

Bus Club News

June 2014



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HEY! KOA Flagstaff is next month!
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What is going on here? Department

In the realm of Bus Club, May has certainly been one of our busier months. Lou & Glynda opened their home & hosted an excellent campout over the first weekend of May complete with potluck dinner Saturday followed by breakfast Sunday. (Please do not mention Ernie's campfire stove experience.) The club was then off to Mt. Pinal near Miami, AZ for their annual mountain top smorgasbord.



Now serving meats. Thank you Chris Lehan!

If you didn't get enough to eat during the campouts this month it's your own fault. Speak up, get in line & serve yourself. Somewhere during all these outings the raffle bus got a fresh coat of paint inside & out. More than half of the bus was assembled before it wound up at the Polynone ranch for interior creation & installation and then the remaining bits & bus pieces were attached at Chad's place just in time for a shake down road trip. Some of the club members suggested we take the raffle bus around the local neighborhood to work out the kinks, however Mr. Jacobsen had a slightly different idea as he "borrowed" the bus to display at the O.C.T.O. show and then tested the camping interior at the Blackstar campout that weekend. (I was told he went on a beer run.) This was quite the productive month for our club members & WOW what an accomplishment. Thank you everyone who made time to come out to the work party weekends to help out. Personally, I'm glad this project wasn't the beast of projects past and I'm doubly grateful for those of you who show interest in the club by

taking advantage of these opportunities to hang out & have fun. Enjoy your Bus Club Newsletter!

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WHAT IS BUS CLUB!

It's actually known as Arizona Bus Club. I know, right? So, there's a couple of us folk left in the southwest that still enjoy getting out into the wild, desert camping in the winter & forest camping in the summer with our buses & doing that whole "Survivor" thing for a couple days. We've got some VW events that we show up at in an attempt to build some sort of camaraderie among us and our rides. We've got our Jamboree event that we hold annually at the Gold King Mine in September to raise money for small Arizona based not-for-profit organizations. We have raffles, entertainment & activities hosted all weekend to prevent boredom from setting in. Sunday morning we pack things up & raffle off our grand prize: A club restored split window VW bus. Sound like fun? Well it is. And there's nothing anyone can do to stop it. So join in our fun and be the one to help us get it done. You'll learn a lot about your bus and you'll be with good people that can help.

MEMBERSHIP DUES are STILL only \$20 per year. WHAT? I know, we might be upping that amount soon, so get your renewal dues into us QUICK before we up that amount (just kidding about raising the price increase, but do you wanna chance it?) Please send your dues & renewals in the form of Check, M.O. or EBT debit cards directly to:

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mountain bike of his and he gets grumpy when he returns empty handed. Believe it or not, your dues go directly to funding the publication and distribution of this quality periodical. Sure you can read it on-line for free, but then you're missing out on the other benefits of being a club member. Upon receipt of payment, we will update your membership to ensure you never miss an issue of this publication throughout the year.



Mr. Jonas installing space age protective heat sheilding.

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Quite the gathering of friendly faces at Pawlik's Place.

Only the tastiest of animals were harmed during the printing of this newsletter.



Haven't seen these folks in ages. Larry & Cindy.

Membership in General Dept

Hey gang, just a quick note here about one of our club's challenges which was to recruit new members as well as get in touch with past members. If anyone knows of a past member that might still be interested in the whole 'bus scene' pass our information along and we'll get them signed up again. Also, if you're not getting your newsletter and your neighbor is, let us know and we'll look to resolve the problem. Usually it's a clerical error but we'll never know unless our noses are rubbed in it.

Note: Does anyone know a couple named Ray & Dolly hailing from Orangewood Drive in Glendale? We have apparently lost their last name & address. If you can help our news staff with the missing info, we'd appreciate it.



A good picture of camping at Pawlik's Potluck weekend.

Camping at Pinal Peak Dept

Not a bad turnout for one of our club's favorite camp sites. Amazingly the rifle & shotgun range was not used

this particular weekend which forced this year's campers to mingle and enjoy the smorgasbord.... served on time! Everyone attending brought tasty trays & pots filled with delicious edibles. The weekend weather was more than anyone could hope for. The weather was windy part of the time to blow away the heat followed by a gentle breeze which allowed you to see for miles to the West. Of course the writer of this column had no first hand experience with this weekend. So, if anyone cares to share more pics other than those published on the e-mail, or would like to give an accurate account of what actually happened this weekend we will gladly print them in next months issue along with any articles that may be attached. Remember, this is your newsletter!



Jim, someone's extremely fond of you!

Swaps & Stuff Department

Just a quick message to those of you have more than what you know what to do with. TRADE IT! BARTER IT! SELL IT! AND what better place to advertize your most prized, weatherproof items than in this newsletter.



Would you recognize a wild wet beaver staring at you?

Plenty of people with the same values as you receive this publication and would be understanding of the value you place on your possessions. As such, when ownership is passed you will have piece of mind knowing that your things have wound up in the right hands. And hey, it beats being on an episode of Hoarders. Why make them rich right? So cut out the middle man & send in an ad!



Sneak preview of 'Just Crusin' Club car show at el Prado.

General Meeting Notes Dept

Some thoughts & ideas jotted from May's Gen meeting:

- Solicit Jerome businesses for raffle prizes & window advertisement.
- Invite last year's bands back to Jamboree to perform for beer, snacks & lodging.
- Darla to contact bands for possible Jamboree venue
- Posted sign up sheet for Jamboree tasks/chores
- Beg, borrow & acquire really cool Jamboree prizes
- Potential new raffle method: Raffle numbers will be drawn all day long & posted near the stage. Stop by & claim your prize! Major prizes to be raffled at sunset.
- Bus club to acquire new easy-up/tent structure to replace wind damaged easy-up. Anyone know of a deal?
- Need contacts for Bus Club swag.
- Need Bus Club Business Cards. Anyone know someone who can print us off a couple thousand?
- Idea mentioned for Members with Lifetime status: participation is key. Idea is to encourage some sort of annual participation or contribution from Lifetime to maintain status. Simple gestures are the best ones. This is, right now, only an idea.
- Jamboree hosts needed to escort first timers from gate to a suitable camping spot.
- Potential free walkin entries for Jerome residents with valid Drivers licences.

Hot tech tip Department

So, you've got a new bus project and the FIRST thing on your mind is getting some decent rollers on the beast so you can move it around the driveway with ease. Trouble is the old wheels have GOT to come off because.....

BECAUSE! (Hey, good 'nuff reason right?) First attempt at wheel removal broke the spare tire iron. So some rust/break free solution was administered and your best craftsman socket bit the dust. When you get back from Sears with your free replacement piece here's what you do. You need heat. If you have a propane blow torch (standard equipment for any seasoned bus owner) here's what you do: Fire it up & apply heat to the area of the rim surrounding the troubled lug bolt. Try to keep the heat off of the lug bolt as much as possible and on the rim. Physics: metal expands when it gets hot. As the rim & hub get hot, they expand -ever so slightly- away from the lug bolt allowing that critical break to occur between the bolt & the hub. Ask your friends if they have any stubborn bolts to free up & experiment for yourself! Once you become comfortable with the procedure you'll be looking for opportunities to amaze your friends. My best luck was incorporating a 50/50 mix of acetone & automatic tranny fluid just before heat was applied. Yes it caught fire, but it didn't explode. The bolt came off with a CRACK of satisfaction and the wheel was removed soon after. Once everything was apart I applied some anti-sieze compound to the bolt & screwed it back into the hole for safe keeping. Some people will tell you to NEVER apply any lubricant to the hub. Torque 'em to speck & they'll never come off. My experiences. -G



Can any of you entomologists identify this species of moth?

Coming Events Department

Opportunities for you to get out & explore the outdoors!

July 16th – General Meeting this Wed. eve we're getting ready to volunteer for some of those "fun" Jamboree tasks. We're looking for a chalker to lay lines at the Jamboree site so if you've got one to borrow or loan let us know!



Number Nine? Greetings from Mi Old Pueblo!

July 25th, 26th & 27th -Flagstaff KOA

Ready or not, here we kampf! This year could prove to be the last year this venue is available. Prepare for wind & rain every day at 2:30pm. Contact Janyel at the Flagstaff KOA for more details about field trips to local brew pubs, new age stores or just to chat a bit about the weather. 928-526-nine nine two six. Let's plan a beer tour for Saturday afternoon. Rules: bring a 12pk or equivalent of your absolute favorite beer.(i.e. nothing with a big ad campaign behind it.) We'll sit under the tarp swapping bottles until everyone gets a mixed 12 pk & we'll crack them open one by one until someone drops out. Not an event for lightweights.

Lemme know if you're interested.

-David Murphy-busclubeditor@gmail.com



EVERYONE WORKED at the Polynone Ranch that weekend.

August 20th General Meeting

August – Potential New Campout

We might be looking at a new camping venue near Winkleman AZ at the local campground. More to follow.

Sept 17th- General Meeting... Maybe

This meeting occurs right before our Jamboree. We might be canceling it for sanity sake as our President can only handle so much. See you at the Jamboree!

September 19th – 21st Jamboree XXIV

We're not going to disclose the secret location of the Jamboree held at the Gold King Mine near Jerome, AZ. This is to ensure that someone truly deserving wins the bus this year. This year's raffle bus is a club restored 1966 Sundial. No guarantees as to what to expect this year, other than to have more fun than last year. As if that's possible.



Who photographs the photographer?

October 15th – General Meeting

Bus Club Nominations

We need to start planning now for 2015 to have a good year. Good choices make for a good year. Come to the October General meeting to let your voice be heard about how you think someone else can do a better job than those doing the job. Evening is to begin with cheap name calling, followed by nominations, followed by the candidate's debate. It's anyone's guess who's going to run the club next year and it's an opportunity for your voice to finally be heard.

October 25th - VolkStock

Get ready for another fantastic VW Event with VolkStock in Glendale, Arizona, Saturday, October 25th at Sheely Farm (location of the Halloween Fear Farm) 99th Ave and McDowell Rd., West Phoenix.

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Date: Saturday, October 25th - Rain or Shine

Car Show Roll-in: 6am - 12am

Event Time: 8am - 12pm

Car Show: 10am - 3pm

Awards Ceremony: 3:00pm

Vendors please call Mark Miller at 623-521-7982

If you need more information or would like to be part of this occasion, please contact

Mark Miller at 623-875-4067 or

email events@peoriavw.com

November – Buses on the River

Follow us to Yuma for some excellent camping and a great car show. This year Jim Burnite promises to show his favorite river access point for sun bathing.

November 19th – Bus Club Elections

This is your chance to speak your mind and cast your vote to say “We need a new direction” or “These guys need a rest!” Come to the meeting for one of the more exciting experiences you'll ever have. The counting of ballots, the slurping of beer, the munching of... munchies, all culminating this evening to see who is brave enough to guide this band of misfits to our 25th Jamboree.

Note: Ballots issued to members in good standing only.

December – 6th – APS Light Parade

WE HAVE A THEME!

“Holidays in Toyland”

Get ready to exercise your recycling efforts as APS hosts the 2014 light parade in Phoenix. We've got 7 months to plan for the event and this year's theme presents numerous possibilities for designs. Anyone want to head up a committee/ design team this year? We could take the Mayor's award if we do this right!

December 12th – 14th Christmas Party

Bus Club is taking its holiday party to the base of the White Tank mountain range. West Saieeed! Bring holiday side dish to share at our Saturday afternoon feast as well as your appetite. Special note: No General meeting in December.

All other weekends/weekdays:

Anyone interested in a reconnaissance cruise? Crown King? Bumblebee? Payson?

Obituaries Department

Not my favorite column to publish, but these people have had an impact on our club and so we humbly recognize their passing.

Karen Colvin – Monty's wife from the TBM passed away in April of this year, 2014. Quite the shock for many of us that heard of her passing. I thought she was going to outlive a lot of us.

Karen, we miss you.



Robert Badini – Died early May 2014. I can't think of another person who I would invite immediately to any party I was having. If the activity level was hovering around 'nine', Robert could and would take it to eleven.



This is how I remember having fun with Robert Badini. Robby, we're all missing your presence. R.I.P Robby. Sept. 23, 1970 – May 3, 2014 -G
Google Phone#: 602 492 5287 lv message



Our President of Vice describes the raffle bus interior.

Next Month Dept:

-Blackstar weekend report



-Test cruising the restored 1966 Sundail.

-Acceptable beers recognized at the Flagstaff KOA

-The Prez takes a break

-Update on the 2015 raffle bus



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The inevitable last page.

Again, we've reached the inevitable last page. This is just another opportunity to advertize your skills and abilities to our VW community. If you've got a business card, hand written blurb or particular beer you want to share, drop us a line or mail a sample to our PO Box. We'd love to hear from our clubbers regarding ANYTHING. Seriously, sometimes it's like listening to ourselves talk. Not that we get tired of our voices (do the voices in my head bother you?) but sometimes, like SNL, we need new material. Don't be afraid. After all, it's your club too!

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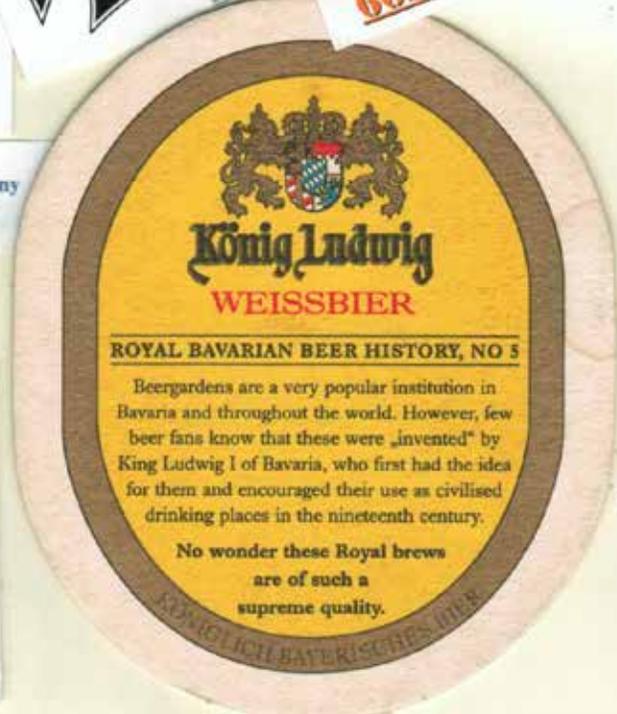
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