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# THE OFFICIAL VOLKSWAGEN OWNER'S CLUB MAGAZINE

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After an action packed 9 days in LA, the VW gang of six headed for Germany – home of VW – yeah ! to take part in some of the VW activities that were to be held there in late June. The two big events on the calendar were the Hessisch Oldendorf vintage VW meet, which is held once every 4 years, and the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of the founding of the town of Wolfsburg ( and the VW factory ! ) which is only held once in 75 years !! Prior to those events though there was some time to kill so that was spent by visiting the factories and museums of other lesser known makes such as Porsche, Mercedes, BMW, Audi ... even DAF ( who ? ) , as well as some technical museums that covered all forms of transport from a real live Concorde aeroplane ( you can walk thru it ! ), a Russian Space Shuttle, a German U-boat, and for us VW enthusiasts a few VW Kuebels and Schwimmwagens ! Anyway, onto the real things !



Hessisch Oldendorf is a small village in north west Germany and every fourth year the village turns itself upside down and puts on a vintage VW weekend like no other! One of its citizens is a real keen VW enthusiast and has a private collection/museum like no other. He mobilizes the whole village to take part and all the shops in the village display some VW related piece in their shop window, be it a poster, or some models or even some parts... a nice touch ! The campground opens the Wednesday before and the punters start arriving shortly thereafter. By Friday evening the centre of the village is already buzzing with people and is closed to all traffic other than the VW cars that are to be displayed in the show ... basically VW cars made before 1958 and VW Kombis up to 1967, plus any Karmann Ghia. In addition there are also dealer stands, beer and food stands and a large swapmeet area

Come Saturday morning and things are soon underway. There are about 750 display vehicles parked in the village square and up and down all the cobbled side roads off it, with the ancient half timbered houses providing a nice backdrop. The weather is perfect and the crowds are rolling in, the beer starts flowing pretty quickly and the oompah band soon puts everybody in a good mood ! There is so much to see, where do you start ?! The VW factory put on a display of some very nicely restored beetles and Kombis... the VW Commercial division have an off-shoot called "oldtimers" which is dedicated to the restoration of VW Kombis, not just for the factory but also for private customers, and some of their handiwork was on display here. Wander up one street and see some nice Kombis, round the corner and there is a street full of ovals, and round the next corner a street full of Hebmuellers and Karmann convertibles, another street and it's full of Kuebels and schwimmwagens etc etc. One thing soon becomes apparent... nothing is rare ... Barn door Kombis everywhere, Hebmuller convertibles in all colours, Split beetles? Yeah, even ones made in the 40's ! OK, some things were still rare....the 4 door Beetle taxi, the 4 door Beetle Police car, the prewar Beetle prototypes and the T34 KG convertible being good examples! Not to forget the pristine Porsche 924 sportscar that the owner had re-powered with a type 1 beetle motor in the boot and a beetle fuel tank in the front where it should be !!



Time to sit down with the other Kiwis and have a beer ! ... then it's off to the swapmeet area to see what bargains can be had ! Well, bargains might be stretching it but there is certainly everything there that you could ever want for your air-cooled VW ... at a price! There are NOS parts and accessories for your '47 or your '67, original brochures, books, luggage sets etc... it's all there.



I bought myself a couple of things...a genuine VW radio and NOS wing mirrors for my Westy .

Good news for those that own Bay window westy's with the plaid upholstery... that material is available again !



Just after lunch all the show cars go on a drive thru the lovely Weser countryside and end up in another small village further down-river. That village has a small barge-like car ferry that transports the cars across the river, much to the amusement of the thousands of locals that have gathered on the riverside to watch. Of course no gathering would be complete without a beer tent and sausage stall... but there is also lovely German apple cake and coffee to be had..yum yum ! However, what everybody is waiting for is the arrival of the schwimmwagens that entered the water at Hessisch and have motored ( or schwum !! ) down the river and sure enough, here they come around the bend, just like a small armada, and they make a right turn and motor up the ferry landing ramp to much clapping and cheering from the crowd. For a small fee ( donation to charity ) the owners offer to take passengers for a short “schwimm” and I can say it was quite an interesting ride... not much free-way and a bit of a struggle against the fast flowing current but quite exciting .. and your feet stay relatively dry !

That night there was a dinner in the Town Hall for all those that had registered. Two of our team had registered and enjoyed the festivities, the rest of us spent the evening in one of the small village inns and discussed the days proceedings.

The Sunday is much the same format, except that at 1.00pm they have the prize giving and the Kiwi contingent got the prize for furthest travelled, which meant we had to get up on the stage and wave to the crowd. A chap from Indonesia got the prize for furthest travelled car.

After the prize giving it's time to view what you missed earlier on, followed by a visit to the private museum of the man behind this show ( Mr Grundmann ) and what a collection



that is ! Mr Grundmann gave us a personal tour which had the added advantage of hearing a story about every vehicle on display... and you could see the pride he took in telling those stories. Lots of Porsches and Volkswagens, including many “first editions” , and coachbuilts such as Rometsch and Dannhauser-Stauss , as well as the odd oddity, such as a real life-size T1 splittie made entirely out of wood that he got out of east Germany when the wall came down. Yes it is fully operational, and was registered etc in East Germany ! He has his own restoration shop and rebuilds cars to as new standards. He also has a huge collection of rare VW memorabilia. Well worth a visit.

On Monday we paid a visit to the VW Commercial factory in Hannover...this is where they make the current T5 VW Kombi, but also, as it turns out, the body for the Porsche Panamera. We were taken on a tour by a jovial Scotsman who has worked for Volkswagen for 30 odd years. The tour was in a T4 van with a roof chop, so everybody sat up high and had a good view. Stops were frequent and you were able to get off and get up close to some of the assembly lines. Amazing mechanisation... robots everywhere, a robot even installs the complete dashboard into the T5 Kombi, and does up the bolts etc that holds it in there ! The Porsche Panamera body panels are stamped here, then the body is assembled and painted before being shipped to a Porsche plant for final assembly. Amazing. The tour lasted over 2 hours. There is also a great shop and showroom to view here.



On Tuesday we visited the VW engine plant in Salzgitter, about an hour away from Hannover. This factory was built in the late sixties to assemble VW's first front engine, front wheel drive car, the VW K70. The guide mentioned that by 1970 VW was panicking because of the world move to front engine/front wheel drive and any idea at VW was a good one, as long as it didn't involve having a air cooled rear engine! The tide was turning as they say. Anyway, the K70 was never a huge success and when production stopped they converted the plant into an engine assembly plant to serve other VW assembly plants. They make everything from a 3 cylinder Polo engine to a 16 cylinder Bugatti Veyron engine here... needless to say more of the Polo variety! There was no Bugatti production going on while we were there but they had an engine on display...what a beast that is. The guide reeled off a few names of people that owned a Bugatti Veyron, including Mr Bean ! He said he would put us on the waiting list but we would needed to pay a \$300,000 deposit first! Interesting tour that finished with lunch in the factory cafeteria ... we had VW curry wurst, which is quite famous in Germany and also tastes real good.



On Wednesday we went to Autostadt in Wolfsburg. Autostadt is like an automotive theme park and is adjacent to the VW factory. Parked out front were a couple of the soon to be produced “XL1” gull-winged diesel electric hybrid cars... these cars do 160km/h and return 120km’s on one (yes, 1 !) litre of diesel ! Just to prove to us that these were real cars, a VW employee got in and drove off ! We then got on a boat that took us along the canal to the VW factory for our tour of the factory. The factory is highly mechanised of course, with robots everywhere, in fact in some areas there was nothing but robots... the vehicles produced here were the Mk 7 Golf and the Tiguan SUV. Autostadt is laid out like a park, with buildings dotted around lakes etc. There is a separate building for each of the VW owned marques, a history building, the VW new car delivery centre complete with its two glass circular 60 metre high delivery towers etc etc. These delivery towers hold 400 cars each and are fully computer controlled... cars arrive automatically direct from the factory by underground tunnel and are parked by a computer controlled robot arm, where-ever there is a space in one of the towers. Then, when Herr Schmidt turns up at 2.30pm on Wednesday to pick up his new Golf GTI the computer knows exactly where his car is stored and goes and retrieves it via the robot arm... real clever ! They even have a “dummy” car setup for sight-see-ers like ourselves who want to experience the ride...marvellous it was too !

On Thursday we visited the VW Museum which has a great collection of all the air-cooled models ever made by VW, including many prototypes of the ones that didn’t quite make it to production. In addition there are examples of models from their plants in Brazil and Mexico, including the last Beetle made. Worth a visit ! Outside in the courtyard the organisers had setup a couple of trailers selling beer and sausages...what else ! A few good hours were spent here talking to like minded people from all over the world!



On Friday it was back to Autostadt again to look at all the things we didn’t see the first time round. This time, VW had Electric Golfs parked out front and accepted bookings for test drives. Luckily for me there was still a booking available later that afternoon so I was able to test drive this remarkable vehicle. Fully electric, the car was totally silent, had instant full torque acceleration and felt completely like a normal car. The car does 160km on a charge and it will be on sale in 2014. Great experience ! Also looked at the Lamborghini building, which has an amazing act of a real yellow Lambo Murcielago disappearing before your eyes at full acceleration... and the car does disappear! It’s all done with smoke and mirrors and flashing coloured lights and awesome sound effects, but what a performance! The Bugatti building housed a Veyron with a all-chrome finish ! It’s easy to spend two days at the Autostadt, there is so much to see and do !

Saturday and Sunday was the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations for the city of Wolfsburg and the VW factory. The local VW club had organised a large VW event for the weekend and this attracted a very large number of VW enthusiasts and their cars...probably close to 1000 cars. There was a huge festivities tent setup ( which served not only beer but also yummy cake and coffee ! ) as well as a swap meet area and activities down on the lake... with schwimmbagens offering rides, so naturally we had to have another go ! At the same time, the city itself had turned its main street ( called Porsche strasse of course ! ) into a huge pedestrian zone lined with all sorts of stalls as well as large entertainment stages with various acts performing throughout the day. For Sunday morning the VW club had organised a drive thru the city to the factory and were hoping to break a record for the largest number of of aircooled VW's in a run but I'm not sure if they managed to break it or not... impressive drive-by though.



So that was our VW experience in Germany... I'd do it again tomorrow ! ( well, maybe in four years time when the next hessisch show is on again ! ) ... better start saving now !

Anyway, thanks for listening, yours in VW Westy's , Knut Erbs



**10-11 August — Continental Cars Mk7 Golf GTi Launch**

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Over the weekend of the 10/11th August, Continental Cars, Newmarket opened a new showroom timed together with the launch of the new Golf GTI.

To help celebrate the occasion, a small selection of VW Owners Club vehicles and VASK Club Golf GTI's were on display.



## Bitten by the Beetle Bug

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Philip Coyle's definitely got the Beetle bug; he drove nothing but classic Beetles for 20 years and he now has three, though he finally succumbed to a modern car too: a Ford Mondeo wagon, "for carrying parts".

Until that arrived, this 1956 NZ-built Beetle was his daily driver and he's had it 13 years. Why Beetles?

"There's a humorous side to them, and the history is interesting as well," says Coyle. He'd have to say that - he's an Auckland high school relief teacher.

What impresses me about this car is it's completely original, right down to the dealer sticker on the dash - TB Baty Ltd, Greymouth - though the 1.2-litre rear-mounted motor had been reconditioned when he got it. "It could do with a paint job and a freshen up," he says.

But the appeal is that every bit of this car is the same as when it was assembled in Otahuhu 57 years ago; the roof lining's showing its age, but the seats are pristine apart from their glossy patina, and the array of fridge magnets adorning the aqua-blue dash just speaks of the life it's lived. Coyle's driven it as far afield as Dunedin and Cape Reinga.

All Coyle's Beetles are of the same era, though it's the German Standard in Jupiter grey with the cable brakes and crash gearbox that's being restored.

He does the grunt work - he'll remove an engine - but he says experts do the tricky stuff.

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Why three cars? "Two means one's a spares car, but three's a collection - I have the minimum for a collection," he jokes.

That's a German-sourced roof rack atop the car - the front "boot" is too full of fuel tank, spare tyre and jack to take luggage, and there's not much space behind the rear seat for more than two small suitcases, the 1950 cardboard type, of course. And out back an original luggage rack folds flat, to carry anything you don't mind stinking of exhaust fumes.

There's not much space inside with us both tucked aboard (Coyle's 1.9-metres tall) but the motor fires gamely and soon we're puttering about in it, the engine purring away behind us, engagingly dominating the background along with a slight hum from the wind through the roof rack as Coyle gives me a few tips to mastering Beetle driving.

"You have to keep your foot down round corners or the handling gets funny." Apparently they have a tendency to go straight on. I like the fact you have to drive these, while a modern car does pretty much everything for you.

"I like the fact you have to drive these, while a modern car does pretty much everything for you, though you can't be in too much of a hurry. Mind you, if I go to Wellington in it, it only takes half an hour longer than in my modern car."

I've been tallying the comfort and convenience features - two coat hooks, an ash tray, and accessory sunshields of smoked plastic that swivel down like a pair of cheap sunglasses, plus a single trafficator that flicks up on the left-hand side: indicating right requires an arm stuck out the window.

The four-speed gearbox is a cinch to navigate, and the engine feels game despite its modest 27kW. But it's got 710kg plus passengers to shift, so actual acceleration is relaxed and by golly, he's not joking, you really do have to press the accelerator pedal to get it round corners, the steering gets super-heavy if you don't.

"I think you're the only woman to drive this and smile," says Coyle, who doesn't know my earliest car memories are from the back seat of a Beetle when I was 4 or 5. Claimed top speed is 109km/h - and Coyle says it'll sit happily at 85 or 90km/h; I'll take his word.

The colour is somehow both retro and modern. Coyle says while Germany controlled most of VW's presence in New Zealand - right down to dealer layout - the colours were chosen by Kiwis. "The production manager and his secretary chose what was fashionable at the time and it didn't relate at all to the German colours."

You can see why original Beetle owners become such fanatics - the car's cute, surprisingly practical and oozes character. But what do the teens he teaches think of it?

"Some of them think it's funny - and some that it's a Morris Minor. What's wrong with kids these days!"

## NEW INITIATIVE

The Volkswagen Owners Club has recently joined the “interweb” and joined Facebook!  
<https://www.facebook.com/VolkswagenOwnersClubNZ>

“Like” our Facebook page to receive updates on what the club is up to on a weekly basis and links to all the stories, events and pictures for past and coming club activities.

We are planning that this will compliment the emails that are sent to member's and also the club newsletter.

If you would like to add anything to the Facebook page or events that you hear about that you think it would be good to attend or to promote, then please email either of the following, or send us message from Facebook

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The screenshot shows the Facebook profile of the Volkswagen Owners Club Auckland. The header includes the club's name and navigation links like Home, Find Friends, and a notification bell. Below the header is a large photo of a car show with many vintage Volkswagen vehicles. To the left of the photo is the club's logo. Below the photo, the club's name is displayed along with the number of likes (86) and people talking about it (50). There are links to the club's website, social media, and a list of friends. The page also features a 'Promote Page' button and a 'See Your Ad Here' section.



## PRESIDENTS REPORT

In September a large number of club members took part in the Bruce McLaren run. We were given an itinerary of which roads to take, plus answer a few questions on route.

This year started in west Auckland and ending up at Riverhead Pub for lunch and prize giving. Unfortunately club members could not repeat previous years in winning prizes. I like a few others had several excursions down wrong roads usually not reading instructions correctly.

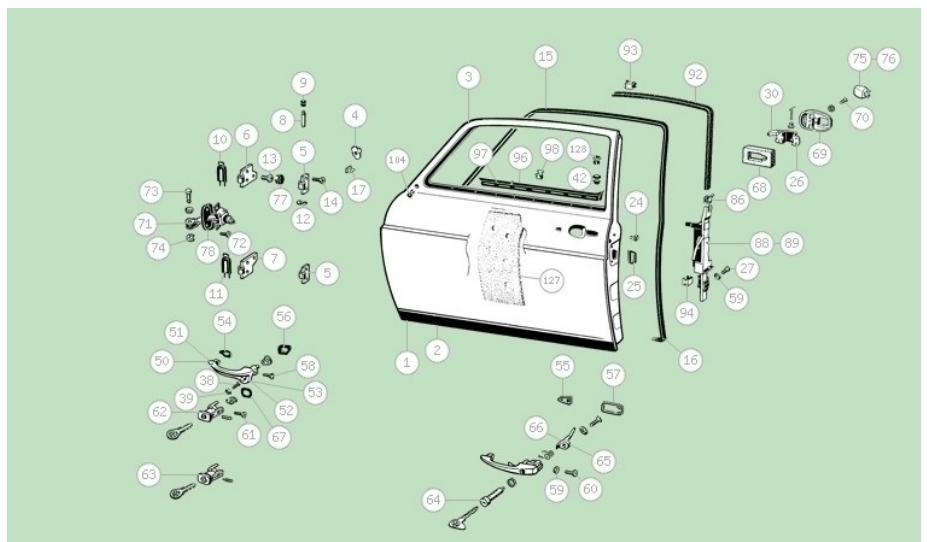


On 13 Oct about 9 club members met the Autobahn Bombay for the spring BBQ, organized by Ben. We travelled in convoy to a park beside the Arched bridge over the Waikato river in Tuakau. BBQ was set up in the shelter of trees. A very pleasant afternoon was had by all.

The 2013 Jamboree was held on 29/10/13. Unfortunately I was not able to attend due to a prior engagement [tour of Forgotten Railway Taumarunui to Whangamomona] From what I have heard and looking at the photos a very successful event with a large number of vehicles on display.

On VW front I've had to pull doors apart on my Type 3 to replace chrome surrounds, rubbers and felts. What a hell of a job, Took 2 full days with sore hands and much swearing. Hopefully will not have to do them again. Now I must start on the van to remove rust...

Eddie Taylor



**8 September — Bruce McLaren Trust Coast to Coast**

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The Bruce McLaren Trust Coast-to-Coast is an annual event hosted by the Bruce McLaren Trust, open to all marques but each highlighting one in particular.



This year the featured marque was MG; being 50 years since the MG TF was launched – a facelift of the TD. The 1250cc engine had been given an increase in power to 57.5 BHP. 9602 of this model were made. (Denny Hulme won a Papamoa Hillclimb in his TF in 1955.)

The idea is that participants will see both coasts somewhere within the run (i.e. the Tasman and the Pacific or the Pacific and the Tasman.) and this year encompassed much of the North Auckland sights in a run totaling a little over 100km



Many thanks to the Bruce McLaren Trust for there continuing work in the preservation of a Kiwi Icon and for supporting the NZ car communities.





A “rose” between two “thorns” perhaps?



# COMING EVENTS

**Club Nights** We meet on the second Wednesday each month at the Vintage Car Club rooms, 39 Fairfax Avenue, Penrose from 7:00pm. Come along for an hour or two of socialising with fellow VW enthusiasts to share your ideas on club outings and activities, ask advice and swap yarns. Free Coffee, Tea and Biscuits provided, new members welcome to attend.

## **9th November, Saturday — Monthly Club Gathering**

This month we will travel up to the Wade Tavern in Silverdale where one of our members Andrew Bayliss and his band 'Good Company' are playing. Meet at Autobahn Café, Dairy Flat, at 2:30pm and we will convoy to the pub. Check out the website here;

<http://www.thewade.co.nz/>

Come along for some good food and good music, bring the kids as well as there is a play area out the back for them.

For more information contact Ben Doughney on (021) 259 9837 or email

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## **15-17th November, Friday-Sunday — Bulli 2013 Orua Bay Beach Motor Camp**

### **Hosted by Waikato VW Club**

Situated at the top of Awhitu Peninsula. This is a great camp, nice and small, right next to the beach. Catch your dinner standing on the beach (there is a fish 'n' chip shop 15 minutes up the road) There are 5 units or flats, powered and non powered sights. Great amenities, and a nice warm area to have a winter BBQ. Safe beach for kids, plenty of room to play. Make your own bookings. Visit the website below or phone for more info.

<http://www.oruabay.co.nz>

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## **1st December, Sunday — Annual Raglan Cruise**

This is a very popular annual VW run, so be sure to join in with the Auckland, Tauranga and Waikato clubs on this event. Bring a full tank of petrol and a picnic lunch.

Gather at the Papakura Autobahn on the Southern Motorway from 9:00am. We will leave Papakura at 10:00am to convoy down to McDonalds , Greenwood Street, Frankton where we meet up with the Tauranga and Waikato groups.

From there the combined convoy will head out to Raglan for a picnic lunch and browse the shops, before returning home.

For more information contact Terry Sawyer on (021) 163 6006 or email

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## COMING EVENTS in 2014

And a few of the events/dates on the horizon for next year, details to follow.

**8th February, Saturday — Meguiars Classic Car Fun Run**

**9th February, Sunday — Ellerslie Intermarque Concours de Elegance**

**15th-16th February, Saturday-Sunday — Love Bug Jam**

Hosted by DMFV66.

The inaugural North Shore summer party hosted by the DMFV Club. A two day event, starting on the Saturday at 16.00hrs. till late. This one is a family affair, for the olds live music, BYO meat BBQ area, BYO drinks, camping, show n shine area, trade stands and swap meet. For the kids, outdoor TV room, paddling pool, ice-cream truck, build the best cardboard bus or bug, treasure map treats hunt and more.

Day two: kick off with brekkie in Orewa then cruise to the hot pools for a dip.....

Open to all air cooled v-dubbers nation wide. Bring the family and let's make it a "summer of love" weekend to remember.

Glen or Leigh  
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**23rd February, Sunday — Galaxy of Cars, MOTAT**

## New Members Aug - Oct 2013

The following have recently joined the VWOC, we look forward to seeing you at coming events;

Gary Bax	1954 Beetle
Steve Hawkins	1967 Beetle
Marie and Jenna Wade	1970 Beetle
Debs Wadge	1969 Beetle 1500
Tom and Sarah Jay	1975 Kombi
Nick Knowles & Kelly Banks	Mk1 Golf, VW Caddy

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**15 September — Food Truck Run**

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# FOODTRUCK GARAGE

Organised and hosted by the NZ Dubbers, this was a chance to catch up and talk VW's as well as sample the delights at the Food Truck Garage.

The Food Truck garage was made famous (in New Zealand at least) by Michael Van de Elzen and his continuing quest to make fast food healthier food using less salt, less sugar and less fat.

Many thanks to Sam and the rest of the NZ Dubbers team for organising this event.







Mission: To disrupt the Fast Food Industry

Description: Fast Food is quick, cheap and convenient, but it's a contributing factor to our ballooning waistlines. With one of the highest obesity rates in the world, it's time kiwis watch what they eat. But there is a time and a place for fast food, and we all know takeaways can be delicious.

So as the saying doesn't go... "If you can beat 'em, join 'em and beat em!"

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**CLUB MERCHANDISE**

Club Badges (Die cast metal four colour enamel finish) \$25.00 + \$2.00 p&p.

Club window stickers \$4.00

**CLUB DISCOUNTS**

The following companies are offering a discount to club members.

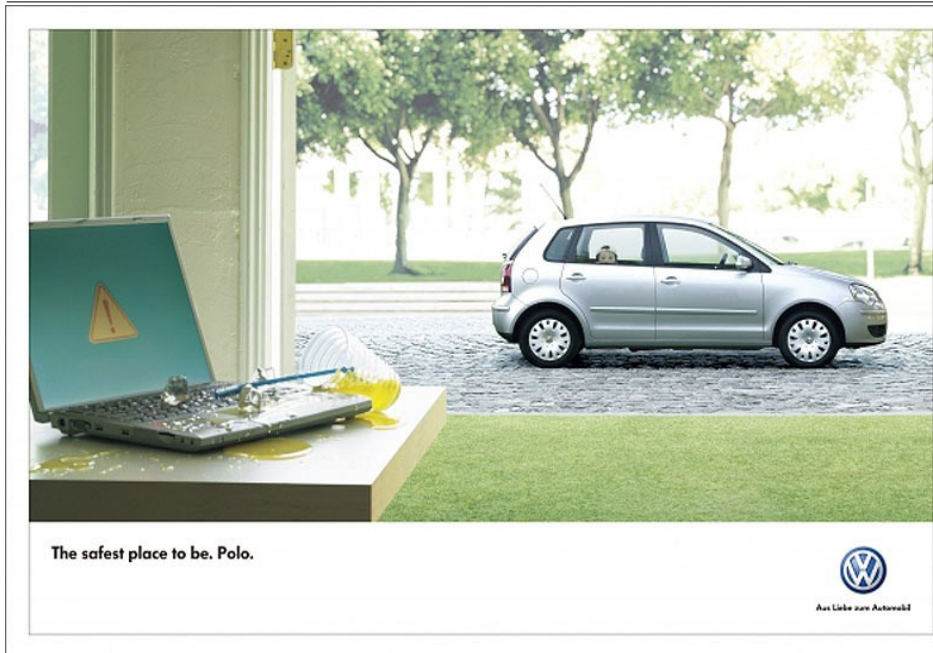
**Qualitat Motors** - discounts to club members on most parts. 220 Station Rd, Penrose. Ph 09-579-3710 [www.qualitat.co.nz](http://www.qualitat.co.nz)

**NOTE** Current club membership cards **MUST** be shown before any parts or service discounts will be given and before the invoice is prepared.

**NO CARD NO DISCOUNT!** Remember, club discounts are a privilege not a right.

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Also, if you'd prefer to receive the magazine in electronic format, (via Email) then drop Terry a line at [tsawyer@clear.net](mailto:tsawyer@clear.net) and the next edition will be delivered to you in that format instead

**DROP US A LINE**

All member contributions for the magazine are greatly appreciated. Feel free to send in anything of interest and any ideas for club events etc to the PO Box If you would like them returned, please include a S.A.E. and items will be returned to you. Unclaimed articles will be destroyed after two months.

Any For Sales, Articles etc etc, please e-mail to [wrxetr@gmail.com](mailto:wrxetr@gmail.com).  
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**CLUB GALLERY**

The club also has it's own gallery of activities and events. This can be found on the Gallery link on the clubs home page  
<http://www.vwownersclub.co.nz/page.php?id=gallery>

**5 October — Te Aroha Cruise In**

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The Aroha Cruise In is a celebration of classic cars, bike and hot rods. The event is held annually so that local groups (including the Te Aroha Fire Brigade, Rotary and Lions clubs, St John Ambulance and local schools (among others) can fund raise. Over 300 vehicles of all descriptions, including a good selection of VW's participated this year.





**13 October — Spring Amble and BBQ**

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To Celebrate the arrival of daylight savings a group of folks got the VWs out of the shed for a Sunday afternoon cruise and BBQ.

After meeting at BOMBAY Autobahn Café, there was a convoy cruise through the picturesque back woods of south Auckland eventually ending stopping for a BBQ/picnic.





**20th October — Spring Jamboree**

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Auckland turned on a beautiful Sunday for the Spring Jamboree on the Auckland waterfront at Watene Reserve, contributing to a record 94 vehicles on display!

Various little convoys from all over Auckland congregated around 10 for a park up and car show, with a great showing of air-cooled and water-cooled cars.

Generously we were donated 2 vouchers for dinner at Monsoon Poon restaurant, which formed the prizes for Best Air-cooled and Best Water-cooled cars for the day.

<http://www.monsoonpoon.co.nz/>

A gold-coin donation BBQ was also held which allowed us to raise \$175.00 of which all has been donated to St Johns Ambulance.

Many thanks to Terry who took on the role of working with the Council to secure the venue and all the associated paperwork/drama that working with the council involves! And also to

















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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION****JULY 2013 - JUNE 2014**

The aim of this club is to have fun while keeping VW enthusiasts in touch with each other. The club is open to all people interested in these unique cars. Our activities are aimed at original and semi-custom vehicles but we welcome all VW'ers. We meet monthly for a drive, film evening or social gathering. Other benefits of joining include discounts, technical advice, help in locating those difficult parts, and making lots of new and interesting friends. Although based in Auckland our membership extends throughout the country and our tri-monthly newsletter helps to keep members informed. For further details please write to the Secretary at the address above. If you would like to join the club, please complete the lower portion of the form and return it along with your subscription.

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**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:**

I would like to: enrol as a new member of the club/renew my annual subscription.

Name.....  
Address.....  
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Phone.....  
E-Mail.....  
Vehicle Type/Year/Reg.....

In an effort to meet your needs we ask that you complete and return the following questionnaire.

- 1) Please rank the following reasons for your joining the club in order of priority,
  - a) to get the discounts offered .....
  - b) to meet other enthusiasts .....
  - c) to attend social events organised by the club .....
  - d) to receive the newsletter .....
  - e) other (specify).....
- 2) The events I enjoy most are:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
- 3) I think the club should offer the following events and I would support these when they were held:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
- 4) I would prefer to receive the club magazine via Email [ ]
- 5) Other comments I have regarding activities the club can offer:



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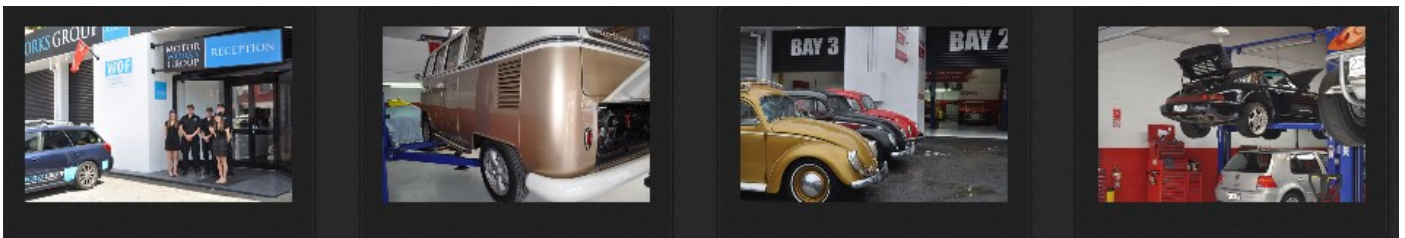
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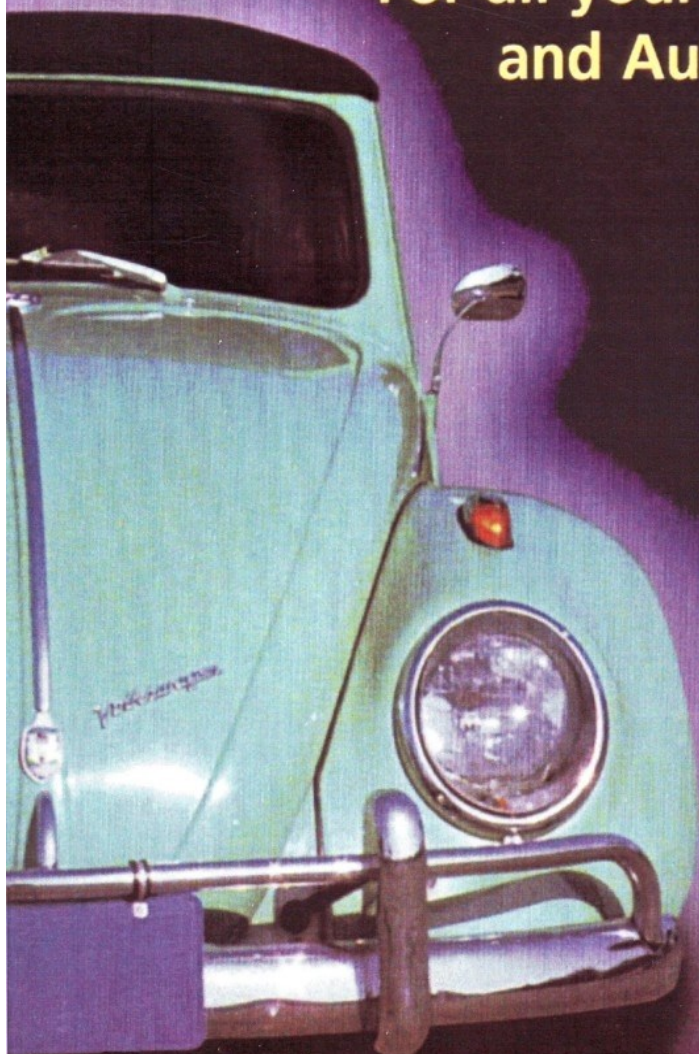
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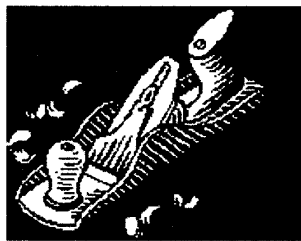


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