

ID Buzz delivers positive vibes

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EDITOR

A commercial for Volkswagen's ID Buzz—the modern recreation of the iconic VW bus—aired earlier this year featuring a recreation of Saturday Night Live's old sketch "The Californians." Starring Fred Armisen, Bill Hader, and Kristen Wiig, the spot highlights the vehicle's "positive vibes" and "positivity."

When Harrison County native Bobby Brannock came to town for a visit in late June, he arrived in an ID Buzz identical to the one in the commercial.

Mary, his wife, has always been a fan of the original VW bus, so when the new one was announced they got on the waiting list to buy one. Thirteen months later, they drove their "cabana blue" bus off the lot.

From the moment they pulled out of the dealership they have been experiencing the positive vibes alluded to in The Californians commercial.

Folks honk and wave and give the thumb's up sign; total strangers approach him to get a closer look. On the interstate, Mary noticed people in other cars getting one another's attention and pointing.

"People just feel compelled to want to talk to you when you drive that car," he said. "Don't buy one if you're shy!"

Bobby drove the all-electric vehicle to Cynthiana from Fort Collins, Colorado loaded down with Mary, four sons and a dog.

Counting a detour through Pigeon Forge to see the Titanic Museum (a couple of the boys are obsessed with the doomed ocean liner), he figures the drive to Cynthiana was about 1400 miles.

In Cynthiana, the ID Buzz was responsible for one of those fun random accidents in life that leave you shaking your head.

Bobby was sitting in the van at 10 p.m. on a Saturday



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Bobby Brannock feels the positive vibes at the wheel of his ID Buzz.

in Walmart's dark parking lot waiting for Mary. It was dark and a stranger approached tentatively.

Bobby rolled down the window and began chatting with him.

"Through the course of the conversation, when I mentioned I used to live here ... and that my dad had a car dealership here, eventually a light bulb went on for him and he goes 'What is your family name?'"

"And I said, 'Well, it's

Brannock.'"

"He said, 'Well we might be related.'"

His visitor turned out to be Aaron Jackson, the son of Bobby's first cousin Lara, with whom he'd grown up playing.

"We just talked and talked. I'd never even met him."

ID Buzz positivity at its best!

A long trip in the all-electric vehicle is much different from one in a gasoline-powered car. It must be charged every 200 miles or so. Loaded down as

it was, the need to stop was more frequent. Bobby said they stopped four times a day, with each charge taking about half an hour.

"The vehicle does it," he said. Tell it where you're going and it knows where you'll need to stop and recharge. Sometimes charging stations are further apart and top off charges are necessary even if the battery is not all that

low.

Even in the busy summer vacation season, only once did they have to wait to get access to a charger. He acknowledged, however, worrying about the possibility of a charging station being out of order when he needed one, but that never happened.

There are no charging stations in Cynthiana, so he's used the one at Walmart in

Georgetown during his visit. He hopes that once Toyota starts making electric vehicles in Georgetown that will change.

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