

FVC Newsletter



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Next FVC meeting/ eVANT

Sidewinders evant meeting & Agenda

Date: March 9, 2019

Time: 12:00

Cost: \$15.00 + covered dish

Place: Sidewinder's Log House

16298 SE 95th Trail, White Springs, FL 32096

Directions: From I-75 exit 439, go E. on SR 136, pull over at inspection station, Do not speed going through town, turn L at flashing light US 41, go past Steven Foster Memorial, at blinking light turn R on SR 137, cross railroad tracks, make next R on dirt road, follow signs to Tom's house, next road bear L, watch for big 2 story log house at end of road.

Schedule:

11:45am Officers to meeting area (open discussion sheet is displayed)

12:00 noon Meeting begins

1. Minutes of last meeting
2. Roll call and Roster update
3. Treasurer's report
4. Van-in updates
5. Van-in proposals
6. Old Business
7. New Business/ Open Discussion
8. 50/50 - Adjournment

***** April 21st, 2019 - Next Newsletter Deadline – April 21st, 2019 *****

**On the Cover: Blizzard in Seattle &
some FVC members Exploring what Seattle has to offer**

FLORIDA VAN COUNCIL

Minutes of the January 19, 2019 meeting at River Forest Group Camping area in the Ocala National Forest, near Deland, are as follows:

Before the meeting started, Cale noted that Steve Capps wife, Lorri, had passed away 10 minutes ago. We held a minute of silence to remember her.

Spooky Tooth called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the November 10, 2018 meeting were read and approved.

There were 9 clubs present and ONE Excused Absences (out of 12 clubs total) during roll call.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mook gave the Treasurer's report. A motion by Mook that the winner's half of the 50/50 go to the park ranger, since he's on furlough passed by a unanimous hand vote.

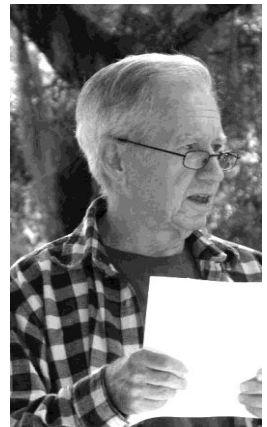
NEWSLETTER REPORT:

Gnarly gave the newsletter report and thanked Konehead for all the photos he supplied, especially for the eVants that he couldn't get to. Gnarly noted that you can go to the newsletter page on the FVC website <http://www.floridavancouncil.com/newsletter/Newsletter.htm> and view back issues of the FVC newsletter as far back as November 2010. Lew noted that we seem to always get input to the newsletter from the same sources. It would be good to get input from a first time vanner to get a different perspective on what our events are like to a newcomer.

VAN-IN UPDATES:

Orlando Street Vans January 25 - 27, 2019 - Freeze For All 11 - Floridian RV Resort - Traditional 70's Style Truck In - Freeze For All 10 was back in 1985, so it's only been 34 years. Well, nobody said events have to be in consecutive years. Raffle Prizes, Door Prizes, Daily Festivities, Van Kart & Mini Bike Obstacle Course. \$75 per van for 2 night stay, \$50 per van for 1 night stay - \$5 if you're just here for the day.

Broward March 8 -10, 2019 - Broward's Laid Back Hill Billy Weekend at Sidewinder's in White Springs. FVC Meeting at Noon on Saturday March 9, 2019. Soup on Friday night, Covered Dish on Saturday night. \$15 pre-reg or at the gate.



~~Snappdragon & Deb April 5 - 7, 2019 - Robert & Deborah's Nothing Fancy Get Together at Good Council Camp, 8888 Gobbler Drive, Floral City, FL. This is NOT the usual Hi-Way Vanners eVant. This is more "laid back." You're own your own for dinner on Friday night. Catered dinner by Squirrel & Konehead on Saturday night. \$20 per person. Possible bonfire on Friday and Saturday nights. If you have any spare wood, please bring it for bonfire. No post fireworks. Bring your fishing gear, there is a nice lake. **(Recently Cancelled, Editor)**~~

47th National Truck-In® July 24 - 28, 2019 - Greenfield, Massachusetts (close to Boston) New England Van Council, Inc. 15 vanners raised their hands when asked "Who is going to the NATS?" Judith noted that you better not run any of their tolls. It is a \$25 fine and, as of November 19, they will accept Florida's E-Pass; they DON'T take Florida's SunPass. You can get their E-Z Pass at the first Plaza/Welcome station you come to in North Carolina. It was noted that they don't have any Toll Booths in Massachusetts. They just take a photo of your license plate and send you a bill in the mail.

Secretary's note: Checking <https://www.e-zpassag.com/about-e-zpass>, which is the official E-ZPass website, shows that Florida, Georgia and South Carolina are NOT in the E-ZPass network. The 17 Northern and Midwestern states which are in that network are: Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Maine. That adds up to 16, but, for some reason the map shows what looks like a blob-shaped area between Cocoa Beach and Orlando, so I guess that's number 17. Connecticut and Vermont are shaded in gray, with a legend that says "States without electronic toll collection".

Adventure Vans of FL August 30 - September 2, 2019 - Ross Prairie Trailhead & Campground - 10660 SW Hwy 200, Dunnellon, FL - Konehead said there would be a van show, goodie bags and a movie night. They do NOT want to host an FVC meeting at this eVant because it takes up half of Saturday, which is the main day of the get-together. They want to encourage outside vanners to the FVC, and a long meeting would turn them off. Just Ed noted that an event without a meeting might bring in new members. He noted that the recent event at Rossmeyer in Daytona had 110 vans show up. It was noted that the younger vanners want a daytime van show.

A motion by Judith that the FVC not have a meeting on the Labor Day weekend was carried. The FVC meeting for August 31, 2019 was cancelled. There will only be 4 FVC meetings in 2019.

VAN-IN PROPOSALS:

There were no new Van-In proposals.

MEETING DATES for the remainder of 2019:

March 9 FVC meeting in conjunction with Broward's Laid Back Hill Billy Weekend at Sidewinder's in White Springs

June 15 Floridian Sandalwood RV resort in St. Cloud - Lew noted that we need at least 10 vans to show up for the night to get a price break. This will be the meeting for nomination of FVC officers for 2020.

November 16 Floridian Sandalwood RV resort in St. Cloud - Lew noted that we need at least 10 vans to show up for the night to get a price break. This will be the election of officers for 2020 and the annual pig roast meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Cari introduced newcomers Liz and Andre. They came to the event in Dover, but this is the first FVC meeting they have attended

The observation was made that there are two groups in the FVC, us older dudes and the young kids. And, if we don't start attracting the kids, we're doomed to die out. Gnarly noted that, in the past several years, FVC membership has been slowly growing, so we're not dying out.

Lew said we should make prison outfits to wear at GSVR XV since the theme for the 15th anniversary of that event is "Fifteen to Life." That might be an awful lot of sewing, and someone said we can get the link for ordering costumes from Gnarly. We'll just have to decide which type of prison costume we'll get so we can all order the same style.

A motion by Linard, seconded by Judith, that the FVC send flowers to Steve Capps because of his wife Lorri's death was carried by a unanimous hand vote.

A motion by Judith, seconded by Maggi, that the FVC sponsor putting the FVC logo on the 47th NATS [hosted by the New England Van Council (NEVC)] goodie bag and sponsor \$50 worth of trophies was carried by a unanimous hand vote.

Spooky Tooth noted that it has been an honor and a privilege to serve as the FVC President, but he will not run for FVC President for 2020. Three terms is enough. He would like to see someone else take the lead.

Cari made a motion to adjourn and the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted, Scribe John, Secretary

FLORIDA VAN COUNCIL CLUB ROSTER – March 9, 2019

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13 Independents

Embellished Summary of Council of Councils 2019 meeting in Seattle - JMC

Lady Godiva Michelle opened the meeting with "Class, I am your substitute teacher for today. Any disrespect, disruption, or other tomfoolery and I will spank you." "Spank me first, Teach!" "No! Spank me! I have my own chains and whip!" "That's enough Ed. Just for that, you will have to stand in front of the class and read the minutes from the last class." "Minutes! That class took over an hour! And, I haven't learned to read yet." "You can't boss us! You're just a substitute!" "Well, unless you behave, I'll not let you watch the toy van races inside, or the van show outside in the snow." "Okay. We'll behave."

"First we'll hear from Judith, regarding the 46th NATS in Indiana last year." "We don't want to hear about gnats in Indiana, we have enough gnats right here in Seattle!" "My Dad told me I should have taken that job herding cats in Vegas. It's got to be better than this. Let's hear from Doc on his homework assignment." "Mom said we want to go to Providence next year. We're going to take the Space Shuttle up 3 to 4 miles! It's going to be a blast!" "Are you sure your Mom didn't say there's a shuttle to the airport, which is 3 to 4 miles away?" "Don't listen to him! My Mom said we need to go to Norway, where the breakfast is better and 96% of the people speak English, even if the beer is \$10." "That's enough, Marius, Little Ed needs to tell us where to go in 2020." "That's easy, people have been telling where to go for years, but I'm staying right here. My Mom says we have to go to Wisconsin, where we went in 1991, before I was born." "Fine."

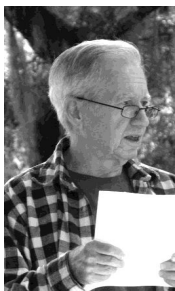
While the class is voting, we'll have Judy tell us about the 47th NATS in Greenfield." "Not with the gnats again! We don't care whether the gnats are in Indiana, or a green field, or a purple mountain majesty. We want to stay here." "Good grief! Cathy where's Dennis!" "He's outside, sitting in a comfortable chair." "You mean he's cutting class?" "Yep. He said class is always boring and full of BS. He broke his foot on the teeter-totter yesterday and is using that as his excuse for cutting class." "Well, I'm not surprised. With the amount of alcohol being consumed, I've watched everyone in class teetering and tottering."

Let's hear from Joe about the museum he visited. "I think all these adults need to be in a museum. We want to PLAY!" "That's enough, Ed. There are rules here in class." "But, we don't want to follow rules, and you can't make us!" "That's it! Class dismissed! And I won't ever be a substitute teacher here, ever again!" "We did it! We ran off Geoff! Then we ran off Dave! And now Michelle! Last one to the keg is an old man! Just don't let Mr. Owens catch you!"

Here endeth the embellished account of the 2019 Council of Councils meeting in Seattle.

Our motto is "Never let the truth get in the way of a good story." Have a nice day.

Summary of Council of Councils 2019 meeting in Seattle - JMC



Sarah Geist welcomed the councils to the meeting, which started at 9:35 AM.

A motion to waive reading the minutes of the last meeting was carried, with 2 "no" votes.

Michelle Seward volunteered to emcee the meeting as Dave, Kathy and Geoff could not make it this year. She made it clear that she is the "Substitute" teacher for this meeting, so don't count on her doing this again. John was

the only CofC Board member here, so he and Janet Kelson, of North West Van Council, took the minutes.

There were 25 councils in attendance. Midwest donated \$100 to the Museum of Vanning.

Judith gave an update on the new members of the National Truck-in® (NATS) Board as a result of their meeting on Friday.

There were 3 bids for hosting the CofC Meeting in February of 2020:

1. Providence, Rhode Island by New England Van Council
2. Norway by Nordic Van Council
3. Milwaukee, Wisconsin by Wisconsin Van Council

46th NATS: Judith noted that the 46th NATS this past July had 700+ vans in attendance. That event "Truckin In To Tomorrow" (TITT) donated \$1061 to their Pets charity, \$1000 to the Museum of Vanning and \$1000 to the 47th NATS.

47th NATS - July 24 - 28, 2019 - 89 Wisdom Way, Greenfield, Mass. 01301 The location of the event is about 2 hours away from Boston. Judy Baker, of the New England Van Council (NEVC), noted that you can't show up BEFORE Monday!! There just isn't any parking on the side of the road. The sheriff WILL have your van towed away! No exceptions. \$150 fine plus towing fee. NEVC will try to have the gate open about 9 AM (van time). There are grocery stores and a campground nearby. Recreational marijuana is legal in the state. There will be several EMT's on the grounds at all times. Golf cart rentals are \$300.

Scheduled topics: Wisconsin said that the pre-lineup for the NATS needs to be addressed. No matter what you say, there will always be 50 vans in line when the gate is opened. Bill-o said you're putting out rules for folks who don't follow rules. So, camp elsewhere if you come early.

There was a discussion regarding bicycles, scooters and golf carts at the NATS. Watch where you're going, this is mostly a pedestrian event. No obtrusive behavior. Golf carts need lights, horn, insurance and no more than 4 vanners on the cart at one time.

Unscheduled topics: There was a discussion regarding the Canadian to American exchange rate and vice-versa for those vanners in Canada attending U.S. events and vice-versa. Howard Furtak noted that, even with the 25% difference, gas is currently running \$5 a gallon, so you might want to fill up on the U.S. side. Everyone thought it would be a nice courtesy for us to accept the Canadian dollar at our events and the Canadians allow our dollar at their events, or just make the appropriate adjustment on the gate price. We need to help each other out when we can.

Joe Madonia gave an update on the progress at the Museum of Vanning. He noted that he is getting good support and the museum is coming along according to plan. A suggestion came from the floor that the fund for the air conditioning unit could be fully funded if each club donated \$50. It may sound like a luxury, but, without air conditioning in Florida, many of the newsletter and other paper items on display, as well as jackets (mildew, etc.) will not survive long. He noted that the museum collected over \$3,000 in donations this past week alone and we now have over 200 memberships.

It was noted that most of the businesses in Seattle were closed today (Saturday) because of the 3 to 6 inches of snow that fell yesterday. Apparently, Seattle only sees this much snow once every 10 years or so, and they can't handle it. It seems that none of the workers can get from home to work in the snow. So, most of the restaurants near the hotel were closed or the service was terribly slow because there weren't enough employees that came to work today.

The meeting ended with the announcement that the 2020 Council of Councils meeting will be in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. As the pass-along-plaque(s) were being handed from North West to Wisconsin, a voice from the gallery said, "We want Michelle to emcee all the CofC meetings." Michelle's terse response was, "No."

The meeting ended at 11:25 AM, which made this meeting the shortest in recent memory.

Vanner EXPRESS Request

I am buying some van parts in Montgomery, NY. Is there anyone close to there that could pick them up for me? Thanx Taz!!

FVC President



2019 started with our yearly trip to River Forest west of Deland. We were very fortunate to be able to have our van event there as the government shutdown included River Forest. The caretaker, Doug, had no problem with us being there since we did have a contract. The nights were great as was the fire tended by Captain Gnarly. Our first night, we were greeted by a mother black bear and her two cubs. In all the years that I've been going there, this is the first time that we saw bears. We always knew they were out in the woods; but when Cooper saw them, he let them know they weren't welcome. The soups on Friday and covered dish dinner on Saturday were greatly enjoyed by all.

Our next adventure was the Council of Council meetings in Seattle. We had 11 vanners in attendance from Florida. The meetings were informative but the 8 hour flight to and from were something not to be desired. We did manage to get some sightseeing in on Thursday but Friday gave us a big snowstorm - 7-1/2 inches. The whole area around Seattle shut down. From what we hear, they don't get much snow and weren't prepared - oh well!

Hope to see everyone at our next event put on by Broward Chapter - Hillbilly Weekend at Tom's.

Van Safe

Spooky Tooth



Hi all, I'm writing this from our hotel room in Seattle, WA Cari rented a car so after getting settled we did some local shopping to get a few necessities, and of Course beverages. We ate at the Japanese Steak House. Thursday we went to the Space Needle. I thought it was rather expensive but we had a good time. Friday, we hung out and greeted friends. Later, we went out to dinner with some (14) friends, at Dukes. They served seafood. The food and service was Excellent. Council of Councils was great. Scribe John was the only CofC officer there. But others helped and it was a successful meeting. Michelle did an excellent job running the meeting. Sunday, we went to the Farmers Market. It has many layers underground, an interesting place. On the way home, we looked for a local bar to grab a sandwich and drink but all we found were home brewed beverages Six pack didn't care for, serving expensive dinners. Naturally, since we were in town, they had a freak snow storm. Last time they had weather like this was 10 years ago. Tomorrow, we are getting a train down the West coast to LA area then flying home. See you in Florida.

Agnes

FVC Treasurer

Wowweee! I am writing this on the plane over Iowa and MO. Another CofC is in the books. Seattle was awesome. It was cold, white, and so much fun. Spookytooth, Maggi, Cari, Lew, Ag, Janet and I had a blast. Judith saved my life with lots of moisturizers. Scribe John got lots of hugs, and deserves big kudos for making sure the Council meeting went smoothly without the other officers. So glad Michelle Seward and Dammit Janet could help! The FVC crew took a trip to the Space Needle. We were soooo high (see pic) up there! It was really neat, and cold. The next day, Cari, John Atrill, Sheila, Superbeast Ken Schwartz, Debby and I (the berka ninja) went to the zoo. The blizzard promptly started at noon as forecasted. We had a freakin blast. It's always a great day when we get to spend time with our out of town friends. Our shuttle was running late, and the zoo closed early, so we found a pub, uphill, almost barefoot, (person shall remain nameless) laughing most of the 15 blocks in white out conditions. It really was a great adventure. We will always be the zoo crew. After some Irish coffees, ciders, and grub to warm us up. Our driver showed up and got us to the hotel safely... We had a lot of really good laughs. I always enjoy going to the Council meetings to learn things from other vanners, and hear what's going on in vanning first-hand, other than on *dramabook*. It is HIGHLY recommended that you all attend next year's CofC in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Not just to have a great time, but to see what putting on a huge hotel event entails. Totally night and day from the Nats. It takes dedicated, responsible vanners to put on this week-long event, even if that means not partying the whole time to make sure it's done right. People want to come to Florida... Go to Wisconsin to see how it's done... Support each other, and learn from other Councils that have been around a long time just like us.....Mook





Vanners
in the
Forest





A large, bright bonfire is the central focus, with flames reaching high into the dark night sky. Several people are gathered around the fire, some standing and some sitting on chairs. The scene is illuminated by the fire's glow, creating a warm, orange light against the dark background of trees and night sky.





Good evening Vanners, had a good time at the meeting. Unfortunately, I had to leave early due to a family emergency. Squirrel's dad took a turn for the worst and passed. We were able to go to Orlando street vans run the following weekend. Could only stay Friday night but had a real great time, they had close to 50 vans. Great for a 1st time event. Plenty of games and raffle prizes, Konehead won a pull behind cooler! Now I don't have to go back as much to get beer,lol.

Heard about Lolo passing during the January meeting, a true vanner and wonderful person. She will be missed!

Working on a new adventure for Labor Day. We have a lot going on, tiki bar, band sat nite already booked, sun nite movies with popcorn, van show Saturday, games both sat and sun with trophy's, dash plaques and goody bags. Trying to go back to an old school van ~~show~~.thanks to Mook for doing the legwork and securing the grounds!

Been working on vanborghini(cypress table), let's see how it comes out. Pics to follow. Looking forward to seeing everyone at sidewinders, always a good time even if he is a dolphins fan.

Van safe and keep on Truckin!

Konehead (when you're with the kone, u are never alone)



Hi Vanners!! Did you make it to Vanners in the Forest? Sorry if you missed it, it was a nice weekend. Not too cold and not too hot. We had a bear and her two little cubs checking out the crazy vanners. Cooper did his job and kept them away. We got lucky to be able to go that weekend with the government shut down and everything. Thanks Trump (as\$\$\$). We had a new ranger for the weekend, so we had to break him in. I guess he doesn't like generators (at least his wife doesn't). I will have to bring a louder one next year (just kidding). Lew's kept me up. I hope to see you next year.

Broward's hillbilly weekend is coming up on March 8-10. So have you got your pre-reg in yet? If you can't seem to pre-reg please call me 754-224-8292 cell or 954-472-0461 home. You can email me at linard@kcenginepro.com (work), this is the best email. I need a head count the weekend before so nobody goes hungry (like that ever happen). Broward would like to thank everybody who have attended over the years (so many I can't remember). We will have a FIRE and fun. Bring your hillbilly self and sit a spell. You can even bring your noise makers. We will do soup Friday night. So, if you would like to bring some feel free. Biscuits and gravy and grits on Saturday morning. Bring a covered dish (with something in it) for Saturday night, we will supply the meat. That's all for now, hope to see you at Toms. Linard out!!!

WOW

What a great time at Council of Councils in Seattle. North West Van Council and all its Members did a great job. There was something to do all the time. We painted ceramic van, played dash plaque bingo, there was Karaoke

and bands. There was also lots of food and fun to be had in the hospitality suite. Everyone went out of their way to make us feel welcome. The hotel was great. They took us almost anywhere we wanted to go.

NWVC made several large donations to the Local Food bank and a Veterans group as well as to Wisconsin who will be hosting the next meeting. Michelle chaired the Saturday meeting and did a bang-up job.

We of course brought the snow with us. The town shut down on Friday night and a lot of things did not open on Saturday. Since the Seattle area has very little snow, they don't have the equipment to move it. We made the best of it as usual.

I can't thank NWVC enough for all their hard work.

The 46th Nationals® made donations the Museum of Vanning as well as NEVC host of the 47th. The National Truck-in Board® made a \$500. donation to the Museum of vanning to lay the brick pavers. We at this time don't have a host for the 48th Nats but we are working on it and have several groups who are interested in doing it with us. We will keep you posted

As for me, Lisa a vanner, from OH and I took a tour of the Olympic National Park and the WA and OR coast on Hwy 101. We had a great time, we did some hiking and since it snowed but didn't lay on the road, we had smooth driving all the way.

I had a great time at River Forrest. I'd like to thank all who made that happen, especially Mook for making sure we had plenty of firewood.



See you all at Tom's
Judith

Vanning Around the World

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2019

Please note. Price is for a Van and 2 adults, children under 17 are free unless otherwise noted in the event listing. Extra persons means adults.

February

22-23	IL	45th Groundhog Party (this will be the last one) Magnuson Grand Hotel 19067 W. Frontage Rd. Raymond, IL reservations 217-324-2100 \$74.50 +tax a night \$15. per night for pets. Free breakfast included. Weekend party price \$20. per person free beer and live music Friday night DJ Saturday evening, free lemonade & beer 7-11. Buss to Fast Eddies Bonaire and the Grafton Winery. Free Beet and cocktails will be served on the Bus. on Saturday Must pre-reg for Fast Eddies \$20. per person. Send to Groundhog Bus Trip PO Box 192 Auburn, IL 62615 Info 217-652-6968 vanatics@charter.net
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March

8-10	FL	Primitive at Sidewinders by South FL Vans Broward Chapter. Target shooting, bonfire, pot luck etc. \$15 per van pre-reg or at gate. Mail checks to Earl Morris @ 12931 SW 10th Court Davie FL 33325 From I-75 exit 439 to SR136, Left on US 41 past Steven Foster Memorial; at flashing light turn right on SR137, cross railroad tracks take first right on 157 Ave.; follow around to the big log home. Info: directions – Sidewinder 386-397-1616 Linard H. 954-472-0461 M. 754-224-8292 Click here for flier
9	FL	Florida Van Council Meeting at Sidewinders. see above for directions
22-24	MO	Freeze out 2019 by Three Trails Vans at Shoemakers RV Park 955 N. Macon St. Bevier, MO pre-reg or gate \$40. extra people \$10. Thursday night \$18. send checks to Three Trails Vans of Kansas City c/o Rick Kenney 244204 NE 136th Tr Excelsior Springs, MO 64024 info Keith 816-322-3317

April

4-7	NV	The Cove #14 free camping call Billo 928-201-2001 50/50 raffle, meet vanners, camp by the water. goodie bags, games. Dash Plaques etc. Directions RT 163 between Christmas Tree Pass and the Needles Highway west of Laughlin in the Lake Mead Recreation Area. GPS N35 13.992 W 114 35.637 Call Bill-O 928-201-2001 or Michelle 702-885-6139
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5-7	OK	Van Fair South XLI by Lone Star Vans Club at Burns Run West Campground Cartwright, OK 74731 on Lake Texoma pre reg by 3/31 \$35. gate \$40. trailers \$15. extra adults \$5. send pre reg to Lone Star Van Club PO Box 570152 Dallas TX 75357 proceeds go to the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for children
6-7	FL	A Primitive Event by Snapdragon and Deb. 8888 Gobbler Dr. Floral City, FL A weekend of camping on a private lake with canoes, campfires and family style fun. *** CANCELLED *** night. More info to come as or contact Snapdragon 813-527-4161 robkillion70@hotmail.com
26-28	PA	Spring Thaw #5 Hosted by the PA Van Council at the Gratz Fairgrounds 601 E. Market St. Gratz PA Pennsylvania Van Council, Inc presents our 4th installment of the The Thaw. We will have a Band on Saturday night. Games and music on Friday night. Games for young and old Saturday. Van Show during the day Saturday and Light and Sound off show Saturday night. Mark your calendars and make sure to get to The Thaw. Vans and trucks only. (Trucks must be affiliated with a club).
26-28	RI	2019 Blessing of the Vans. by Out to Lunch Bunch at Tavern on the Hill 809 Nooseneck RD West Greenwich RI more info John Rappa 401-741-6861 prereg \$20. gate \$25. campers \$20. Mobile homes \$25.
25-28	IN	Stoned Age Truckin by Bluegrass Vanners at Old Mill Campground, 7949 First St. Friendship IN pre reg by 4/20 \$40 gate \$45. extra people \$20. trailers \$20 utility trailers \$10.
May		
2-5	RI	Spring Warm-up Party hosted by Narragansett Vans and Panel truck. at 189 Fenner Hill Rd. Hope Valley RI \$15. per person Plus side dish for Buffet . pot luck , Breakfast wine & Cheese party. call Sara 401-207-9821 or Steph 860-637-2072
3-5	IA	Vanniversary 45 by CIV at Jasper County Fairgrounds 359 N. Walnut St. Colfax, IA pre reg entry by 4/15 \$45. gate \$50. extra adults \$10. No charge for trailers send to CIV c/o Bonnie Ritz 11549 Rutledge RD. Ottumwa, IA 52501
10-12	OH	Spring Back Spring Back Van-in At fairgrounds Mt. Vernon OH. Knox CO Fairgrounds, 129 Fairgrounds Rd., Mt. Vernon Oh. Dinner on Saturday night. Live music Show and Shine, games, Saturday night dinner etc pre-reg \$30. by 5/1 at get \$40. trailers \$15. ext people over 2 in van \$10. each Thurs arrival \$10. Dash Plaques, van show, Games, Live music Patches, t-shirts , food Vans on the Run PO Box 247614 Columbus, OH 43224 614-271-0563

16-19	MO	Spring Fever #42 New location Shoemaker's RV Park, Bevier, MO 'The Beverly Vanbillies'! Weee'H doggies! There's a Hoe Down a Comin! Grounds has a swimming beach water slide paddle boats plenty of showers and 30 and 50 amp electric restaurant and store. Vans only pre-entry van and 2 adults 2 night pre-entry \$50/ 3 night \$60. gate 2 nights \$60. 3 nights \$70. extra nights \$15. trailers \$10. extra people over 18 \$10. pre reg by 5/10 send to Vantasia Vans PO Box 9017931, Kansas City MO 64190 contact Don Noone at DNOONER@aol.com 913-486-8866. or Patti at Vanrpati@gmail.com check our the grounds at www.shoemakersrv.com 955 Macon St Bevier, MO on site Water slide, paddle boats, restaurant, and store, near by attractions Walt Disney's home town and museum, JC Penny's and Mark Twain's , General Pershing's boyhood homes and museum.
17th	WI	12th Annual anner Poker Crawl for Special Olympics of WI Hosted by America Van Enthusiast of Muscoda WI
21-23	WI	Titletown Van's River Run 9 It's van Fun. at RJ's 300 Wilbert St. Crivitz, WI 54114 Best Raft building contest, Saturday night Potluck, free Sat breakfast 3 hour float trip, Bright & shine, \$20per person. Don't forget your life vest. contact RJ's 715-291- 8426 or Monica 715-927-1518
24-27	NY	Lost in "Space" "Hosted by Concerned Vanners" at Washington County Fairgrounds, 392 Old Schuyerville RD Greenwich, NY gates open noon on Friday Pre-reg b y 5/1 \$40. van and 2 people extra people over 16 \$10 Gate \$45. trailers under 16 ft. \$15. over \$25. early arrivals \$10. per day motor homes and van pre-reg \$65. gate \$70 motor homes alone per reg \$55. gate \$60. call Lucy 518-891-3093 or Frank 203-732-2179 mail to Lost Memorial Day Weekend C/O Lucy McCasland PO Box 893 Saranac Lake, NY 12983
24-27	WA	South Hill Independent Truckers Reunion Plus, Tacoma Sportsmen Club 16409 Canyon RD. Tacoma, WA camp out , potluck, games, dance Prizes for best Hot dish, Salad and Dessert send pre reg to Chris Paige Owens 15908 79th Ave Puyallup WA 90376



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24-27	IN	42nd Midwest International Truck-in location Jasper County Fairgrounds Rensselaer, IN Hot showers and plenty of restrooms. for more info go to www.midwestvansltd.com or contact Game at 219-405-5994 mvlgame@comcast.net or mvlodge1@gmail.com pre-reg by 5/9 pre-reg \$45. Gate \$60. van and 2 adults. If you arrive on Thursday \$20., trailers \$20. extra people send to Sherman Simmons 708-536-8291 c/o Midwest Vans Ltd. 245 Heritage Dr. Dyer, IN 46311 pub crawl on Sunday, Show-n-shine, Bright -n-shine, Raffles, VanKana, Game, Food and Ice, Bright-n-shine, bands ADA Accessible Indiana does not sell alcohol on Sundays.
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June		
2	WI	County Line Vans 42nd annual Beer Bust Rivals Sports Pub & Grill 6325 120th Ave Kenosha WI. Donation \$2.00 per person. prizes, Beer and Bago's (Corn Hole)
7-9	MN	Good Times Truck in #44 by Twin City Vans at Filmore County Fairgrounds Preston MN Saturday night Pot Luck Pre-reg by 6/1 \$40 gate \$45. extra adults \$10. free trailers. (if you park in the regular camping area the grounds will charge) Vans & Panels only. make checks payable to Larry Bontreger and mail to 5159 Penn Ave. N. Minneapolis MN 55430
7-9	OntCA	Van-fest21. Canada's Largest Van and Truck show or e-mail vanfest@hotmail.com , from the west on 401 take Wellington Rd to Hwy 3 St. Thomas to Springwater Rd. to the Conservation Rd. From the East 401 to Hwy 73 thought Aylmer to Conservation Rd. address is 8079 Springwater Road Aylmer, ON GPS Cords are N 42 45.019 W 81 01.685 Send to Vanfest 23254 Highbury Rd. Denfield Ontario Canada N0M-1P0 Pre-reg by June 1 \$55. early arrivals Thursday \$20. Show only no Camping \$30. Show & Camping \$65.00 Camper Trailer over 16ft \$35. extra people \$20. Vendor fee \$100
15	FL	Florida Van Council meeting Florida Sandalwood Resort St. Cloud FL

14-16	WI	Van-A-Mega-Mania by County Line Vans at Jefferson County Fair Grounds 503. N. Jackson Ave. Jefferson WI prereg by 6/10 \$30. gate \$40. campers \$20. extra people \$10. Thursday \$20. for more info contact Lil Ed 262-925-9507 check to County Line Vans 9222 48th Ave Kenosha, WI 53142
30	MI	15th Annual Baker's of Milford. Gathering of the Early's (all Vans are Welcome) 2025 Milford Rd. Milford, MI 48381 contact Bill for more info wjhgski@aol.com 248-931-2455. Raffles, goodie bags, No charge
July		
18-21	NH	Nats pre camping at Hunter's Stateline Campground 850 Rt. 12 S. Fitzwilliams, NH 03447 45 min from the Nationals \$35. per van per day by per-registration only space is limited send to Stateline 3B Waumsett Ave. Cumberland RI 02965 or pay pal anthinyabrosino@verizon.net
24-28	MA	47th Van Nationals. "Life is a Carnival" by the New England Van Council. Franklin County Fairgrounds 89 Wisdom Way, Greenfield MA. Pre-entry deadline 7/1/19 Van \$55. and \$20. for trailers, Gate van \$65. and \$30. trailers. extra people over 18 \$20. early arrivals admitted starting July 22. extra days \$15. per day and \$10 per day for the campers. pay pal your entry and a complete scan of the form to Blenderqueen@vanning.com or make checks to NEVC, inc c/o Judi Baker 329 Wildwood Ave Worcester, MA 01603 visit the web page at www.Van-Nationals.com Info: Judi 508-345-2573, Fred 207-776-0437, Dave 508-826-2272. carnival game on the midway, meet and greet, vendors, light show Friday, a lot of things to see and do in the area.



Southeast Van Council welcomes all Vanners to GSVR XV
 When ; Sept. 27th – 29th 2019
 Where ; Flaming Arrow Campground , Cherokee N.C.

Reservations can be made by contacting Flaming Arrow Campground.

Come enjoy Friday night Hot Dogs and Chili, Raffle Table and Hot Wheel Races. Saturday Show & shine, Kids games, Pot Luck Dinner, Award Ceremony, 50/50, Moonshine Contest; bring your best for tasting table, Live Entertainment by Moonshine Creek on Saturday night for the Fifth year!

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 Whittier, NC 28789
 Toll free (877)497-6161
 All prices per day 2 adults, ea. extra adult is \$5.00 per day

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August

2-4	CA	New Brunswick Canada more to come as available
2-4	MN	Truckin #38 by Corn Belt Van Council 17408 cty Rd 37 Altura MN more to come as available
16-18	OH	Knightmare vans Knight mare before Christmas @ Richland County Fairgrnd 340 Lantz Rd. 200 campsites, water, power and showers. Bands Fry and Sat, Blender Blast by Vandangos, Show & shine and bright & shine, Vanner Flea market, and all the rest of the goodies pets on leash, must have shots and register at gate. Vans and panels only, Every camp needs a talent show. come prepared to show off your talent Saturday night during Blender Blast.Vendors call Jeff 419-543-9093 or Amy 419-610-6296. pre-reg by 7/31 to 269 Walnut Street NCT, OH 43832 checks payable to Nightmare Vanners Inc. pre-reg \$40. van and 2 vanners \$10. extra persons Gate \$50. and \$10 for extra people. trailers are an additional \$10 for the weekend
10	MA	Van & Car Show by Spindle City Truckers @ BK's Tavern 320 Airport Rd. Fall River MA 02720 proceeds going to BAMSI \$15. entry fee sign up 9:00 -11:00 info Peter Goldenvoyager 508-673-6116
22-25	MA	Boogie Affair by New England Van Council. At Franklin County Fairgrounds 91 Wisdom Way, Greenfield MA,Hots showers, flush toilets, Vendors, games, Hot wheel and RC races, Volley Ball, public van show. Pre reg by 7/8 \$40. gate \$45. this is the price for van/truck and 2 adults and children under 15. extra people \$10 each. Trailers under 16' \$15. over 16' \$25. Motor homes and van pre reg \$65 New England Van Council c/o Judi Baker 329 Wildwood Ave Worcester, MA 01403 info Call Dave 508-826-2272 or Ed 401-639-0130 .
23-25	WI	Hub City 2nd Annual Van & Car Show @ Mick Memorial Park 15672 State Hwy 80 Richland Center, WI 53581 vans & panels only. pr entry by 8/10 \$30. camping trailers \$5. extra adults \$5. send to John Jensen 15719 St. Hwy 80 Richland Center WI 53581 info Liz Strickles 608-317-0725
31	WI	Hy-Rollin Vans presents the 15th Annual Custom Van Show Donation of non-perishable food. HRV St.Kenosha WI Call Tazz 847-560-5147
30-9/2	OR	Corn Cob Camp out #44.by Zephyr Vans and Truck Asso. Schroeder Park Grand Pass Oregon In spaces 3-17 Float trip, plenty of sweet corn. Pre-reg by August 20 \$60. US for van and 2 adults. \$70. gate. extra adults over 18. \$20. trailers \$20. RV's \$90. pre-reg \$100. at gate. Contact Paula 510-352-2606 or Lynn 510-512-2979 Zephyr @ 1651 Burkhart Ave San Leandro, CA 94579

September		
6-9	CO	Pikes Peak Van Association's 14th Annual Truck-in at Lake George Cabins & RV Park, 8966 County Rd. 90, Lake George, CO 80827 the theme is Seussville . Restroom, showers, power, live Band, Shot Bar, Beer, games, Costume Party , horse shoes, raffles spit & shine, buff & bright. Vans and Panel's only. Pre-reg \$40. by 8-1 gate \$45/ van and 2 adults. club trailers \$10. sleeping trailers \$10. extra people \$10. for early arrivals and cabin rental call 719-748-3822 for info contact Beeper 720-434-3042 or Cindy-Lou 719-229-7242 Make checks to H.A.V.E.'s send to Lisa Castaneda 16455 E. Layton Ave. Aurora, CO 80015
19-22	PA	Keystone Madness by Performance Vans at Summit Station, PA pre-reg by 9/1 \$50. van and 2 adults, gate \$45. \$75. motor homes Gate \$80., extra people \$10. trailers \$20. Early arrivals welcome \$5. per night. send to Performance vans PO Box 1333 Pottstown, PA 19454 call Sharpie 610-210-2830 show and shine food vendors, games, live music lite show. vans, panels and pick-ups welcome
27-28	RI	Welcome to the Roaring Twenties. by Smut Trucker Tavern on the Hill Nooseneck Rd. West Greenwich, RI breakfast Saturday and Sunday \$25. per van with 2 people \$30 with trailers, \$5. extra persons. info call Joe 401-828-1338 or Loni 869-26-7786 please bring school snacks or supplies
20-22	WI	Oktoberfest Truck-in by Bar City Vans@ La Crosse County Fairground N4985 County Rd. M West Salem WI vans and panels only pre-entry \$40 by 9/7 trailer \$10. Gate \$45. extra adults \$10. send to Bar City Vans N2798 Garber Rd. La Crosse WI 54601 info Dee Ashmore 608-785-1571
October		
10-14	RI	Summers end 40th by Narragansett Vans and Panel Truckers at 189 Fenner Hill Rd. Hope Valley RI Breakfast Sat. and Sun. Pot Luck Buffet, Wine and Cheese Party, Music by Marc, Music by Marc Levesque Saturday \$15. per person plus dish for buffet, Please no electric heaters. Info Amy 860-719-4898
11-13	WI	A Howling Van-pr-te #23 by Hy-Rollin Vanners At Walworth Co. Fairgrounds Elkhorn, WI Vans & Panels only, Show & Shine, Pumpkin Carving, bright n shine, Live bands, trick or treat, (bring candy) costume contest \$5.00 Mugs, vendor, good food, No firearms or fireworks, Pre-entry by 10/1 \$50. van and 2 adults and kids under 17 extra people \$20. gate \$55. sleeping trailers \$15. send to Hy-Rollin Vans c/o Taz 12866 W. Country Club Ave , Waukegan, IL 60037 Thursday night camping \$25. info Taz 847-560-5147 or Tammy408-249- 815-985-1019

11-13	CA	King City 47th annual West Coast Van Nationals. @ Salinas Valley Fairgrounds prereg \$40. gate \$45. motor homes \$50. gate \$55. small trailers \$20. over 10 ft \$20 make checks payable to Kathy Willis sen to 4136 Carola Ave. San Jose, CA 95130 Kathy 408-249-4451
18-20	NH	Frostbite Frolics co hosted by Chair City Trucker and all 4 wheel drive Vans at Stateline Campground 850 Rt. 12 S. Fitzwilliams, NH 03447 World renown pumpkin carving contest, trick or treat (bring candy) RC races, tool tournament, snack bar, music Saturday night for more info & dircetions contact Barry Wickman 978-630-1154in the winter. in Summer call 603-585-9137 prereg \$35. gate \$45 Early arrivals \$15.
26	OH	SOVC Witches Brew # at the Centre at Miami Valley Mall 987 Ash St. Miami Valley Centro Mall, Piqua, OH Room price \$85. deadline Sept 24th after that rooms go to regular price of \$100
November		
2nd	RI	FAN Vanners Halloween Party. at Riverside Sportsman Asso. 1 Sportsman Dr. West Providence, RI \$15 per person Music, Costume Contest, Buffet and Giveaways. contact Allison 410-256-1332 place to stay Motel 6 821 Fall River Ave Seekonk MA 508-336-7800
16	FL	Florida Van Council meeting Florida Sandalwood Resort St. Cloud FL Election of officers
30	MA	Fill the Van with Toys.by Spindle City Truckers. 11 am - 4 pm Walgreens 369 Plymouth Ave Fall River MA Pete 508-673-6116
December		
7	RI	Truck-in for Tots sponsored by the NEVC benefiting the Greenfield Police Ass. at West Warwick Elks Lodge 60 Clyde St. West Warwick, RI one new toy per adult or cash donation. games, dash plaques, trophies food available call Joe 401-320-8400
TBA	FL	The Chester's New Years Eve Party at the Chester Ranch, 12251 S.E. 66th Place, Morriston, FL 32668 Cost \$10.00 per person. From I-75 take Rt 40 west to Rt 41 north for 5 miles to 80th Street west to Rt 121 south to CR 337 north to 120 CT east to 66 PL south. The house is on the left. From US 19 N turn right on to RT 121 and left on CR 337 to 120 Ct east to 66 PI right. Bring a covered dish and what you are drinking for New Years. \$10. donation

Florida Van Council

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Club – If you are not a member of a club write “independent”

Name

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Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

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Membership Year

Newsletter - send by Email ONLY *check box*

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- All members may vote at meetings and hold an office.
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\$20 (1 year Jan. – Dec.)

\$15 (1/2 year July 1 – Dec. 31)

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