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Author	Message
<b>JavaJoe</b> Samba Contributor  Joined: 13 Sep 2004 Posts: 12 Location: Chicago	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:13 am Post subject:</p> <p>I did the same thing several days ago and even looked for '75 - '79. Same results, no green bus sold during the past month.</p> <p><b>steve74baywin wrote:</b></p> <p>I did several searches on ebay looking for a 78-79 green bus auction that ended in the last 4 weeks and came up with nothing. I don't think this bus was on ebay.</p> <p><a href="#">Back to top</a> <a href="#">profile</a> <a href="#">pm</a> <a href="#">gallery</a> <a href="#">ads</a></p>
<b>steve74baywin</b> Samba Contributor Joined: 29 Dec 2003 Posts: 475 Location: FL - Tampa	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:16 am Post subject:</p> <p><b>69doublecab wrote:</b></p> <p>Bottomend:                      Does it look like this one:  <a href="http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&amp;rd=1&amp;item=2486200546&amp;category=15291">http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&amp;rd=1&amp;item=2486200546&amp;category=15291</a>                      or, if line wrap becomes a problem, try this item number: 2486200546                      I had it bookmarked!                      Al                      69 doublecab</p> <p>The link to it on ebay was posted yesterday. See above.</p> <p>Steve</p> <p><a href="#">Back to top</a> <a href="#">profile</a> <a href="#">pm</a> <a href="#">gallery</a> <a href="#">ads</a></p>
<b>Bottomend</b> Grease Joined: 20 Sep 2003 Posts: 999 Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:29 am Post subject:</p> <p>thanks Java Joe. thats a good one, but I still like the bass guitar string version better. ( I'm biased)</p> <p>I just read through the Bartnik site. Made sense. I called Shark and left a message. I'm hoping he can come out and help with the diagnostic. I have to go to work for a few hours this afternoon and then I have to help the drummer I play with, move out of her place.</p> <p>(Rememeber I told you guys about the street here and how Residue almost got hit while crossing the street the other day? Well, I just heard a thump. Somebodys car just got smacked again. I swear it's like clock work. People drive sooo fast and careless... but not you guys , right?!)</p> <p><a href="#">Back to top</a> <a href="#">profile</a> <a href="#">pm</a> <a href="#">AIM</a> <a href="#">gallery</a> <a href="#">ads</a></p>
<b>andyr</b> Samba Contributor  Joined: 14 Sep 2004 Posts: 17 Location: leipzig,germany	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:29 am Post subject:</p> <p>noticed that the second bus in the e-bay picture has a 'for sale' sign on the window?                      looks like he's making a living out of selling vans - wouldn't surprise me if he even knew about this thread!</p>

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<p><b>Bottomend</b> Grease</p> <p>Joined: 20 Sep 2003 Posts: 999 Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!</p>	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:33 am Post subject:</p> <p>quote report</p> <p>Andyr, I doubt if the guy would be 'puter saveey enough to get on here. From what I heard about the guy he was pretty much a Gypsy. Are you the first person from germany to see this thread? Are there others?</p>
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<p><b>69doublecab</b> Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 28 Mar 2004 Posts: 174 Location: Cedar Falls, Iowa</p>	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:33 am Post subject:</p> <p>quote report</p> <p>Bottomend: Does this have SPARK? (It's a little difficult to remember where you are at in this!) The thing most often wrong with fuel injection on early buses is IGNITION. Not the FI at all! Check that the points are okay and gapped correctly. If it doesn't have points, NEVER MIND! Also necessary for the injection to work is the wiire that goes from the points side of the coil to the injection harness -thin white wire. AI 69 doublecab</p>
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<p><b>Bottomend</b> Grease</p> <p>Joined: 20 Sep 2003 Posts: 999 Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!</p>	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:36 am Post subject:</p> <p>quote report</p> <p>The distributor has a Pertronix installed in it. At this point we are getting spark. There is gas in the tank. Nothing dangleing. I'll check for vacuum hose's/random wires disconnected ect.</p>
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<p><b>JavaJoe</b> Samba Contributor</p>  <p>Joined: 13 Sep 2004 Posts: 12 Location: Chicago</p>	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:41 am Post subject:</p> <p>quote report</p> <p>OK, I admit it. I was 2-3 days behind in my reading 😊 I have seen the original *bay posting.</p> <p><b>steve74baywin wrote:</b></p> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>69doublecab wrote:</b></p> <p>Bottomend: Does it look like this one: <a href="http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&amp;rd=1&amp;item=2486200546&amp;category=15291">http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&amp;rd=1&amp;item=2486200546&amp;category=15291</a> or, if line wrap becomes a problem, try this item number: 2486200546 I had it bookmarked! AI 69 doublecab</p> </div> <p>The link to it on ebay was posted yesterday. See above.</p>
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<p><b>LeeE</b> Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 25 May 2004 Posts: 62 Location: Orlando</p>	<p>Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:42 am Post subject:</p> <p>quote report</p> <p>Not sure if this qualifies as a hippyfix but... 73 914 throttle return spring broke at 100 mph in the dark approaching a stop sign. when I lifted my foot, the gas pedal stayed down. when you turn off the ignition to shut down the engine, the lights go out. It was VERY dark. I managed to stop in time, no problem, but the broken return spring was gone, lost somewhere in the engine compartment. Fortunately I had a click type ballpoint pen in the glove box, took out the spring, stretched it out and bent it to fit, it lasted long enough to get me home.  I've used a strap hinge to fix a broken gas pedal hinge on two previous buses, but I think a lot of other people have</p>

done the same thing.

My latest was a piece of PVC pipe and two hose clamps for the front shift bushing in my 78 Westy. It worked so well I haven't bothered replacing it with the proper bushing yet.

I've been reading this thread and enjoying it greatly. Bottomend/Grease is a noble & true VW Samaritan. How are we going to know what happens to these guys when he finally sends them on their way?

negungrevrhaf

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**Bottomend**  
Grease

Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:45 am Post subject:

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

Thats it! Anytime you can unscrew a ball point pen and keep a 914 running... You're a GENIUS! ( Still like the bass guitar string idea better. Still biased)

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**andyr**  
Samba Contributor



Joined: 14 Sep 2004  
Posts: 17  
Location: leipzig,germany

Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 10:59 am Post subject:

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Herr grease, I'm sure other people over here have seen the thread - just too shy to say hello!  
he must know someone who's computer savvy to get on e-bay! if so i'd like him to know that people on the other side of the world think he's an arsch!

as for hippy fixes..... windscreen wiper motor bust? - no problem simply tie string to both wipers loop th string through driver and passenger door and instruct passenger to start pulling side to side! ...works better than you'd think! 😊

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**DurocShark**  
Samba Contributor



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

Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 12:40 pm Post subject:

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**Bottomend wrote:**

I called Shark and left a message. I'm hoping he can come out and help with the diagnostic.

Sorry! I was sleeping! Calling back in a few minutes...

73 High Top  
71 Deluxe  
84 Volvo 244GL  
70 Chevrolegs

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**ratwell**  
Samba Contributor



Joined: 26 Apr 2003  
Posts: 5791  
Location: Cupertino, CA

Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 12:45 pm Post subject:

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Maybe it's time Everett created a three hippy dudes forum.

'78 Westfalia CDN  
Live to ride, ride to break down  
*Read the Baywindow FAQ*

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**DurocShark**  
Samba Contributor



Joined: 05 Apr 2004

Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 12:53 pm Post subject:

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**DurocShark wrote:**

**Bottomend wrote:**

I called Shark and left a message. I'm hoping he can come out and help with the diagnostic.





Joined: 07 Mar 2002  
Posts: 339

Grease, you've probably already thought of this, but is the gas FRESH? REALLY FRESH, like you just pumped it in? With all the chemicals in our gas these days, the stuff isn't stable for more than a month or so. I had to completely dump ALL the gas before my bus would run. Tried just diluting it with fresh gas, but it wouldn't run. Same deal with a lawn mower awhile back, but I was too stupid to learn from the mower experience.

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**nemobuscaptain**  
Samba Contributor



Joined: 07 Mar 2002  
Posts: 339

Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 2:23 pm Post subject:

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Excellent condition? I would be suspicious of anyone who wanted talk over the phone rather than putting his outlandish claims in writing for all to see. And notice that the seller "lelaadams" created this account just prior to listing the VW.

The guy sold these two other VW's:

<http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=15291&item=2486201428>

<http://cgi.ebay.com/ebaymotors/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=6019&item=2488916671>

Did Bottomend verify that we had the correct green westy?

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**vegaluca**  
Samba Contributor

Joined: 14 Sep 2004  
Posts: 11  
Location: Co. Kerry, Ireland

Posted: Thu Sep 16, 2004 2:58 pm Post subject:

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**nemobuscaptain wrote:**

Did Bottomend verify that we had the correct green westy?

Yep !

He sure did.

i think hes words when seeing it posted up were ... BINGO !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Last edited by vegaluca on Thu Sep 16, 2004 3:29 pm; edited 1 time in total

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