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Paul Lubker's 1943 Ford GTB Cargo just finished for Castle Open Cockpit Day!!

Don Gomes

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## WAGON MISTRESS REPORT

September Camp Delta is not too far away and now is the time to get your deposits in.

Jellystone is requiring a 50% down payment as a deposit. The remaining 50% is due at check-in.

Dave has been working hard with the park and has informed me that there will be NO charge for day visitors and NO charge for parking on the levee.

If you are coming for the day please pay attention to where you park as parking by the boat sheds is for boat owners and will be a tow-away zone for us.

As of this writing there are only a few cabins and sites available.

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# AT THE FRONT



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Hi Everyone:

Well we finally got some warm weather, and boy did we. I hope everyone has been able to get out and drive the old iron and have some fun in the sun.

There is a lot of stuff going on. We are in full swing summer and the calendar is full.

I would like to pass on some good news. After a long talk with Paul at Jelly Stone Park, he has agreed to relax some of the rules and has opened the doors for us once again for the MVCC Fall Swapmeet. There will be no charge for day use or parking up on the levee. He relaxed the rules on reservation fees and told me if there is a legitimate reason for cancellation, such as, but not limited to, family emergency or illness, Jelly Stone Park will give a full refund. There will be parking for trailers. So, grab a campsite while they last, and we hope to see everyone at Jellystone Park AKA Tower Park/Camp Delta on September 19-24. Of course, the early birds will be there a couple of days sooner. See the enclosed Wagon Master article from Joann for more details.

This is an election year. Have I said that already? Yeah, I think so, and as such we opened nominations on the floor of the General Membership Meeting at Camp Petaluma in April. Enclosed with this newsletter is your ballot or ballots if you have voting associate members. Please put an X in the boxes of your choice and send the ballots back to Randy Canova, our Elections Committee Chairman. Randy's address is on the back of the ballot and there are instructions on the ballot.

I am not going to be a President that harps on the members for weak volunteerism from the rank and file. This is my 35th year as a MVCC member, and I am proud to say our club is very healthy. Our club continues to grow. With 4 conventions under our belts, the last being one of the best ever and our many awesome vehicles and displays at our shows, everyone should be very proud to say they are a MVCC member. Yes, it is great to be a member of the MVCC. Remember the MVCC is great because of you the members, you make it that way. All of us together make up one of if not the very best Military Vehicle Collector Clubs in the USA.

Keep em Rolling, Floating and Flying,  
Dave Ball  
MVCC, President

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **April 24-29, 2018 Spring Meet Petaluma KOA.**

No vendor fee except camping fee.

Contact: MVCC Wagon Master

Jo-Ann Lesser; (408) 238- 8277

[mamalesser@yahoo.com](mailto:mamalesser@yahoo.com)

## **July 4, 2017 Morgan Hill Independence Day parade Downtown Morgan Hill Entertainment begins at 9:00 am Parade starts at 10:00 am**

POC: Kim Sievert (408)253-9469

Email: [vaudevillian@msn.com](mailto:vaudevillian@msn.com)

## **July 4th 2017 Alameda Naval Air Museum,**

Parade. Meet at the Museum at 8:30 a.m.

for Donuts, Coffee. Parade starts at 10:a.m. lasts about two hours. One of the largest Parade's in California, 25,000 estimated viewers Lunch on us after. Call Larry for details , 510-522-6440 or cell 510-612-8955.

**July 4th 9am to 11am** Danville, Parade route stretches from Hartz Ave. to San Ramon Valley Blvd.

**July 8, 2017** 10am to 4pm Willys America Open House and Jeep show.

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**July 16, 2017** San Jose Militaria show and sale

Napredak hall 770 Montague expwy, San Jose. Free

Parking early bird admissions 7:30am regular admission 9:00am. For more info call the military annex (408) 275-9730 (Pete) email [militaryannex@yahoo.com](mailto:militaryannex@yahoo.com)

**September 9-10, 2017** California Capital Airshow Sacramento County's Mather Airport 10425 Norden Avenue Mather, CA 95655

<http://CaliforniaCapitalAirshow.com>

**September 12-17, 2017:** Camp Gridley Butte County Fairgrounds, Hosted by the NRG [www.northernrecongroun.org](http://www.northernrecongroun.org)

**September 19-24, 2017 Fall Camp Delta** Second largest annual Military Vehicle gathering and swap meet in the West. Location Tower Park resort Jelly Stone Park For reservations please call Joann lesser 408-238-8277 [www.mvccnews.net](http://www.mvccnews.net)

**October 2-9, 2017 Fleet Week San Francisco.** Three day Air show with Blue Angels and Canadian Snow Birds plus several other aircraft military and civilian. Also Tour the USS San Diego LPD 22 Friday the 6th has the parade of ships 10am to noon with the airshow following. Marina Green is the center stage. <https://fleetweeksf.org/> Contact Kim Sievert he may have a contact at Fort Mason for vehicle display.

**November 11, 2017 Saturday San Jose Veterans day parade** starts at noon. San Jose United Veterans Council of Santa Clara County. <http://www.uvcsc.org/VetParadeInfo.htm>

**November 11, 2017** Petaluma Veterans Day Parade. This Annual North Bay Parade, begins at 1 p.m., winds its way north from the starting point at Walnut Park at "D" Street, along 4th and Kentucky streets, around the corner at Washington Street and south along Petaluma Boulevard to finish back at Walnut Park. For info: Scott Rohrs 415-259-8177 [recon3rdid@yahoo.com](mailto:recon3rdid@yahoo.com)

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May 28th great day had by all (Chris and Jim) at the Castle Air Museum open cockpit day. Don Gomes



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Hello North Bay West,

The first Camp Petaluma is in the books! This is my first report on this meet and I have spoke with many members about their thoughts on how it went. As we said in the general meeting, we knew that the first time at any new venue there would be issues that come up. Honestly, that is what you want! This way we can address these issues and make the changes to “get it right”! Know that we are working on them, and I believe we will get it right. What I say to our membership is to be patient and have some understanding. I tell my Firefighters is, “come to me with solutions, not problems”. That is what I say to our membership. We will get this right.

I will say that our convoys on Friday were a hit! We got good participation and had great feedback from both groups. Thanks to Greg La Londe for organizing the other route! I for see these trips as a new staple to our spring event.

On another note I would like to recognize a dear friend, great member, and supporter of this club! That is Mike Stopforth of the famed Mike’s Military, AKA the “Jeep Jesus” (as I gave him that name many years ago). Many of you may not know that Mike has now officially retired and Mike’s Military is no more. Mike was forced to retire when the landlord of his shop in Santa Rosa essentially gave him and Terry O’Conner an eviction notice after over 20 years in that location! This happened just as we were preparing for Camp Petaluma. This has blown up our jeep world here in the North Bay. The days of the hobby shop and the Sunday “Brain Trust” abruptly ended. On a personal note I want to thank Mike for all of his support to this club, its membership and the hobby as a whole. The wealth of his knowledge of the “incredible jeep” is unmeasurable. He has forgot more about this piece of equipment than we will ever know! He has helped me through out this adventure in this hobby. I wish Mike the best in his retirement and thank him for all that he has done. He has supplied, supported, and participated in too many projects to count. I hope to continue to see him at future meets! To Terry, I wish him the best in his new business endeavors. Whatever they may be. We don’t know how good we had it until it is gone!

Scott Rohrs,  
North Bay West VP

South S.F. Bay Area Fourth of July Parades

On July 4th in Morgan Hill

Once again, the MVCC will make a showing in this parade. This parade in Morgan Hill has the small town parade flavor with a huge number of spectators viewing it. This year’s theme for their parade is “America’s National Parks, 100 Years and Counting”. Usual attire has been the wearing “Hawaiian” shirts over OD or without OD shirts is encouraged. Staging for our group is usually in the parking lot, just off of Depot Street. **WE NEED TO BE ON-SITE BEFORE 9 AM.** If you get their later than 9 AM, the road closure folks, may not let you get to our staging area. (They still may, so it pays to try) Weather is usually HOT, so plan accordingly. The parade route map from their website, does show the parking lot, we normally stage in is just off Depot Street.

The website for parade is <https://www.morganhillfreedomfest.com> PLEASE look over their rules for participants. It is also important to BRING a small fire extinguisher for your vehicle. POC is JoAnn Lesser, [mamaless-er@yahoo.com](mailto:mamaless-er@yahoo.com) or upon arrival at parking lot area look for Kim Sievert for directions and squadding. We also head over to a "In and Out Burger" for fine food and cold beverages after the parade. For any late breaking news, please check our MVCC forum in G503.com

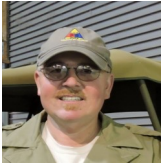
On July 4th in San Jose

There is also a smaller parade on July 4th, in the San Jose area called the “Rose White and Blue Parade” <https://rwbsj.org/> POC has been Peter Wong. [pskwong2000@yahoo.com](mailto:pskwong2000@yahoo.com) email him for details.

If unable to reach Peter, you can email the parade coordinator [IN-FO@ROSEWHITEBLUEPARADE.COM](mailto:IN-FO@ROSEWHITEBLUEPARADE.COM) and ask, if there is a military vehicle group signed up for this year. For any late breaking news, please check our MVCC forum in G503.com

Sometimes other events for MVCC members to participate in, are forewarned to me, without enough time for publishing in our newsletter. Please regularly check our MVCC forum in G503.com for them. Kim Sievert South Bay VP

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Hello to everyone in the North Bay East. I sent out several mass emails and put info about the Travis Air show in the news letter. Unfortunately Only 3 members could make the show. In early April the Red Oak Victory ship (R.O.V.) sent an email asking for some MV's for May13th, May 2nd I sent out emails to the members that I have addresses for. 1 member manage to make it out. The ROV provided for free Dinner, dance, music, for anyone that brought an MV. Also a Free tour of the Ship. I want to thank all those that made it too these events. I realize that it is tough to get to every event. Thanks again.

Sonny Hanson  
Your MVCC North Bay VP east  
From my non-mobile command center



Couple pictures from Bob Turley of Pius Lanzlinger's Armored vehicles. T to B IHC halftrack, M8 Armored car and M3 Stuart



Top: Scott Rohrs with the debut of his 1940 WC 3

Bottom: Johnny Verissimo, Pete Woodward and Scott Rohrs line up the half-ton Dodge trucks. Scott Rohrs






Camp Petaluma Cruise to the Beach.

Scott Rohrs

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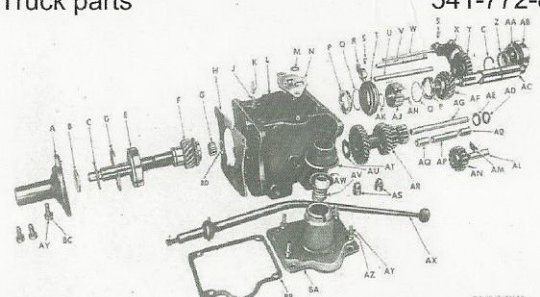
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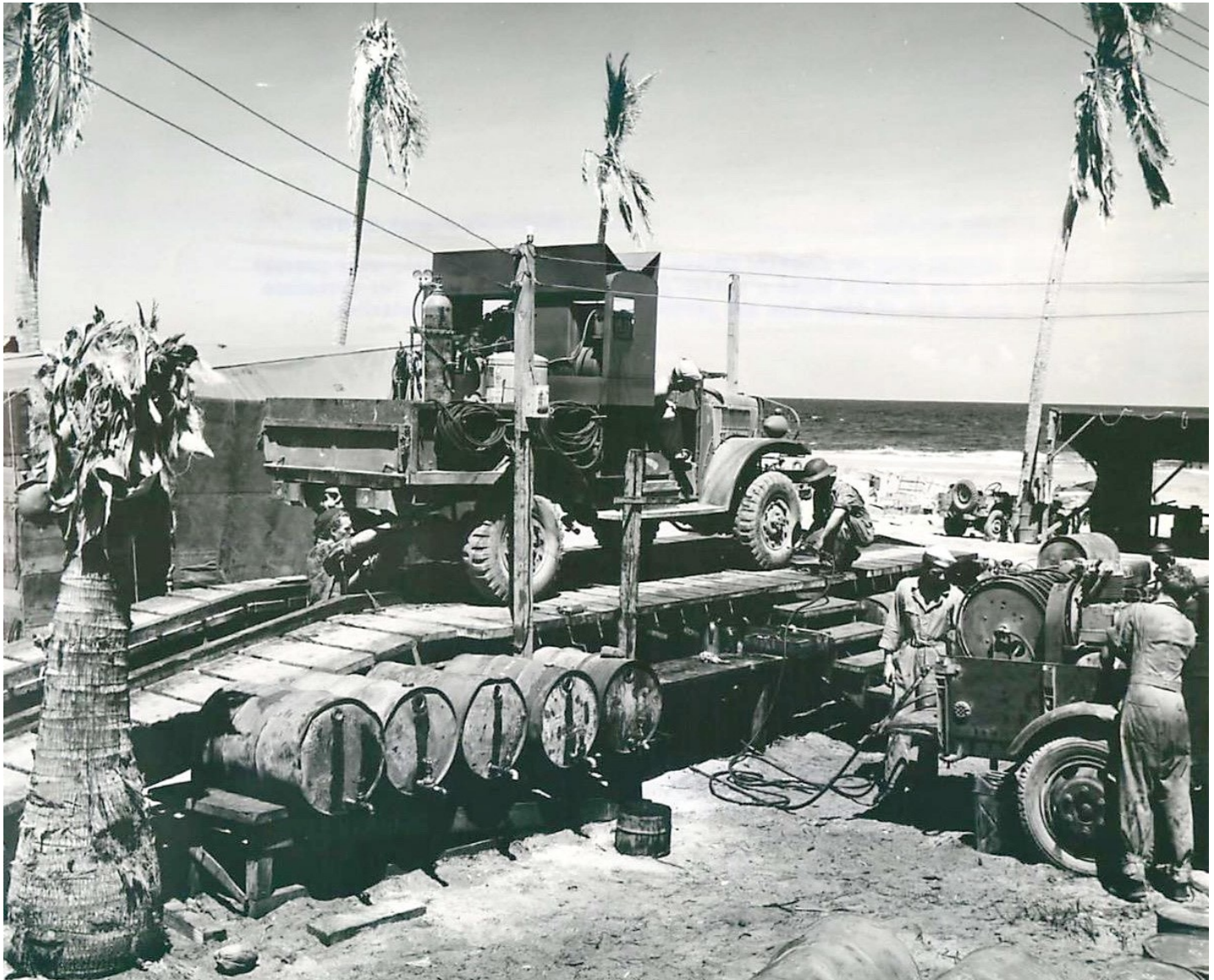
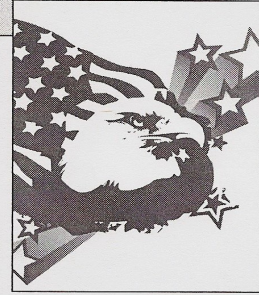
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There is a little-known law that sets aside a period to honor the United States. This law was passed in 1975 and states “...that Congress declares the 21 days from Flag Day, June 14th, through Independence Day, a period to honor America, that there be public gatherings and activities at which people can celebrate and honor their country in an appropriate manner”.

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- Contributed by Matt Siragusa



1944- U.S. Navy Seabees International M-2-4 Welding truck getting serviced on Eniwetok using a wooden grease rack that the Seabees built. Cam Finlay

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Email HP2@WEST.NET 6-17

**For Sale:** DODGE 1 ½ TON WC63. 6x6 Parade ready Older restoration, original 230 ci 6-cylinder engine. Good breaks and tires, full canvas top and cargo covers. Fully functioning front PTO winch. Winner of multiple locale military shows. Includes correct WWII 1 ton Ben Hur trailer. Located in Gilbert. \$18000 Matt Walker 602-377-1043 or matthewj.walker@icloud.com 6-17

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