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A Note from the Prez

I have officially started my third year as your club president and I'm very much honored you think enough of me to put me back in this position again. Thank You.

Bug-A-Paluza 6 was a tremendous success. The Shrine Ladies Helping Hands earned \$3,500 at the concession stand and the spectator gate and we have raised \$500 to give to The Make A Wish Foundation. The canned good collection for the Chattanooga Area Food Bank was great also.

But, there is no rest for the weary. The Scenic City Volks Folks will be handling car registration and judging for the Labor Day Car Show in Lafayette, GA which benefits the Walker County Stocking Full of Love. The less fortunate children of Walker County, GA will have a much happier Christmas as a result of this show. We will need as many club members at this function as we can get to make this another success for our club. Plan now to attend and help out.

Planning is already underway for Bug-A-Paluza 7 with the dates set for April 16th - 17th, 2005 and will once again be held at Camp Jordan in East Ridge. We have started our show planning strategy much earlier than in years past. Ideas are being presented in our web site forums with several new ideas being brought up to try for BP7 and a lot of them are tremendous. The officers feel our advertising efforts really paid off for this past show and plan to do more for next years show. Our spectator crowd was much better than in years past. If any of you have any thoughts or ideas concerning improving Bug-A-Paluza 7, please step forward and let them be known.

The future promises nothing but good things for the Scenic City Volks Folks. We are growing and exploring new shows and new activities for the membership. Technical sessions are definitely in the future for the membership along with access by the membership of our library of Bug Me Videos.

Until next month, slow down just a little, take a side road and enjoy the view from inside a Volkswagen.

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A Word or Two From the Editor...

After a tumultuous two months things are finally settling down a bit for me, enough so that I can devote time to the club newsletter. As this is my first issue I am sure that I did not cover everything but I know each succeeding issue will get better and easier.

Since I can't be at all the meetings of the club, and all the events in the region or be in on all the tidbits of information that get tossed about in numerous online and offline conversations I am relying on each and every club member to keep me informed and up to date on the latest happenings. If you went to a show please send me a report when you get back. If you are privy to some tantalizing tidbit of trivia (VW related of course) please let me in on it. If you have knowledge to share about VW restoration, maintainance, etc., please pass it on to me. Most of all - take pictures! I really need a good and large selection of photos that pertain to shows, events, meetings, outings and VW history.

What you see in this issue is the general format I intend to follow from month to month. There will be adjustments and changes along the way but for the most part this is it.

While the club covers the cost of publishing this newsletter there is no reason why we can't take it to the next level and use it for publicity purposes for our club and Bug-A-Paluza. Anytime someone goes to a show they should be able to take a stack of our newsletters with them to hand out. To accomplish this we need to sell advertisements. After talking it over with Herb we have come up with the following rates: Full Page - \$150 mon. (or prepay for the year and pay only \$1200 - that's a \$600 savings!) / Half Page - \$100 mon. (or prepay for the year and pay only \$800 - that's a \$400 savings!) / Quarter Page - \$50 mon. (or prepay for the year and pay only \$400 - that's a \$600 savings!).

Having advertisers is a wonderful way to offset our costs and help our newsletter grow but in return we need to try and patronize our advertisers as much as possible.

I am excited about this opportunity to serve the club and the hobby I love so much by using my professional talents to produce this newsletter. I look forward to your input and suggestions for continued improvement on the newsletter and I thank Travis and the others who have labored in this effort in the past.

-See you in the slow lane!

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Bug-A-Palüza[™] 7

The Year of the Survivor

Members of the Scenic City Volks folks gathered at the home of Zen and Joy and Homer the Superbus on Thursday, August 12th to begin planning for Bug-A-Palüza¹⁷, the club's big spring Volkswagen show, campout and swap meet.

Topping the agenda was the decision to make the theme for Bug-A-Palüza 7, "The Year of the Survivor." In conjunction with the theme of the show it was decided to drop the "VintageVW" classification for all stock '57 and older VW's and adding those cars in with the regular stock classes. Show chairman Zen states that "the "Survivior" class is going to be a class for those less than perfect cars that will never win trophies when competing in a "show" class against professionally restored cars because they are still sporting their original paint jobs and/or interiors. These are cars that have survived the last 40+ years

of use and, though not perfect, are still presentable. Any VW built in or before 1965 will be eligible to enter. Judging will be based on not just condition, but age, originality, documentation, etc."

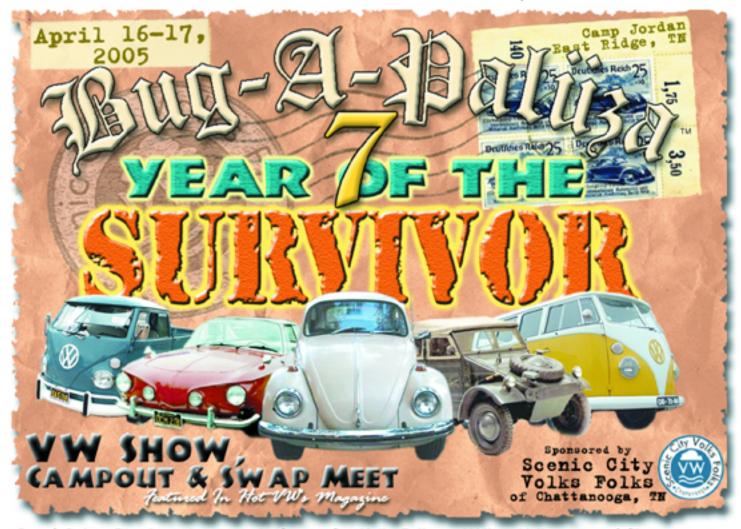
Other items brought up and discussed at the meeting included the breakdown of port-a-potty's, refreshement centers, signage, a hot air balloon, trophies, and golf carts.

Last year's show brought out record numbers of participants and viewers and left club members eager to begin preparing for the 2005 version of the event. Hot VW's magazine featured the show in a multi-page photo spread with story in one of it's summer issues.

The dates for this year's show is April 16-17, 2005 and once again the event will

held at the Camp Jordan field in East Ridge.

If you would like to help in the planning, staffing and organization of this year's event see Zen or one of the club officers. There is much to do as we prepare for next years show and all are invited to participate.



Bug-A-Paküza™ is brought to you by Scenic City Volks Folks and Village Volkswagen of Chattanooga. Proceeds from the show benefit local charities.

Shoot the Breeze

A Use for a Bus



take when rounding the curves of the road; teetering, yet steady. I love the feeling of sitting high above the road, where the view is less obstructed and sometimes even advantageous. I love the different uses that each one gives me. whether hauling construction supplies in Oscar, my '78 Bus, or spending a weekend camping in the somewhat cramped but Oh-So-Comfortable interior of Sweetpea. my '79 Westy. Each of them has their simple little things that draw me close each and every time that I sit behind the wheel.

Oscar is my workhorse. He does all the things that Sweetpea would never think of doing, like taking a trailer full of trash to the dump. Or hauling a load of wood home from Lowe's, stuffed with planks on the inside and a load on the trailer behind him. He even took my dog to the veterinarian in the pouring rain, not minding the mud that was getting on his seat and floor. When it's time to renew the mulch in the flower gardens, who do I call on? And who answers so willingly? Oscar does, lust the other day, we answered an ad for "free paving bricks" that was in the newspaper. After calling the number and finding out where the bricks were, we headed over in Oscar, with trailer in tow. Now, paving bricks are pretty heavy, and we could only fill the bottom of a 4 ft. X 8 ft. utility trailer, with a smaller layer on top of that. I could really feel the weight that was being pulled when I started out for home. It was almost as heavy as that free load of gravel that Oscar courageously pulled home from North Chattanooga to Ooltewah once (about 30 miles!). But Oscar pulled those bricks home with barley a whimper. And because Oscar is my uncomplaining workhorse, I have done a few things to personalize him that I just haven't done to Sweetpea. Things that let Oscar know he is loved, and lets me know that he is mine.

Are you familiar with that stool that sits between the front seats of some Bay Window Campers? I custom built (read: copied) a stool to hold a 6-disc CD changer as well as 2 Wedgieo cup holders to hold those frosty beverages that keep us cool. I put a 12-volt oscillating fan on the dash (I still couldn't bring myself to drill holes for that... I utilized the existing holes in the speaker grill) to help push the warm air around. I installed a stereo (not a Sapphire, not even close) to run that 6-disc CD changer. Haven't added an amplifier. but who knows what's next?

Sweetpea is my Recreational Vehicle. She unswervingly takes my family and me on camping trips throughout the year. For short periods of time, she becomes our litand camping gear. Just imagine the space in

I couldn't give you a count of how many times I have camped in Sweetpea. Not that the number matters, because each campout creates its own memories to have forever. I've told you before about our Key West Expedition, with the twists and turns to make a mystery novel jealous. That was the longest trip that Sweetpea has ever taken. And she took us to the far reaches of the Florida Keys without a burp, belch, or the slightest complaint. Although I do love Sweetpea, and she deserves something for her service, I haven't added anything to the original touches of the factory. To tell the truth, it kind of makes me scared to make any significant changes to



say that it even hurts. The only thing that I have given Sweetpea, except for a little love, is a little travel trailer to tow behind her. It wasn't much to add. but it's an addition nonetheless. bought a little 4 ft. X 4 ft. trailer from Harbor Freight Tools and bolted a storage box from

Everything that used to take up precious space inside Sweetpea is now compactly stowed in the trailer. I guess you can say that Sweetpea is working for me again.

What's that? Who do I love more. Oscar or Sweetpea? I don't think I can give an answer that would make me choose between the two. They both have their uses and it's up to me to decide which one is useful for the task at hand. You wouldn't ask a plumber to wire your house, or the electrician to install your water pipes. Each one does the job that they know best, and their jobs are as different from each other as night is to day. It's the same with my buses... the jobs that each one does differ from the other. That's why it makes sense to me that Oscar shall remain my workhorse and Sweetpea will ever be my camper. It's what's best for everyone.

Till later, Gobusgo!

times that we loaded her up with items to

sell at the Big D flea market in Dalton, GA.

It's amazing how much stuff you can pack

into a Westy. There is about 200 cubic feet

of storage space to stuff with whatever

your heart desires. And that's with the

reduced space created by the cabinetry

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Zen & Homer the Superbus...

My Excellent VW Adventure

Well, it's been over a year since I wrote about the continuing saga of "My Excellent VW Adventure." I've got many new tales to tell . . . where do I want to start? Well it's July and the heater in Homer the Superbus is running wide opened. I got it working after nearly freezing a couple of times last winter. That takes me back to a very cold (as in VERY, VERY COLD) evening last January when, once again, what should have been a routine trip turned into another excellent adventure.

Have you ever had a bad thing happen at a good time? You know; when something happens that you normally would hate to see happen? But this time it happens in a situation that saves your butt big time?

Well, it happened to me . . . No, it happened to Homer the Superbus one fridged night back in January. I was on my way to a Bug-A-Paluza 6 planning meeting at Herb's house (and running real late as usual). Just north of the I-75/I-24 split I started smelling what I thought was overheating wiring. I didn't get too excited because that's a smell that Homer's wiring harness puts out on a regular basis. It's in a mess. I don't see any smoke coming out of the

dash (yet) so I keep going. Then, not long before I got off the Ooltewah exit I start thinking that the engine doesn't sound just right under a load. Sounds weird. It's kind'a like the exhaust tone has changed, but not exactly. It just sounds weird. Now, Homer makes some weird sounds, but this is weird even by Homer's standards. Well I'm almost to my exit, so I ain't gonn'a stop on the side of the interstate in the freezing cold to check it out! The first traffic light caught me after I got off the exit and the oil light comes on. Now, the throttle cable is a little frayed, and it has hung up slightly keeping the engine at a fairly fast idle. It's in the 20's this particular evening and I'm running straight 30 weight oil. I should have plenty of oil pressure! Hummm . . . this could be bad!

I pulled into the RaceTrak and shut it off. The generator light comes on. Turn the switch back on and it goes out ... but the oil light is working correctly ... How weird is that? While I'm trying to figure out what's going on with the lights, I look in the mirror. Smoke is coming out the air intake vents. I'm thinking I've just fried the

engine...Then I notice a slight "whirrrrrr" coming from the back of the bus ...What's making that sound? A FIRE? Hummmm. This might be REAL BAD! With all the wind taken from my sails, I hopped out and ran around back and opened the engine lid expecting the worst.

There is no fire but I've got three potentially major problems staring at me. You don't want to see any of these individually, but the third one probably saved my engine.

First, there is OIL EVERYWHERE.



Pulled the dipstick and it's way over a quart low. Dang it! I must have blown a seal or gasket somewhere on the top side of the engine. No, wait, maybe it's because the oil filler cap is off and laying on the rear engine tin. The oil would explain the smoke ... hopefully. Maybe even that smell I smelled earlier.

Second, there is no generator belt. If you didn't already know, that's a BAD thing on a type I engine. If your generator isn't turning, neither is your fan and the engine, being AIR COOLED, will melt down in pretty short order. The oil cap must have fell into the belt and popped it or something.

OK, I lost most of my oil and I lost cooling while I was running as hard as it would go on the interstate (I'm running late, remember) ... this engine should be toast. You would think that anyway.

But wait . . . Why didn't my generator light come on when the belt broke? And if it's hot, how come the dipstick was cool? And what was making my generator light come on when the switch was off? OK, I see, the belt must have broken just as I

was stopping because the generator is still spinning like crazy. That's the "whirrrrrr" I was hearing.

I gave Herb a call and he sent help my way. I stood in the store and warmed up a little (at this point in time, Homer's heater wasn't working at all (partly because a heater box had fallen off a few days earlier, but that's another story). After I got some warmth back in my body I bought a couple of quarts of oil and went back out to pour it in. Now the THIRD problem

that turns out to be a life saver hits me in the face. I've got a fried voltage regulator or something ... my generator has turned into a motor and is STILL spinning like crazy. That's what kept it cool when the belt broke! So I just need a new regulator ... and a new belt ... and a new oil cap (I've got one of those fancy aftermarket fillers with the plastic screw-on cap ... This is the second one I've had to come off like this. I'm going back to the stock filler as soon as possible).

Richard pulls up and verifies for me that I'm not crazy ... the generator is still spinning like a motor. I've got a spare belt with me. It took a few minutes to find it in my

highly organized bus, but it was there. But, to put it on I've got to stop the generator. So I unplug the big B+ wire from the regulator and sure enough, it starts slowing down. Just out of curiosity and because I though I heard something in the regulator click when I unplugged it, I plugged it back up. The generator sits there like it's supposed to. No sign it wants to be a motor now. After we get the belt on, oil in and the stripped oil cap kind'a hung back on the threads, I fire it up . . . Sounds fine, oil light is off at a slow idle, AND, the lights get slightly brighter when I rev the engine. When I first stopped I was hoping I could patch it up enough to limp it Herbs house, but it turns out that now it's good as new!

Don't ask me how or why the regulator did what it did ... all I know is it picked a great time to do it! By the way, that was over 6 months ago, I'm still running the same belt, same generator and same regulator and haven't had a problem since that night. I have some other adventures, but I'll wait 'till next time to tell you about them. Until then, may all of your VW Adventures be excellent!

If I could offer you only one tip for the future, oil changes would be it. The long-term benefits of clean oil have been proven by scientists, whereas the rest of my advice has no more basis in reality than my own mechanical experience. I will dispense this advice now."

Enjoy the wonder and thrill of your first Beetle. Oh never

mind. You will not understand the wonder and thrill of your first Beetle until after you have sold it. But trust me, in twenty years you'll look back at photos of your first Beetle and recall in a way that you can't grasp now how much possibility it had and how fabulous it really looked. It is

not as old as you

imagine.

To The Beetle

Don't worry about what Veedub to get next. Or worry, but know that worrying is about as effective as trying to set up cam timing without a manual. The real troubles in your life are apt to be things that never crossed your worried mind, the Buick kind that blind sides you at some busy intersection 5:00 PM on some idle Tuesday.

Learn one thing about your Beetle that scares you.

Drive.

Don't ask to borrow other peoples' Beetles. Don't put up with those people who ask to borrow yours.

Don't waste your time on jealousy. Sometimes you have the cleanest Beetle, sometimes yours is the most rusty one in the group. The race is long, and in the end, it's only with the bank.

Remember the compliments you receive about your Beetle. Forget the insults. If you succeed in doing this, market it.

Keep all your bank statements and work invoices. Throw away all your old love letters.

Be prepared.

Don't feel guilty if you can't decide what type of Beetle you like



best. The most interesting people I know, didn't know at 22 what Beetles they liked best above all. Some of the most interesting 40year olds I know, still don't.

Get plenty of caffeine.

Be kind to your tires. You'll miss them when they're gone.

Maybe you'll own a Super Beetle, maybe you won't. Maybe you'll own a Cal Looker, maybe you won't. Maybe you'll have a close call and give up driving at 40, maybe you'll be in the *Drive for Sight" on your 75th birthday. Whatever you do, don't congratulate yourself too much or berate yourself either. Your choices are half chance, unless you're born wealthy.

Enjoy your Beetle, drive it everywhere you can. Don't be afraid of it, simply respect it. It's the greatest piece of engineering placed on four wheels you can own.

Get a Baja Beetle, even if you have nowhere to ride it but in your own backyard.

Read the owners manual even if you don't follow it.

Scenic City Volks Folks September 2004 Newsletter Don't buy Veedub picture magazines. They will only make you feel your Beetle is ugly.

Get to know your machine. You never know when it may crap out for good.

Be nicer to your mechanic. He or she is the best link to keeping you on the road and most likely to help you in the future.

Understand that Beetles and friends come and go, but only a precious few are worth holding on to. Work hard to bridge the gaps in Veedub preference. Wave no matter what type of VW the other person is driving. Because the older you get the more you may need to rely on the company of other Veedubbers.

Drive in New York City once, but leave before your Beetle is stolen.

Drive in Northern California once, but leave before you steal someone else's.

Go camping.

Accept certain inalienable truths: Insurance prices will rise. Beetle prices will rise. Shop rates will rise. Gas prices will rise. Part prices will rise. You too will get old. And when you do you'll fantasize that when you were young, prices were reasonable, mechanics were noble, and motorists respected Beetles.

Respect other motorists.

Don't expect anyone else to support your idea of buying a Beetle.

Maybe you have an understanding parent. Maybe you have a terrific spouse. But just you wait until you say you're buying a Beetle.

> Don't mess too much with your hair, when you're riding with the vents open.

Be careful which friends' mechanical advice you buy, but be patient with those who supply it. Mechanical advice is a form of power tripping. Dispensing it is a

way of fishing up what little you know and filling in the missing bits so that it sounds good, and making oneself feel more knowledgeable than you actually are.

But trust me on the oil changes.

-Author Unknown

Featured Volkswagen - 1972 Beetle. Owned by Charlton Wiggins. Photos show vehicle as it sat when purchased. Charlton plans to restore the vehicle to almost original condition with only a few modifications and a different color scheme.

Bug Bites

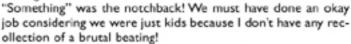
Reflections On Growing Up With Bug Fever

I suppose everyone has a Volkswagen story to tell and I am no different. In fact as I recollect the menagerie of VW's I've owned, known or been associated with since I was a little boy it would seem that I could write volumes.

When I was bitten by the Volkswagen bug I can't really say but I think it was from my late grandfather who I can remember riding with way back in the '60's (for me it's way back!) in his little red 6 volt. I can still remember the aroma of that bug and its lack luster interior and low back seats.

But I really have to give the credit for being smitten with all things Volkswagen by my father. The first VW we had was a '67 or '68 beige Beetle complete with air conditioning (which was real handy in the tropical air of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba where we were stationed from '70 to '74). Eventually dad bought a notchback from a sailor who was going stateside. Dad made the mistake of giving us kids some metallic purple spray paint and

told us to go paint something.



Before we left Gtmo we also added a split window bus to our collection. Unfortunately by the time our tour was up it would have been too expensive to ship all those cars stateside so dad settled on the beetle.

My father eventually retired from the Navy and went to work on the base where he was last stationed at - Naval Security Group Activity Northwest in Chesapeake, VA. He was employed as the manager of the newly built hobby shop there.

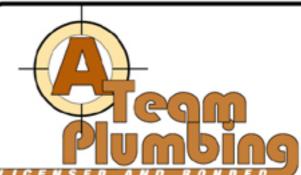








The shop consisted of a photo lab,
ceramics room, a
woodworking
facility and a four
bay shop with a
lift for the base
personnel to
come in and work



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on their own cars

Dad eventually became a more than capable air cooled Volkswagen mechanic. His love for the VW not only filtered down to his two sons but also many a sailor on the base.

When it came time to eventually put a new paint job on my '72 Beetle we pulled it into the shop, prepped it and painted it. During the several hours my bug was in the bay other bugs came and went and at one point the three bays without the lift were all occupied simultaneously by VW Beetles. Those were good and proud times. Thankfully we had a camera and took a few snap shots during the day - including the three bugs in the shop at the same time.

Dad passed away in '91 but 1 proudly carry on his love of all things Volkswagen!

- Charlton a.k.a. "bugz"

The Scenic City Volks Folks meets the third Monday of every month at Shoney's at the Shallowford Road exit on 1-75 in Chattanooga.

Meeting time is 7:00 pm.

Come join us!

Labor Day Car Show 2004

Monday, September 6

Sponsored by Walker County Stocking Full of Love in association with Scenic City Volks Folks.

There will be live entertainment, food, fun, good people. No matter what your taste in cars, American or foreign, custom or original, old or new come and have a good time and help support the Walker

Co. Stocking Full of Love. There will be 12 classes and 137 trophies with 12 Specialty Awards. All proceeds go to help bring Christmas to the less fortunate children of Walker County. For more information contact (706) 638-1909 ext. 231 or 295, or call Herb at (423) 396-2713.

Type I VWs

Type 2 VWs

Top 5 67 and Back

Top 5 67 and Back Top 5 68 and Up

Top 5 68 and Up

Registration is \$10.00 prior to August 27th. Registrations received after the 27th and the day of the show are \$15.00. Judging starts at 12:00 PM.

Also there is a Sock Hop Sunday, Sept 5, at 7:00 PM. It will feature Tommy Jett's Music Machine, live music from The Buzzard Brothers, Matt Cordell's Ultimate Elvis Show, Uncle Stubb's Washing Machine Ice Cream, Food, and a Hula Hoop Contest. Don't forget the Motorcyle Poker Run will also be held September 5th

All of these events are held at the Walker County Civic Center.

Show Classes

Top 25 Street Rods

Top 25 Street Machines

Top 10 Original 50's

Top 10 Original 60's

Top 10 Original 70's

Top 5 Original 49 and Back

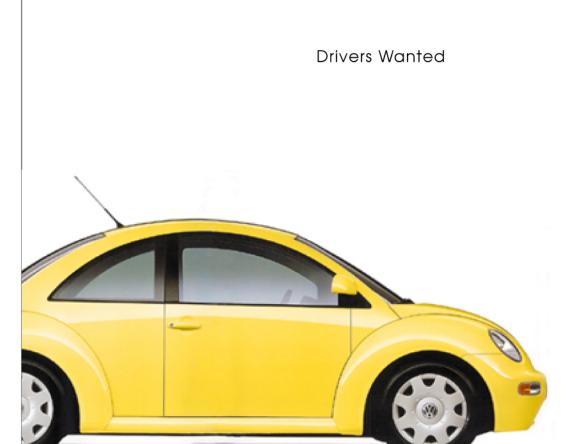
Top 5 Modified Trucks

Top 5 Modified Trucks

Top 5 Original Trucks

Top 5 4 X 4 Trucks

Top 5 Mini Trucks



Off The Board.

Notes, news and points of interest from the club internet forum



Anthony Posted: Aug. 13 2004,6:05

This must be the missing piece to the box

between the seats. Old VW Volkswagon Bus Mini Camper Tollet Seat, Wood Be sure to read the description. Better hurry, it's already gotten a bid!



VWHerb |

Posted: Aug. 15 2004,9:14

Was there really such a thing? Is the seller trying to "dupe"

unknowing VW enthusists?

Posted: Aug. 15 2004, 10:38

P.T. Barnum said it best . . There's a sucker born every

minute.



Anthony Posted: Aug. 12 2004,2:17

Thanks for a great time and great food to everyone who helped organize this! It was nice to get away from the beginning of school scene to just relax for a little while with friends! Let's do this again sometime.



Zen Posted: Aug. 12 2004,6:37

Yeah, what he said! Thanks to everyone who had a hand in put-

ting it together!

Gobusgo

Posted: Aug. 13 2004,12:12

VERY good food and great times! Kudos to Dave and his famous barbecue and to those who got it for us to eat.



VWHerb Posted: Aug. 13 2004,12:16

For those of you who missed the

First Annual Scenic City Volks Folks "Back to School" swimming party and picnic, well.....you really missed a great time. The fellowship with the present members was fantastic, the food was fantastic and everyone had a really good time. Thanks to everyone who participated and to Lamar and Cindy for picking up the food and goodies.



Zen Posted: Mar. 26 2002,12:39

If you've ever wanted to make your own door pannels, here's a

site with a pretty good description of the

http://www.geocities.com/jaw0012/beetlemain.html Look under "Pictures"

IntrstlarOvrdrve Posted: Nov. 09 2003,7:31

sweet, thanks...I've been looking for something like that. Not for my dub, but for my chevy.

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VW Descriptions, Definitions and Terms:

http://www.geocities.com/MotorCity/6302/wwtrivia.htm

Sakbayan - (photos at right and below) a contraction of the term "Sasakyan nang bayan ". Literally translated as, "country vehicle". This vehicle is similar to the Australian "VW Country Buggy". It is a rear engined vehicle powered by an air-cooled VW Type I engine. It has a canvass top with optional fiberglass

top. First introduced in 1969 as "Country Buggy" with the 1300 engine, then as "Sakbayan 815" in 1972 with the 1500 engine, and finally as the "Sakbayan" in 1973, with the 1600 engine. It was road tested twice around the Philippines in 1969 & 1970 and did a 53,000 km

London to Manila run.

Trakbayan a contraction of the term 'Trak nang bayan". Literally translated as, "country truck". It is a front engined, front wheel

drive commercial vehicle powered by an air-cooled VW type 1, 1600 engine. It has

a load capacity of I ton. It is available in six versions: the high side pickup w/ roof, the high side pickup without roof, the jeepney, the low side pickup, the van and the cab & chassis only.

> Toro - Spanish Pilipino and language for "Bull". This is a sporty version Volkswagen. The body is fiberglass, the platform

steel. It uses some Karmann Ghia Type I body parts and instrumentation, Type 2 tail lights as well as Beetle mechanicals. Kotseng Kuba - literally translated as "Hunchback Car". The VW Beetle, as lovingly called by some Filipino children and enthusiast.

Volks - a verbal abbreviation of "Volkswagen". When Filipinos (both VW enthusiast or non-enthusiast) converse, they refer to Beetles and Volkswagens in

> general as "Volks". In informal correspondence, they sometimes abbreviate Volkswagen as "Volks" instead of "VW".

Boks - The Pilipino (Tagalog) alphabet does not have the letter "V". The closes sounding let-

ter to "V" is "B". VW enthusiast, intentionally spell "Volks" as "Boks" so as to make it appear as an un-educated, semiliterate spelling of their beloved Volks, for the fun of it. I have seen vanity license plates of VW fanatics with the B O K S letters.

KGB - The Philippine VW Karmann Registry group call themselves as the "KGB" (Karmann Ghia Boys - not the Russian KGB).



VolksFolks Word Find

Using the list of words below search, find and circle them in the puzzle below. Words may be spelled horizontally, vertically, diagonally, forward and backwards. Enjoy!

AIRCOOLED Baja BARNDOOR BEETLE BUS CABRIOLET CAL LOOK DAISY EMPI FLOWER VASE FOX GHIA HERBIE HOMER JETTA LOVEBUG LUCILLE OVAL

PORSCHE RABBIT RAGTOP SAMBA SEDAN SIXVOLT SPLIT WINDOW THING TYPE ONE VANAGONAGON VEEDUB VERT WATERCOOLED WESTY WOLFSBURG



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On The Calendar...

SEPTEMBER

- Bugs, Beach, Boardwalk 2004 VW Show;
 Daytona Beach, FL Boardwalk.
- 6: Labor Day Car Show Walker County, GA
- 12: SouthEast Bugfair #7 Toccoa, GA 864-639-1100.
- Scenic City Volks Folks Monthly Meeting Shoney's Restaurant Hamilton Place
- 25: 6th Annual VWs OVER MEMPHIS Memphis, TN Car Show & Swap Meet. Presented by Mid-South VW Club
- North vs South Shootout Darlington, SC; www.ksracecars.com

OCTOBER

- 2-3: Circle Yer Wagens Twenty Sevierville, TN
- I-3: Ist Annual Outer Banks Volkswagen Camping Expedition Frisco, NC
- 8th Annual Rare Air Emerald Coast VW Club Car Show Pensacola, FL

- I 0: Volkstoberfest VI Melbourne, FL VW car show & swap meet. Info at www.gavwc.com.
- 16: Middle GA VDubbers Show-n-Shine: Warner Robins, GA
- 18: Scenic City Volks Folks Monthly Meeting Shoney's Restaurant Hamilton Place
- 24: Fast Times at Farmington #2 Winston Salem. NC Presented by Farmington Motorsports Park & SEVWA.

NOVEMBER

- 13: Bulli Brigade 11 Tampa, FL VW pre-67 Transporter show and swap
- 14: Florida VW show Dade City, FL
- 15: Scenic City Volks Folks Monthly Meeting Shoney's Restaurant Hamilton Place

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