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Official Monthly Newsletter For The



Volkfest Twenty Is Here

Let The Fun Begin!

Thoughts From Your COVVC Boardmember

By Mark Garrett

Twenty years, can you believe it? Each year at this time, I am reminded of our clubs humble beginnings and modest goals, set during that first year.

Reading from the clubs first meeting minutes, one of the main goals of the COVVC was to host an annual car show. Details at that first meeting

were sketchy, to say the least, but the foundation was laid.

That first meeting was held in April, 1990, and between then and the first show, which was held in

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It's All About Family

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Brenda Agan provides us with this priceless family photo from the early sixties. The gals, from left to right are "Chickie", Brenda and Karen, the Hixon sisters. They appear to be enjoying their Easter Eggs. And doesn't Brenda look cute in her Easter bonnet? Be sure to check out page seven for more great family photos. Thanks for sharing Brenda!



Special 20th Anniversary Edition

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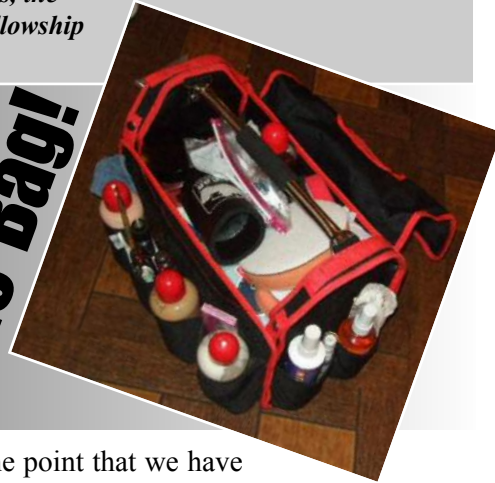
July Meeting Fun!

photos by Brenda Agan

With the July meeting being the last regular gathering before the "At the Show Site Meeting" on Friday, August 13th, there was plenty to discuss. We had a mini tech session with Mike Roecker (what to pack in your tool box for those vintage travel days), and Brad Shisler and Mark Garrett (detailing tips for show season) giving their views on their respective specialties. Besides all of the great tech and detailing tid bits, the show t-shirts were selling at a brisk pace, and the fellowship was enjoyed by all. Next stop, Volksfest!



The Bag!



October, the frame work was formed that by and large is followed to this day.

That first show featured 70 show cars and a hand full of vendors, including an ice cream vender that was very lucky to have hot coffee available also, as the temperature was brisk, by anyone's standards! The next year, the show car count doubled, and the swappers showed up in force. The next year, more show cars, more vendors. The car show count

has progressed to the point that we have had at least 300 registered cars for the last 11 years. The vendor area, so ably organized by Stark Hughes and Mike Young, has flourished also. All of the vendors respond to the very reasonable set up charge, and report healthy sales each year.

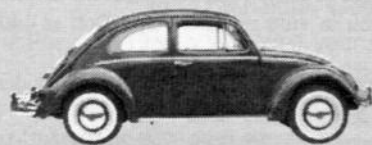
One of the cornerstones of our event has been to donate a portion of the profits to a local charity. Goodwill was the

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For post 1955 VWs, send your serial number to :
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Postfach, 3180 Wolfsburg1, Germany

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the Central Ohio Vintage Volkswagen Club's website at
<http://www.COVVC.org>



Classified Ads

For Sale - 1981 Rabbit Cabrio. New white paint, 72K on new motor, Looks/runs fine. \$3500.00 OBO. PH 330 426 3328, George Watson 5/10

For Sale - Two Good Volkswagens At A Fair Price. All offers or trades considered. Call me and I will mail descriptive fliers.

1) 1981 Westfalia Vanagon Pop Top Camper. Asking \$6,200.

2) 1982 Rabbit Convertible. Asking \$3500. Great drivers or very presentable at car shows. Both need sold, "Old age" and too much in the barn! Call Don Bowker at 330-274-8872, before 10 P.M. Lets talk 5/10

To view additional cars and parts for sale, go to: www.motorkars.com and click on "CARS FOR SALE" or "PARTS AND ACCESSORIES" 5/10



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recipient the first several years, then a recommendation was made to switch to the Kids-N-Kamp organization. It has proved to be a wonderful match. With the success of Volksfest, we have been blessed to have donated over 35,000 dollars so far to this deserving group. God bless them and the truly amazing work they do with the families dealing with children stricken with cancer.

Our show has also emphasized families, with an effort to provide everyone with activities through out the day. From face painting, to special games with the DJ, everyone can have a great day at Volksfest.

Special activities for the "grownups" have ran the gambit from the ever popular dunk tank (boy that water sure felt good on a hot August day!), Valve cover races (with Chris Lewis and his professionally constructed masterpieces) to creeper races (look out for that sharp turn at the end of the track!).

For this years special show, we will be welcoming both Byers Imports and Midwestern Auto Group, displaying all of the latest that VW has to offer, and of course lots of great give aways! Besides the Kids-n-Kamp contribution, we will have a canned food drive at all of the entry gates. Just donate a can of food and recieve a door prize ticket. How cool is that?

Marilyn Allen and Linda Brown have done a great job of organizing the large group of volunteers that make



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Volksfest possible. Marilyn has also been insrumental in getting the Boy Scouts involved with the job of organizing spectator parking.

Helen Albright reports brisk pre registrations for both show cars and vendors.

With all of the pieces in place, it's that time again for Volksfest!

From humble beginnings.....



Minutes Of The COVVC Monthly Meeting

From the July 8th, 2010 Meeting

OFFICERS: Brenda Agan and Mike Roecker in Charge, Bob Albright, Tina Gibson, Linda Brown

TECH ADVISERS: Jim Meyer, Mike Young, Bill Huntsman

MEMBERS/GUESTS: 45

Meeting opened at 7:40 by Brenda and Mike in Charge. Brenda brought snacks thinking it might be nice enough to

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meet outside. It wasn't – too hot then it rained. Brenda reminded everyone to register your car tonight, get your T shirt and pick up flyers to pass out.

Treasurer report – Bob thanked participants in the Upper Arlington parade, had 10 VWs. As of June 30th, we have \$5458 in the bank.

Cruise In report – Tina mentioned upcoming Cruise Ins and car show. Really busy weekend this week. She also invited everyone to join her and Marilyn on the Maenchor trip to Octoberfest at Oregon, O on August 29th. Let Marilyn know by July 16th.

Membership/Volunteer – Linda said we currently have 204 members (34 from Cleveland). The Volunteer book is being circulated, be sure to sign up. She and Marilyn will be sending reminder cards. Linda said she needs more membership forms before the Show. Also needs more membership cards. Will bring extra rosters to the next meeting.

Mark said the trophy design is coming along. Looks like the cost will be about half of the original estimate.

The next meeting will be Friday August 13th at the SHOW SITE instead of Thurs.

The next newsletter folding and stuffing bags will be August 6th at Bruce and Rita Raymer. Since they live near the show site, we can leave the stuffed bags there.

Mike Roecker asked if anyone has ever had problems on the road. He shared his recent experience and shared the contents of his NEW auto tool kit.

Linda nominated Mike for the Duvall award. Said she would be happy to pass it on.

Tech Adviser Mike Young suggested keeping extra fuses with you and Bill Huntsman said to watch your lights, stop if they come on while driving.

Mike Garrett shared some detailing tips including wash in the shade, get water off quick, and use soap designed for cars, and tire cleaner on tires.

Brad Shisler shared his tips for cleaning your car ready to show at a Concourse Show.

New Member: Rob Broadbent, 63 Convertible Bug (does body work)

50/50 - \$61.00 door prizes donated by Nadine Steinbrenner



GERMAN-AMERICAN FESTIVAL

by Marilyn Allen

There are still seats available for the Maennerchor's Sunday, August 29th trip to the Fest in Toledo(Oregon,Ohio).

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Upper Arlington Fourth Of July

Parade



If it's the Fourth of July, that means it's time for the Upper Arlington parade! Bob and Helen Albright always do a wonderful job of organizing this fabulous gathering. The COVVC had ten cars in the parade this year, and as always, the lovely vintage German cars were well received. The traditional trip to Graeter's Ice Cream shop rounded out another day!

photos from Helen Albright

Now THAT'S Interesting!

submitted by Michael Williams

According to the owners of Pioneer Auto Sales, just south of Leicester, Vt., the conversation that led to their lawn's hosting a giant gorilla holding a Volkswagen Beetle went something like this: When they asked local artist T.J. Neil to make a statue for the dealership, Neil responded, "How about a giant gorilla?" When they asked why a giant gorilla, Neil replied, "So I can make him hold a car." The owners' conclusion: "Sure, but make his other hand stretched down, so people can sit in it." Even if you don't need a new car, you can sit in the gorilla's right hand and stare in amazement at the golden VW Bug held 19 feet aloft in his left hand.



The 28th Annual Len Immke Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show

by Mark and Debi Garrett

photos by Brenda Agan and Mark and Debi Garrett



Picture perfect car show weather greeted all in attendance at this years Arthritis Show, in Dublin, Ohio. As one of the premier shows in the state, you are guaranteed to see many interesting and rare vehicles during your visit. Our club has been honored during the past years to have a parking spot, just for us! There were many nice vintage Dubs to admire, with Shane Walcutt taking the Best Of Show award. With everything from Aston Martins to Jaguars to check out, it was difficult to see the entire show. And it's always nice to catch up with the many friends that always seem to make this show a must see event. Be sure to mark your calendars now, as next year, VW will be one of the marques, so start detailing NOW! As a bonus, this weekend also has the Goodguys's Street Rod Nationals in town. Cool car overload, to say the least.



Award Winners

- Best of Show** Shane Walcutt 1963 Bug
- 1st Place 50/60s**
Mark & Debra Garrett 1961 Bug
- Awards of Excellence**
Mark Richmond 1967 Karmann Ghia
Sandy & Bill Wolfe 1969 Bug
- 1st Place 70's**
Tom Kuhn 1972 Beetle Convertible
- Awards of Excellence**
Brenda Agan 1974 Karmann Ghia
Carol Wilson 1971 Karmann Ghia
- 1st Place Water Cooled**
Josie Thal 1991 VW Cabriolet



FRIDAY SETUP::

Swap Meet: Stark Hughes, Mike Young Todd sichel Mike Young
 Saturday Clean-Up: Up Marilyn Allen Tina Gibson Parking will be done by Scout Troop #21

7:30 – 9:30

REGISTRATION	SPECTATOR GATE (FRONT/BACK)	MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING	Museum Host- Hostess	BIKE RIDERS
Debi Garrett	Bruce Raymer (F)	Chuck Nagy	Sarah Raymer	Mark Garrett
Helen Albright	Rita Raymer (F)	Brenda Agan	Marilyn Allen	Kyle Ray
Ted Bailey	Don Bowker (B)			George Petznick
Janet Bailey	Marilyn Allen (B)			

9:30-11:30

REGISTRATION	SPECTATOR GATE (FRONT/BACK)	MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING	MUSEUM HOST HOSTESS	BIKE RIDERS	50/50
Debi Garrett	Mark Richmond(F)	Betty Needles	Chris Moore	Todd Sichel	Colleen Evans
Helen Albright	Herman Speck (F)	Tina Gibson		George Petznick	Lee Evans
Chip Walston	Andre Prenoveau(F)	Linda Brown		Kathy Kern	Kellie Evans
Douglas Keppler	Dick Gilbert(B)	Rob Broadbent			Skyler Evans
Sue Keppler	Chuck Simpson(B)				
Kathy O'Hara	Tom Diley(B)				
Tim Fox					
Lu Fox					
David Bown					

11:30 – 1:30

REGISTRATION	SPECTATOR GATE (FRONT/BACK)	MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING	MUSEUM HOST HOSTESS	BIKE RIDERS	50/50	BALLOT COUNTING
Helen Albright	Andre Sullivan(F)	Mark Thompson	Ann Bowker	Tom Kern	Brenda Easley	Ellen Weber
Debi Garrett	Bill Wolffe(F)	Penny Thompson	Vivian Sullivar	Kathy Kern	Ryan Easley	Jo Weber
Doug Keppler	Sandy Wolfe(F)	Steve Farmwe				Brad Shisler

2010 VOLUNTEER ROSTER

by Marilyn Allen

The volunteer roster is complete as of July 29th, 2010. Linda and I would like to thank you for signing up and for taking our phone calls. If you see any changes, that need to be made, please call or e-mail Marilyn. We will see you at the show. Please remember to sign in at the back of the membership tent and pick up the orange vests. We thank you all so very much!!!!.



First Annual Rutherford B. Hayes Invitation Car Show

by Mark and Debi Garrett

Debi and I recently attended the first annual Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Museum and Library invitation car show, held in Fremont, OH. As the name implies, we had to submit a registration form with photos and description of Gertrude, our

'61 Beetle. After receiving our acceptance letter, we were anxious to see what other cars would be in attendance. Upon arrival, a photo of Gertrude was taken in front of the museum, and was mailed to us afterwards. The quality of vehicles did not disappoint, with the big winner of the day being a 1955 Mercedes Gullwing Coupe! WOW! As we were parked right next to it, Debi and I were able to see the spectators reactions to this historic car. I think even Gertrude was impressed! It was a very fun and relaxing day, and we are already planning for next years event.



Let's Talk Toys!

by Michael Williams

Welcome back everyone!! Before sitting down to write this month's article, I decided to focus on a toy which is often found in most VW collections and is still very reasonably priced for the beginning collector. This toy may never give you a great return on investment or fund your children's college, but the thrill of the hunt for that one elusive color is "priceless".

The example pictured is known as the No. 1 VW pickup and was manufactured by the Tomte Laerdal Toy Company in Norway during the early 1960's into the late 1970's. This example represents an early split window VW single cab bus with impressive outside detail. The bus is 3 1/2 inches long with black wheels and is constructed of a soft flexible vinyl material. The toy was available in orange, red, green, blue, and yellow; with green being the rarest. Rumors have been circulating for years that a few white examples also left the factory.

This toy is very common and can normally be found at flea markets, garage sales, estate sales, and even on some online auctions. Color and condition is the determining factor on what a collector should expect to pay for the toy. A red, blue, or yellow example in good condition is valued around \$5 - \$7, while an orange or green example in mint condition is valued around \$15 - \$25. This toy was never sold with its own box, but rather in an open cardboard display case containing 18 to 36 vehicles. The cardboard display case is often very hard to locate since the majority of them were thrown away by the store. Expect to pay \$50 - \$100 depending on condition should you be able to locate one of these rare cases.



Until next month...
Happy Toy Hunting !!

This is a wonderful relaxing day of listening to German music, enjoying german food and drink, rides, and import items to buy. The bus leaves the Maennerchor at 9 a.m. and returns at 9 p.m.

The cost is \$35.00 for bus and admission to the grounds. The show will be over--so we can celebrate with a trip to the Oktoberfest type festival!! Call 299-4841 for reservations



LIFE IN THE PAST LANE

by Marilyn Allen

Continued from July, 2010

Other events that occupied COVVC members in September, 2000, was the Toledo Bugfest on the 17th. It was

held at the Sundance Kid Drive-in in Oregon, Ohio. The location reminded some of our members of our show site at the drive-in on E. Main Street.

Bugs and busses hardly had time to be cleaned before the Cincinnati show on September 24th. Members should not have bothered as there was a lot of rain that day. Some members attended in non Volkswagens because of the rain. COVVC members, Doug Schleifer and Jeff Mace took first place in their van categories. Member Tom Hubbard received a second place award in the vanagon class. Show attendees enjoyed a meal at the Golden Lamb in Lebanon on their way home from a rainy day at the Cincinnati show.

October, 2000 provided further activities for members to drive their beautiful volkswagens. The first event in October was..... to be continued.....



TECH TALK

by Bruce Amacker

Timing is everything. Is my car really in time? (Part 1)

Making sure the ignition timing is correct in your VW is critical for an air cooled engine. Because of the much hotter component temperatures, air cooled engines are much less forgiving about over advanced ignition timing than water cooled engines. Even a few extra degrees of timing advance can spell death in the way of a burned piston, burned or dropped valve, cracked head or other terminal failure. Everything related to the ignition timing has to do with the accuracy of the timing marks themselves on the crank pulley. Being that many of our engines have unknown histories and were assembled from different parts piles, locating exact TDC is a wise move to protect your engine from an early demise. Locating exact TDC is a simple process which only took me about 10 minutes including making the tool, let me explain the process.

1. Take an old spark plug and grind the top chamfer from it that retains the porcelain insulator.
2. Grind or cut the ground electrode off.
3. Using a hammer and punch, knock the porcelain out of the steel shell from the bottom.



4. Run a 3/8" NC tap through the empty spark plug shell.
5. Snug a 3/8" x 3" long bolt into the shell.
6. Remove #1 spark plug with the piston halfway down and snug your new tool into the #1 spark plug hole.
7. GENTLY rotate the engine by hand until the piston stops against the tool.
8. Make a pen/pencil mark on the pulley at the engine case parting line, and be exact. Tip: Use white masking tape on the pulley and a sharp pencil to make your marks.
9. Rotate the engine in the opposite direction until the piston again touches the tool.
10. Make another mark with a pencil at the case parting line.
11. Measure the distance between the two marks with a flexible tape measure and divide in half. Find the exact halfway point between the two marks, this is your EXACT TDC. Mark this with the pencil.
12. If your pulley has a TDC mark from the factory, verify that it agrees exactly with your halfway mark.
13. If you have no TDC mark from the factory, use the sharp edge of a metal file and notch the edge of your pulley firmly.

14. Take a toothpick with a dab of white paint on it, and fill in the notch in the pulley to make it more visible.

15. REMOVE THE TOOL and reinstall the spark plug! Now that you have TDC identified correctly, you might want to check your total advance. This is easy if you have a high-buck Snap-On or Mac timing light that has advance built into it, but let's cover the basics for those who have a standard strobe-style timing light. VW only has you check your initial timing at idle, and not total advance. Total advance is the important number, though. VWs seem to have more catastrophic failures when total advance exceeds 30-32° BTDC measured at 3000RPM or more, this is to verify your mechanical advance is working correctly and total timing is not too excessive. The next problem is, where the heck is 30°? Well, we can find that accurately using some basic mathematics. Using a wide flexible cloth tape measure, find the circumference of your crank pulley after removing the V-belt. Most measure about 21-22". You can take this measurement, divide by 360 (number of degrees in a circle) and multiply by 30 to find the distance from TDC to 30° BTDC, or you can eliminate one step and just divide by 12 to find your total timing position. Let's take an example:

Mike Roecker's '66 Beetle 1300 has a pulley that measures almost exactly 21" in circumference.

$21'' \text{ circumference} \div 360 = .058333''$ for one degree, or:
 $21'' \div 12 = 1.75''$ which is 30° from TDC.

So, it's relatively simple on Mike's car- we identified TDC using the procedure above, and measured 1.75" to the right of TDC from the TDC mark to find where his total timing should be. Once again, I used the edge of a file and notched the pulley, and a spec of white paint to lighten it up. Interestingly enough, the '66 1300 does not have a TDC notch from the factory, only 7.5° and 10° BTDC notches on the pulley.

Another interesting note is that Mike's 1300 has no centrifugal advance, relying totally on vacuum for all of the timing advance. I was surprised to find by testing his car that it



did reach 32° total timing with the vacuum advance hooked up, and total advance was reached at only 4"Hg of vacuum! I think his car has the best low end torque of any Beetle I have ever driven, that carb/distributor combination is "spot on". I'll continue this article next month discussing different types of advances and testing them. For now, keep on driving those classic VW's!

Be sure to check out part two in the September Zundfolge.

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It's All About Family



Brenda Agan was kind enough to share these lovely family photos, taken during the early 60's. They illustrate beautifully what an integral part the Beetle was to so many families during that time in history. The upper left photos show Ward Hixon, Brenda's father, loading up the family Bug for a trip out to Yellowstone. Bottom left shows the gang at Yellowstone along with an interested visitor! The middle photos shows Brenda's first car, a Beetle of course! Thanks Brenda for sharing these wonderful images.



LET'S GO CRUISING!

by Tina Gibson, Secretary

Hard to believe, only a couple more months of Cruise In weather. Hope we have good weather for our August show. Still more Cruise Ins after our show so keep on Cruising!

Aug 14 – OUR SHOW

Aug 15 – Pep Boys, Hamilton Rd – reg 11-2

Aug 21 – Tomato Festival, Huber Park – reg 3-6 pm

Aug 21 – SE Conservation Club, 1060 Borrer Rd, Grove City – reg 10-12:30

Aug 21 – Amvets Post 1985, 700 S Maple St, Lancaster – 11- 4 pm

Aug 22 – Speeds, 5186 E Main St – reg 11-2

Aug 22 – Cruisin for Children, Buckeye Ranch, 5665 Hoover Rd, Grove City – reg 10-1:30

Sept 3 – New Life Church, 3690 Stygler Rd, Gahanna – reg begins at 4:30 pm

Sept 12 – Johnstown Square, Johnstown, O – 4 pm

Sept 24-26 – Octoberfest, Ohio Expo Center

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