



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION



FROM THE TOP

From the President

There are certain items every MV should carry along for those minor emergencies when you are driving to a show or on a convoy or just plain driving around enjoying the day. As I was making notes for this article I thought I'd check my M37 and see if I had the necessary items in there. I flunked very badly. I had way too much or nothing at all.

It's understandable that some vehicles can carry more items than others. A Jeep can't carry as much as an M37 and a 5 ton can carry a spare car in the back without noticing the bulk. So you have to take all of this with a grain of salt and pay attention to the size of your vehicle.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER: This is a must but few people carry one. It would make you sick to watch your vehicle or your buddies go up in flames when a small extinguisher could have put out the fire. I carry three in my M37. I've used it once and it saved my shop.

RAIN COAT: This is more important if you drive an open cab vehicle for obvious reasons. I was carrying three so I put two back in the closet.

UMBRELLA: This goes along with the rain coat. It's more important in an open cab vehicle. I had six in my truck. Now I'm down to three.

IMVPA CLUB OFFICERS

President: Bruce Gates

Vice President: John Downs

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Quartermaster: Erik Kunkel

Secretary: Bob Schoenderwoerd

Social Media Directors: Benjamin Sterling and John Downs.

Website Editor: Scott Oerding

Newsletter Editor: Ron Powell

Spotted: The Warhawk Air Show was an amazing success with over 8000 people in attendance.



President's Message (continued)

LUG WRENCH: See above. One isn't much good without the other.

SMALL BAG OF TOOLS: It doesn't really take much to do minor repairs. A crescent wrench, a screw driver and a pair of channel locks will cover most minor problems. I also keep a multi tool in the glove box.

JUMPER CABLES: Even a small set can get you enough juice to make it home. Our trucks don't have a lot of frills so they don't use much electricity, but they do need some.

TOW STRAP: For those ugly breakdowns that the small bag of tools won't repair. Hopefully your with a friend that can take you in tow.

SMALL FIRST AID KIT: For those small people repairs with leaky skin or a bit of a burn. I looked and I didn't have one in my truck. I flunked. I have one now.

WIRE TIES: These come in handy for so many things I can't even list them all here. I normally keep a wide assortment of sizes with me

BRAKE FLUID: I keep a small can with me in the truck. These trucks seem to gobble brake fluid when you least expect it and you've got a bit of a problem. My wife and I went to a parade in my CCKW. I got halfway to the start when I stepped on the brake pedal and it wasn't even mush. There was nothing. I went ahead with the parade and didn't say anything to her about it. After the parade as we were pulling into the shop I told her what happened. She said "I wondered what all that stupid down shifting was about."

FAN BELT: If you lose a fan belt you're going to need that tow strap. There's not much that can stop you as quickly as a broken fan belt. The military made emergency belts that you can adjust to your size but a standard replacement belt is cheap insurance and easy to replace.

-Pres Gates

Announcements

We welcome our newest members, Patrick Bishop(life member) and Darren Sanders.

It was in the news

Felony assault with a deli weapon;
An air force veteran of Afghanistan was charged for hurling his unopened subway sandwich at an immigration enforcement officer. His attorney questioned whether this event should be a felony since no one was injured. Federal prosecutors failed to obtain an indictment.
(I'm sure there's a lesson to learn here but I'm not sure what it is -ed)



IMVPA members participated in the Warhawk Air Show.
-photo by Don Wadley

IMVPA MEETINGS: Usually the 1st Tues of the Month at 7PM at Gates & Associates at 604 N. 36th St. Nampa, ID

Upcoming Events – by Pres Gates

- September 1st; Warhawk Labor Day celebration, 930AM-5PM
- September 6th; Air Force Appreciation Day Parade in Mt. Home and Idaho Chariots free car show in the park.
- September 13th Warhawk Air Museum War on Terror section of the museum will open. Idaho MVPA will be there 9:30AM-3PM.
(Note, the Silver City trail run was on this day so it'll be rescheduled).
- September 27th; 9AM-1PM. Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary Car Show at the Celebration Church, 2121 Caldwell Blvd, Nampa. This is near Karcher Rd. and Caldwell Blvd.
- November 1st; Toys for Tots at Fred Meyer, 1950 E Fairview Ave in Meridian. More information to be posted.
- Nov 2nd 9AM-Noon; Toys for Tots Ride. Starts at High Desert Harley Davidson.
- Nov 11th; Marsing Elementary School Veteran's Day presentation, 10AM-noon. This is at 207 8th Ave West in Marsing. Each vehicle owner is asked to present on their MV. POC for this event is Pres. Gates.

Meeting Minutes August-2025 by Secretary Bob S.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. There were 14 members in attendance and the treasurers report was given.

-New business: the national MVPA is closing and they're selling their office. Membership is down but the magazine will continue. It's thought that the national convention will never come to the west coast.

Events: Horseshoe Bend-Roy C noted it was a good event. Lions Club car show, and Kuna Days' Parade in which there were 8 members in attendance. Future events are the warbird roundup, Cloverdale Car Show Sept 6th 9-3PM (staging is at 8), Air Force Appreciation Day at Mt. Home Sept. 6th; Chariots free car show in the park.

Other business: discussion about cleaning up the social roster and the annual IMVPA Christmas party. Alen and Secretary Bob S discussed making Christmas cards for dues notifications.

VP John Downs won a trophy at the Kuna Days Parade for best bike.

New member Scott is working on updating the website and has IMVPA business cards to hand out at events.

The Silver City IMVPA run is now set for Sept. 13th if all goes well.

(editors note, see upcoming events list above, this run will be rescheduled due to a conflict)

Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM

The Warbird Roundup – by Don Wadley

IMVPA members attended the Warbird Roundup August 23rd and 24th, sponsored by the Warhawk Museum, which is the largest 2 day gathering of historic aircraft from around the country, according to their website. The IMVPA participated with 28 military vehicles.



Warbird Roundup – cont



Kuna Parade– by Alan Jacobus.

Attendees included Pres Bruce with M37, Roy C with his M151, Don W's M38A1, Craig and Nicki with their HMMWV, Jeffs M151 MUTT and my tractor. Partially shown is Erik and Erin's weapons carrier.



IMVPA and MVPA Membership!



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Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association Membership Application

Since 1993, our Idaho Organization has been dedicated to the preservation of old and historic military vehicles. The IMVPA encourages the acquisition, preservation, restoration, and the public education of historic military vehicles. The Idaho club encourages and supports museums as well as national and community events.

Ownership of a military vehicle is not a requirement for membership!

Membership Fees: \$20.00 per year

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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Please mail this membership application to:

Bruce Gates
PO Box 592
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Monthly meetings are held on the **first Tuesday of the month** at 7:00 PM
Please call **(208) 890-2249** for more information

