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<b>swervyjoe</b> Samba Contributor  Joined: 27 Feb 2004 Posts: 403 Location: near charleston, sc	<p>Posted: Mon Sep 20, 2004 10:59 pm Post subject: Re: There is more to the story!</p> <p><b>WestyNut wrote:</b></p> <p>They had no money and no time - they were leaving soon for a conference in South Carolina.</p> <p>whats going on in SC?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>joe</p> <p>'65 VW Campmobile by Sportswagen Conversions (Sportsmobile)</p> <p>its not rat-look, its original</p> <p><i>ain't got no worries 'cause i ain't in no hurry</i></p> <p><a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a></p>
<b>earthmuffin</b> Samba Contributor  Joined: 24 Sep 2003 Posts: 1519 Location: Where the view is long in Washington !!!	<p>Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 12:13 am Post subject:</p> <p>Yet another good samaritan comes to the rescue!!!            Glad to hear that they made it in one leaky piece.            I'll have to go check, but I think 15 lbs in one cylinder is bad. LOL</p> <p>Anyone ever wonder how many hippies are just out wandering around the U.S. with little or no money in a barely functioning VW bus?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Usdisdwhat royallyt pissed Brad the cufusk off !!!!</p> <p><a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a></p>
<b>WestyNut</b> Samba Trainee Joined: 20 Sep 2004 Posts: 2 Location: Bloomington, IL	<p>Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 3:52 am Post subject: Re: There is more to the story!</p> <p><b>swervyjoe wrote:</b></p> <p><b>WestyNut wrote:</b></p> <p>They had no money and no time - they were leaving soon for a conference in South Carolina.</p> <p>whats going on in SC?</p> <p>They were getting together with a dozen or so friends who had the same religeous beliefs.</p> <p><a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a></p>
<b>Devon-Dyno-Soar118</b> Samba Contributor  Joined: 30 Aug 2004 Posts: 250 Location: Devon UK	<p>Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 4:12 am Post subject:</p> <p>Well done to AIRS and the Illinois boys for helping again. I agree about the learning experience- my 72 taught me a lot about VW's, like how the heads crack, how most modern garages rip you off and that you will need a bag of money at times!</p> <p>The distance they have covered on 3 cylinders is incredible, the UK is so small that these type of epics are totally alien to us. There's so little space you are never far from a town or garage. You never have to worry about being stuck in the middle of nowhere with no water (it rains so much you can just catch some!) and we have no deserts. This has reminded me of those old westerns with the wagon train limping in from the wilderness, dying of disease</p> <p><a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a></p>

and stuck full of arrows! Lets hope they post us a reply to tell the rest of the story.

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**DurocShark**  
Samba Contributor



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

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 5:11 am Post subject:

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I am so happy to hear they're home!!!!

Granted, they're already planning their next adventure, but that's what it's all about!

WooHOOOOOO!!!!

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**Randy in Maine**  
Samba Contributor



Joined: 03 Aug 2003  
Posts: 4277  
Location: The Beach

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 5:26 am Post subject:

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What a long strange trip it's been.

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**original irish airhead!**  
Samba Contributor

Joined: 15 Sep 2004  
Posts: 31

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 7:39 am Post subject:

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Thats excellent news that they made it home! Im thinking they need a new engine though. That one sounds knackered. If I was in that situation, Id be probably going for a 1600cc upright carburetted engine. Much more dependable and cheaper to get parts for. I know cause thats what Im running. Anyhow, fuel injected engines over here are as common as rocking horse shit!

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**thelastliberal**  
Samba Contributor



Joined: 01 Jul 2004  
Posts: 15  
Location: Independence, Missouri

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 8:10 am Post subject:

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**keifernet wrote:**

and there's more but I'm sure everyone over the age of at least 35 remembers the song "Uneasy Rider"

"He's a friend of them long haired, hippy type, pinko f\*gs!

I betchya he's even got a commie flag tacked up on the wall inside of his garage."

And I'm only 28. lol

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1973 Transporter  
--Do not separate the life you live from the words you speak....Sen. Paul Wellstone--

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**JavaJoe**  
Samba Contributor



Joined: 13 Sep 2004  
Posts: 12  
Location: Chicago

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 9:37 am Post subject:

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**DurocShark wrote:**

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WooHOOOOOO!!!!

Is that what they call 'Life Balance'. Balancing being stranded on the west coast for two weeks with being stranded on the east coast for two weeks?

More power too 'em. They're like little kids that aren't paralyzed by the fear and conservatism commonly found in grown-ups. That's probably not a bad thing, particularly for an air cooled VW owner. Half the people reading this would chastise them and their plans if not for the repressed jealousy of living vicariously and care-free.

Good times.

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**keifernet**

Samba Search & Rescue



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

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 9:50 am Post subject:



**thelastliberal wrote:**

**keifernet wrote:**

and there's more but I'm sure everyone over the age of at least 35 remembers the song "Uneasy Rider"

"He's a friend of them long haired, hippy type, pinko f\*gs!  
I betchya he's even got a commie flag  
tacked up on the wall inside of his garage."

And I'm only 28. lol

I remember as a kid(early 70's) thinking it was another artist doing this song??? But I guess it was CD band all along...

**Quote:**

**THE UNEASY RIDER**  
Charlie Daniels

**SPOKEN:**

[C] I was takin' a trip out to L.A.  
[F] Toolin' along in my Chevrolet  
[G7] Tokin' on a number and diggin' on the radi-[C] o ...  
[C] Just as I crossed the Mississippi line  
[F] I heard that highway start to whine  
[G7] And I knew that left rear tire was about to [C] go.

Well, the spare was flat and I got uptight  
'Cause there wasn't a fillin' station in sight  
So I just limped on down the shoulder on the rim  
I went as far as I could and when I stopped the car  
It was right in front of this little bar  
Kind of redneck lookin' joint, called the Dew Drop Inn.

Well, I stuffed my hair up under my hat  
And told the bartender that I had a flat  
And would he be kind enough to give me change for a one  
There was one thing I was sure proud to see  
There wasn't a soul in the place, 'cept for him and me  
And he just looked disgusted and pointed toward the telephone.

I called up the station down the road a ways  
And he said he wasn't very busy today  
And he could have somebody there in just 'bout ten minutes or so  
He said now you just stay right where you're at  
And I didn't bother tellin' the durn fool  
I sure as hell didn't have anyplace else to go.

I just ordered up a beer and sat down at the bar  
When some guy walked in and said; "Who owns this car?  
With the peace sign, the mag wheels and four on the floor?"  
Well, he looked at me and I damn near died  
And I decided that I'd just wait outside  
So I layed a dollar on the bar and headed for the door.

Just when I thought I'd get outta there with my skin  
These five big dudes come strollin' in  
With this one old drunk chick and some fella with green teeth  
And I was almost to the door when the biggest one  
Said; "You tip your hat to this lady, son."  
And when I did all that hair fell out from underneath.

Now the last thing I wanted was to get into a fight  
 In Jackson, Mississippi on a Saturday night  
 'Specially when there was three of them and only one of me  
 They all started laughin' and I felt kinda sick  
 And I knew I'd better think of somethin' pretty quick  
 So I just reached out and kicked old green-teeth right in the knee.

He let out a yell that'd curl your hair  
 But before he could move, I grabbed me a chair  
 And said; "Watch him folks, 'cause he's a thouroughly dangerous man."  
 "Well, you may not know it, but this man's a spy  
 He's an undercover agent for the FBI  
 And he's been sent down here to infiltrate the Ku Klux Klan."

He was still bent over, holdin' on to his knee  
 But everyone else was lookin' and listenin' to me  
 And I layed it on thicker and heavier as I went  
 I said; "Would you beleive this man has gone as far  
 As tearin' Wallace stickers off the bumpers of cars  
 And he voted for George McGovern for president."

"He's a friend of them long-haired, hippie type, pinko bleep  
 I betcha he's even got a Commie flag  
 Tacked up on the wall, inside of his garage  
 He's a snake in the grass, I tell ya guys  
 He may look dumb, but that's just a disguise  
 He's a mastermind in the ways of espionage."

They all started lookin' real suspicious at him  
 And he jumped up an' said; "Now, just wait a minute, Jim  
 You know he's lyin' I've been livin' here all of my life."  
 "I'm a faithfull follower of Brother John Birch  
 And I belong to the Antioch Baptist Church  
 And I ain't even got a garage, you can call home and ask my wife."

Then he started sayin' somethin' 'bout the way I was dressed  
 But I didn't wait around to hear the rest  
 I was too busy movin' and hopin' I didn't run outta luck  
 And when I hit the ground, I was makin' tracks  
 And they were just takin' my car down off the jacks  
 So I threw the man a twenty an' jumped in an' fired that mother up.

Mario Andretti woulda sure been proud  
 Of the way I was movin' when I passed that crowd  
 Comin' out the door and headin' toward me in a trot  
 And I guess I should-a gone ahead and run  
 But somehow I couldn't resist the fun  
 Of chasin' them all just once around the parkin' lot.

Well, they're headin' for their car, but I hit the gas  
 And spun around and headed them off at the pass  
 I was slingin' gravel and puttin' a ton of dust in the air  
 Ha Ha, well, I had 'em all out there steppin' and fetchin'  
 Like their heads were on fire and their asses was catchin'  
 But I figured I oughta go ahead an split before the cops got there.

When I hit the road I was really wheelin'  
 Had gravel flyin' and rubber squeelin'  
 And I didn't slow down 'til I was almost to Arkansas  
 Well, I think I'm gonna re-route my trip  
 I wonder if anybody'd think I'd flipped  
 If I went to L.A. - via Omaha.

OG JHC TX Chapter

"All politicians are puppets, WE the PEOPLE need to pull the strings better..."

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**Bottomend**  
 Grease

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 11:30 am Post subject:



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

<<So I would not begrudge them of their dream and their chance for adventure. It may be painful and expensive  
 and troublesome, but it will also create lifelong memories and may even make halfway decent mechanics of them.  
 >>

And dont forget... it made a terriffic story too!

I'm sorry, but I had to laugh about the oil filler cap. Here we are, all of us trying to decipher all kinds of complicated  
 mechanical things that might have happened since they left Hollywood, and it ended up being the bsolute most  
 simple part on the whole car!!!! I guess I just forget that in thier hearts, these guys are HIPYPYS (!)... DUHHH!!!! I

should've known to ask them about the OIL FILLER CAP!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Leaving it off is SUCH a Hippys thing to do.

I'm truly embarrassed I didn't think of it....

Westynut, thanks for stepping in and helping. I put those type of sparkplugs in because they were the only ones we could find at the local AutoBone at the moment we needed 'em. We actually went through two sets. The first ones had the little screw on thing that WOULD'N'T COME OFF!!!!!!!!!! That required yet another return trip to the store AND more money! ( Hippys dont save reciepts...no exchanges sir)

I'm almost glad I didn't have time to do a compression check after seeing those numbers. For those of you riding surfboards ( we've got viewers from a surf club who've joined us) let me put it into perspective for you....

15 lbs in the #1 cylinder is like trying to fend off a shark attack by using only your good natured thoughts to paddle your board in the opposite direction. Or in other words... You're bassically doomed.

For you geeky 'puter guys following this story; rememeber the Abacus? 'nuff said.

Westynut, I'm glad they got the chance to see another engine in a semi dissassembled state. I actually have one sitting in my room that I was showing them. I always got the feeling that it is was a little confusing to them when I would try to equate the problems THEY were haveing with thier bus by using MY spare engine as an example. I just think it never sank in that they had THE SAME ENGINE sitting in the rear of THIER bus.

It all became clear the day Residue responded to Mondo (the AutoBone worker) who had just deemed the bus a piece of crap..." This is a great bus! It just doesn't run good!"

These guys had an epic sense of hopfullness that should be an example to all. Yes, they were deluded in thier expectations of what this bus would accoplish in it's current condition but I was the same way. After only a few hours of bus ownership, driving from Sacramento to LA I was planning all sorts of trips and excursions... (little did I know.)

It must be something about the buzzing and the humming and the rolling and the bouncing that makes driving a bus a DIFFERENT kind of experience.

For those of you who ride motorcycles, please tell me that it's not a dissimilar experience...PLEASE!!!!? Getting on a bike just FEELS like an adventure...everytime you ride. I think that sensation has less to do with the 'wind in your face" stuff than it does with the sounds/sensations comming from beneath you. You can FEEL the engine. All those things spinning, moving and trying SOOO hard to propel you. A VW bus is the same way. (Probably has a lot to do with the terrible aerodynamics too! push, push.....PUSH!)

I personally learned alot about alot of things when I built my engine ( and I'm NOT talking about mechanics here).

I learned how to be exacting when and where it really mattered.

I learned about being patient and not letting an obstacle overcome me.

I learned how to listen and read an unfamiliar language.

I learned about the environment and how I can help to improve it.

I learned about resposibility. ( pay money for parts?...they better be installed correctly ...or else!)

If the Hippys take the inititive to start working on thier bus, they'll reap big rewards that will allow them to communicate, understand and help thier fellow man better than they ever could imagine. They've already got a good start....

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**steve74baywin**  
Samba Contributor

Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 11:39 am Post subject:



Speaking of the Hippy's, they haven't gotten on here since they got home, I bet there still sleeping.

Steve

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**leftcoaster**  
Samba Contributor


Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 12:53 pm Post subject: Re: There is more to the story!



**WestyNut wrote:**

They were getting together with a dozen or so friends who had the same religeous beliefs.

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<b>Bottomend</b> Grease	Posted: Tue Sep 21, 2004 2:15 pm Post subject:	<a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a>			
Joined: 20 Sep 2003 Posts: 999 Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!	Due to thier lack of understanding concerning the use of tools/machinery, I would say they're definatly Amish.				
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<b>69doublecab</b> Samba Contributor	Posted: Wed Sep 22, 2004 1:05 am Post subject:	<a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a>			
Joined: 28 Mar 2004 Posts: 174 Location: Cedar Falls, Iowa	<p>bottomend:</p> <p>From my observations of the Amish around northeast Iowa, they are some of the most intelligent, mechanically capable, and sublimely intelligent people I've ever met.</p> <p>They are now taking over the construction/ remodelling business in our town.</p> <p>During the day they use all the state of the art power tools; at 5 o'clock they put their cell phones on the charger, get in a giant van, and some local (non-Amish) hauls them home to their farm, where they again change from English to German language.</p> <p>No, the hippie boys are more like some characters from a movie.... Hey, that's what we were talking about earlier, right?</p> <p>Any word from Illinois, yet? Hell, they've probably got the heads at the machinist's already, right?</p> <p>AI</p> <p>69 doublecab</p>				
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<b>nemobuscaptain</b> Samba Contributor	Posted: Wed Sep 22, 2004 3:12 am Post subject:	<a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a>			
	AI? The famous AI Br.? Good to hear from you. Haven't seen you on the type2.com list for a while. This guy is an excellent resource, folks.				
Joined: 07 Mar 2002 Posts: 339	>Leader and they enthusiastically agreed to do the work themselves. ...				
>You will notice that I am not being very hard on them for wanting to fix the bus and continue their trip. They are so unknowing of all of the dire possibilities that the bus could bring that I cringe thinking about it. But I have thought back to 1969 when a longhaired hippy loaded his girlfriend and some camping supplies into a 1963 Kombi and took off for Virginia Beach. ...					
Yeah, we've all been there brother. I've rebuilt a few engines in my time, but started out literally not being able to check my oil. And I have to admit that I have left the oil fill cap off and failed to tighten the oil plug enough.					
But Muir, Bentley, Haynes, a few local friends that know cars, and the internet lists have gotten me through it all.					
Leader says he'll fix it, and I'm sure he will. He sounds dedicated enough. Just read Muir twice or three times before doing each step. And call a friend to help if you can.					
Leader, you may want to subscribe to the ohiovalleytribe yahoo group and the Full Moon Bus Club (fullmoonbusclub.com) prior to starting your trip to SC. Between the two, you won't be too far from a bus club member.					
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<b>greggholmes</b> Samba Contributor	Posted: Wed Sep 22, 2004 10:22 am Post subject:	<a href="#">quote</a> <a href="#">report</a>			
	<p><b>69doublecab wrote:</b></p> <p>bottomend:          From my observations of the Amish around northeast Iowa, they are some of the most intelligent, mechanically capable, and sublimely intelligent people I've ever met.</p>				

<p>Joined: 10 Dec 2003 Posts: 100 Location: El Camano St., Camano Island, Wa.</p>	<p>correct me if I'm wrong but wasn't it an Amish woman that invented the circular saw?</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: Wed Sep 22, 2004 11:00 am   Post subject:</p> <p>Dont worry 'yall, I'm not anti Amish! Where I'm from, there is a sect of religous people ( The Shakers) who live very much like the Amish. Thier mechanical skills are unparalled. Simple chairs and stools are being sold for thousands and thousands of dollars!</p> <p>I was simply playing on the stereo type that Amish people only use hand tools and drive a horse buggy. I repent.</p>
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<p><b>geo1969</b> Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 31 Jan 2004 Posts: 43 Location: manchester, uk</p>	<p>Posted: Fri Sep 24, 2004 3:34 am   Post subject:</p> <p>whats happened to the thread? kick over to page 2? i dont think so!!! been away for a cross country epic journey for the last few days... (epic journey in uk is 150+ miles round trip!!!) we need posts from the hippy guys in the 'green dream machine'... come on guys, by keeping the thread alive, people are learning stuff day by day... it's like a techy soap opera.</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><b>DeathBus</b> Samba Contributor</p>  <p>Joined: 26 Apr 2004 Posts: 934 Location: My Very Own SPIDER HOLE!!</p>	<p>Posted: Fri Sep 24, 2004 6:03 am   Post subject:</p> <p>They made it home, thats what they were after, no use for the thread anymore, I say this thread is done.</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><b>BugBiteI</b> wrote: Your all a bunch of MotherF**kers</p>
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