



## OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION

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### It was in the news...

-Thursday June 14<sup>th</sup> was flag day. It was 95 years ago the American Legion chaired a national flag conference in Washington. Reps from 68 patriotic, fraternal, civic and military organizations attended. Pres Harding asked the group for a code on flag etiquette, and 15 rules were made for the care and proper use of the flag. During WWII congress adopted the code as public law. In 1989 the US Supreme Court ruled that flag desecration was free speech. Where do you stand on the issue?

-The North Koreans are said to possess up to 20 nuclear warheads. I

**IMVPA MEETINGS: 1<sup>st</sup> Tues of the Month. Social hour 6, meeting at 7.**  
Next meeting is at Gates Towing.

### Officers:

**President:** Mike Sword  
**Vice President:** Bob Schoonderwoerd  
**Treasurer:** Bruce Gates  
**Quartermaster:** Mike Pierce  
**Secretary, Social Media Director:** Benjamin Sterling  
**Website Editor, Newsletter Editor:** Ron Powell

Have you ever thought about the history of the Army cadence? No? Me neither. But it all starts somewhere right? In this issue we learn about Will Duckworth, who is credited with bringing it to the Army, and rest is uh, history.



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bet we have 20 members who have more vehicles than that each. The connection? There is none, just sayin'.

The French manufacturer Unac will deliver 300 of these 2 ton vehicles to the French Special Forces by 2021. This prototype, called the 'Rider' was on display at their weapons and trade show. The price wasn't available. They kept calling them jeeps.



The 'Rider' prototype. Source defenseneews.com

On Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup> the Chariots Car club hosted a show and shine at the Boise Outlet Mall. There were 100 vehicles in attendance. Roy brought out his M151 MUTT and Bruce has his 1953 M37. The weather was great, with lots of sunshine and plenty of visiting.



## 'stupid news'

-In Virginia an armored personnel carrier was stolen from the Ft. Picket National Guard Base and it led police on a 2 hour chase. No one was harmed. The driver was a lieutenant. Wow didn't see that part coming. Maybe he was also trying to make some uber cash.

Last month we showed you the DiBenedetti's bug that was dressed up military style. In case you thought it was not historically correct, here is a German photo of a real tactical bug.



Diese Seite:  
Kübelwagen auf Kübelwagen-Fahrgestell („Geländekäfer“ Typ 92 SS), Sonderversion für SS-Einheiten, aufgenommen 1943.  
This page:  
Kübelwagen (first variant of the "Military Beetle") on Kübelwagen-chassis ("Geländekäfer" Typ 92 SS), special version for SS-units. Photographs taken in 1943. (Porsche)



Tankograd - WEHRMACHT Special - Kübelwagen Typ 92 - Der Weg vom "Militär-Käfer" zum Schwimmwagen

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**Wanted: your newsletter articles, photos, and editorials. Send them in now!**



## Annual Father's Day Car Show by Bruce G

On Sunday, June 17 the Boise Downtown Association had their annual Father's Day Car Show in downtown Boise. It was a very rainy morning, but the rain stopped about noon and the rest of the day was very enjoyable. 75 vehicles attended. Mike Pierce had his Jeep there and Bruce and Helene Gates had their M37 as well as Bruce's brother, Brad Gates, with his red 1952 Willys Jeepster in attendance. There was a surprisingly large crowd and they really appreciated all the Vehicles.



## Annual Military Show by Bruce G

At the Idaho MVPA show at High Desert Harley Davidson on June 23-24 we had a pretty good turnout of vehicles with a large number of vendors and displays. We hoped for more vehicles but a lot of people had previous plans and couldn't get to the show. Thank you to all those who turned out and for the excellent vendors we had.



## Patriot Thunder at High Desert Harley Davidson By Bruce G

Sunday June 10, 2018 was Patriot Thunder at the High Desert Harley Davidson dealership on Overland Rd. in Meridian. This is a ride to raise money for veteran's programs. The motorcycles leave Harley Davidson and are escorted by city, state and county police officers all the way to Mountain Home and back. We never heard the final count on entries but it was supposed to be near 800. Roy Cagnacci had his M151 there as well as Dick and Sylvia Marker with a GPW and Bruce Gates and Joe Perry each had an M37 at the show prior to the ride. The Idaho National Guard brought out an MRAP for people to look at. It was a nice show with breakfast served and was over by 11:00 AM when the bikes left on the ride.



Photos, from left to right top to bottom: Dick and Sylvia Marker's 42 GPW, Bruce Gates' M37. The Idaho Army National Guard's MRAP, and 800? Motorcycles lining up!



## Editorial: the history of the Army cadence

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. - In basic training, every recruit learns that a young Soldier by the name of Pvt. Willie Lee Duckworth is credited with creating the original "Sound Off" also known as the Duckworth Chant in cadence calling. Few realize, however, that Duckworth was a black Soldier from Sandersville, Ga., who created the chant to build up the morale of foot-weary troops on an extended march through rough, swampy country.

According to Army historian Ed Grisamore, Duckworth was raised by his grandparents in a sharecropper's house. He was working in a saw mill when he was drafted during World War II and assigned to a provisional training center at Fort Slocum, N.Y.

The night Duckworth began his chant, leaders noticed a remarkable change in the marching troops. According to historical records, there was a spring in their step as they responded to Duckworth's chant. It caught the attention of Col. Bernard Lentz, the post commander who along with the training center instructors helped Duckworth compose a series of verses and choruses to be used with the marching cadence.

The Duckworth Chant caught on Army-wide. It proved to be not only a tremendous morale booster during marches, but also helped coordinate the movements of close-order drill with troop precision.

In 1944, a V-Disc recording credited Duckworth as the originator of the Sound Off or Duckworth Chant. A V-Disc was a World War II-era record label produced by special arrangement between the U.S. government and various private U.S. record companies. The records were created for American military personnel overseas.

Theses 12-inch, 78 rpm gramophone recordings were created between 1943 and 1949. The "V" stands for "Victory."

The original cadence was recorded as "Sound Off" with a lead chant and response: Sound-off; 1-2 Sound-off; 3-4 (Cadence count;) 1-2-3-4, 1-2 - 3-4.

The chant eventually evolved into what became known as today's Jody call, with "Jody" being a fictitious character who steals a Soldier's sweetheart while he's away. Popular versions go:

"Ain't no use in goin' home. Jody's got your gal and gone. Sound off! One, two. Sound off! Three, four ...

With those words and others, Duckworth unknowingly cemented his place in U.S. military history.

During an interview celebrating his 78th birthday, Duckworth said the chant came from calling hogs at home. "It made me famous for a while," he said. "And, it put some money in my pocket."

Upon his passing in 2004, the Georgia House of Representatives dedicated a portion of SR 242 in Washington County as the Willie Lee Duckworth Highway in his honor.

Source: [https://www.army.mil/article/51827/us\\_army\\_jody\\_call\\_has\\_black\\_roots](https://www.army.mil/article/51827/us_army_jody_call_has_black_roots)

## UPCOMING EVENTS [Idahomvpa.org](http://Idahomvpa.org)

- **Star Parade** (am), **July 4<sup>th</sup>**, and **Middleton parade** at noon. Contact Bruce for details on start time and where to meet.
- **Idaho Chariots Show and Shine**, July 16<sup>th</sup>, Boise Factory outlet mall at 10AM
- **Emmett Show and Shine**, July 21<sup>st</sup> 6AM and Emmett City Park
- **Kuna Days Parade**, August 4th 8-9:15 AM at Kuna Middle School
- **Cloverdale Funeral Home Show and Shine**, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 9AM-4PM; Entry fee is \$5. All proceeds go to the Veteran's Assistance League.

**Having trouble titling your HMMWV in your state?** We may be able to help !!  
Please e-mail as much information about your problem as possible and let us know if you will participate in a Class Action lawsuit (not required) if so e mail [hmmwvowner@gmail.com](mailto:hmmwvowner@gmail.com) ❖

**June 2018 Meeting Minutes.** None submitted to the newsletter

# Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association

## Membership Application

-Since 1993, an 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.

### Membership Fees - \$20.00 per year

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this membership application to :

Bruce Gates

PO Box 592

Nampa, Idaho 83653

**Ownership of a military vehicle is not a requirement for**

**membership!** Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

## Have you considered joining the Military Vehicle Preservation Association, or MVPA?

Why join? You get access to thousands of members worldwide for information, vehicles, parts, resources and a community of shared enthusiasm; Premium publications – *ARMY MOTORS* and *SUPPLY LINE*, the best in the hobby from the **only** international historic military vehicle association; An organization that supports pro-HMV legislation to protect your access to vehicles, parts and vehicle usage; Doing your part to support vehicle and archival preservation and research; Preferred pre-registration status and vehicle judging access for the annual convention; Reduced ad rates in *SUPPLY LINE*; Access to the members only website section and directory; A vote and voice in the operation and direction of the MVPA

Go to [MVPA.org](http://MVPA.org), or

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