



**OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION  
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## The President's Corner

We congratulated Bruce Gates for his outstanding leadership as our outgoing club president. We leaned heavily on him over the last 3 years and I'm comfortable in saying that he gave 100%. As we say in the Army, when the rucksack gets heavy it's okay to take a knee. Thank you Bruce for your outstanding contributions.

I would also like to thank Vice President Mike Sword and James Galloway for volunteering to continue their service. I can't do a thing without you guys so thanks!

While officially our officers are double stacked with duties, it's not lost on us that there is a lot of work going on behind the scenes. Don is working the club t-shirts, the Carrol Brothers and

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*CLUB MEMBERS SHOW OFF THE CLUB BANNER*

### CLUB MEETINGS:

**Always the first Tuesday of the month at Gate's Towing in Nampa. 6 PM BBQ or 7 PM for the meeting.**

### Officers:

**President: Ron Powell** (801) 243-6753

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**Web/Newsletter: Ron Powell**

### Quotes that got quoted

"Don't abandon happiness that has come to you. One comes upon sorrow by oneself."

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Alex Gordon are planning the June Show in Fruitland, and Alex continues to maintain the club social roster and keep us informed on events.

Roy stepped up and attended a lot of events last year with very short notice after we made some commitments and got a little stretched. There are many more examples of how much our club members do. Quite frankly I'm impressed, inspired, and humbled to be asked to serve you.

This month we reviewed the budget and conducted a Fruitland Show Planning Meeting. We need your participation, so let us know if you can help.

I've asked for input from you on how to proceed over the next year, and will continue to do so. Email or call me anytime. Bruce has set a high bar to follow but that's okay. We are going to have a GREAT year!

**By Ron P**



## **Club Minutes**

-By Alex Gordon

The January meeting of the IMVPA was held with 20 members in attendance for the meal, business and board elections. Bruce Gates was not interested in another term, so the torch for Pres. was to Ron Powell.

Vice Pres was Mike Sword and Treasurer was again Jim Galloway. When it came to interest in the Secretary, no hands went up, so Alex nominated Jim Galloway as Secretary and Treasurer and all positions were nominated - seconded and voted on with glee. All passed with no members to the contrary. We talked about Motor Fest and may not be in attendance. A motion was made by Barry McCahill to extend a vote of thanks to Bruce Gate for his service as Pres. and voted on to

award him a \$100 gift certificate for his wife and him at his favorite restaurant. Also it was mentioned that the Club flags and banners were to be stored at Gates towing for members to be able to find them and take to events.



## **Scuttlebutt:**

- A great quote: "**The Game favors the bold; let's do it**". From a story in the November 2010 issue of Readers Digest. Retired 4 star General Hugh Shelton suffered an accident and he was paralyzed from the neck down. He was told he would never move again. After choosing a risky surgery and a year of excruciating physical therapy, he walked out of Walter Reed Army Hospital almost completely healed.

- Bruce Gates shared the following internet link. They are of high quality high resolution pictures of WW2. Amazing!

<http://pavel-kosenko.livejournal.com/303194.html?thread=22669914>

Bruce shares the following link as well  
-.<http://jeep-dodge-gmc.com>

## **Worth Quoting:**

"There are two things in life to aim at. First, to get what you want, and, after that to enjoy it. Only the wisest of mankind achieves the second". -Logan Russell Smith (1805-1946)  
American Essayist

## **Once Read and worth repeating**

"Ride a wild horse against the sky, hold tight to his wings. Before you die, whatever else you leave undone, once ride a wild horse into the sun. -Hanna Kahn

## **Did you Know?!**

-The Great Raid on Cabanatuan POW camp took place in January, 1945. Check out the editorial.

-Have you looked at the IMVPA website lately? There are some changes so check 'em out!

# Spy Photos

The best part of having the meetings at Bruce's place, beside the fact that its warm, there is food available (don't forget to donate!), tables and chairs, a restroom, uh oh well uh there are a lot of great reasons to have the meeting there! Well what I meant to say was Bruce always has something tantalizing sitting in the bay or just outside of the doors. In January we were treated to a look at his CCKW with a fresh paint job and wood work. Bruce hasn't given up any details on the restoration, but I can't help but wonder how many hours he had into it. Personally I liked it the way it was, and now I'd be afraid to see it dirty. In any case it sure looks magnificent!



## EDITORIAL: Raid on Cabanatuan Prison

By Ron P

As I look around at our club vehicles, I notice that the vast majority, if not all of them have unit and bumper numbers on them. Behind every unit is a story, and I dare submit that every story needs to be told. I chose the Japanese theater of Operations for my GPW because that was my friend and mentor's unit in WW2. But I also recall hearing about the Imperial Japanese at a very young age. When I was a teenager I worked at a Chinese restaurant washing dishes and bussing tables. There was a lovely and delightful Phillipino lady who worked there, who treated me like a son. She told me once that as a little girl, her parents hid her in a rug when Japanese Soldiers came to search their village. Her parents told the officer that nothing was inside the rug. She remembers that the officer pulled his sword and stuck it repeatedly into the rug, missing her head by an inch. I guess the story hit close to home, and it sparked an interest in WW2 in general and the Pacific Theater in particular. Let me share with you then a good book and a "story" that happened at this time of year in 1945.

It was at the end of January that the most successful raid in US history took place. The event was also known as "The Great Raid". US Army Rangers and Filipino Guerillas went 30 miles behind Japanese lines, intent on rescuing American (POW) prisoners of war being held there. It was expected that the Japanese would execute their POWs, and the mission was very high risk, as hundreds of thousands of Japanese were known to be in the area.

After the Bataan Death March and the Battle of Corregidor, Japan held tens of thousands of allied prisoners in various camps. This camp was named after a nearby Phillipine town called Cabanatuan. Life for the POWs was hard, as they were starved, beaten, and forced to work. Tropical diseases ravaged the ranks, and the guards withheld adequate food and medicine. By 1945 most of the able bodied prisoners were moved

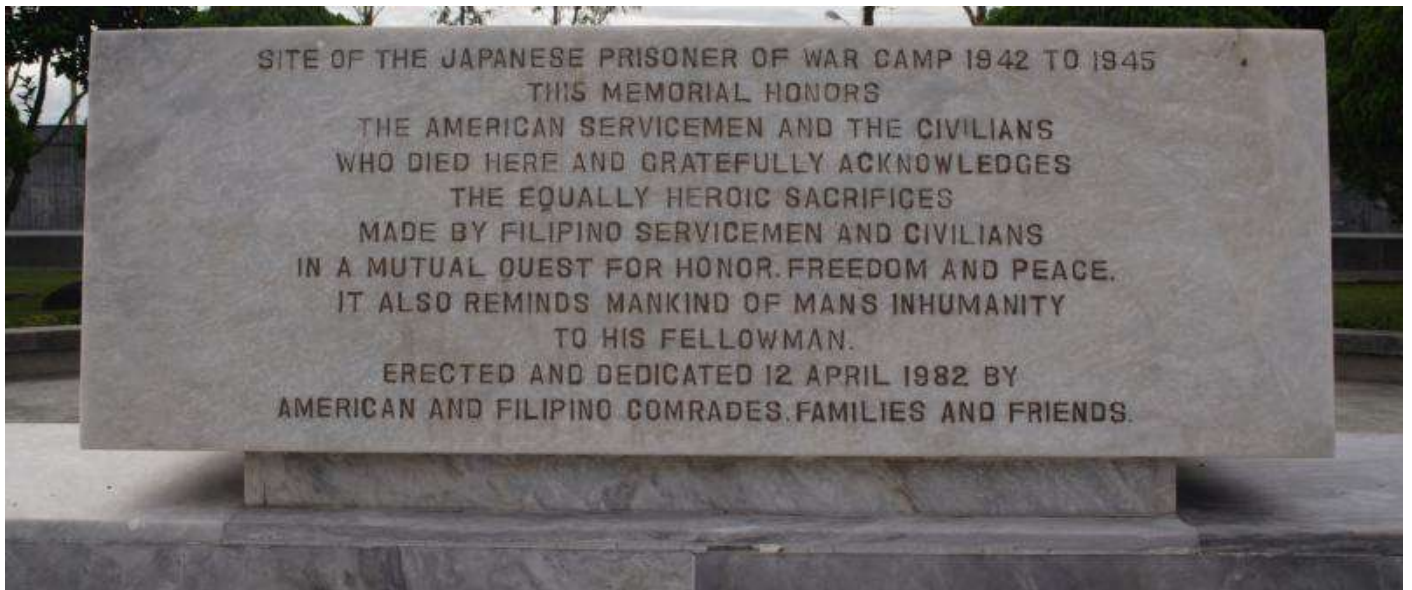


to Japan, leaving only about 500 ill and weakened POWs. At nearby Camp Palawan, the Japanese lured 150 captives into what they called air raid shelters, and proceeded to burn them to death. When word of these atrocities reached the US Army high command, it was decided they would attempt a rescue mission.

The Ranger attack upon the prison was a complete success, and this raid became the textbook example for our Army doctrine. Rangers and Filipino Guerrillas rescued over 500 POWs and accounted for up to 800 Japanese killed (depending on the source), with a loss of 1 POW and 2 Rangers killed, and the loss of about 30 Filipino Guerilla servicemen.

There are many good books on the subject of the raid. I recommend the book "Great Raid on Cabanatuan" by William Breuer. Coincidentally our family also recently watched the movie "The Great Raid", which was released in 2005 and I thought it was excellent. Like any movie however it barely scratched the surface of what the POWs had to endure.

So what is the story behind your Military Vehicle and its bumper and unit numbers? Is there something there that holds special meaning? An inspirational story perhaps?



Sources: abmc.gov; "[The Great Raid](#)" by William Breuer; olive-drab.com



# Special Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Minutes Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The meeting was held at Marie Calender's Restaurant Boise Idaho.**

Purpose: per club bylaws: budget was reviewed with change in leadership.

Purpose: conduct an inprogress review (IPR) planning meeting (specific topic: advertising) for the Fruitland Show.

Attendees were Larry Carrol, Chair, Planning Committee, Garry Carrol, Chair, Planning Committee, Ron Powell President, James Galloway, IMVPA Treasurer, Secretary.

**Budget:** books were reviewed and it balances. Carrol brothers were the non-officer members in good standing who were asked to review the book as impartial observers.

Questions.

1. Necessary to review how website hosting and costs are paid.
2. does anyone have last years MVPA paperwork? we need some info off of it. Ron will submit the forms to the MVPA for insurance-James wrote a check to MVPA.
3. we are \$300+ in the red when it comes to food vs. donations. Discussion about not subsidizing the BBQ before meetings.

**Show notes: our next meeting is planned for 26February at noon in Fruitland(tentative).**

1. There was a truck with banner on it last year. Who did this? Do we get it back? Where do we park it to advert the show? (who has lead?)
2. Last year Alex collected registrations and handled vendor breakfast. Alex coordinated for a food vendor (Lead, Alex?)
3. Volunteers. We need to do a task organization and identify volunteers. Do we do a registration desk with a volunteer to man it? where do we put it? In the museum? (Lead Larry and Garry)
4. Do a planning calendar(Lead, Ron)
5. Ron collected all of the notes from the last few years of shows and put them into one binder for our use/planning/history. Carrol brothers took possession.
6. Budget for this show demonstrates fixed costs vs income. the delta will be our advertising budget. (Lead for show budget: Ron and James)
7. Advertising plan. The committee determined that we should pay for advertising in a military magazine. The Carrol brothers have lead on researching the options. Free options are: IMVPA print and online-done; craigslist, mass emails to all clubs (Oregon and Utah is done), putting flyer up on website(done), printing flyers and sharing them with club members and asking every member to distribute 10; KTVB has a free event calendar, and social media.
8. Committee determined we should bring a copy of the bylaws to the meeting for all members to review(Lead: Ron)
9. Committee determined we should have members sign in, for historical records. (Lead is secretary: James)
10. Follow up: next meeting is tentatively scheduled in Fruitland. We will carpool down. Meeting is open to any member to attend.



## CLASSIFIED ADS

- **For Sale:** Beretta M9 style auto 40 caliber pistol, like new, very little use. Comes with carrying case, magazines and ammo. These are over \$600 new. Will take \$450. Free wood stock for Ruger 10-22; gently used, nice condition. Two helmets: a WW1 style British Brodie and WW2 M1 without liner: \$65 each. Parting out 1941 WC winch model pickup; some parts left such as bed, drivetrain, frame, axles, nose, PTO, and brush guard. Open cab and running boards are spoken for. Rcpowell2001@hotmail.com

WANTED: Nick Wilson from England is looking for a headlight bracket for a GPA. If anyone knows of one, please get hold of Bruce Gates who will relay the information.

WANTED: M715. Contact Jason Fox at [snakerivertrailer@yahoo.com](mailto:snakerivertrailer@yahoo.com). would like running and minimal/no rust in cab. I don't want a restored to original one because I would like to customize it to my preference and don't want to mess up a restored piece. Other than that, I am pretty flexible. Price range \$1000 - \$7000 depending on quality and work done on vehicle.

### SERVICES.

Western Surface Prep does sandblasting in the Boise Valley. Ask for Rudy at 208-283-8247. He can handle any size pieces up to the entire vehicle, and he will come to you.

### Utah Classifieds

-**For Sale:** Lots of GPW and MB parts. Engines and parts, transmissions, axels, etc. Contact Dave Turley 801.787.7374 for a parts list.

-**For sale:** I am considering putting up for adoption one or more of my dearly beloved: -1987 M35/A2, winch, multi-fuel, many upgrades \$12,000; 1952 M38 and trailer, radio, winch, tow bar, gun pedestal. \$12,000; 1952 M37, ground up rebuild Hercules turbo diesel, winch \$15,000; 1980 era Fast Attach Vehicle, 1980 cc VW powered, Chenoweth chassis, baskets, the real deal. \$10,000; Contact Harley Jacobs 801- 360-5188 [hwjacobs@aol.com](mailto:hwjacobs@aol.com) ❖

### Oregon Classifieds

#### For Sale:

M151 original NOS vinyl top, side screens and doors. Very good condition, I replaced this set with canvas. \$250 Steve Andereggen Sr. Nukesub612@comcast.net

2 halftrack rims - \$25 each or both for \$35; 1945 International M-3-4 Beam Fire Truck - \$5,000; 1954 Dodge M152 CND communications van – only 1200 built - \$5,000; Contact Jim Shipp 541-290-1779 Konig PTO with three winches; \$1,200; Contact Jim Morris 541-404-5788 or jimsgarage@frontier.com

**For sale:** 1952 or '53 M38A1; Air Force - originally painted light blue; still has the original engine and the 24 volt system - has not run for at least 20 years \$5,000; WWII trailer also available. Erich Laetsch - ErichANI@aol.com

**For Sale:** set of five 700x16 ndt tires with 4 chains; estimate 50% rubber; \$300.00; M416 trailer has some surface rust; \$1300; Jerry Wheeler jrwheeler7@gmail.com or 541-260-3941.

