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keifernet Samba Search & Rescue  Joined: 11 May 2002 Posts: 6508 Location: in the samba behavioral studies lab...	<p> Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 11:10 am Post subject:</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> quote report</p> <p>69doublecab wrote:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;"> <p>Notice there's another bus in the background? No current auctions. AI 69 doublecab</p> </div> <p>If you click on his feedback, you can see the other 2 he sold, a 71 westy and a 69 bug autostick</p> <hr/> <p>OG JHC TX Chapter</p> <p>"All politicians are puppets, WE the PEOPLE need to pull the strings better..."</p> <p>Back to top profile pm email msnm gallery ads</p>
keifernet Samba Search & Rescue  Joined: 11 May 2002 Posts: 6508 Location: in the samba behavioral studies lab...	<p> Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 11:32 am Post subject:</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> quote report</p> <p>Bottomend wrote:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;"> <p>You guys are quite the pack of sluths!</p> <p>Leader had just come over and I told him that the ranks are becoming restless...</p> <p>I can see why everybody would be intersted in seeing the ad. Getting the ad up on the thread was on the list of things to do but, as you know, when a bus " RUNS GREAT" and is in "EXCELLENT CONDITION", there is not very much to do, so in reality, I've been taking the Hippys 'round LA enjoying all the sites, enjoying terrific meals and bassically hanging at the beach fending off hot babes beggng us for us to let them join up and RIDE!</p> </div> <p>So that's what the donations are really for! </p> <p>Well, I'd say it's a shame that they bit on that bus... and won! And on the first bid, and the only time they ever bid!</p> <p>But then that wouldn't have brought us all here to this point.</p> <p>What did you find out about the double relay? I think I have one or 2 used in my "test parts" box...</p> <p>Not sure if the goal now is to use the donations to buy parts or wait for donated parts (days?) and use the cash to make the drive home.</p> <p>If you think you need the relay I could send it.</p> <p>Aren't there any pick and pull yards or VW shops with shelves of used stuff? Seems like in LA they would be quite prevalent...</p> <hr/> <p>OG JHC TX Chapter</p> <p>"All politicians are puppets, WE the PEOPLE need to pull the strings better..."</p> <p>Back to top profile pm email msnm gallery ads</p>

<p>GatorBeetle Samba Contributor</p>  <p>Joined: 15 Sep 2004 Posts: 9</p>	<p>Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 11:37 am Post subject:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">quote report</p> <p>Again, it seems like it wasn't as bad a deal as stupid bidding (sorry Hippie Guys.) Sure the guy said some glowing things about this Bus, which were obviously not true, but it was probably worth a Grand, right?? </p>
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<p>bajorek Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 25 May 2003 Posts: 756</p>	<p>Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 11:49 am Post subject:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">quote report</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p>69doublecab wrote:</p> <p>Bottomend: Does it look like this one: http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&rd=1&item=2486200546&category=15291 or, if line wrap becomes a problem, try this item number: 2486200546 I had it bookmarked! Al 69 doublecab</p> </div> <p>So is this indeed their bus?</p>
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<p>vegaluca Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 14 Sep 2004 Posts: 11 Location: Co. Kerry, Ireland</p>	<p>Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:02 pm Post subject:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">quote report</p> <p>Guys ! That guy was throwing so many bouquets of flowers at his wagon while trying to sell ...</p> <p>Even our flower power friends wouldn't get through the scent of a "RAT" !!</p> <p>The way the guy had the gaul to say that this bus could be worth \$8000 ! Now thats something else.</p> <p>Grease you gotta get us some pix of all of ye guys & "the little green giant"</p> <p>i know thats not what everyone decided on !</p>
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<p>Bottomend Grease</p> <p>Joined: 20 Sep 2003 Posts: 999 Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!</p>	<p>Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:08 pm Post subject:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">quote report</p> <p>I want to make sure that our buddies from other parts of the world are able to view the ad. Can someone with experimentally scientific supreme knowledge of all things 'BAY post the ad on the SAMBA for me? (I know that sometimes when I try to use a link for a foreign country, I cant seem to get through.)</p> <p>The dents you see in the pix are not the only ones on the bus. The hugh hole in the pop up was not depicted. Nor was it described. Starter/solnoid issues. Bad CV joints/boots. Dead Alternator. Lifeless battery. Crunchy wheel bearings. MARGINAL BRAKES!!! Leaking oil to the point that the engine seal has actually become a soaked sponge! Shocks shot. No windshield wiper operation. Sliding door handle broken. Missing window in rear. (duct tape to the rescue)! Carpet is rotten from water damage due to leaking water tank. None of the auxilliary electrical system is functional. Front seats are shot. Shifted like a beast. Ignition switch area broken (attempted break in???) Missing kick panels.</p> <p>I think somewhere in this whole thing, I've written that I dont think it's a BAD deal (it's not a good deal either) but I feel that these guys were seriously mislead. There can be little argument against that point. This is a bus that needs to be gone through. Nothing here that time and money couldn't solve. Lots of both.</p> <p>These guys represent a lot of VW bus buyers (myself included). We looked at a picture or saw an old bus driving down the street and something inside clicks. We've been raised on vehicle that require next to nothing as far a maintenance is concerned. An old bus doesn't fall into that category in the least. How can you fault their intentions? I got lucky with my bus. I did a little research, looked at the pictures carefully (even though I didn't have a clue about what I was looking at) emailed the seller and talked on the phone. Probably just about the same as the Hippies. It can go either ways.</p>

Sometimes a bad situation only seems to get worse but, on the other hand, as we've all seen here, a situation can turn around and something really wonderful can happen. The overall sense of charity and generosity that has been shown is truly numbing to me and the guys.

I live in a city where most VW owners wont even take the time to turn their head to give you a nod rolling down the street. (Colin AKA Amskeptic is my witness to this) Can you imagine what the typical driver of the typical car is feeling towards his "fellow" driver in THEIR typical car?

Honestly, I dont think of myself as a "VW bus driver." Maybe it's the lack of a local connective community that is pervasive here. I just like to drive my orange bus. Last night I helped someone move furniture and we'll finish the job tomorrow night. It's just fun to drive, and a lot of stuff can fit inside. For me, it's a great feeling to load up a few amplifiers and a drum set (I'm a musician) and go.

Simple, right? It's because of situations like this that I get a renewed charge to keep going...

What do YOU use your bus for?

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Bottomend

Grease

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:21 pm Post subject:



Joined: 20 Sep 2003
Posts: 999
Location: Smell Aye! via
Nude Hamster!

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Bottomend

Grease

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:26 pm Post subject:



Joined: 20 Sep 2003
Posts: 999
Location: Smell Aye! via
Nude Hamster!

BTW, in response to my last response... I'm NOT married! I'm VERY , VERY single! did I menntion I'm SINGLE?

Is it really true that in Ireland the women out number the men 100 to one? If you guys really wanna help out in all of this, invite me over to your little rock, we'll find something wrong with your bus, I'll work REALLY hard doing my best Hippy Fix (i'm certified) and you can introduce me to your cousin. deal?

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DurocShark

Samba Contributor



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Posts: 2125
Location: In the thin air

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:44 pm Post subject:



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LOL!

There are some cuties in my office... But you'd have to be a computer geek to work here... 😊

73 High Top
71 Deluxe
84 Volvo 244GL
70 Chevrolegs

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DurocShark
Samba Contributor



Joined: 05 Apr 2004
Posts: 2125
Location: In the thin air

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:46 pm Post subject:

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Oh, and as for the postcard idea:

Bottomend: Get an address in IL for them, and one of us can collect the cards and forward them on.

I think that would be an amazing momento for them!

73 High Top
71 Deluxe
84 Volvo 244GL
70 Chevrolegs

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keifernet
Samba Search & Rescue



Joined: 11 May 2002
Posts: 6508
Location: in the samba behavioral studies lab...

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:47 pm Post subject:

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Bottomend wrote:

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I am pretty sure, I have a box of "known good" relays I use for testing/troubleshooting and even a new one in the box in my stash at my shop. And I could test it on my neighbors bus to make sure. Let me know....

OG JHC TX Chapter

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Mr Picky
Samba Trainee

Joined: 27 Jul 2003
Posts: 3

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:47 pm Post subject:

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Can't we send some postcards to:

The 3 hippies
Green VW Camper Van
..... Road
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USA

Think they will get there?

Jay

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keifernet
Samba Search & Rescue



Joined: 11 May 2002
Posts: 6508
Location: in the samba behavioral studies lab...

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:51 pm Post subject:

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bottomend wrote:

For me, it's a great feeling to load up a few amplifiers and a drum set (I'm a musician) and go.

To hell with writing a book... make it a ROCK OPERA! 😊

OG JHC TX Chapter

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vegaluca

Samba Contributor

Joined: 14 Sep 2004

Posts: 11

Location: Co. Kerry, Ireland

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 12:53 pm Post subject:



PMSL !

Gotcha Grease ...

Theirs a "cead mile failte" (100,000 welcomes) here for you dude when you decide to come over and put this novel together, and sure I'm sure aunt Sally wouldn't mind sharing her driveway with you Grease.

Everybody says they way she keeps her rolling curlers in her hair, still keeps her young at heart. PMSL !

Seriously man ...

The rapour you have built up here with everyone I'm SURE you'll always find a warm bed on a cold night.

BTW i don't know where your getting your info re stats per ratio men/women, but i hate to have to burst your Blarney bubble but that aint soooooo !

But hey !

Chicks dig guys in V-dubbs here too !!

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Bottomend

Grease

Joined: 20 Sep 2003

Posts: 999

Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 1:16 pm Post subject:



I guess the same people who said liveing in LA is all 'fun in the sun' told me about Ireland... Oh no! wait! but....the grass IS greener over there!!!!

Keifernet, I just told the guys about the double relay. They are having a meting to see what would be the correct corse to strike out on. If you can, please check the relay operation. I'll let you know soon if it's needed or not. Thanks a million.

I REALLY loved the Hippy Fix using the bass guitar string. That one went straight in and got me by the heart strings. I'm a bassist and well, I've thrown out A LOT of strings old over the years... little did I know...

Heres a musician Hippy Fix for 'yall... After a set of strings get all dirty and dull sounding, you can boil them in water and they come back to about 80% of sounding brand new. When I started doing this when I was 14 years old and My mother would yell at me for using a cooking pot. It would leave a pretty bad "ring". (just like in the bath tub)

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Bottomend

Grease

Joined: 20 Sep 2003

Posts: 999

Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 1:20 pm Post subject:



I like the post card idea. It's kinda...RETRO, ya know?

About the offer of Aunt sally...uh.. cant you find someone younger? Maybe aunt Sally's daughter or something? Keep trying! I can get used to the food. I will grow to love the weather. I'll even learn the language!

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Bottomend

Grease

Joined: 20 Sep 2003

Posts: 999

Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 2:02 pm Post subject:



Well, the Hippy meeting just conviened and... they are ready to go NOW.

We're gonna go pick up a double relay from a local shop. We'll check and see if the alternator will provide a charge to the battery ect. Wish us luck!

To Keifernet and whip618. Thanks for your response and charitable thoughts.

The Hippys are sitting here with me and we're talking about the the whole bidding thing on EBAY for the "Green Beast". It was the only time they had ever bid on anything on EBAY and this was the only vehical they looked at. They placed one bid total.

Waterboy and Residue have gotten a hold of my congas and are basically going nuts at the moment. They are RELEASING!

I'll keep everybody updated on the next series of event's. Gotta get to work!

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Nige

Samba Trainee

Joined: 15 Sep 2004

Posts: 2

Location: Lincoln, England

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 3:24 pm Post subject:

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Bottomend wrote:

I want to make sure that our buddies from other parts of the world are able to view the ad. Can someone with experimentally scientific supreme knowledge of all things 'BAY post the ad on the SAMBA for me? (I know that sometimes when I try to use a link for a foreign country, I cant seem to get through.)

I'm in sunny old England and it worked for me 😊

I've been watching this thread with great interest and felt it was about time I posted to say what a fantastically generous guy you are "Grease".

The world is a better place for having you in it.

I could have done with someone like you to help me recently when my 1959 based beach buggy broke down on the way home from a VW show. It was dissappointing to see so many bugs and buses driving past me while I sat at the side of the road and not one person stopped to even ask if I was ok.

Take it easy dude.

Nige

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whip618

Samba Contributor

Joined: 16 Oct 2002

Posts: 112

Location: Alb. NM

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 3:45 pm Post subject:

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Of course the offer still stands, it's all boxed up and ready to go. I just need an address. I would of already sent the thing but I didn't think being addressed to " three hippies in a green bus somewhere in LA on a cul de sac" would get there anytime this century. So let me know where you guys are.

Phil

1971 standard type I

1974 type II

There are only two kinds of ships in the Navy, Submarines and Targets

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Bottomend

Grease

Joined: 20 Sep 2003

Posts: 999

Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!

Posted: Wed Sep 15, 2004 4:21 pm Post subject:

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So,that was that you Nige?!!!

I would've stopped man, but my iced double cappicino low fat organic peppermint latte would've spilled. I'll catch 'ya next time... I promise!

thanks whip. It's good to know there is a B/U option.

Now the latest news I went to the store and picked up a double relay, installed it and... NOTHING.

The Hippys were so excited before I got it in that they wouldn't shut up. They were making plans for this and that ect. I admired thier enthusiasm but I admit, I was still a little cautious. I hate being let down so maybe it takes me a little more to get excited about stuff. Maybe they just haven't had as many failures as I have yet.

We're waiting on Peter to come so I can use his test probe and see if the 'puter is getting power. A little bit of this fuel injection stuff is starting make sene to me.... a VERY little.

I wish I had more good news. They did tell me that the local homeless population are starting to recognize them at this pont. Residue said that a crack addict female without teeth said ' I know you! You're the ones iin the green bus!" Surfs up dude! Welcome to Hollyweird...

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