



MVVC Quarterly Newsletter

2018 2nd Quarter



Prez Sez!

The ramblings of Your MVVC President - Dan Pierce

And so it begins.... The 2018 car show season is upon us. We have a lot going on this year so I recommend you keep an eye on our schedule of events to keep up on all the latest information. I hope that everyone can make it to this years Beach themed MVVC Festival. We will have Hula Dancers, and an art show, a cruise and a beach themed photo opp for your car complete with 2 palm trees!

For the Saturday slow slalom event this year we were able to find a small parking lot right in Depot Town for our usage (thats the good news). The Challenge this year is it is indeed a small parking lot. Still it will be fun and a much tighter / slower course than the mongo/ crazy fast track we were blessed with last year. I would urge you to visit this fun event no matter what kind of VW you have. It is always interesting to see how well the stock cars do and how much fun first timers have. You own a Porsche designed race car you just didn't know it. Speaking of the sporty set as with last year our Corvair and Porsche friends are invited to join us. We just ask that you are a member of the club or Join the club that day. Afterwards we will have a nice cruise to the Club hotel and have a nice Pizza and movie party. The club hotel is Staybridge Suites Ann Arbor 3850 Research Park Drive Ann Arbor Michigan 48108. You do not have to be at the races to enjoy the Pizza Party which should be 5pm'ish.

Some other new and interesting events to keep an eye on is the Bavarian Festival Street party in Frankenmuth on 6/8/2018. This is a bit different than past years in that the event is happening right on Main St in front of Zehnders Resturant. The owner of Zehnders (Al Zehnder) contacted the club asking for us to bring as many Vintage German cars to his event. The road will be closed at 4pm and we will all park right on main street in front of the resturant. All car drivers (not passengers) will receive a free Zehnders Chicken dinner (winner winner)!! It should be one heck of a party going all the way till dark when they will have fireworks. There will be live bands, food, all kinds of beverages. It should be a lot of fun for the whole family. Yes it is a Friday. At around 6pm I will hand out the vouchers to the car owners that show up.

All "vintage" (so lets say 1993)... German marks are invited.

Another cool new event this year is the VIntage Volkswagens on the Hill to be held at Waterford Raceway

4770 Waterford Road, Clarkston, MI 48346

This should be a lot of fun. You still need to pay to get in but you get to park your car at the top of the hill

near the crazy fun to watch S turns. At lunch time for a small fee you will be able to drive your car on the track for parade laps. This is much more fun than it sounds and you can actually get quite a brisk pace if done correctly!

So release the BUGS!!! Get out there and enjoy the little beasties while you can. For soon we will have to put them back away blech.



Festival Information

May 19-20, 2018

Life's a Beach, Just Bug Out

Slalom Course, Saturday, May 19, at the Maple St. parking lot
across the tracks from the Freight Station in Depot Town
(new location)

Festival Sunday May 20, Riverside Park, Ypsilanti, MI

Check out our Festival page for more information at:

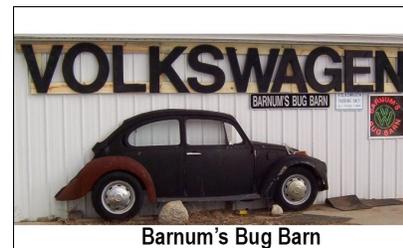
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Events Update 2018

By Merritt Scott Collins



Greetings, all.

On April 8th the MVVC gathered for a tech session at Munk's Motors.

Longtime VW enthusiast Jason Clarke talked about the golden age of VW drag racing in the UK and showed photos from his personal collection.

During lunch, Pete Novak gave a presentation about fasteners -- how not break your bolts. Meanwhile, Munk and tech Larry Langdon worked on a

Bug motor that hadn't run in 25 years. There's a video of it on Facebook, and yes, Chris and Larry were able to get it running. Cars sure don't come with motors like that anymore!

We also had the annual membership meeting April 22nd at Aubree's in Ypsilanti. The Washtenaw County Convention and Visitors Bureau provided pizza and salad lunch while Dan Pierce and Wayne Burling outlined this year's Festival and other plans for the club this year.

There are some first-time events on this summer's calendar:

- **May 19 - 20 Michigan Vintage Volkswagen Festival in Ypsilanti.**
- **Classic Car Nights at Meadowbrook: Tailgate in the 'classics' section of the lot beforehand, and let security keep an eye on your car while you enjoy the evening's performance.**
- **June 8: German car show & chicken dinner. To kick off the 60th Annual Bavarian Festival, from 4 to 10 pm Zehnder's will line up vintage German cars in front of the restaurant, and the town of Frankenmuth will give one free Zehnder's chicken dinner per car.**

August 12: Vintage VWs on the Hill at Waterford Hills. Watch an exciting day of racing, then drive parade laps on the track in your own car at lunchtime.

Mark your calendars now for these cruises and VW-friendly events:

- **May 23-25, Buses by the Beach Bus Benefit Campout, West Olive, MI**
- **June 1-3, Midwest VW Jamboree, Hudson MI**
- **June 1-2, Mount Clemens Cruise Info**
- **June 2, VW Bus Invasion! (Bring your own Bus!) Mears, MI**
- **June 9, Northern Mitt VDub Club 6th Annual Blessing of the Bugs, Manistee**
- **June 9-10, Peacefest at LA Café**
- **June 15, Mid America Motorworks Fun Fest for Air Cooled VWs, Effingham, IL**
- **June 16, Cruisin' Gratiot Eastpointe**
- **June 30, Downriver Dream Cruise**

- July 28, Telegraph Cruise
- July 29, US-131 Bug Run
- August 4, Waterford Classic Car Show
- August 5, Clinton Twp Gratiot Cruise
- August 5, Troy Traffic Jam Car Show
- August 16, Back to the Bricks
- August 26, Cruisin' Hines

See mvvc.net/events for details on these; the big annual car shows; and other upcoming cruises, As always, please let me know at merritt@mvvc.net if you hear of any events that might be of interest to other club members.

Summer is here !

Well kinda. Anyway you now want to run out to the garage and jump in your sleeping VW and hit the roads for adventure! But Before you rush off how about we check a few things.

- Is your fan belt tightened correctly?
- Do any of your fuel lines look crispy or wet?
- Have you checked your oil level and condition (should look like honey)?
- Have you set your valves?
- Have you checked your timing?
- Have you checked your brake fluid level and condition (should be pretty clear).
- Have you checked the date on your fire extinguisher that you of course keep in the vehicle?
(anything over 5 years old is suspect, ask me how I know..)
- Does the brake pedal feel good or should the brakes be adjusted?
- Have you Checked the operation of all lamps, turn signals and such
- Is your registration and insurance up to date?

When you are all set and feel confident of all the above start the little beastly up and let everything warm up nicely. I usually like to turn the engine over a bit with the coil wire off to prime the oiling system. Once warmed up lets ease it out and take it easy... not assuming that the brakes are working properly. After a few miles if everything feels good you are then ready to enjoy VW ownership. If not You are now also ready to enjoy VW ownership maintenance and repair.

Everyone have a great time out there and be careful.

Dan Pierce MVVC President.

Welcome to our newest members:

Randy and Amy Craig

Pat Delaney

Claudia Hambleton

Robert McGee

Jerri & Doug Munn

Kristen Nardi

Keith Simecek

Brian & Jill Walker

Neal Miller

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 \$35.00 for 2XL or 3XL.



You can also purchase a club t-shirt for \$12.00 sizes S - XL \$15.00 for 2XL or 3XL



Club carry - all bag with full color club logo. \$5.00

New this year Club hats.

These are embroidered with a version of the club logo.

\$25.00



Follow this link to get to the Store.

<http://www.mvvc.net/onlinestore/catalog>



The MVVC is a Chapter of the Vintage Volkswagen Club of America (VWCA). Members are encouraged to also join and support the VWCA. Membership is separate from the MVVC membership.

Applications for the national club may be found at : www.vwca.com.

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The MVVC Newsletter Needs YOUR STORIES!

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! Remember the Newsletter is written FOR you and BY YOU!

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