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## JETTA GLI Shown at Chicago



...and there is a special 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition coming as well! Volkswagen unveiled the new Jetta GLI at the Chicago Auto Show. With new looks, new limited-slip diff, the GTI's engine, and brakes from the Golf R, the new GLI is distinctive. Letting you know you're looking at a GLI are standard LED headlights and a black honeycomb grille. And you had better believe there's a red stripe on that nose. Out back there's a new spoiler and a GLI-specific bumper with a finned diffuser and a pair of exhaust tips.

The 1.4L turbo four had not made the new model introduced last year much of a real performer. Now comes the Jetta GLI with the EA888 TSI 2.0L turbo four. Variable valve timing on both sides of the cylinder and variable lift on the exhaust means 228 hp on premium gas and 258 lb-ft of torque. That's 18 hp / 41 ftlb more than the base model. The 35th special gets unique black wheels with a red stripe, a black roof and mirrors, plus special 35th badges. Inside, it has special seat tags, floor mats, and sill plates.

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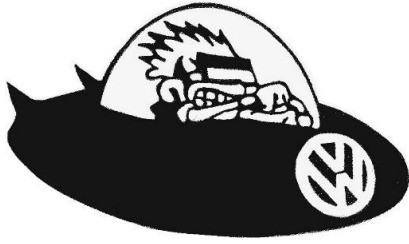
Options to get the power to the front wheels is a seven-speed DSG with a start/stop feature to save fuel when you're waiting impatiently for a green light. The six-speed stick is standard, without the start-stop. Making sure both front wheels are spinning, the GLI gets the GTI's VAQ Haldex-clutch limited-slip front differential. There's a variable ratio steering rack fitted as well. The 35th Anniversary model gets DCC adaptive dampers. There are four driving modes that adjust the steering, the throttle, and even the front differential. "Custom" lets you adjust it to your driving style; there's Normal, Sport, and Eco modes.

While the standard Jetta uses a torsion-beam rear suspension, the GLI adds a multi-link independent setup. The car is 0.6-inches lower than the standard Jetta, with what VW calls a sport suspension. Look inside the 18-inch alloys and you'll see some great big brakes. 13.4-inch rotors up front, snapped up from the Golf GTI and R parts bin. Standard safety bits include forward collision warning and autonomous emergency braking, blind spot monitoring, rear traffic alert, and post-collision braking lighting system.



Inside, there's lots of red trim to brighten up the black interior. Stitching on the wheel, shifter, armrests, and even the floor mats. There's red stitching on the sport seats too, with the base cloth getting grey piping and the perforated leather of the Autobahn trim getting more red. There's a 10-color wrap-around ambient lighting. Other creature comforts include heated seats, auto headlights, Kessy keyless access with push-button start. And the App-Connect system supports CarPlay and Auto. Add-on features include the VW Digital Cockpit display with special GLI graphics, a 400-watt BeatsAudio stereo, Car-Net connected services, a second USB port, ventilated seats, and a remote start.

The Jetta will arrive as a 2019 model this spring, available as base, Autobahn, and 35th Anniversary.



# Secretary's Report

The FEB 2019 Meeting was held at back at the Mellow Mushroom on Rinehart Road in Sanford on the 9<sup>th</sup> Present were: Will & Joan Euverard, and Debbie & Richard Van Treuren, Discussions on ongoing projects carried the day.

Hope to see you on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March, back at the Mellow Mushroom on Rinehart Road in Sanford.

Minutes by Debbie Van Treuren, Secretary



Volkswagen has taken the wraps off its latest retro electric concept and this one takes its cues from the Meyers Manx. Named the I.D. BUGGY for obvious reasons, the concept comes sans roof with waterproof upholstery, and with 200 hp going to the back wheels.

Designed for short trips, the I.D. BUGGY sits on a 160-inch long version of the MEB platform. While, along with its short overhangs, that should give it some off-road chops, it does also mean that it'll only have about 155 miles of range (according to WLTP testing, so even less in EPA testing).

While the size of the two-seater may not allow for much more range, the I.D. BUGGY will have the option of another motor up front to give you all-wheel-drive, unlike the old-school dune buggies.

To protect your undercarriage off-road, VW has fitted some aluminum underbody guards and side sills. Tow hooks have also been fitted in case the going gets a little too muddy.

Good for a 0-62 sprint of 7.2 seconds, the I.D. BUGGY is limited to a top speed of 99 mph.





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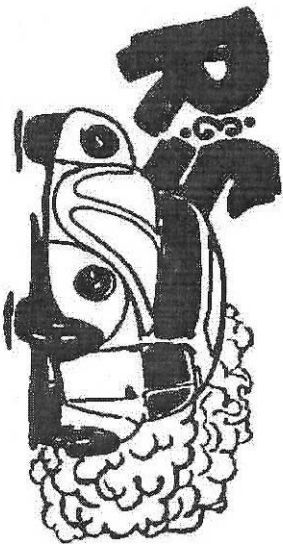
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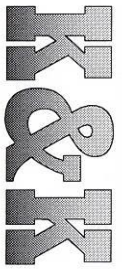
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