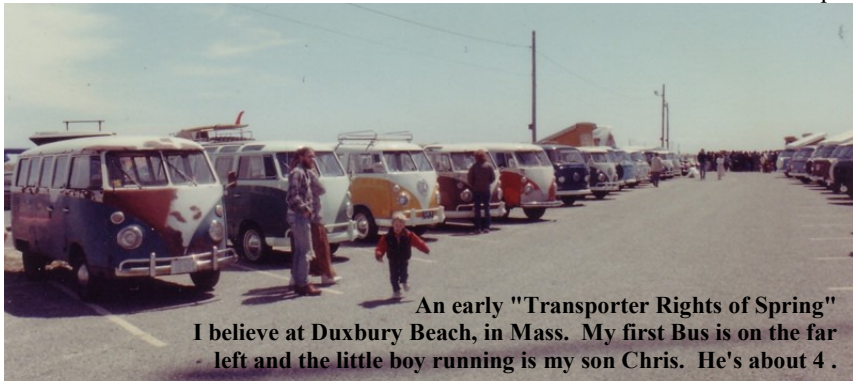


The "East Coast Caravan".

accustomed to them eventually. My very first VW was a '62 Beetle named Pearl. She had a sunroof. On our way home from purchasing it, the engine started knocking. We replaced it with a rebuilt 36hp motor. My next car was an '83 Rabbit. I really enjoyed driving. It ran well. Then Shannon came along and we needed a bigger car to go camping in. So I bought a '92 Jetta. That had the big trunk. We also bought a Thule luggage rack for it. We had that car for seven years but then the engine died. So now I drive the Golf as my daily driver. But I wouldn't mind finding a tricked out Rabbit someday. I like the older ones! My favorite part of the VW events is hanging around the campfire. Maybe you'll see me with my guitar, because I am trying to get back into playing again. I like to take photos, especially with the people and their VW's.

What is in Your Current Fleet? Coy: Now a days we have our '77 Westy called Chester, a '96 Golf, an '86 Syncro Vanagon, and the '71 Super Beetle. So we are still addicted to VW's.

Any Notable Stories? Coy: When I had the '62 Beetle and we were on a date one night, the brakes let go on a steep hill. After I got it stopped with the hand brake and down shifting Lynn got out and vowed to "never get in that stupid car again" of course she did. You can never be angry at a VW to long!



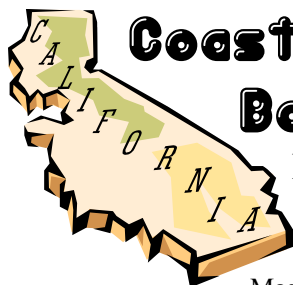
An early "Transporter Rights of Spring" I believe at Duxbury Beach, in Mass. My first Bus is on the far left and the little boy running is my son Chris. He's about 4.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Dixie Bettini, Omaha, NE
 Alexandra Fata, Englewood Cliffs, NJ ('92 Westy)
 Robert Palmer, Columbia, KY
 Michael Shiffer, Mount Vernon, NY
 Bradley Spear, Burnsville, MN



Coast to Coast and Back... in a Westfalia

By: Melissa Mourkas

Hey LiMBO friends, long time, no see-um! Some of you may remember I pulled out of Western Massachusetts in 2001 after enduring 140" of snow that year. I fondly recall visiting my dear Westy in the dead of winter, stashed away snugly in a tobacco barn, and whispering to her, "Don't worry, spring will be here soon." The Westy whisperer, indeed! Battery on trickle charge, ready to re-install and go in April sometime. Or May.

Since moving to Sacramento, CA, I have enjoyed a longer camping season than in New England. Although I am glad to see so many winter camping events popping up in the northeast, southeast, Midwest and Canada! You serious-winter Volks are awesome. Here in Northern California, we can do snow-camping if we choose; up in the Sierra Nevada mountains, but typically we don't choose to do so. Our winter campouts often involve steady rain and temps in the low 50's. Wet and chilly, certainly not cold.

One of the things I missed so much when I moved here was that there wasn't an organized group of VW campers in Northern CA. LiMBO had always allowed me to camp with like-minded Volks and enjoy the camaraderie. Slowly, but surely, after many fits and starts, a camping group began to emerge in Northern California. I give much of the credit to Joe Ehrlich, owner of a 71 Bus in the Bay Area. Somehow we connected in 2003 and we now have a robust camping group going and about one camping event per month. We've had trouble with July-August slots, because it's so bloody hot here and Volks are doing other things.



Melissa and Honey Bee— her '84 Westy at Rio Vista Campout , Superbowl 2010 weekend



Potluck breakfast at Rio Vista



To give you an example of one of our campouts (GTG's some call them), I will shamelessly plug my event in June, Train Spotting 2. This is a second annual campout along the Feather River where we listen to the trains across the river climb and descend the grade all weekend. If you want to join us, see: http://www.westywoman.com/Home/Train_Spotting_Welcome.html. In addition, other events include, "Bikes, Busses and Bunkum" in April and "Bus City" in May. We are coming along. Not quite to LiMBO status yet, but working on it. Perhaps we could expand the LiMBO horizons to include the West Coast. Included are a few photos from a recent annual campout we have on Super Bowl weekend.

Everyone should check out a new forum for VW bus owners; The VW Camper Family; <http://vwcamperfamily.ning.com/>. It has morphed into a (now) international site for events and campouts to be posted and for discussions about camping in a VW camper, of any sort. LiMBO events can also be posted here. I think it is very cool and if I were planning yet another trip cross-country, I would check this site first.

Last May, I sold my '81 air-cooled Westy, thinking I would retire to the B&B life. Not so! I lasted 8 weeks and added the latest Westy to the stable, a beautifully restored '84 from Southern California. This is now my 3rd Westy (first was an '85) and I have now been camping in a VW in one form or another for about 20 years. If you want to know more about my history with VW campers, please visit my website, www.westywoman.com.

Take care for now.

Melissa Mourkas
 Sacramento, CA
www.westywoman.com



Dead of Winter Campout

By: George Jannini

This year, our Peach State Transporters Annual "First Weekend in February Dead of Winter Campout" lived up to its name.

After having been spoiled by mild weekends the past few seasons, early forecasts had us looking forward to cooler temperatures and probable rain.



Huddled around the fire

But instead, snow started falling early Saturday morning. We ended up with a skim coat, but the temperature was below freezing and it pretty much stayed there for the entire weekend. On Sunday morning around 8 am, the temperature outside was 28° F with snow flurries.

Turnout was lower this year. We missed camping with fellow busers from the Chattanooga area; which is only around 30 miles from the campground. Perhaps they were deterred by the poor weather reports.

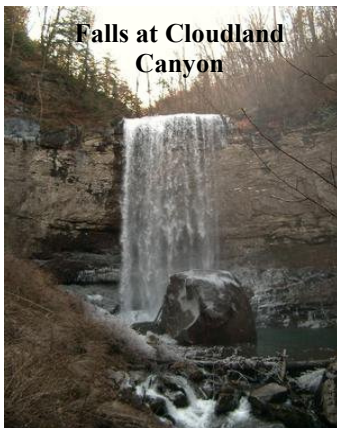


George and Jo's site



Silk screened shirt

Cloudland Canyon is about a two and a half hour freeway drive from Atlanta, but most of us take the direct, back road, slow route. Parts of the drive are scenic. Also there's no way that Jo will let me bypass beautiful downtown LaFayette GA, population 6,700, which boasts at least 5 thrift shops.



Falls at Cloudland Canyon

Due to the cold, our activities pretty much consisted of hanging out beside a roaring fire whilst consuming tasty snacks and adult beverages. On Saturday afternoon we silk screened our own event T-shirts, and enjoyed a traditional pot luck dinner in the evening.

Jo and I had to boogie early on Sunday morning, so that's about all I have to report, except that I would caution y'all to avoid deploying your awning if you've go even a hint that snow and/or ice may happen. If you're not paying attention and the darned thing gets wet and freezes, then it's nice to have a rubber mallet to help rewind the pesky thing so that you can get going.



Fellow VW campsites



COOKIN' OVER THE CAMPFIRE

By: Rich Macensky

With Spring almost here lets get cooking with a side dish. With spring, brings picnics, bbq'a corn on the cob, and camping. There are a few ways to do this.

One way is to boil it. The traditional way is get a big pot of water and bring to a boil, throw a handful of sugar in. Next throw the cleaned ears of corn and boil for 12-15 minutes. Take out add butter and salt and eat.

Another way is to grill it (Tony's favorite). Peel the husk back and remove the silk. Soak the ears in water for at least 1/2 an hour. Recover the corn in its husk and place on the fire. Turn every 3 minutes for 15 minutes. Remove, husk, add butter and salt and pepper.

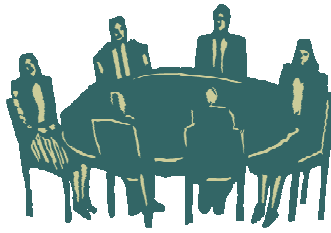
A third way, and my personal favorite (and Kaiya's too) is to grill without the husk. To do this, husk the corn clean. Now get some aluminum foil about 16 inch long pieces. Put an ear of corn on it, then sprinkle some steak seasoning on it. Personally, I like to put fresh chopped garlic on the corn. Now put 4 pats of butter on each ear. Roll it up, seal the ends and put it on the fire. You have to turn it every couple of minutes so it doesn't burn. It should only take about 10 minutes (depending on how hot the fire is). Tear open the foil and enjoy- you don't have to add a thing, it's already there. That's why I like the last one the best.



Later.....The Con Kid



2010 LimBO Annual Meeting Minutes



The 2010 Annual Meeting was held on Sunday January 19, 2010 at John Jordan's home in Northborough, MA. The following members were present:

Name	Position (present)
Bethune, Coy	Director
Bethune, Lynn	
Bossarte, George	Director
Brawn, Mary	Member
Brawn, Stephen	Member
Clark, Chris	
DiGennaro, Jim	Director
Guilfoil, Mike	Clerk, Director
Jordan, John	Limbo-Mart Coordinator
Kleckner, Jon	President, Director
Manion, Linda	Events Listing
Paine, Steve	Membership Coordinator, Director
Power, Tom	Events Listing
Reynolds, John	Advertising (Newsletter/TTT/Business)
Smith, Glen	Treasurer, Director
Waldron, Evans	Director
Ward, Dale	Membership (new members), Director
Wohlfarth, Stan	Director

2008 Meeting Minutes (Mike Guilfoil)

The Minutes of the 2009 Annual Meeting were distributed, reviewed and accepted.

President's Message (Jon Kleckner)

Jon shared the following in his opening remarks:

- Some people have suggested that the newsletter should just be online. Jon believes we should continue with the paper newsletter. It makes us unique.
- We need to avoid becoming involved in club related politics. Issues should be addressed directly with individuals.

-Jon views his role as being a "figurehead". He will try to attend as many activities as possible and be an ambassador for the club.

-For the future Jon believes that if we do a better job of promoting the club we can increase membership.

Financial Report (Glen Smith)

-Glen provided a detailed financial report with the following observations:

- Revenue was down, but we still realized a small profit.
- Dues are down due to lower membership; revenue from merchandise sales was also down.
- Expenses were also down; printing and postage costs were reduced. Printing (\$742) and postage (\$734) are the major expenses. If the paper newsletter was eliminated we could remain in the black next year.

-Glen made deposits in January for revenue received during December, including Pay Pal receipts for membership renewals.

-Accounting is done on a simple cash basis. There is no amortization.



The financial report summary is as follows:

	2009	2008	\$ Change
Revenues	\$ 4,834	\$ 7,324	-2,490
Expenses	\$ 4,413	\$ 6,451	-2,038
Net	\$ 421	\$ 873	- 452
Bal. Year End	\$14,398	\$13,978	+ 420

The financial report was approved and accepted.

Membership (Steve Paine)

Following are the membership statistics:

	2010	2009	2008
Total Active Members	289	322	362
Traditional Memberships	210	240	280
Other Traditional*	16	14	15
Internet	70	68	67

Other Traditional = exchange, honorary, volunteer and free (such as prizes)

TTT (Transporter Tourist and Traveler Directory)

-It is time for a new TTT. The last TTT was published in 2008. The TTT is published every two years.

-A form will be included with the current mailing of the Transporter.

-A reminder will be in the next issue of the Transporter.

-A new form is not required if there are no changes and your membership is in good standing.

-Business card ads are \$25.00 for the TTT.

-The LiMBO TTT information is ready to be added to the database.

-Special VW Interest, which got missed last time, can be added.

-Jim DiGennaro will be the editor for this issue of the TTT.

-George Bossarte will provide the NEATO data.

-Konika will do the printing.

-NEATO will pay half of the cost.

Newsletter (Andrea Rasso)

-Andrea was unable to attend or provide a report.

-Andrea will continue as Editor.

-The pay for the editor will revert back to \$10.00 per page/, or \$160.00 per issue.

-Color front/rear outside cover pages cost approximately \$52.00 additional per issue for a quantity of 250. It was agreed they make a great impact. It was decided to leave it up to the discretion of the editor whether to use color, based on the content of each issue.

-There was unanimous praise for the great job Andrea is doing.



Transporter Printing Coordination (Nevin Lescher)

-Nevin Lescher was unable to attend but will continue coordinating printing with Konica.

Postage Meter (Dale Ward)

-It was decided to eliminate the postage meter for a saving of \$400.00 to \$500.00 per year in fees.

-With a quantity of a little over 200 newsletters being mailed, use of postage stamps is quite manageable.

-We will use up the existing postage in the meter and then turn it in.

Newsletter Advertising (John Reynolds)

-John reluctantly agreed to continue for another year.

-Advertising activity is pretty much the same as before – regular advertisers.

-John was unable to generate any new advertisers.

LiMBO Mart (John Jordan)

John gave an update on inventory:

- Old style ash grey T Shirts – 0
- New style ash grey T Shirts (including re-order) – 32
- Dometic Refrigerator (Vanagon) Manuals – 2
- Eurovan Winnebago Manuals – 2
- LiMBO Stickers – Too many to count
- LiMBO Clox (unfinished) – 4
- Hatchstix – 0 (enough material for 6, Nevin will make to order)
- LiMBO Polar-pal Cozies – 0
- Hats - 0
- LiMBO Flags – 0
- Large Sun Catchers – 7
- Small Sun Catchers – 4
- LiMBO Tankards – 4
- Sew on Patches - 63



-Nevin Lescher mentioned to John Jordan the idea of a chrome License Plate Frame with LiMBO on it as a new item. The cost per item would be roughly \$3.00 each. It was noted that the frame couldn't cover the state or any other information on the plate. John will look into it.

-If it meets the legal criteria we can do a trial run.

-Continued support to shows by was approved, when requested by the event coordinator. Previous policy was to provide a few items for raffle or prizes.

Election of Officers, Board of Directors, Positions

-Linda Manion said her computer is not working properly, making it impossible to continue doing the events listings.

-Stan Wohlfarth offered to step in if needed until the problem is fixed.

Following are the Officers, Directors and Positions for 2010:

Officers: (one year term)

President	Jon Kleckner
Treasurer	Glen Smith, CPA
Clerk	Mike Guilfoil

Directors:(New, 2-year term; expires 1/31/2012)

Stan Wohlfarth

Directors: (second year of 2 year term; expires 1/31/2011)

Coy Bethune	Nevin Lescher
George Bossarte	Ken Madson
Jim DiGennaro	Bill Monk
Rick Golen	Steve Paine

Note: Officers automatically serve on the Board of Directors

Positions:

Newsletter Editor	Andrea Rasso
Membership (new)	Dale Ward
Membership (renewals/database)	Steve Paine/ Jim DiGennaro (assistant)

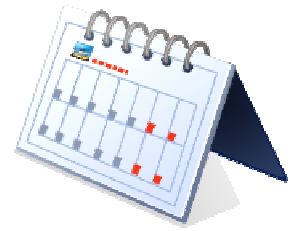
Advertising – Business:

Newsletter/TTT/Web site	John Reynolds
LiMBO Mart	John Jordan
Legal Advisors	Rick Golen
	Brad Johnson
Events Coordinator	Linda Manion
Web Master	Phil Dlugolecki
Web Administrators	Jim DiGennaro
	Nevin Lescher

Event Planning

It is imperative that anyone planning an event gets their information in to the Events Coordinator as soon as possible for inclusion in the Newsletter and to possibly avoid conflicts.

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 volkswagenri@cox.net



Calendar - Folding Parties

A tentative Folding Party schedule was developed as shown below.

- Mar 21 Tom Power & Linda Manion, 27 Woodward Road #6B, Lincoln, RI 02865, 401-722-2119, volkswagenri@cox.net
- May 16 Mary & Steve Brawn, 8 Warren St., Millbury, Ma 01527, marbrawn@gmail.com, stephenjbrawn@gmail.com 508-865-9859
- July 11 John Jordan, 55 Cherry St, Northborough MA, 508-393-0663, Jwjordan2@verizon.net
- Sep 19 TBD
- Nov 21 Coy Bethune, 12 2nd St., Bristol RI, 401-254-2350, coyandlynn83@hotmail.com

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View From the Wheelhouse

By: Steve Herman



Dear Steve,

Thank you for contacting the Volkswagen website. We

appreciate your visit and your continued loyalty to the Volkswagen brand.

At this time, there are no plans to introduce the T5 into the North American market. However, we are more than happy to note your interest and encourage you to keep in touch with our website or your local VW dealer regarding future model possibilities.

Thanks again for your loyalty to the brand, Steve. Have a great day!

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Volkstalk

I've been losing a lot of sleep lately, my job, my life; the day-to-day things... wait a minute, this ain't Dear Abby.

My daily driver EV is getting tired, really tired. It's got a right to be. I'm the 3d owner and the previous two had no business owning an EV, let alone a car for that matter (not that I'm any better). When it was first built VW had the right concept and the wrong execution of said concept. Had VW fully scienced out the VR6 and installed it in '93, it might have been a very different story, and the T5 might possibly be available in the States.

Here on the east coast of the U.S. ozone and road salt; combined with severe driving conditions, run the life out of any daily driver in a very short time. That said, I have run the life out of 3 VW vans since '92 (4 if you count in the one from '73). Every time I write VW I get the same canned response you see above. This latest edition from November of last year. What it means is that in the very near future, I'ma be needin' a new set of wheels. Chances are very good that it's not gonna be another bus/van. Years ago when I first met LIMBO across a Moonie council fire, the LIMBO member asked what I thought I'd be driving when there were no more busses/vans left. At the time, you could still buy a brand new T4 off the dealer's lot, so it seemed like a moot point.

In my arrogance, I replied that if he wanted to see the future in an older VW, then he better learn to weld. Since then, I have learned to weld. But the best that I'm gonna do is patch up exhaust systems.

All of this still doesn't solve my upcoming dilemma and foreboding sense of doom regarding it. I have a driveway full of non-running busses in a neighborhood full of consummate gardeners. For me, it has always been about daily drivers- you get in the bus and go. If it broke and I could see a better way to fix it, then I made my own parts and installed them. That's right kids, if the bus breaks and you see a better way to fix it, you have my permission to do so as you see fit. By-the-way, you've always had my permission, not that you ever needed it.

There may still be hope. I could cure the current ills, but there are still some repairs that are beyond the scope of this common shade-tree mechanic and it is the thought of those repairs that keep me up late at night. Right now, my heart and my head are not in agreement. In the meantime my busses and I ain't getting' any younger. Better to be brokenhearted than to have never loved. Busses will always be closest to my heart whether I have one or not.

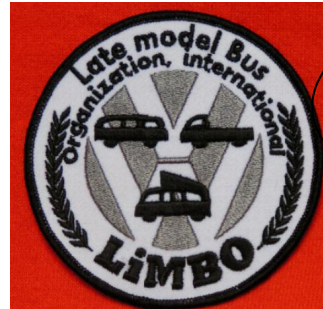
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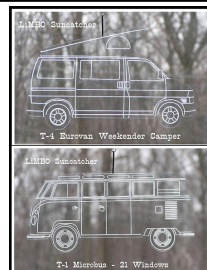
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The "Blizzard Out" Campout in the Poconos

By: Andrea Rasso



Sage Maxon with Snuggles



Trent Weikel, taking it easy

This LiMBO/FMBC campout usually held during President's Weekend has been going on for years and is well attended every time (considering the time of year). Of course, there was one year in which the road leading to the campground was closed to snow/ice conditions and we had to cancel the event.

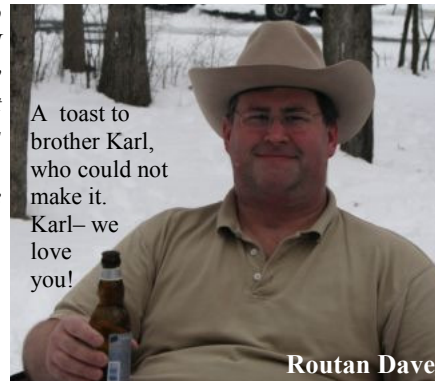
While this year, the roads were fine getting to the Otter Lake Campground in Marshall's Creek, the ride down the long campground road from the office to the group site was the biggest challenge of all as it was not totally plowed. They leave a layer of snow for the normal winter clients, the snowmobilers, to cruise around the campground from their seasonal trailers to the frozen lake where they "play".

The campground has an indoor jacuzzi, hot tub and pool, which is where most everyone was early Saturday afternoon when Brad and I pulled in. Other folks had gone to the flea market instead. Once everyone returned to the site, we then huddled around the campfire watching the snow mobiles on the nearby lake. Saturday night potluck was wonderful with some hearty dishes. We finished it off with birthday cake for Trent Weikel. The memorial to the (fictitious) Mitten Family indeed took place as expected. Elizabeth, Michael and Chico were laid to rest. *What is this Mitten thing? Well, at a previous campout a wood box was burned in the fire with size and shape of what could have been a small pet coffin. With some beverages and some imagination, a story line was born to accompany the wood boxes— that a fallen feline was being laid to rest. Makes no sense, I know...but sure is fun and silly when you are there at the event laughing your head off as Routan Dave plays bagpipe, funeral music playing, while the box is added to the campfire.*



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Our electric blanket kept us warm, even with the wind storm that passed through overnight. However, Dave's EZ Up became a casualty. In all we had 13 vans and their owners which included: 3 Eurovans, 1 Sprinter, 1 Routan and 8 Vanagons. Folks drove from PA, NJ, NY (Long Island), CT, and even MA. Maybe next year you'll join us.....



A toast to brother Karl, who could not make it. Karl— we love you!

Routan Dave



PARTING SHOTS A Fabulous '58 Find!



So the story goes like this.... This gentleman buys a 1958 panel bus back in 1963, with the intention of adding windows and seats to it. A few days after buying it, he finds his young son stuffing sand and eggshells down the gas tank neck. He pulls the motor and gas tank out, cleans the gas tank and puts it back in. He never got around to putting the motor back in. The bus was just left to sit in his garage since 1964.

Flash forward to 2010.... Manny Hernandez of Long Island buys this bus that has been sitting in this gentleman's garage for 46 years. A

few other local members had gone to buy some parts from the man and saw the bus (which was also for sale). After telling Manny about it (anyone who knows Manny knows he would need to have this). He quickly jumped on the opportunity to add it to his collection. He took ownership from the now 78 year old gentleman this past January.

Check out the thread on www.thesamba.com for full details, loaded with pics of Manny's restoration progress. Just type the keyword "Coram" into the search box to find the thread.