MVVC Quarterly Newsletter

2017 Second Quarter

It's Festival Time!

Hello to all our MVVC fellow members. I am Very excited to tell you about this years MVVC Festival. It is our 30th annual festival with the theme this year of "From Patina to Polish". I want everyone to feel welcome at this years event. From the 50,000 dollar show car to the 50.00 barn find. I feel this year is going to be the most inclusive year we have ever had. You will see some new features to our event.

We are proud to announce that Saturdays racing event is at a new location **Ypsilanti High School (corner of Packard and N. Hewitt)**. It will be happen-



ing at the Ypsilanti High school parking lot which is much more accommodating with less expensive things to hit into (not that anyone ever hit anything anyway, think less pucker factor of a looming jet airplane filling up your windshield). It will be starting much later in the day (noon) so you can enjoy some breakfast and not rush to the event. We will now meet at the Ypsilanti High School (corner of Packard and N. Hewitt) instead of at the park. The new location will bring with it a course that is much larger than we are used to. I feel with all of you that have tasted the wonderful adrenaline from the simple slalom you are now ready to drink in the wonderful nirvana that is a full cone course. This in my humble opinion is pretty much as much fun as one can have in a car period. We will all have ample time to enjoy and learn the course. You may notice we will be joined with other rear engined cars, such as Porsche's and even the Corvair club will be in attendance. I would ask that all that come be kind to our guests. Ally will be in attendance and trying to make a respectable time for our preferred Mark. I'm sure there are others out there with some truly Hot VW's that will also be a fine representation of the mark. I will make note that dune buggies do very well in this sort of thing as do our sporty KG contingent. Mind you that this is all for fun and learning your cars limits. Few things in life are as fun as watching a 40hp bus feeling its way around the course. Don't feel that you need anything more than a stock car for this fun. Around 5pm we will all have a nice cruise to the host hotel (Comfort Inn 2376 Carpenter Road US 23 & Washtenaw Ave. Ann Arbor, MI 48108) where we will have a Pizza party sponsored by none other than Domino's Pizza! (Remember that a VW Bug had a very important role to play in the history of Domino's and you can read up on that story online). We will also have some VW centric movies playing such as the new Bug movie as well as old favorites such as the Herbie Movies. Fun will of course be had by all.

Sunday of course is the day of the main show. Instead of the Pass and review, we have decided instead to try something new. At around 11am'ish we will round up all the cars we can and will have a nice cruise through downtown Ypsilanti. I see lots of honking and general VW goodness happening. There will (as always) be tons of swap meet goodness to be had at the show. This year we have invited our cousins from the Porsche club to have their Air cooled cars at the show. We will have food vendors at the event ready to serve your needs. We will have our DJ at the event to add a nice sound track to the day. As a club we have decided to rent a trash dumpster which will aid in us cleaning up after the show ends. We are in need of a few volunteers to help the hired "employees" IE Boy Scouts, for the front gate and the rear gate and the tent (please contact Wayne Burling). Speaking of tents the club will be selling our old large tent if you are looking for one let Wayne know. We will have it set up at the show with a for sale sign on it. If anyone wishes to have an engine on a stand to play with and run we fully support that. Also If you are an artist or art lover who wishes to share / sell their VW themed art you are welcome to display them at no charge but you will need an easel or some sort of table and a way to secure the artwork (I recommend a tent for shade as well). If you have something VW themed and cool, Bring it. VW race cars are all welcome. VW based kit cars are welcome. All VW's all years are welcome, so yes; mom can show off her new bug if she wishes!

So get your car fixed or ready to trailer to the show. Gather up all your unwanted parts to swap for gold. Get off your duff because the VW's are coming to town! I myself am working feverishly to get ready for the event. I'll even have some new rear tires this year to break in (I have no Idea why they wore so much faster than the fronts!.

See you at the show.

Dan Pierce VP MVVC



Prez Sez!

The Ramblings of Your MVVC President-H. Neil Reichard

Welcome to the summer driving and show season. It has been a long time coming, but it is finally here! May is just around the corner, and with it our Annual Festival at Riverside Park in Ypsilanti on the 20th and 21st.

Prior to the Festival, we have a Vintage VW Dust it off, Fire it up and Hit the Road Technical session at Munk's Motors in Waterford at 10:00 am on May 6, followed immediately by a Membership Meeting at Aubree's in Depot Town on May 7. Aubree's is at 39 E Cross St, Ypsilanti, MI. This meeting will be to discuss the upcoming events, and present an update on what plans have already been made for this year's Festival. We will meet at 2:00in the upstairs area where we have met before. We hope to see you there. Wayne Burling and Dan Pierce have again teamed up to Co-Chair our Festival. Please come to this meeting to keep abreast of our planning and express your views. We will be looking for your support again this year.

We have significantly changed the scope of our Club by adding water-cooled VW's and expanding the air-cooled category to include race cars, drag cars, kit cars, dune buggies, trikes and rat-rods for example. Even with this expansion we did not find and attract a lot of new members. We should try to do better.

We have updated our flier for prospective members, including an application form. Please review and take several of these when you are at the May meeting at Aubree's, and distribute them to potential new members.

Car Clubs are also People Clubs. Many times, the car is remembered long before the people. Through Club functions, a reasonable tie-in results, so that "Herbie" and Andersons or "Ally" and Pierces become natural combinations. Toward this end, I am also asking all members to find their name-tags and wear them to all Club functions this year. That way we can associate names and faces and cars to assist in the learning process.

New members should be encouraged to seek members with name-tags and introduce themselves and vice-versa. We will recognize and introduce any new members in each newsletter (see below).

I would like us to make an effort to find and bring new people into our Club in 2017 and to have fun. Looking forward to an enjoyable year with our Volkswagens!

These are the events that we have currently been advised of. If you have any other events please send to events@mvvc.net.

Green events are MVVC Sanctioned events.

05/06/2017	Blessing of the Bugs, Grand Blanc, MI
05/06/2017	Vintage VW Dust it off, Fire it up, & hit the Road
05/07/2017	Membership meeting to discuss the 2017 Festival and other up coming events
05/20/2017	Slalom Event
05/21/2017	Michigan Vintage Volkswagen Festival
06/02/2017	Volktoberfest 2017 Mid America Motorworks Fun Fest for Air Cooled VWs (June 2, 3, & 4)
08/17/2017	Back to the Bricks Car Cruise/Rollhaven
08/19/23017	Woodward Dream Cruise

Please Welcome our newest Members

Ned and Connie
Wayne
Worosz
Reese
Cherry
Eva
McGuire
John
Tucker
Kenneth
Grundberg
Ann
Groth

The MVVC Newsletter Needs YOUR STORIES!

We publish this quarterly newsletter for you. If you have an interesting, technical or simply entertaining story about your vintage VW, PLEASE consider submitting your article to the Newsletter! Also, if you have photos of any recent MVVC events or members, those are appreciated as well! Don't expect the board members to come up with articles for the newsletter.

Remember the Newsletter is written FOR you and BY YOU!

Next Newsletter Deadline is July 31, 2017.

Check out our club store



Get your Hoodie with the club logo on the back. They are \$30.00 each and we have sizes M - XL.

You can also purchase a club t-shirt for \$15.00.



We also have limited quantities of Official Licenced VW t-shirts for \$8.00 each.

Sizes are: **Dark:** Small , Medium , XL



<u>Light:</u> Small , Large , XL , 2X



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