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Dave Etchel's Ford M8 Armored Car at Camp Plymouth 2023



Photo by Johnny Verissimo in Plymouth California

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MVCC, you rock!

We just had, by all measures, the largest meet in club history and was larger than most of the recent MVPA Nationals and that's something that all of the MVCC can be proud of. People vote with their feet and we had them racked, stacked and packed this year. Even with some issues this year, the event ran smoothly and only good things have been said about it.

I'll leave the awards and the dollars and cents to the POCs of each event during the meet. But I need to call out some of the behind the scenes people too.

Thanks to the POCs for the great Showcases this year. Tim Coolbaugh and John Duckett had a great selection of Dodges and amazing challenge coins for each Dodge owner in the showcase. Scott Rohrs had 33 WWII jeeps make it to the Showcase, just short of the target of 50. Sorry Scott, myself and Ginger Jeep was out playing traffic cop/meter maid and missed the showcase. John Neuenburg had a wide selection of two and three wheeled vehicles for display. John's showcase was over in the 49'er and we had no parking issues and there was always a good crowd there, thanks everyone.

Thanks to Jimmy Strauss for opening up his shop for us. A great time was had by all who made the drive. Thanks also goes to Dave and Nancy Porter for the poker run and the Ladies trip. As always, a big thank you to Kurt and JoAnn for layout and check-in and a hundred other things you do for us. Chris, thanks for serving food out of the kitchen trailer. HQ had the usual suspects manning the booth Don Gomes, Christina Verissimo, Johnny Verissimo, Jennifer Tanis and Mary Terberg pulling yeoman duty with many others.

The Friday night dinner/raffle/auction was pulled off after our caterer bailed on us at the last minute. What Scott and Jennifer Tanis pulled together was amazing and Kari Lampman jumped in to run the grill really saved the day. Thanks to all of you. Again, thanks to Summit Racing for getting our five jeep tires here in time for the auction.

The next issue I'll be giving a rundown of the general membership meeting and some changes to make payments to the club easier.

Thanks again to all who made it to Camp Plymouth. See you in the Fall!

Chris Thomas

P.S. Hi Betty!

L-R: Roberto Mossier, Johnny Verissimo, Tyler Rizzuto, Chris Thomas, Scott Tanis, Don Wadley and Rus Rice at Camp Plymouth on Thursday of the event.



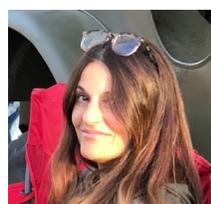
Photo taken at Camp Plymouth

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Welcome! Welcome to the MVCC

Camp Plymouth April 2023- Just back from the MVCC's 2023 Showcase and Swap Meet event. Outstanding, it's the word I give to describe my time at Camp Plymouth this year. With tons of vendors and over 135 military vehicles and trailers, I'd say this event was a success. Many times I've had people come up to me and say "WOW, this is cool." Even I was like, WOW, this IS COOL. Parking, as most of you know we have a huge parking lot at Camp Plymouth, big enough for simi's and their trailers, so imagine my surprise that on Thursday the parking lot was full, AND, that on Friday parking spilled out to the road leading to the entrance of the parking lot! That was a first. This years Wednesday felt like a normal years Thursday, meaning people came in early this year, days earlier than normal. A GOOD Sign.

My Dodge WC25 and my new G527 Water Buffalo at Camp Plymouth

At this event, what did I buy? Lol, I bought a Ben Hur water trailer from December 1941, YEAH, DECEMBER 1941! Can you tell I'm kinda excited about it. Then I bought a heater, from Robin Bartel, that goes in the water buffalo, to heat the water in the tank, something that is cool and rare. Then, I bought a 57mm round (1943) and rifle grenade, again from Robin. Also bought 2 hoodies and a tshirt from the MVCC HQ booth. Plus I bought some stuff from Lee Edwards who was selling stuff left and right, it was like Lee was having a "Day After Christmas Sale" at his site. A crowd quickly developed at Lee's site, even I couldn't resist. I even bought a mess kit from one of the vendors, something I've always wanted but has escaped me.



Me and a jeep? Since writing that I've been in the hunt for a WW2 jeep starting in 1987, when I graduated high school, friends and MVCC members have given me leads and asked if I wanted to buy a restoration project. I want to thank everyone, but for me, a WW2 might be one of those things that I lost out on and am ok with it. With my health being what it is I can't restore a jeep anymore. If I were ever to own one I would have to buy one done, and with prices or restored jeeps being where they are, I don't see a WW2 jeep in my future and have accepted it. Still, its fun to drive my friends' jeeps! Life's experiences, don't hesitate, don't wait to do something later on in life when you could do it now. Life can be far too short, so, my advice, LIVE IT UP, ENJOY, WHAT WE DO IS SOOOO COOL and FUN! BEST HOBBY EVER.



Christina & myself at Camp Plymouth

Thank YOU's! Don Gomes-*Quartermaster*, Christina Verissimo-*Treasurer*, Mary Terberg, Erik Terberg, Jennifer Tanis, Chris Thomas, Matt Siragusa, Jim Bertao, Johnny Verissimo(me) and anyone else I am missing, for working in the MVCC booth this year. It felt like we had less volunteers this year so thank you all for taking up the extra work. **Thank you's-** JoAnn Lesser-*Wagon Mistress*- reservation at the fairgrounds. **Thank you's-** raffle/Auction, Jennifer and Scott Tanis and support group. **Thank you's-** Chris Thomas and support staff- Dinner Friday night. **Thank you's-** John Duckett, Tim Coolbaugh-*Dodge Showcase*, Scott Rohrs-*Jeep Showcase* and John Neuenburg-*Motorcycle & Bike Showcase*. This club is a club about members, for member, put on by members that is a non profit, what you do you do for yourself and others, thank you from the bottom of my slightly larger than normal heart.

Thank you's- Jimmy Strauss for the Jeep Restoration Shop open house. Thank you for the article and photos Dave Porter. Also, thank you to Tyler Rizzuto for getting me more photos of the convoy to Jimmy's and photos in the shop in Jimmys shop. Hope everyone had a great time.

Military Vehicles Magazine has changed- MVM is now Military Trader & Vehicles Magazine. You will get the best of both worlds now in one magazine. I just got mine in the mail and thought it was pretty cool .



Field Trip to Jimmy Strauss Restorations

MVCC Secretary/ Editor Johnny Verissimo continued-

Thank you's, to our Club President, Chris Thomas, who's where the buck stops with. Chris is one of the busiest people I know, he's got farmers hours, but he made time for the MVCC and its members. Believe me, being President of any club is stressing and the MVCC is no exception due to how large and far spread our club membership is. Chris will totally get upset with me for thanking him but I still have to, Thank you.

Eagle Field Dinner Dance and Fly In this June, please don't forget, this is your chance to drive you military vehicle all over a WW2 Pilots Training Air Field. You don't have to have a vehicle to come and have a good time.

Kurt Lesser- 5/4/23- Just got a call from JoAnn Lesser, Kurts's surgery went great, he will be heading to recovery. For those of you that don't know, Kurt had heart bypass surgery this morning. Right before Camp Plymouth, Kurt had learned that he had 95% blockage and that he did need to have surgery. Kurt did need to have his chest open for this surgery so he will be out of commission for a little bit. Knowing Kurt he will be up and attending events in no time.

Events- there are quite a few events coming up. One that I am looking forward to and will be attending is Charles Tope's MV event in Monterey on the 18th during Car Week in Monterey. If you want to drive your military vehicles along side Bugatti's, Ferrari and Lamborghini's then this event is for you. I know a few of us will be attending with our military vehicles. You can RSVP with Charles. Flyer in this newsletter. I'd love it if a bunch of MVCC members attend

From The Netherlands by Remko Gooijert-A special article from someone in the hobby who happens to be located on the other side of the planet but does the same thing we do here.. I asked Remko if he would tell us a little something about the hobby in his area. I want to thank Remko for taking the time to give us a little insight into what they do over there. Note the similarities.

YEAH, I went Pearl Harbor again this April, exactly one year from my first time to Pearl Harbor last year. Ahhh Pearl Harbor, Oahu, I love you. Its absolutely an amazing place. Again our daughters sent us because they wanted us to show them Pearl Harbor, so we all went. Showing my daughters Pearl Harbor and Oahu was one of the most special things I've gotten to do with my daughters. My two daughters, Kataryna (28) and Maryan (26), grew up listening to me talk about Pearl Harbor, US History, WW2 History, World History, so to be able to share their trip to Pearl Harbor was a very special moment in our family. Still can't believe I went to Pearl Harbor again this year, I'm still in disbelief and I'm already back, lol...

Johnny & Christina~



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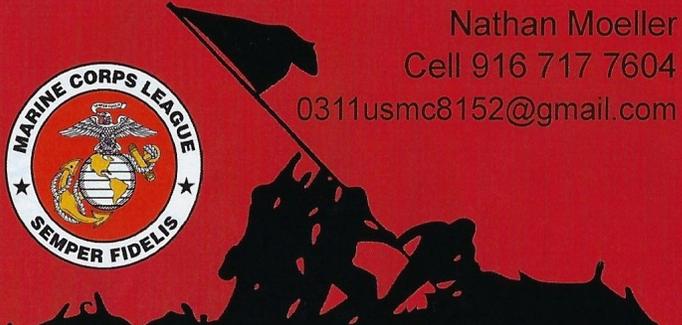


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Photos from Camp Plymouth 2023, by Johnny Verissimo

Those of you that know me know I like to take a lot of photos. The following are some of the people, vehicles and swap meet I saw at Camp Plymouth last month. I didn't have time to add captions to every photo.

For ALL of the photos I took at Camp Plymouth go to MVCC Camp Plymouth Show & Swap Meet, Plymouth, California on Facebook. Also, you can go to www.mvccnews.net

Over 135 jeeps, trucks, trailers, motorcycles and bikes were counted at this meet. Thank you C.J. Bertagna for gives us your head count. That will give you an idea of the size of this event.

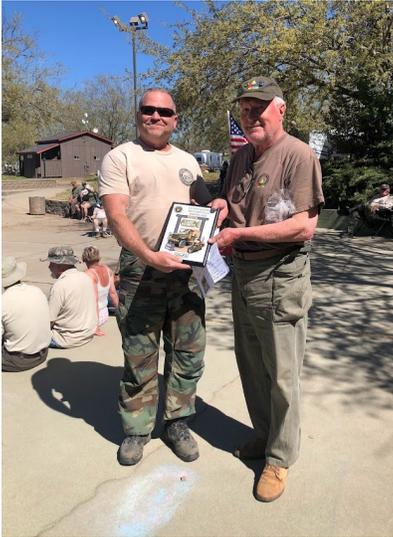




Awards, Dinner and raffle photos...

Over 600 photos on www.mvccnews.net

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Friday Night Dinner and Raffle



Photos taken by Johnny Verissimo

Myself & Roberto Mossier, from Vancouver, Canada



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Hello to all MVCC members,

Hope you all, that went to Camp Plymouth, had a great time seeing old friends and making new ones. This year I had a few moments to take my Ford GTBS Bomb truck and bombs for a cruise around the 49er camp grounds and fairgrounds. If you missed coming by the MVCC booth this year and you would like to buy limited edition shirts, sweatshirts, signs, please contact me. I would like to thank all of the following members for helping at our merchandise MVCC booth for the three days we were open: Mary & Eric Terberg, Johnny & Christina Verissimo, Scott & Jen Tanis, Tyler Rizzuto, Jim Ber-tao, Chris Thomas, Matt Siragusa, I'm very sorry if I missed someone but thank you all very much, thanks.

Credit Cards – I've listened to everyone and finally I've ordered a "square" for the MVCC HQ Booth so you will soon be able to use credit cards with the MVCC! I should have it up and running soon and definitely by the fall meet. The MVCC depends on the MVCC HQ booth doing well, we hope this is a long awaited step in to the future of the MVCC.

Keeping The GTB History Alive!... Don Gomes...

Don Gomes, Christina Verissimo and Johnny Verissimo at Camp Plymouth on the MVCC Staff Car



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Greetings from the North!

The Spring meet at Plymouth was great. Lots to see and do, visiting old friends and making new friends. One of the highlights this year was the MV convoy to Jimmy Strauss Jeeps restoration shop in Diamond Springs. Jimmy provided sandwiches and beverages along with an outstanding tour of his facility, including several examples of jeep restorations in various stages of completion. His restoration standards are over the top, resulting in better than new quality finished vehicles. An estimated 22 vehicles made the 16-mile trip to Jimmy's shop and back without any problems. I got one of the free Jimmy Strauss T-shirts he was handing out before they ran out. It was definitely a fun trip.

Dave...



Photos of Jimmy's Open House by Dave Porter



Don Gomes & Arnold Martinez & Don's GTBS, photo by Johnny

Photos of Jimmy's Shop by Dave Porter



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Hi All,

Hope you were able to make it to Camp Plymouth. It was a GREAT event. We arrived Thursday and it was non-stop action until we headed out Sunday. First of all, I'd like to apologize if your campsite was raided or your MV climbed upon by Henry. He was a baby on fire all weekend!!!

He met lots of friendly people, dogs, cats, lizards and birds at the event. He was also able to check out a few MV's ☺! As far as I can tell he favors the M274 Mule. Carl was kind enough to let us take his for a spin around the 49'er. Once we were rolling Henry lounged out in Mom's lap and really enjoyed his tour of the park. If you've seen Carl's Mule you know he has returned it to virtually new condition and, having never driven one, Dad enjoyed the experience too!



In addition to Mule rides Henry was able to bum a ride in the back of Allan and Linda DeSalvo's M37 that they just returned to the road. It's been modified a bit and if you haven't checked it out closely, take the time to do so next time you see it. They did an excellent job! It also seems the little guy likes bikes, especially those of the BSA folding Paratrooper variety. Henry spotted the bikes on display and ran over to John Neuenburg's BSA. John let Henry check it out closely and Henry was jazzed. Then there was a game of Firetruck Basketball on the tailgate of Mark's firetruck...

Henry enjoyed playing "basketball" on the rear of Mark's Firetruck.

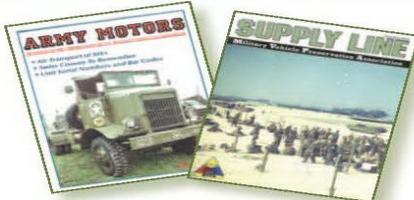


As you can see our event consisted of chasing Henry around and trying to limit the chaos. I think the only rest I had was at the Board Meeting, and that was more eventful than usual! Thanks to all for your patience and good humor. I'm curious to see if the little guy learns to enjoy the MV's and the camaraderie of the MVCC as much as I do. I sure hope so!

Andy



Allan and Linda DeSalvo enjoying their newly finished M37





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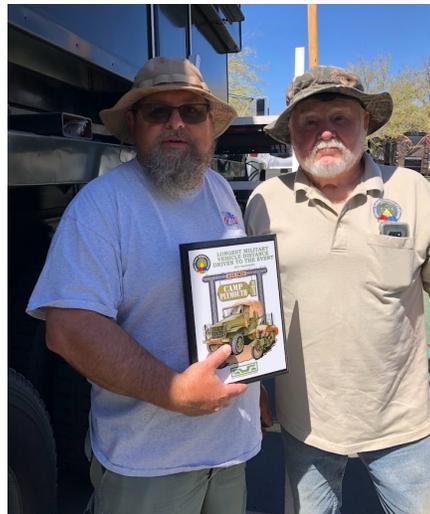
After years of low turnouts at our meets it was very encouraging to see Plymouth this year. I think Covid is in our past and it's time to move forward. We suffered a few hiccups but all in all everyone seemed to have a good time. Regarding the Fairgrounds we have a computer-generated layout being prepared to alleviate any problems that may have occurred. It will mean that some spaces will change their sizes so I'd ask everyone with larger space requirements to make sure to contact us well before next April. I don't suspect any problems in September because of the lower turnout. As for the 49er resort all we can do is work with them as time progresses and their reconstruction work continues. We seem to have done OK this spring and we'll stay on top of things to make sure your spaces meet your needs. Once again I'd ask everyone to keep their eyes open for alternative locations for our meets as the club grows we may eventually find ourselves looking for more space or just a location change to add diversity to our meets.

Right now I'm looking at a 2 month down period after open heart surgery but I would still like to put together something for our South Bay members either up at Mount Madonna, Uvas Canyon County Park or Casa de Fruta. Possibly in August if people are interested. Please let me know if you have a preference as to the location and I'll pursue this for us.

The Morgan Hill July 4th parade is still a go, and I will continue to be the POC for it. We have not received our meeting location as of April 28th so contact me the week before the parade and I should have the information by then. Summers here, let's get out there and have some fun!

Keep `em Rolling, Kurt Lesser...

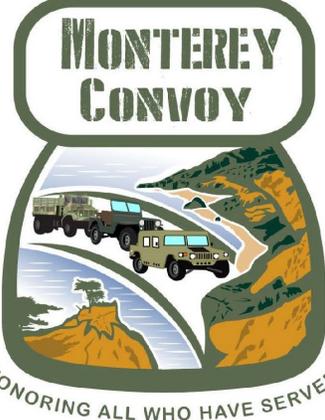
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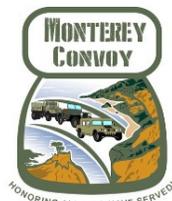
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August 12, 2023— **Spirit of 45 in San Jose at History Park.** POC is Robert Corpus (Executive Director) www.spiritof45.org 408-887-3311. Anything WW2 related is wanted for this event especially WW2 vehicles and people dressed in WW2 ear attire including but not limited to uniforms. There is food and a Big Band plays at night under the stars.

August 17, 2023-3rd Annual Veterans Appreciation Military Vehicle Convoy and Picnic, Pacific Grove California. 10AM. Its free to attend but vehicle registration is required. Flyer on page 3. Victoria Cambell (818)324-8174 info@montereyconvoy.com

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Greetings from the Central Coast. It appears our wet weather that has pummeled our area for the 1st quarter of the year is behind us and we can start focusing on getting the MV's out to enjoy a bit of sunshine and warmer weather. I was able to attend Plymouth on Friday the 21st and I must say the turnout was impressive. This was only my second time attending and I can say it exceeded expectations. A big shout out to all the folks who did all the leg work and planning!

On a personal note, I have several projects that are under full restoration which will be fun to display at next year's meet. *Phot to the right is the "primed" firewall of the 1943 White Half Track.*



Phot to the left is the engine to the half track pulled out.

In the short time I have been collecting and restoring World War II vehicles I am amazed at the incredible and passionate folks you get to meet during your endeavors. An initial conversation with Scott Taniis opened the door to an introduction to Aiden McMackin of Minden Nevada a few weeks ago who had one of those bucket list items I was interested in collecting (1945 DUKW). And what do you know we have a new vehicle to go fishing with in Monterey Bay! Should be lots of fun and a great teaching tool for the younger generations..



I am inviting one and all to the Monterey Peninsula on Friday August 18th 2023 for the first Historic Military Vehicle Show for Monterey Car Week. We are working in coordination with Monterey Convoy to tour the beautiful Monterey Peninsula and then end up at our show and display areas. Please see our flyer in the newsletter.

Photo to the right is the DUKW before and the photo below it is after it got its new paint job.

Work done by Scott Taniis.



My newest edition to my collection, DUKW

DUKW after new paint



MVCC Sept 10-16th 2023 Camp Plymouth Registration
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Arrival Date _____ Check Out Date _____ **Payment in full paid to Camp 49er by Aug 8th -2023**

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No refunds after Sept 1st 2023

Fairgrounds camping payment should be made to: Military Vehicle Collectors of California, 850 Elm Ave, Gustine, Ca, 95322 C/O Christina Verissimo. For more information: mvcccampmistress@yahoo.com . All vehicles operating on public roads must be currently registered/ have insurance coverage.

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No live firearms displayed or sold, no live ammunition displayed or sold.

Please Sign _____ Date _____

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Hello MVCC'ers!

I hope everyone had a fantastic time at Camp Plymouth! I especially hope that everyone had a better time than I did, as I got sick almost the day I was planning to leave and didn't make the event at all. ZERO STARS!

Ah well, I'll regroup and try again next time. From all the photos I've been seeing on Facebook, it looks like it was another excellent event!

Around here, Damon and I are planning to attend the Virginia City Memorial Day Parade. I believe he'll be transporting the Grand Marshall in his jeep while I'll take the rear guard position in my HMMWV.

Speaking of my HMMWV, I had the distinct "pleasure" of having to get it smogged. Here in NV, only 2 counties require smog checks and I live in one of them.

So.... If you know the story of my HMMWV, I purchased it as a rolling pile of parts back in something like 2005 with no data plates, no title, and only a bill of sale. With a little help from my friends, I got the CHP to issue me a VIN number so I could title it. That was back in 2007.

Fast forward to 3 years ago, I finish my restoration and go to get my 1985 M1038 titled in Nevada. Should be a slam dunk, since I already have a CA title to just transfer. And I'll just register it as a "classic vehicle" since it's over 25 years old and no smog check required. Not so fast! Since my VIN was assigned in 2007, the NV DMV recognizes my 1985 truck as a 2007, and prevents me from registering it as a classic, and requires me to get a smog check every year.

So then it's off to the DMV smog referee to determine what exactly a smog inspection on my particular vehicle is supposed to look like and then issue an official form that I am required bring with me every time I smog it.

And if that's not enough, the HMMWV is full time 4wd, which requires a 4wd dyno for smog testing. Of course, there's only 1 shop in town that has one, and they're only open M-F, 8-5 when us working types are doing our workie work thing. So now I have to burn a vacation day on top of everything else.

The things we do for our green treasures!

I hope this finds you well, basking in the glow of all the new treasures you managed to haul home from Plymouth. And I hope you get your OD iron out to enjoy and share with the public.

Keep 'em Rollin'!



Photos from Camp Plymouth 2023

If you have any questions or have information regarding a meet or activity in your area, contact your regional vice president or any of the officers to let them know. Be sure to visit our website for any last minute activities or changes to activities/events. Please submit information regarding upcoming activities to the newsletter editor at least two months before the scheduled event. All articles must be submitted to the newsletter editor by the 14th of each month. **MVCC News Editor Johnny Verissimo, (209) 918-0488 istanbull@sbcglobal.net or www.mvccnews.net**

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Military Vehicle Collectors of California Merchandise 2023



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2023 MVCC Camp Plymouth

T-shirt. This year we chose A
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 Size: S,M,L,XL - \$25 each
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Everything will be for sale at Camp Plymouth 2022! Come by and check out the MVCC HQ Store for more



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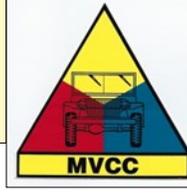
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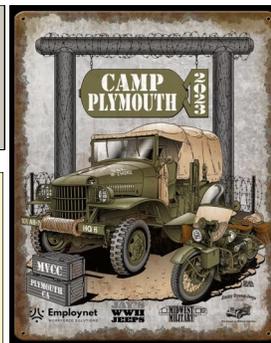
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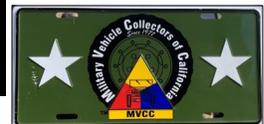


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 shipped to

MVCC License Plate \$15



How to purchase: You can email or call your order in to **Don Gomes(209)765-1273**. He will let you know if its in stock and give you a shipping quote. **How to pay:** Check or Money order. The club is working on getting a paypal account but its not ready yet. **Shipping:** Average shipping is \$6.99 but if it's a really small order it can be less or if it's a large order it might be more, out of country is more. **Ships from Gustine, Ca.** Email at istanbull@sbcglobal.net Any questions please ask! WE also have a few previous years event tshirts and other stuff like coffee mugs etc. **Mail payment to MVCC**, Christina Verissimo, 850 Elm Ave, Gustine, Ca. 95322

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For Sale: GPW Engine, Serial Number 144723, no manifolds. GPW block and parts, Serial Number 18971. CJ-2A complete frame with front and rear differentials with 15" Jeep wheels. Contact Alvin Rentsch (707)972-8726

Wanted : shock mount for my PE-55 and my BC223 radio. I have been missing these for years and would love to finally find them. Johnny Verissimo (209)918-0488 istanbull@sbcglobal.net

For Sale: M151A1 which has been stored in a garage and is licensed in the state of California. It was last driven about three years ago and everything was in excellent condition. Uncut. There is no rust. Completely original. Asking \$15,000. Call Don Thomas at 310-418-9344. Vehicle is located in St. Helena, California (Napa Valley).



For Sale- Ford Jeep Engine Runs #271-256 (no bolt on's) \$1,400. Ford Jeep Engine, Runs, #133-810 (no bolt on's) \$1,000. Willys CJ Jeep Engine, runs (no bolt on's) \$1,000. Harold Tufenkjian -(559)266-7520 Fresno, Ca.

For Sale -1968 M35A2, 465 Hercules Turbo Multifuel winch Hard Cab., Contact Gill (775) 826-1719.



For Sale: T90A-1 transmission, Spicer 18 transfer, bell housing and flywheel (for Hurricane F-Head engine). Call for more information and photos if interested. I'm located in Goleta, CA. Call Brad at 805-708-3963. Asking \$900 for the lot.



FOR SALE: Fully restored, 1941 Chevrolet USMC Staff Car, by Jerry Mambretti. As seen at many MVCC meets and parades. Ground up resto. Fuel injected, power steering, power brakes, cruise control and more. Located in Azalea, Oregon just 86 miles over the CA border on I-5. \$40,000 OBO. Email Donna Mambretti @ sgtjs-wife@yahoo.com. Can send more photos if interested.



For Sale: 1, I have a 1942 Ford script parts jeep to sell - to include grill, fenders,, body tub, hood, reproduction rear panel, MB engine, front and rear axels, bogus frame rail, etc - please contact for additional info. 2, 9N tractor engine short block with GP cam less head - also GP transmission that needs repair. 3, miscellaneous MB parts. Contact @ tidyacres @ hotmail.com John Manuel

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For Sale: 1942 Dodge WC-51 Weapons Carrier. Early Model w/Small Fuel Filler.

I bought it from the original owner in 2011, who bought it as Surplus in the early 1950's, used it on his farm, and stored it in his shop when not in use. Very clean, complete and straight original truck. Unrestored. Engine has a Rebuild tag from the 1970's, with very few miles since.

Runs, but has not been driven since 2015. It will need some attention to drive, including Brakes, Carburetor & Fuel system. Comes with 7 Combat wheels, 5 good tires, 5 new tubes. Parts included, but not installed: NOS Windshield frame, Restored Fuel Tank, Rebuilt Carburetor, Rebuilt Original Fuel Pump. Calif Titled. \$8500 OBO Matt (408) 398-0036 msira36@aol.com



Wanted: Halftrack. My son, Anthony, and I are looking for a restorable halftrack. Preferable an M3 or M16 with a good solid frame, any condition considered if it is priced right. Anthony has one that he has been working on, but the frame has been extended. So, he would like to get one with a good frame...

John Souza, souzaj3@yahoo.com, 559-313-4480

For Sale: 1943 Ford GTB Burma Jeep Cargo Truck with Winch and Hydraulic Dump Bed, which runs off the PTO for the Winch. Correct Original motor. Not running, but Engine turns over as normal. Last ran in 2017. \$3500 OBO Matt (408) 398-0036 msira36@aol.com



For Sale ½ ton WWII Dodge truck parts. New wood floorboards and dash map board \$60.00. Transfer case \$100.00. Transmission \$ 100.00. Transmission with PTO \$150.00. PTO \$50.00. Rims \$20.00. Complete re-built MU winch. has been sand blasted and primed. \$1000.00. (2) Command car safety strap body eye. New MU shift fork \$200.00. Rims \$30.00 ea.. ¾ ton Dodge truck parts. 2 speed transfer case for WC 62 and 63 \$300.00. M37 complete front axle \$200.00. M37 complete rear axle \$ 200.00. MU2 winch with cable guide \$800.00. WWII ben hur One ton trailer complete metal bracket set for wood sides \$230.00 203-4674 motor that has been re-built with transmission \$800.00. n auger for Chevy K44. Includes 4 different bits \$400.00 or best offer. Radio box CH-74A fits Jeeps, Dodge and ½ tracks \$50.00. WWII ben hur One ton trailer complete metal bracket set for wood sides \$230.00

CONTACT GREG LAMPMAN CELL (805) 550-5838 OR E-MAIL glampman@calpoly.edu

For Sale: a M211 truck

It has a 505 GM Crate engine, different 4 speed,

changed to 12 volt , Chester Berrlow

<chesterb777@yahoo.com>



For Sale—M-37 Dodge, 1953, for sale. Santa Cruz, area. \$5800. Call 831-588-3866

For Sale: Willys 6cyl Super Hurricane Motor. This motor was a running motor when pulled. Used in Willys P/U Trucks and Wagons from the 50's- the 60's. Will bolt up to T90 transmission. Motor is complete with Carb, Intake, Exhaust manifold, Generator, and Distributer. Black oil on the dip stick.. Asking \$800. Scott 415 259 8177

For Sale: Military Canvas Tents. 16' X 16' Squad tent w/poles \$250. Hexagon Mountain Tent complete. N.O.S. \$200. Scott 415 259 8177

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Articles! Articles! Articles! from your neck of the woods. If you have something you would like to see in the newsletter just email it to me and I'll see about getting it in the newsletter, If you're a member in any state and have something you think is interesting please email it to me: Johnny istanbull@sbcglobal.net :) If you want more info on the MVCC check out the web page and we are on facebook in two areas, look us up.

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For Sale- Ford GTBs and parts as a Lot. Re-built transmission, cargo bed, etc. All GTBs to be sold together. 2 GTBs and 2 Parts GTBs \$5,000 or best offer John Azevedo (559)381-2656



For Sale- 2 M100 trailers. 1/2 Command Car, body cut behind front Seat. Fred Kennedy (209)639-9724



For sale: 1962 REO M49 Deuce and half with extra oa331 motor and many extra parts, needs to be restored, no title. \$4000. Also 1942 Chevrolet CCKW with non-military boom, needs complete restoration. \$1500. Contact Gregory Hays at 530-677-2519



Wanted: For Dodge M37, Crankshaft Pulley, Crankshaft Pulley Hub, Water Pump Pulley for 25 amp generator system. We're replacing the 100 amp system. Contact: Andy, 510-832-4322, mvcc510925@gmail.com

For Sale: NOS Rear Cargo Curtain for a M54 5 ton military truck. The canvas cover is in excellent condition and needs to find a truck to go with it! \$75 or willing to trade for M37 Dodge parts :). Contact: Andy, 510-832-4322, mvcc510925@gmail.com

For Sale: 1966 M151-A2 with M416 Trailer. Current CA Registration. Uncut Jeep Body, No Rust. Running Condition. Comes complete with Radio Mounts, Antennas, Tow Bar, Dash Gun Holder, Trip Wire Cutter, New Tires, Complete Manual Set, and more spare parts that can be listed here. Asking \$17,500. Vehicle is located in Vallejo, CA. Contact Art Doran (925) 366-8610.



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For Sale: 1/4 ton M416 Trailer bed with lunette, Bed not rotten/ dent in the from bulkhead (fixable). Great for a truck bed for a resto mod or replacement for another trailer \$750 OBO



Wanted: WW 2 Era 8 foot officers wall tent. I live in Colorado but would like to take delivery at Plymouth 2023. I will take it at Plymouth and send it back with me. Cash, NO shipping Hassle. Please contact Russ Morgan 970-669-9099 morganru@oncimage.com



WANTED: M-37 winch bumper parts. Need both driver and passenger side front bumpers, extensions, winch to bumper angle brackets, pto, pto bracket with handle. Please contact John Sorensen (707)486-2882 or email rattlecanjohnny@gmail.com



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For Sale-M151 series Original - M-4 Machine gun mount assembly. \$900. 2. M-142 machine gun M-60 cradle. \$950. Sold together only. Shipping not included. Brad Carrott (831)345-0372
Bradcarrott@gmail.com

For Sale-M-274 A5, 1968 (Mechanical Mule) \$15,000 obo, Fresh paint, Full electric start. Two front baskets and seats. Driving lights. Extra engine, spare parts. Runs perfect, 13.5 hours on current engine. Tow bar, (N.O.S.). Replaced tie rods. New tires, with spare. Full set of manuals. New steering wheel (N.O.S).



WANTED- D-DAY JEEP FRIENDS, I am planning on shipping my jeep to France next year, for the D-Day 80th Anniversary events. I am looking for others who might want to combine shipping with me, to hopefully lower overall costs. I am in Northern California, near Sacramento. Contact Todd at (707) 312-1844.

Dinner Dance Fly-In June 3rd & 4th, 2023

Saturday June 3

2:00 PM Aircraft Arrivals Begin
3:00 PM Bar opens for water, sodas and drinks
5:00 PM People arrive for pre-dinner activities
and Collectibles Silent Auction Opens for Bids
5:30 PM Military Vehicle Parade
6:30 to 7:00 PM Dinner Begins
8:00 PM Music Begins
9:00 PM Coffee and Donut Break
11:00 PM Hangar Doors Close

Sunday June 4

8:00 – 10:00 AM Pancake Breakfast
11:00 AM Aircraft Depart

Prices

\$75 Steak Dinner
\$75 Half a Chicken Dinner
\$55 Veggie Lasagna Dinner
\$20 Sunday's Pancake Breakfast

Saturday dinner includes: mashed potatoes, special green beans, salad, dinner roll and a wonderful chocolate éclair for dessert. Donuts and coffee are served at approximately 9:30 PM.

Los Banos Hotels (21 miles north): Travelodge (209) 710-0593
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Buy tickets @ eaglefieldmuseum.com • or call 925-383-3916
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Eagle Field AAF base was opened in 1942 specifically to train pilots for World War II. From April 1942 to the winter of 1944, about five thousand pilots were trained in Ryan PT-22 and Boeing Stearman PT-17 aircraft. Purchased in 1980 by Joe Davis, Eagle Field is a link back to a very important and pivotal time in America's history. Having been saved, hopefully in the years to come, it will be fully restored. We need your support.

This 37th Warbird Fly-In and Dinner Dance promises to be a very entertaining historical event. Past aircraft have included PT-17 and PT-22 trainers, B-25 and PV-2 bombers, P-40, P-51, Corsair, Bearcat and Wildcat fighters, an ME-108, L-Birds and even a veteran C-53 transport that dropped paratroopers on D-Day.

In the past, military vehicles have included Jeeps, Half-Tracks, Weasels, Command Cars, Tanks, Cleatracks, APCs, Cargo Trucks, Weapons Carriers, Staff Cars and Artillery/Anti-Aircraft pieces.

Many will dress in World War II period attire. Espana's of Los Banos will cater our Saturday night dinner and you will sit at a beautifully decorated table. Knight Sounds, a classy 1940's big band from Modesto, will provide live big band music. Our veterans will be given special recognition.

Military Vehicles Only: Arrive Friday/Saturday (For MV info contact: Don Gomes at 209 765-1273). Vehicle folks can camp out through Sunday. Showers will be available. There will be a BBQ and camp fire on Friday night. Saturday activities include: A filming for YouTube, and a military parade at 5:30 PM. Bring period military clothing for the video. Breakfast and lunch will be available at the cantina on Saturday.

Pilots: The Eagle Field identifier is CL01. Use a RIGHT HAND PATTERN and announce arrival on 122.9. A shuttle for PILOTS ONLY goes to both the La Quinta (209) 827-4677 and Best Western (209) 827-0954 in Los Banos. One afternoon shuttle departing at 2:45 PM, returning at 5:45 PM, and one departure every hour beginning at 9:00 PM until 11:00 PM, returning on Sunday AM.

Military Motorcycle, Scooter, Bicycle Showcase at Camp Plymouth a Success

By John Neuenburg

The Military Motorcycle, Scooter, & Bicycle Showcase brought out a nice variety of machines and it dressed up the entrance drive of the 49er Village next to the event HQ tent on Friday. We had 21 machines at site #190 for four hours, overlapping the military Dodge and WW2 jeep displays in the arena so people could visit all three. Seven motorcycles, five scooters, and nine bicycles from 10 people plus two Swiss military bicycles back in Doug's camp.

Owners	Year	Brand, Model, Notes	Military service	People's Choice
John Dickerman	1944	Excelsior Welbike airborne scooter	England	
John Dickerman	1942	Columba G519 Bicycle (MG prefix)	U.S.	
John Dickerman	1942	BSA Airborne Folding Bicycle early model	England	
John Dickerman	1943	BSA Airborne Folding Bicycle late model	England	
Russ Price	1945	Columbia Sports Traveler bicycle	U.S.	
Stefan & Becky Fisher	1942	BSA M20 motorcycle	England	
Stefan & Becky Fisher	1943	BMW R-75M sidecar motorcycle with trailer	Germany	
Doug & Debbie Baldanzi	1942	Cushman Model 32 scooter	U.S.	
Doug & Debbie Baldanzi	1951	Nimbus motorcycle	Denmark	
Doug & Debbie Baldanzi	1943	Excelsior Welbike airborne scooter	England	
Doug & Debbie Baldanzi	1951	Schwinn Cycletruck bicycle	U.S.	Winning bicycle
Doug & Debbie Baldanzi	1944	Cushman Model 53 Airborne scooter & M3A4 cart	U.S.	Winning scooter
Tom Robertson	1992	Kawasaki M1030 (KLR 250)	U.S.	
Mike Fedyk	1941	Indian 741-B Army Scout motorcycle 30.50 cu. In.	U.S./Allies	Winning
Pat Hayes	1946	Moto Guzzi Super Alce	Italy	
Mike Johnston	1944	Cushman Model 32 scooter	U.S.	
Jeff Intemans	1952	Schwinn bicycle	U.S.	
John Neuenburg	1941	Indian 640-B Scout Motorcycle 45 cu. In.	U.S.	
John Neuenburg	1941	BSA Airborne Folding Bicycle very early model	England	
John Neuenburg	1942	BSA Airborne Folding Bicycle early model	England	
John Neuenburg	1943	BSA Airborne Folding Bicycle late model	England	

43 People's Choice ballots were cast. Some visitors at these displays don't think they are qualified to vote. Expert knowledge is not needed - vote for your favorite! I recused my four bikes from the contest because I was POC and vote-counter.

Two motorcycle models have not been seen at our meets, to my knowledge, since I started attending in 1986. The Moto Guzzi Super Alce (AHL-chay) was interesting in a 1940s Italian way. Doug's Danish Army Nimbus is an amazing machine that looks more like 1930s technology than 1950s. It has a frame made from riveted rectangular steel bars! It is for sale by the way.

It was nice to see the comparison between Mike's Indian 741 and my 640. Similar but with key differences. Oddly there were no military Harley-Davidsons represented. There are some around.



The winning bicycle and the author's BSA folders
Chris Hughes photo



Moto Guzzi Super Alce and a Kawasaki M1030
Chris Hughes photo



Randy Canova photo

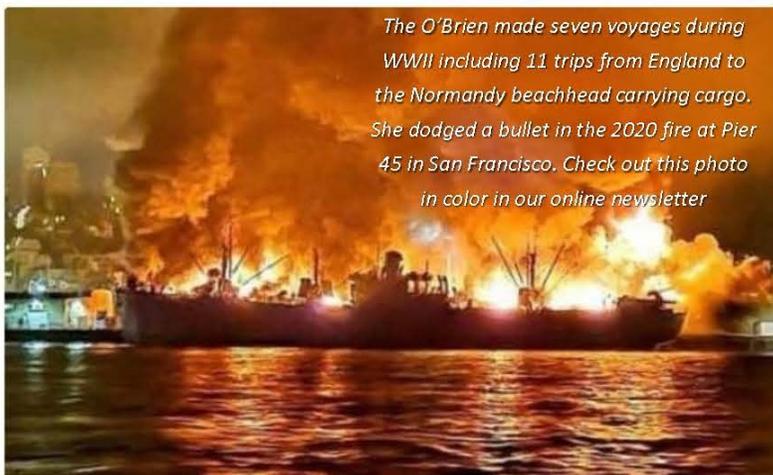
SS Jeremiah O'Brien Liberty Ship 80th Birthday Cruise and MV Display

Likely Dates August 19-20, 2023 at New Location in San Francisco

By John Neuenburg

The only unmodified, fully operational WWII Liberty Ship in the world is turning 80 this June. The National Liberty Ship Memorial is planning a Saturday Bay cruise and static Sunday public open house with engine running at their new location on the west side of Pier 35. We have been invited to display WWII vehicles next to the ship. Those bringing a MV will receive a cruise ticket and another if a co-driver! Those wanting to stay aboard the ship that weekend are welcome in the open berthing area they use for group overnights like for Sea Scouts. No charge, see details below. Lunch is included aboard the ship when cruising. They hope we will stay for the Sunday public open house. I asked if a discount for a future cruise could be given to people who display a MV on Sunday. My contact thinks that is possible. This would include the Fleet Week cruises in October, a very special way to watch the Blue Angels and other aviation acts.

Pier 35 West is an upgrade from their relatively hidden location at Pier 45 at Fisherman's Wharf. The move was due to the big Pier 45 fire that burned the shed (the building on the pier) next to the ship. The ship was saved by the SFFD fire boat except for some scorched paint. But the shed which blocked much of the prevailing wind is gone and the wind has been causing mooring lines to snap. Pier 35 is a backup cruise ship terminal and on its west side the wind will blow the ship toward the pier, solving the line problem. The ship is in full view of the busy Pier 39 dining and shopping destination because there is no Pier 37. Part of their deal is the Pier 35 shed is available for O'Brien staff parking when there is no cruise ship visiting. This includes us unloading and parking trucks and trailers inside for this weekend. The MVs will park along the pier's apron between ship and shed so the cruising public and Sunday visitors will walk right by us.



The O'Brien made seven voyages during WWII including 11 trips from England to the Normandy beachhead carrying cargo. She dodged a bullet in the 2020 fire at Pier 45 in San Francisco. Check out this photo in color in our online newsletter

RSVP to me, space is limited for the cruise and on the apron. Numbers are fuzzy as of this writing. 20 MVs should be OK. All must be U.S. WWII. No RV camping inside the shed. Shed and apron are locked at night and during the cruise. If anyone wants to move a MV into the shed at night that is OK. There will be a procedure for walking in and out of the shed gate to go to breakfast, dinner, or shopping, probably using our own combo lock on the gate.

One of the themes is "Wartime San Francisco" and they encourage the wearing of WWII era Class A, B, or field U.S. uniforms or period civilian clothes. Combat equipment and guns is not what they are looking for. They hope we can provide a variety of MVs, meaning not 20 jeeps. I will ask if they would like to winch a vehicle off the ground for show, maybe even to their deck. That would be great for a Navy or USMC jeep with lifting eyes. Anyone interested

in that? Volunteer docents will talk about the Merchant Marine, Navy Armed Guards, engine, deck equipment, guns, etc. The organizers are seeking warbirds for fly-bys in San Pablo Bay (attacks?). These cruises are really special.

I am POC for this event. Who wants to do it? Let me know year, make, model MV, driver and co-driver name, which days, overnight Friday and/or Saturday or not. Let me know if you want to do a living history impression without MV. The dates will be firmed up later. I can be reached at 8472801 in the area code where San Rafael is, but prefer email to in(underscore)garage(at)hotmail.com if you know what I mean.



The open berthing area is very communal, four bunks high. The top ones are only for the athletic. Bedding, pillows, ear plugs not provided. Tables, chairs, refrigerator, microwave, sink are there. There is a head (restroom) close and showers up a deck.

Starboard side now faces the Pier 39 shopping and dining hot spot. Great location!





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Hello North Bay West and beyond,

Camp Plymouth is a wrap! It is always a downer to know that we must wait another year until the next spring meet, but what a meet it was! We couldn't have asked for better weather. If you didn't hear this was the biggest meet to date. Bigger than our tower park meets. Based on the total number of camp spaces used for the event! Money was raised for the club, showcases were outstanding, and a lot of swapping was going down! Speaking of show cases I would again like to thank all the participants that brought out their vehicles to the showcases. Our jeep showcase was great! We had 33 jeeps enter the WWII Jeep Showcase and had just over 60 voters! Congratulations to the winners. They were all fantastic!

Thanks to all the board members that worked their tails off to put on a great show. You all make the event a success!

I would like to put out a request for some military vehicles to attend a Memorial Day dedication of a veteran's memorial monument at the Cloverdale cemetery off Crocker Rd. in Cloverdale. I believe they would like the MV's for static display during the dedication. It shouldn't be more than a few hours. You can contact me for more info.

Also, the Jeremiah Obrien 80th Birthday event is happening in the City (San Francisco) on August 19th & 20th. John Nuenburg is the contact for that event. He will have a flyer in this month's newsletter.

60 votes counted: Jeep Showcase Winners: Best Combat Ready-John Neuenburg. Best Factory Fresh & Peoples Choice- Jeff & Karen Intemann.

Keep your powder dry,

Scott Rohrs

Photo to the left by Scott Rohrs



Photos by Christina Verissimo



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CAMP PLYMOUTH APRIL 2023 DODGE SHOWCASE RECAP by John Duckett

Well, April 2023 Camp Plymouth has come and gone. It was a good one based on overall attendance. It is always nice to reunite with old friends and catch up on all things Dodge. In addition, as most of us have been waiting all winter to get a look, are the camp sites filled with hordes of military Dodge rusty gold for sale. With all that going on, it was also the year that we were having a Military Dodge Showcase.

We spent a few months before April Camp Plymouth trying to get the word out and encourage military Dodge owners to get their rigs ready and transported to the show to participate in the Showcase. A mild advertisement campaign was launched on Facebook as well as posting information about the Showcase in all the usual military websites/forums.

Although the Military Dodge Showcase held on Friday was a bit low on overall military Dodge turnout, it was well represented in the different models that participated. There was a 3/4-ton Dodge WC52, two half-ton Dodge open cab pickups, a Dodge WC54 ambulance, two half-ton Dodge Command Cars, two half-ton Dodge Carryalls, a 3/4-ton Dodge WC56 Command Car, a Dodge M37, and Stubby. Stubby was a crowd-pleasing shortened Dodge half-ton brought to the show by MVCC Club President, Chris Thomas.

A peoples choice ballot was handed out to anyone that wished to vote

There were quite a few votes received with the overall winner for first place going to Eric Reed with his beautiful 3/4-ton Dodge WC56 Command Car. Not only does Eric drive the 9 hours one way to attend the show every year, he provides anyone interested a ride around the park in his WC56. He really displays what having a historical military vehicle is all about.

Second place went to Linda and Allan DeSalvo with his, completed just in time for the show, beautifully restored Dodge M37. We actually think Alan's wife completed the bulk of the work. Just kidding, but we believe she contributed a lot of time helping Alan get this M37 ready for the show. Third place went to Brandon Cherinka with his nicely restored Dodge WC52 Weapons Carrier.

Gift certificates were provided to the winners by John Bizal of Midwest Military. 1st place received a \$200 gift certificate, 2nd place received \$150, and 3rd place received \$50. We are truly grateful for the sponsorship and support of Midwest Military.

It was our pleasure to put together the Military Dodge Showcase. Respectively submitted, Tim Coolbaugh and John Duckett.



Photos of the Dodge Showcase at Camp Plymouth

All photos on this page by Johnny...

Thursday night dinner at Dodge Boys HQ



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Howdy MVer's,

The couple weeks prior to Camp Plymouth, I was busy finishing all the Preventative Maintenance on the M543A2 wrecker. I lost count of how many zerk fittings I greased my guess would be 80ish. My fingers were cramping from squeezing the grease gun for an hour. One of these days I'm going to splurge and buy either a cordless or air operated grease gun.

I loaded up a few things on the M543A2 wrecker. It doesn't have that much room to haul stuff so I didn't really bring very much stuff to sell. I towed the 1941 Indian to the event as well. The truck ran great the entire trip up and back. I also enjoyed rolling the wrecker around the campground and RV park. The Indian also performed well and ran great the whole trip. I was also surprised and very happy to have won the Motorcycle Showcase this year.

I got to use the wrecker on a couple occasions during the event. I loaded up crates of surplus stuff for Jonathan Stucker. I also picked up and loaded a jeep onto a trailer for Aiden McMackin. That was fun and the wrecker made it look easy.

Saturday night we played around with an M60 spotlight mounted on a HUMVEE. What a HOOT! That light was incredibly bright and fun to see being used. I can go on and on about the event but I'll stop now. I'm already looking forward to next year. Next month I'll share the progress I've made on the 1965 Cushman Lobster.

Please share with me your projects, events, pictures etc. so I can post them in the newsletter for all so see.

Regards,
Big Mike

*Left photo- taken
by Scott Rohrs*



Peggy Moran, 1941

Photos by Big Mike, taken at Camp Plymouth



Big Mike's M543A2 Wrecker at Camp Plymouth

People and Clubs, by Johnny Verissimo

I tried to take photos of clubs' banners, or people from different states, obviously there is not way to do all of this, but I got a couple photos that I thought were pretty cool. Just to give you an idea I will mention one or two people.

Take Pete & Bonnie Park, who drove over from Utah. Pete is the newsletter editor for the Utah Military Vehicle Club (UMVC) and Bonnie wrote some very cool books about brides of World War 2. Pete sent me some arial photos of the Jeep Showcase, thank you Pete for attending and for the cool photos.

Then there is John Bizal from Midwest Military, who flies over from Minnesota every year. John is one of the 4 sponsors of our event's t-shirts. Or Rory Grenier, Kilroy's Garage and Parts, who drove his store on wheels, from South Dakota to California. I think that was 1,700 miles each way.

I saw members of the Arizona Military Vehicle Collectors Club, Southern California Military Vehicle Collectors Club, Puget Sound Military Vehicle Collectors Club, Olive Drab Drivers Military Vehicles and Aircraft, Northern Recon Group, Military Vehicle Collectors Club of Oregon, Military Vehicle Collectors of California club and more. Those are who I can remember off the top of my head. There are more, forgive me for forgetting whom I forgot, I just wanted to say thank you to everyone that attended.

The people. Yes, the militaria hobbyist, the military vehicle hobbyist, the history hobbyist, you guys are some of my favorite people. There is nothing without the people that attend our event, put on our event and sponsor our event, thank you. BEST HOBBY EVER...



Pete & Bonnie Park



Puget Sound MVCC

Center photo-L-R Name, Johnny Verissimo, Rory Grenier, Dennis Sunday & John Bizal



MVCC



Northern Recon



OD Drivers

Two aerial photos by Pete Park, UMVC

Hello from The Netherlands, by Remko Gooijert

My name is Remko Gooijert a 46 years old MV enthusiast who lives in The Netherlands. I came in contact with the MVCC by your secretary / news letter editor Johnny. Johnny is also the moderator of the Ford GTB facebook page. The GTB was a truck topping my wish-list for I think 2 decades. The time was right that, in December 2020, I bought a very well preserved April / may -1944 Ford GTB Cargo with a winch from Don Gomes. And there it all started.

Well, it all started in the summer of 1996 when I was traveling in the holidays with my parents. We had planed to go to Normandy for a week and then continue to Cherbourg, catch the ferry to the UK and hit sights there from incl London.

We were in Normandy, I think at the American Cemetery in Colleville-sur-Mer, where there were 2 jeeps parked at the gate. One towing a nice ¼ ton trailer and the other one without. We talked to the Dutch owners and from there on we got “the green flu”. That autumn and winter we scavenged the newspapers to find a jeep. We knew about the fact that there were 2 types, war time MB and GPW and the post war license build French Hotchkiss. To prevent ending up with a post war one, we contacted a member of Keep Them Rolling. Keep Them Rolling is the Dutch “rolling museum” for vehicles, vessels and planes produced, and used by any forces during WW2. This association has about 1500 members in different countries. The Netherlands, Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg, Austria, New Zealand, Australia and many other. We have around 1800 – 2000 privately owned (and maintained) vehicles.

After an initial buy, and a further inspection by a technical staff member of the Dutch “Keep them Rolling”. We went to become a member of this MV association.

After a few events in 1997 - 2002 and taking out all the initial flaws of the jeep (gearbox was bad when we bought it and we snapped a drive-shaft) the search for a second vehicle began, at least for me... The jeep was (and still is) my dad's. As soon as the interest in ww2 vehicles landed in 1996, I more frequently saw the somewhat strange configuration of the G622, Ford GTB. I started doing some research but it was a very little known about vehicle here in Europe. Apart from some pictures of the Weymouth port prior to D-Day were there are 3 GTB's showing and the fact that the Royal Dutch Marine had 60 of them post war. The search began. There was one put up one for sale in the early 2000's and I was hooked. It was a bit disappointing that the seller wanted more than my bank account stored at that time. And, as far as I recall it, he tried to 'scam' me by selling a Bomb-truck chassis to me. It should be delivered with a correct cargo bed to make it complete, telling me it had overloads for more carrying capacity. A second throw back was the fact that is had been sitting outside in the Dutch weather for years and was pretty rusted out.

Nevertheless I bought a 2nd 'vehicle' not long after that. A colleague of mine offered me a pretty rough, farmer used", barn find ¼ ton trailer with a cut out tailgate, no floor and some tractor front tires (on rusted out combat wheels).



Our Jeeps, a nice Dodge and a P-51D on an airstrip nearby.



This trailer I restored from 2005 onwards. It was 2010 when it did help in carrying the stuff to it's first events. Note, the trailer has 2 (rare) Canadian modifications. 1) the tandem setup, a pintle attached to the rear cross member, supported from 2 reinforcement struts. And 2) the heavier 10CWT springs. To fit these longer springs for more pay-load, the spring hangers needed to be spaced further apart and reinforcement plates had to be welded on to the frame.

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In the years following I kept searching for a better GTB. Then when I met my wife (in 2007), we bought a house, got 3 kids and priorities shifted.

From 2007 – 2020 the green flu almost cured. Attending to a few local events, and only taking the jeep out for a Sunday's ride.

In September of 2020 I came across the GTB FB page. Sadly a nice GTB just had been sold. But, a few days later pictures appeared of Don and Johnny retrieving 2 or 3 other GTB's in and saw a nice GTB for sale at Don's place.

We decided to buy it. It was pretty complete, missing only the canvas, spare carrier and the passenger seat. To be sure of some hard to find mechanical spares, I bought an extra engine, transfer-case and steering box. This was stowed in the bed during shipment in January – March 2021

Some gauges were busted □ but the speedo is still functioning with only showing 8822 miles driven from new. It's nice to know that the busted gauges are the same as jeep, so they are readily available.

I took delivery of the GTB on April 19th 2021.

Since then I'm in the process of restoring this vehicle. Axles, springs, chassis and wheels are done. TC has been hung under for now (need to lower it for the speedo



cable to pass through a hole in the cross-member and be able to screw it on.

The Group we have locally in the north of The Netherlands is approx 20 persons with mostly WW2 vehicles. Many Jeeps some Dodges a few Harley's WLA/ WLC a GTB some CCKW, M20 armored car etc. We organize meetings, camp weekends and Sunday's roll-out.



Photo to the right-The infamous night drive on dusty roads 2022



GTB, photo taken in Newman, California, before I bought it



Camp kitchen is out of meat-balls!!!



Our jeep on an annual camp in 08/2022



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