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fastbackerdez Samba Contributor Joined: 11 Jul 2004 Posts: 18 Location: doncaster, u.k.	<p>Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 5:15 pm Post subject:</p> <p>come on man, you gotta laugh, or else youll cry 😊</p> <p>if theres a gap underneath, its not low enough.</p> <p>quote report</p>
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DeathBus Samba Contributor  Joined: 26 Apr 2004 Posts: 934 Location: My Very Own SPIDER HOLE!!	<p>Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 5:23 pm Post subject:</p> <p>I was worried about how far they would make it.</p> <p>racing in a ricer is like being in the special olympics, even if you do win, your still retarded!</p> <p>My real name? Doug Zannis</p> <p>BugBitelI wrote:</p> <p>Your all a bunch of MotherF**kers</p> <p>quote report</p>
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DurocShark Samba Contributor	<p>Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 5:41 pm Post subject:</p> <p>quote edit</p>



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I was worried too, but not about the engine itself. It was running pretty good when I saw 'em last night.

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DeathBus
Samba Contributor



Joined: 26 Apr 2004
Posts: 934
Location: My Very Own
SPIDER HOLE!!

Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 6:00 pm Post subject:

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DurocShark wrote:

I was worried too, but not about the engine itself. It was running pretty good when I saw 'em last night.

Yeah, but they have not driven it that much, I bet they have a problem with a valve seat. Probably #3 exhaust.

racing in a ricer is like being in the special olympics, even if you do win, your still retarded!

My real name? Doug Zannis

BugBiteI wrote:

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Bottomend
Grease

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

Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 6:58 pm Post subject:

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Well, I just got home from working a 12 hour day . I helped two women who spoke no english jump start thier car in a parking lot. It never ends...and now THIS!!!!

Who is posting on the other thread? Is that you Leader? exactly what do you mean by oil comming 'out of the tail pipe?' This would be a brand new thing that just started to happen. The exhaust pulse felt good and there were NO weird noise comming from the engine.

I WAS planing to do a comession check but as they say... haste makes waste. Those Hippys wanted out of town and I wasn't gonna fight with 'em.

Believe me, I was DYING to know what the compression figures would be.

To my ears it weounded like the engine was well balenced and fireing very consistantly. Shark? You heard it. I'm right, right?

I'm not pointing the finger but, I told them about the AIRS list and I wanted to write it down for them but again... they were in a hurry.

Guys, I just hope you have enough water like I told you. It can get VERY hot out there. You dont wanna take any chances.

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DurocShark
Samba Contributor



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

Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 7:01 pm Post subject:

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Yes. I heard it. Sounded good. There was a smell of burnt oil, but I figured it was a combination of some existing small leaks and "Grease" leaving his mark on the exhaust. 😊

Honestly, at that moment I was looking at it, it was worth the \$1000 they paid for it. Shoot, I paid \$700 for mine and I've still got a long way to go...

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Bottomend Grease	Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 7:23 pm Post subject:	quote report
Joined: 20 Sep 2003 Posts: 999 Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!	<p>Heres what I think may be the problem....</p> <p>There was an auxillary oil cooler added to the oil system. The hoses used were not up to the quailty level they shouldve been. AND there were no hose clamps on the line. Hlppys, if you are reading this, do you rememeber the conversation about this? I told you guys that we needed to clamp those lines and the vote was cast. I lost. anyway...</p> <p>I think there might be oil comming out of the aux oil cooler lines and snaking it's way into the heat exchangers. There are no heat pipes hooked up to the heat exchangers so, the oil could easily "pour" into them and then... "out the exhaust". Makes sense, right? Lets start there. Also, find the guy that people are recommening and see if he can come out and have a look. did you guys return that screwdriver back to Starbucks? You made need it... (You can call me too.)</p> <p>The more information the better at this point. This is not the time for a muted response.</p>	
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M dn ght Samba Contributor	Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 7:42 pm Post subject:	quote report
 Joined: 14 Sep 2004 Posts: 7 Location: Wisconsin	<p>I'm posting this on this thread too, because if this bus is expected to make it to Illinois on a tight budget, I think AAA is going to be a valuable asset...not to dismiss the current problem by any means...just looking beyond it with optimism.</p> <p>Since this beast may see multiple breakdowns before Illinois, I'd recommend they invest \$50 or so into a AAA membership that'll pay for itself in a hurry.</p> <p>I know the only credit card they have may be a Best Buy card, but maybe a friend on their home front can use a credit card to register them with AAA asap. Membership benefits take effect immediately I believe and include 5 tows in a year at up to 100 miles each (gold membership) among other roadside assistance perks and savings.</p> <p>Wishing the best to all!</p> <p>"Roads stretch out like healthy veins and wild gift horses strain the reigns where even Richard Nixon has got soul." -- Neil Young</p>	
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aerolupus Samba Trainee	Posted: Fri Sep 17, 2004 11:20 pm Post subject:	quote report
Joined: 17 Sep 2004 Posts: 1	<p>Bottomend wrote:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>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.</p> </div> <p>If you feel like spending any time (and possibly money) to enrich your knowledge, I'd suggest the book "Bosch Fuel Injection Systems" (ISBN 1-555-788-365-3, US\$17.95, HPBooks). This goes into full, exhaustive, "Dummies"-level detail on how Bosch fuel injection systems work, and why every individual part is necessary.</p> <p>(Since VW has, as far as I can tell, always used Bosch fuel injection, it makes for an EXCELLENT read. At 135 pages, it looks and reads like an issue of Consumer Reports, with lots of pictures and diagrams -- I especially found the diagram on "how an intermittent fuel injection system determines how quickly and how long to pulse the injectors" very helpful in understanding exactly what's happening in my Vanagon.)</p> <p>Chapters 1, 2, 3, and 5 will apply directly to your understanding of what occurs in that bus; chapter 8 applies to performance modifications which can be made. (really NOT appropriate to this saga, but you never know down the road. 😊)</p>	
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original irish airhead! Samba Contributor	Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 9:31 am Post subject:	quote report

Joined: 15 Sep 2004 Posts: 31	<p>That is a really shit buzz about the guys breaking down! Id say you may be onto something with the oil cooler theory, Bottomend! Personally I would have removed the external cooler altogether and just ran the engine the way it was intended. Thats assuming the original oil cooler is still in the equation as well. I honestly think youve done as much as you could for these guys and I have to say well done for all the work youve done. Maybe its just time for them to cut their losses at this stage and get the bus home (as in public bus as opposed to volkswagen bus). They could sell their van and get another one closer to home. Of course something tells me theyre not going to give up just yet. Best of luck to everyone involved!</p>
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joelleputt Samba Contributor	<div style="text-align: right;">   </div>
	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 2:17 pm Post subject: AAA Membership</p>
Joined: 18 Jun 2004 Posts: 26 Location: Escondido	<p>Because of the cars we drive, i have had AA PLUS membership for almost 15 years. Every member of my family (limit is 18 years as a dependant) is a member. When my son turned 18, I called and joined my DOG, so I would have the five tows times four. I almost always use them all and then some.</p>
	<p>Recently I upgraded to to AAA PREMIER which allows one tow of up to 200 miles per year, per member, AND up to 100 dollars per member to a locksmith.</p>
	<p>Here's the rub: In order to join PLUS you have to be a member for ONE YEAR as a regular member, to get AAA PLUS benefits, the towing up to 100 miles. The Premier Membership will tow you up to 200 miles once a year, but you can't use it for 72 hours after you join, AND you have to have been a member for a year.</p>
	<p>Bummer to be broke doen in Needles. It's hell there. I DO hope they have water.</p>
	<p>3 '71 Deluxe Buses, one of which actually runs '62 Fleetwood '87 Golf</p>
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DurocShark Samba Contributor	<div style="text-align: right;">   </div>
	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 2:23 pm Post subject:</p>
Joined: 05 Apr 2004 Posts: 2125 Location: In the thin air	<p>I'm tempted to call them (I have a cell number for them) and see how they are, but am leary of burning up their minutes (prepaid? dunno) or their battery.</p>
	<p>Has anybody heard from them at all since the original postings?</p>
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aggro_jo Samba Sticker Pimp	<div style="text-align: right;">   </div>
	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 3:02 pm Post subject:</p>
Joined: 03 Jun 2004 Posts: 657 Location: Freeburg, Illinois	<p>Duroc, Call them. for all we know, this could be a bad joke and the boys could be rollin right now.</p>
	<p>Custom Die Cut Vinyl Stickers</p>
	<p>-OGJHC-</p>
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geo1969 Samba Contributor	<div style="text-align: right;">   </div>
Joined: 31 Jan 2004 Posts: 43 Location: manchester, uk	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 3:35 pm Post subject:</p>
	<p>b-end...u did a double-good thing helping the helpless (hapless) hippy guys... i'm sure though, that they will learn the lessons day after day after day... and as the story of the 'green dream' fades and passes into samba folklore, u can be happy knowing that u did more than your bit to help your fellow man... as for the guy who sold the bus using word magic... well he played his part too... without sneaky fxxers like him, u wouldn't have been blessed with the opportunity to shine like u did...</p>
	<p>412 variant daily passenger, '71 campmobile weekend trips... by the way, did i tell u i don't drive?!!!</p>
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<p>DurocShark Samba Contributor</p>  <p>Joined: 05 Apr 2004 Posts: 2125 Location: In the thin air</p>	<p>profile pm gallery ads</p> <p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 3:50 pm Post subject:</p> <p>aggro_jo wrote:</p> <p>Duroc, Call them. for all we know, this could be a bad joke and the boys could be rollin right now.</p> <p>Ok, let me make a pit stop and I'll call.</p> <hr/> <p>73 High Top 71 Deluxe 84 Volvo 244GL 70 Chevrolegs</p>
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<p>DurocShark Samba Contributor</p>  <p>Joined: 05 Apr 2004 Posts: 2125 Location: In the thin air</p>	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 3:56 pm Post subject:</p> <p>Ok, I just called. It rolled straight into Leader's voice mail.</p> <hr/> <p>73 High Top 71 Deluxe 84 Volvo 244GL 70 Chevrolegs</p>
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<p>joelleputtputt Samba Contributor</p>  <p>Joined: 18 Jun 2004 Posts: 26 Location: Escondido</p>	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 4:20 pm Post subject:</p> <p>can't help but thinking of that Three Dog Night song, Never been to Spain, and the stanza:</p> <p>Well I never been to England But I kinda like the Beatles Well, I headed for Las Vegas Only made it out to Needles ☹ Can you feel it It must be real it Feels so good Oh, feels so good</p> <hr/> <p>3 '71 Deluxe Buses, one of which actually runs '62 Fleetwood '87 Golf</p>
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<p>livinalive Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 17 Sep 2004 Posts: 12</p>	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 5:00 pm Post subject: we still need help desperately!!!!!!!!!!</p> <p>hello everyone. we are right now in Amarillo, TX. so i didn't have time yesterday to stay at the library (they only give you 1 hour) to post replies and stuff, but now we are sitting in Schlotzsky's Deli where they have the internet for free. i think we're going to be chilling here for at least an hour so any help would be much appreciated. so here's the problem:</p> <p>the oil seems to be seeping out of the exhaust, but we can't really pinpoint the exact location because the exhaust system is wrapped in some sort of nylon strap. we're not sure why this is, but we have not messed with it thus far. there is no leaking anywhere, just lots of oil being blown. there is also no oil coming out of the tailpipe. the engine is not really overheating at all if that helps narrow down any possibilities. so like we said we are averaging a loss of roughly 1 to 1.5 quarts of oil per 75 miles.</p> <p>we are also experiencing some severe loss of power going up inclines. we have dropped down to as far as 35 mph on some really steep hills. most of those hills are now far behind us, but their is still a definite sense of low power in the overall performance of this green beast. we're not sure if this ties in with the oil situation, but we thought we would at least mention it.</p>

other than that, the engine itself seems to be running really really good. that's always encouraging.

so thank you all so so very much for your help. we are driving through the nights so we will be chilling here at this computer for another hour or so.

shalom, livinalive

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