



**REVEL-MODE VAN RALLY – Sept 29 – Oct 1**

**EDUCATIONAL CONTENT provided by THE REVEL CLUB and MERCEDES BENZ VAN CENTER WARNER**

**(Scheduled times and topics subject to change)**

**Sept 29th Thursday MAIN TENT**

9:00am – 11:00am (2 hours)

Overland First Aid – Introduction to the basics of wilderness and overlanding first aid and what you should have in your pack.

11:00am – 12:00pm

Wilderness Survival – What are your 10 essentials? Learn the basic practical tips and strategies that every outdoor traveler should know.

LUNCH BREAK

1:00pm – 2:00pm

Understanding Satellite Phones - Comparing satellite phones and other satellite equipment to ensure they match your critical personal communications needs.

2:00pm – 3:00pm

Basics of Map & Compass Navigation - understand the information provided on your map, the proper use of your compass, and how to put the two together.

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Situational Awareness – learn the essentials about how to keep yourself safe, whether in an urban situation or boondocking in the backcountry

## **Sept 29th Thursday Indoor Arena (Mercedes Benz)**

9:00am – 11:00am (2 hours)

Tire-Changing Workshop – This will be a live, interactive, hands-on workshop on 2-3 vans with 6-9 students per session handling tools and materials with 1 instructor per 2-3 students/1 van

11:00am – 12:00pm

Pre-Trip Planning – We will be talking about what to look for before a trip and how to be best prepared for your journey, both on pavement and on the trails

LUNCH BREAK

1:00pm – 2:00pm

Mercedes Benz Multi-Point Inspection (MPI) – Go through step-by-step what to look for and how to conduct a Mercedes Benz MPI.

2:00pm – 3:00pm

How to use an OBDII reader – We will learn the ins and outs of an OBDII reader and how to communicate back with the dealership/service department. We will go over scenarios of when you should consider aborting your journey or continue to press on?

3:00pm – 4:00pm

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## **Sept 30th Friday MAIN TENT**

9:00am – 10:00am

Lithium Upgrades – Learn all about the **lithium** power source that has many proven benefits that include lighter weight, longer life and battery cycles.

10:00am – 11:00pm

External mods – Understanding what modifications are out there and what your options are.

11:00am – 12:00pm

Overland Cookery – Learn the knowledge, rationales, and techniques underlying vehicle-based adventure travel meal planning.

LUNCH BREAK

1:00pm – 2:00pm

Working on the Road – Learn all about how you are able to make money while enjoying the freedom of being on the road

2:00pm – 3:00pm

Landscape photography - learn techniques that allow you to turn everyday snapshots into beautiful compositions

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Night photography - a quick look at the essentials of night photography

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Van Recovery – Should you ever find yourself in need of assistance while on the road, know where all your recovery and hoisting/jacking points are and how to quickly and effectively communicate and coordinate with MB for service and parts.

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Trail Selection – What types of terrain is my van capable of driving on? Read the natural signs, maps and know when to press on and when to divert.

3:00pm – 4:00pm

What's in Your Toolbox? – Understand what basic tools you should carry and how to check and change them out.

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### **Oct 1st Saturday MAIN TENT**

9:00am – 10:00am

Traveling with Pets – Top tips for traveling with your pet on the road and the most common medical issues you may encounter

10:00am – 11:00pm

External mods – Understanding what modifications are out there and what your options are.

11:00am – 12:00pm

Top Overlanding Apps – Learn which apps can help us out when we venture on or off the road

LUNCH BREAK

1:00pm – 2:00pm

Living Full-time in a Van – What's it really like living in a van full-time?

2:00pm – 3:00pm

Connectivity While on the Road – How to stay connected while working on the road

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Best Tires for Sprinter Vans – Find out how to choose the best tires to meet your traveling style

## **Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Indoor Arena (Mercedes Benz)**

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OOPS! I Put In the Wrong Fuel – What to do when you accidentally fill your tank with the wrong fuel. Know how to remedy this and what to do next.

LUNCH BREAK

1:00pm – 3:00pm (2 hours)

4x4 Basics – what is 4x4 and what is low range? What is the difference and when to use one over the other. Learn about gear selection, engine speed, paddle shifting and two-foot driving. How to know when to “go as slow as possible and as fast as necessary” to maintain control and momentum when driving. What is ESP and when do I leave it on and when do I turn it off?

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Center of Gravity, GVWR and GCWVR – understand why it is important to understand how the center of gravity can affect the performance and the safety of your van and how to manage it.