

Technical History

NWVS 1.0

The Northwest Vintage Speedsters website was originally authored in 2002 using Microsoft FrontPage 2000. It grew quickly from 4 Events and 30 Speedsters to about 30 Events and 100 Speedsters. Many new sections were started including Clothes, Classics, Decals, History, and People. Every time something was added every page had to be edited to change the menu. To solve this in 2003 the website was upgraded to NWVS 2.0

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This release moved the website to using Server Side Includes. This allowed each element of the web pages that was common to all or many pages to be kept in single file and the server included the file as it sent the webpage. Menus, copyright notices, Contact information and other common elements use server side includes.

NWVS 3.0

This release implements an Access Database and VBA (Visual Basic for Applications) Code that generates all the Car Photos pages, selected Event Photos pages, a Statistics page, a Photo Coverage page, and some administrative reports. Each of the generated pages is a combination of :

- AA-BuildFiles directory files contain HTML that never changes
- The Database & VBA Generated HTML
- Server side included HTML introduced in NWVS 2.0.

NWVS 4.0 +

Release 3.0 solves the most pressing technical problems. When it is implemented, the battle moves from technology to content acquisition..... more photos, more written pieces, etc. That said, the technical enhancements that could be done include :

- Dynamic HTML Menus (drop down or expanding menus)
- Pages to let members maintain their membership info
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- Pages to let members maintain their pages
- Pages for Event Organizers to make their job easier and to report on their events more quickly.
- Video support