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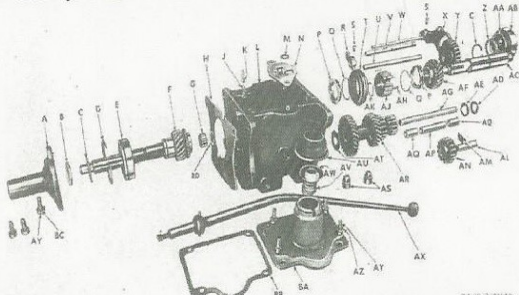
This old 1934/35 one-and-a-half ton Dodge was recently seen sitting in a yard in Southern Oregon. It was told to the editor that the owner is an older gentleman that has had this truck for many years and just recently changed the cab out with one in much better shape.

I love the suicide doors from the mid thirties. If my memory still serves me, these trucks had a 241 Cu.in. Flathead six with a four-speed transmission with a single-speed transfer case. Hope to see this someday at Camp Plymouth cruising the sales tables. Ed.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2020 Alameda Point Antiques Faire. First Sunday every month. 1000 booths of collectibles. Info call 510-522-7500 Show hours 6am to 3pm
www.alamedapointantiquesfaire.com

April 14-19, 2021 Military Vehicle Collectors of California Annual Spring Swapmeet, Campout and Military Vehicle Rally. Held at our new location in Plymouth CA at the **49er Village RV resort and Amador County Fairgrounds.**
No vendor or visitor fee except camping fee.
Lots of free parking for day use. Contact: MVCC Wagonmistress, Joann Lesser
408-238-8277 or 408-440-6068 email mvcccampmistress@yahoo.com

May 22-24, 2021. Best of the West Antique Equipment Show, Santa Margarita Ranch, Santa Margarita, CA. Between San Luis Obispo and Atascadero. Registration website: bestofthewestshow.com contact Erik Terberg at 951-529-2301 or email eterberg@hotmail.com

~~**May 25 2020** Castle Air Museum Open Cockpit Day 8am to 5pm POC Don Gomes 209-765-1273~~

~~**June 20 2020** Eagle Field Dinner Dance Free Friday Night Dinner for MV owners Saturday gates open at 11 am POC Don Gomes 209-765-1273~~

June 18, 2020 "Gathering of War Vehicles"
Eagle Field, 11100 W Eagle Ave, Firebaugh, CA 93622 **Move in day** Thursday June 18 Friday June 19 fun and games, MVCC Board meeting, free BBQ night, Drive-in movie. Saturday June 20 more fun, general membership meeting, take-out dinner, and if enough people want it, Drive-in movie. Sunday June 21 pack up and go home.
This meet will not be open to the general public. Members and invited guests only (and anyone in the hobby).
Everyone should do social distancing and have a mask.
We need a rough head count for the event and a count for the Friday night BBQ.
Since Joe is letting us use the field for free, any donations would be great.
POC is Johnny Verissimo 209-918-0488

August 14, 2020 Spirit of 45 Event WWII Living History Event, celebrating the end of WWII Kelly Park, San Jose
POC: Robert Corpus (408) 887 3311

September 15-19 2020 Fall Camp Plymouth at the 49er and Amador County Fairgrounds. Second largest swapmeet and military vehicle show in the west. Come out find parts or a new winter project. POC: Joann lesser, MVCC Wagon Mistress 408-238-8277 or mvcccampmistress@yahoo.com

October 3, 4 2020 California Capital Airshow Sacramento County's Mather Airport
CaliforniaCapitalAirshow.com
POC Dave Porter 530-677-5115

November 8, 2020 Mayor's Salute to Veterans Day Parade, Fisherman's Warf, San Francisco. The parade will be a WWII 75th Commemoration. Staging starts at 0900, parade step off at 1100.
POC: Andy 510-832-4322

November 11, 2020 San Jose Veterans Day Parade Step off at 10:30am near the sharks tank.
POC Kurt Lesser 408-238-8277

November 11, 2020 Petaluma's Veteran's Parade Petaluma, Ca. POC: Scott Rohrs (415) 259 8177

AT THE FRONT



Chris Thomas, MVCC President
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Hello from the MVCC Command Bunker,
I hope all our members and MV friends are safe and healthy after these many weeks of lock-downs and stay at home orders. In this issue you'll find out who the lucky MVCCer was who won the jeep kit,
Also upcoming changes to the newsletter and - barring a last minute change from the state of California - A real MV meet in June!

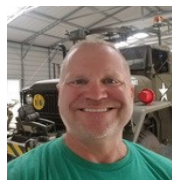
As this is Dave Ball's last Newsletter as Editor, I would like to thank him for all the years as editor and keeping the wheels on. The next editor will have a chance to make an imprint on the newsletter just as Dave has. Just to let the members know
Dave is not really retiring completely, he's still working on a few things at the request of the club president and has input as past president. Thanks again Dave.

75th V-E Day has come and gone, I hope some members were able to do something even if it was small. I strapped a US flag to Ginger Jeep after work and drove up and down our main street here in Chowchilla. Most of the honks and waves were people who may have thought it was for Covid 19. But one of our local Korean War veterans pulled up next to me at the stoplight and asked "What you doing?" I replied "V-E Day" He smiled and said "The war is over!" and drove off as the light changed. And that is what we do, we remember.

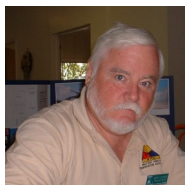
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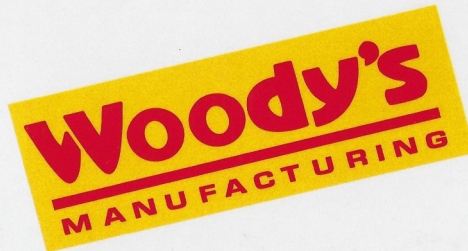
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Hope you and yours are doing well and not going stir crazy. I've been trying to teach Auto via Zoom...I spend my days at the keyboard fielding questions on the electronics work we've been doing, I'm going nuts! The three M151A1 photos below are from Steve Rodgers and his Sea Cadets. Steve and the Cadets have a variety of vehicles they have been restoring at Camp Parks, this one is for the Army. The photos with the Cadets is the MUTT's arrival the others are recent prior to paint. They did a ton of work, including significant structural repair. They are hoping to unveil the M151 at Camp Parks in June if conditions allow. There may be an opportunity for the MVCC to participate too!

The photo of the 5 ton is from Mark Becker: "Here's what I'm doing with my Truck right now... I "advertised" on the Next Door website and created a Food Donation drop off point for my neighbors in the back of my truck to make it easy to try to help those that need it. All groceries going to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano County. It's really nice to see the good in people this way. People are being very generous."

Stay Healthy,
Andy

(Andy's pictures Page 7 Ed...)



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Well I don't know about the rest of you but Donna and I are done with the "Stay in Place Order". We have a pretty large house so have managed to stay out of each other's way most of the time. We started a 1000 piece picture puzzle when this all started and it is about done. Just spend about an hour on it daily.

All of the events that I listed have now been cancelled. Not sure when things will open up, there are talking about June now. Donna is tired of cooking (but she was tired of that before all this happened). Wants to go out and have a nice steak dinner with wine etc.

I have not heard if the 4th of July Parade in Monterey has been cancelled, but since all of the events in August have been cancelled, I would assume, unless I hear otherwise that it also will be cancelled.

Just for the "heck of it"; I'll still mention those events that were scheduled in October this year.

Oct. 10th "Cars in the Park" sponsored by the Marina Rotary on Sat. Oct 10th. Location is Vince DiMaggio Park, 3200 Del Monte Blvd. Marina event time 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Website is here <http://marinarotaryclub.org/cars-in-the-park-info.html>

Oct. 18th - Historic Town of San Juan Bautista, sponsored by the "Gold Coast Rods" on Sunday Oct. 18th from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Website SAN JUAN BAUTISTA SHOW

I'm afraid to ask about our Sept meet.

Jack



WAGON MISTRESS

Fall Camp Plymouth September 15-19, 2020 Registration

Jo-Ann Lesser

Welcome all to Camp Plymouth take 2! Official dates are Tuesday September 15 through Saturday September 19, 2020. As usual RV sties at the 49'er Village have a 4 night minimum stay beginning Wednesday September 16, 2020. Early birds are welcome with no increase in the daily rate of \$55.00/night. 1 & 2 bedroom cottages, also with a minimum stay beginning September 16 will have a rate of \$225.00/night. Studio cottages daily rate is \$154.00/night.

For the most part, the sites the club was assigned in September 2019 is what we again will be using. If you attended in September you have already been penciled into the same site. Some sites were not available to us this year and for those effected a new site has been chosen for you. Don't worry if you don't remember the site number from last year. I have the list and will fill out the space number on the registration for you. Now in regards to the Amador County Fairgrounds and tent camping, the nightly rate for water/electric sites is \$40.00/night with a 4 night minimum stay. Dry tent or dry car camping the nightly rate is \$30.00. with no minimum stay required. Large RV's can not be accommodated at the Fairgrounds.

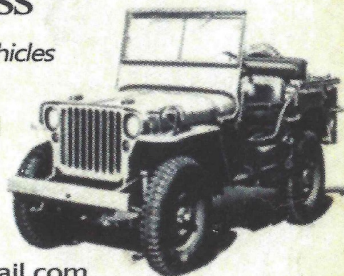
Look for the registration forms in this newsletter on page 12 and on line after June 15, 2020.

The club has a few hard dates that must be considered. August 14, 2020 is the absolute deadline for reservations. A registration form and payment must reach me prior to August 14! I must be notified prior too September 10 of any cancellations for consideration of refund. After September 11, I will not be available as I will be on the way to Plymouth.

As always, I can be reached at mvccaampmistress@yahoo.com or by phone 408-238-8277

Jo-Ann

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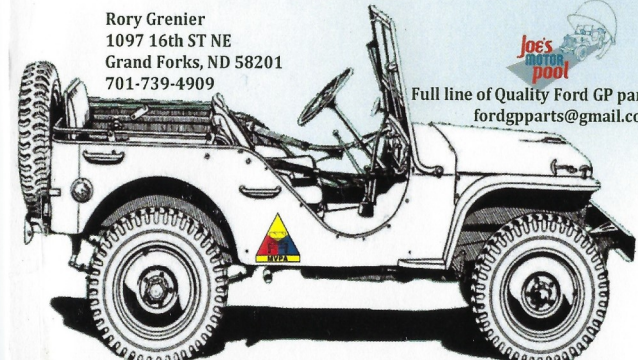
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After almost exactly 1 year, the MD Juan Maxi Kit jeep in a crate MVCC Raffle prize has left the storage facility.

After an epic three hour struggle late Tuesday afternoon, we managed to transfer the crate (if you could call it that...) to my car trailer. On Wednesday morning we did another transfer to Jim Flint's trailer, then waived goodbye as it left for Santa Rosa. Jim said he has an M38 with GPW running gear to use, so he's all set to build himself a '42 Ford GPW / replica jeep. If you know of anyone with M38 running gear for sale, let Jim know. It is very freeing to know the green albatross in a flimsy Chinese Filipino crate is no longer my responsibility.

Below are some photos of the loading evolution accomplished with my trusty come-along, a tie down strap and a trucker's chain.

Dave



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FOR SALE: 1944 International USMC 2.5 ton 6x6 M-5H-6 Cargo truck. Needs some TLC to get back on the road and running. This truck has the original bed with both fuel tanks and the winch, rust free open cab with top bows and windshield. Surface rust only. Was running and driving has sat for a year now. Will start with a battery and fuel. Very complete original older restoration. Clean title, California historical plates currently on non op. Very rare WW2 Marine Corps truck.
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Make offer. ernmor@outlook.com 4-20

FOR SALE: Because of recent surgery, I need to sell one of my M151A-2 Mutts which I was going to restore. It runs very well and is an over-all good project. It was a USMC tow vehicle. The paint is 34052. It never had R.O.P.S. It has a lot of body holes where the tow brackets were removed. There are some small spots of rust on the body. It has lot of new parts, plus 4 extra tires and rims, a heater, and a N.O.S top. It has been parked outside since June, when all maintenance was done. It is in San Luis Obispo County, California. It has a clear Arizona title. Asking price \$8000. A fact sheet listing all parts and photos are available on request.
Harry Leave a message at (805) 473-9705. 4-20

FOR SALE: 1952 M38A1 with recoilless rifle Museum quality (really, it is). Located near Sacramento. \$32,000.
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 - 4) **1944 Dodge WC 52** original 6 V barn find, all wiring still original, all original wood bed new master cylinder, new wheel cylinders. New tires, runs and drives, lights not working at this time. \$12,000.
 - 5) **1945 Ford GPW** very good condition. Runs, drives, starts and stops. New master cylinder, new wheel cylinders, 50 caliber machine gun M 31C pedestal mount, Combat rims and a BC 659 jeep radio. \$25,000.
 - 6) **Ford GPW**, VIN 108038, Date of Delivery 4-23-43. Was restored 10 years ago by a specialist but never driven, kept in a safe garage. Every item is absolutely correct with many F-marked components and bolts. New Beachwood Canvas summer top and seat covers, new Denman American tires on correct combat rims, correct OD paint. Engine runs very quiet and has excellent oil pressure. Original 6-volt electrics. Clear title and current registration. A steal at \$20,000. Located in Santa Barbara.
 - 7) **K 38 Telephone Trailer**, restored, very rare, attaches to a Jeep. \$2,500.
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Picture to the right, more on request. 8-20



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GPW IN A BOX AUCTION RESULTS

It was a dark and stormy night, ok it was NOT dark or stormy or even hot. It was a beautifully day. Which made all who assembled for the drawing of the MD Juan jeep kit raffle simply miserable. April 17th was the perfect weather we all look forward to at our meets and here I was standing in front of the Amador County Fairgrounds in Plymouth, no MV, no meet and a job to do. As time inched closer to 6pm, I kept shaking and stirring the ticket stubs in the large clear bag just waiting for the appointed time to arrive. Finally it was time and as I turned away a child plunged her hand into the bag and pulled the winning ticket stub. After showing the camera filming the event, **I read the name on the stub Jim Flint!**

I called the club secretary to verify Jim's membership was up to date, then I called Jim. I would say Jim was very exuberant after I informed him that he was the kit winner. With the business completed I loaded up the truck and drove 3 hours back home.

We sold 824 tickets out of the total 2000. That add about \$4100 to the club general fund. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets and thanks to Jennifer and Scott Tanis for filming and verifying the ticket. Thanks to Dave and Nancy Porter for storing the kit way longer than planned. Just one last thing, we did have the girl draw a second ticket just in case the first was void. So ticket# 347, I'll give you a shot of my 18 year aged Jameson the next time we meet.

Chris Thomas

Dually appointed jeep tub in a cardboard box Auctioneer and committee chair.



MVCC Fall Meet 9/16 - 9/19 Camp Plymouth Registration

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USS IOWA Family:

I hope this note finds you and your family safe and well. As always, thank you for your support during these challenging times.

There is no doubt that the tourism and museum industries are tremendously affected due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a non-profit museum, our largest revenue source is generated from tour admissions, followed by donations, overnights, and events. The majority of this revenue ceased to exist on March 13, 2020 and has temporarily changed our plans for operations in 2020. We continue to follow the trends throughout the world on reopening of the economy and potential adjustments to our business.

As an outdoor venue and a visible symbol of freedom, we are uniquely positioned to meet or exceed physical distancing and access requirements outlined for the reopening and operations of recreational parks and beaches. When we do reopen, we will most likely experience reduced capacity programs and the elimination of programs and areas that are unable to comply with physical distancing and safe operation. Until a treatment or vaccine becomes available, we will more likely than not have significantly reduced revenues which will require the creative management of expenses.

The team that is assembling and executing these plans takes the future of your museum seriously. We are leaving no stone unturned and remain focused on ensuring the long-term sustainability of the organization. We continue our work to transition to the National Museum of the Surface Navy, while focusing on maintaining the core foundational asset of the Battleship IOWA. We truly appreciate your support in these efforts! I am tremendously proud and humbled by the selfless work that our crew continues to perform during this crisis to ensure the future of your organization and museum. I am amazed by how quickly the team has pivoted into the new norm, with virtual programming and socially distanced maintenance, and also focused on plans for the future. Bravo Zulu to each of them for their dedication and work!

I want to assure you that all hands and minds are on deck in ensuring that the future of the Battleship IOWA Museum and National Museum of the Surface Navy continue into the future.

Please stay safe and thank you for all that you do to support our crew and organization!

Jonathan Williams President/CEO

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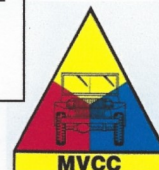
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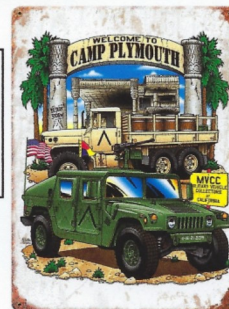
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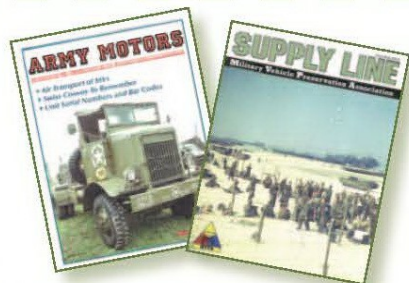
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