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From the Top

It's been a rough summer with the Covid 19 looming over all of us, but I hope everyone is safe and healthy.

Most shows have been canceled as well as most events but there was one Saturday the 18th of July in the Emmett park. It's an annual show put on by the Emmett Lions club and usually attracts close to 1000 vehicles. I had my M37 in the show and had a nice time of being with like minded people. That's the first show I've done this year. Normally I would have done 6 or 8 shows by now, but there's always next year.

An update on the Phil Krueger estate. All vehicles have been sold except for a Burma bomb truck and a

IMVPA MEETINGS: 1st Tues of the Month. Meeting at 7 at Gates Towing in Nampa. No August meeting!

Officers:

President: Bruce Gates

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Social Media Director: Benjamin Sterling

Website, Newsletter Editor: Ron Powell

Spotted!

Set of top bows that desire to be identified so that perhaps they can be reunited with whatever they may or may not have come from. They are about 62 inches wide. If anyone knows, reply to

rcpowell2001@hotmail.com thank you!



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CCKW bed. There is some miscellaneous canvas pieces if anyone would like to go to my shop and try to figure out what they go to you are very welcome to try. I still have a couple of bayonets, a scabbard for a motorcycle and a canvas cover for an M1 Carbine. Thank you to everyone that helped with identifying items and buying the items. The Krueger family is very appreciative. Mrs. Krueger thought she was going to have to hire someone to haul all that rusty old junk away. She didn't realize it was rusty treasure until thousands of dollars started pouring in.

The Idaho MVPA has not had a meeting in several months so I would like some feedback to see if we should have a meeting in August. Please give me your opinions on this. It would be nice to have a meeting but we don't want anyone getting sick.

I'm also curious if anyone has any experience with electronic ignition on an M37. I've got one that is giving me tuning issues and I'm thinking of trying it out. Because the M37 has a sealed distributor with the coil inside it brings up cooling issues. Let me know if anyone has tried it.

Three years ago I got frustrated with the Idaho Transportation Department. They had asked me to try to get as many old military vehicles titled as possible. We developed a very smooth streamlined method of doing the titling and all went well until midstream they changed their mind and decided I needed to do the paperwork completely different.

I was so flustered with them I just gave up for three years. Since things have

been slow at work I decided they weren't going to change to I'd better figure it out. I think I did figure it out after a couple of headaches and I've done 11 titles with the new method and they seem to be going through and we are seeing clean branded titles come through.

The branded title is not a bad thing. The vehicle can still be sold to anyone. It just means that if someone claims ownership of the vehicle they can be given a hearing in 48 hours to determine if they have a legitimate claim to the vehicle. After three years this brand is gone.

If you have a vehicle that is not titled you can't legally sell it in Idaho. It is a crime to sell any motor vehicle that is not titled.

For a fee I can take care of all the paperwork and get you a clean title. If you are a club member just contact me and I'll walk you through the process. That \$20 per year membership can really pay off.

-Bruce Gates
President, IMVPA

It was in the news...

- Korean War hero General Paik Sun Yup passed away at age 99.
- The US Air Force aims to pursue the idea of flying cars, according to National Defense Magazine.
- The retiring Chief of the National Guard was pushing for a "Space Guard", to back up the "Space Force". Wow, I mean what a great idea. (was that sarcasm? -ed).

JEEP COVID by Ron Powell

Since there's no news coverage of parades and car shows due to COVID, I thought I'd bring you some news about what I've been doing during the lock down. I bought a derelict GPW from IMVPA member Mike B about 4 years ago and last summer I started the restoration on it. I figured I could work on it all winter and be done by spring but the fact is without a heated place to work it was just too painful. This winter we put heat in the shop, which you can read about in a prior article, but that's not what this is about.

Since the weather warmed up the restoration has accelerated wildly but it's still not done. Quite frankly if it weren't for the assistance I've gotten from friends who are IMVPA members this jeep would still be sitting on a shelf. Al stopped by to help me get it started for the first time. Mike P has been great, showing me how to change the engine timing chain. Benjamin has been over in his free time to assist with the rebuild of the axles and some of the wiring. Our own VP Matt has helped in a dozen different ways. Don W was isolating due to the pandemic but for some reason he always answers his phone when I call with a super basic question. Roy did some stud extraction in his machine shop and we were able to save one of the knuckles. Bob S dedicated way too much time talking to me on the phone about body work and paint. And then there's Brian who graciously helped with the transmission and steering and I'll be praising him from now on every time the wheel turns safely. Thanks guys!



"The Windshield Guy" in Boise added the glass to the frame and he did a great job. He was about 1/3 less than anyone else and the price was right. On this frame I

added a rifle bracket kit even though the early jeeps didn't come with one. Blasphemy! Yeah well I think the more guns the better. There I said it.



You might notice the M48 machine gun mount. That was found at the Fruitland show a few years ago. It's still missing some of its bits but it sure felt good to add it. I shot this GPW with some Gillespie Coatings primer and 33070 olive drab paint. For right or for wrong I always liked this particular color and I guess that's what it really comes down to. This GPW had its original data plates and it hurt to take them off, but the M48 mount already had a ½ glove box door, so on go some repro data plates and a quick stamping using Matt's stamp set. Is it horrible to take off sweet looking original data plates and add repros? Yes I suppose so but what do you want worse, original pates or more machine guns? Don't answer that!

Whoa, is that a tailgate? No, the body of this GPW was okay good for its age but the back panel was really rusty and wavy. Bob, who I mentioned is surely the best auto body guy in the state, said it can be fixed but not fast or cheap. So I elected to add a new rear panel from RFJP (G503.com). The old one was a lot harder to take out than I thought and I'm not sure I'd do it again but at least the back end looks good now. What to do with the old script Ford panel? Well I practiced painting on it and it has a new coat of olive drab. I may make a bench back out of it, or hang it on the wall with some left over marker lights. I wish I had a patio bar to hang it on. What would you do with it?

So finally as of this writing I'm still struggling with wiring the alternator, the coil and the key switch (blasphemy blasphemy blasphemy, modernization is the work of the devil, -ed).

His glass is half empty. -By anonymous

What did you say when you were bit on both butt cheeks by that mosquito? Can't reprint it here? Don't blame you. A mosquito takes your blood and leaves you a itchy scar behind as a reward. Kind of like shopping online at Walmart. But the deals are out there. Don't believe me? Grab the internet and peruse fakebook marketplace and look for bargains. Use the key words Willys, 1942, Dodge powerwagon, and thieving car salesman blood sucking worm and you might find WW2 iron like these.

This 1942 Willys is only \$15000 and looks pretty straight. Too bad it has a V6 engine, no original gauges, and butchered windshield frame. At least its been upgraded with an eleventy thousand pound "Waren Winch" and "bigger rims". Owner bragged about driving it in the parade. Wow u go cowboy. I'd make an offer on it since it it's a driver, and maybe I'd pay \$4000 as long as I didn't have to meet the idiot that built it.

Then there's this little gem, a Dodge WC for \$10,800 that at first glance looks pretty good. Supposedly its rust free, but also dented all over and is missing the entire interior. No engine? No problem, for that price the stealership is willing to sell you the wrong engine and transmission for an extra fee. I think this could be a real restoration candidate, but I'd estimate the price of this about \$3800 which again is probably too much considering how many rare parts it'd need to get correct.

I mean ever since they made marijuana legal people have just been getting a little too high a little too often. I'm telling you right now that if you take some sour patch kids and stick it between two pieces of bread, it tastes like cake. You can believe it or not, but I'm not asking you to drop 10-15 large on it to find out. But If there's one thing I can't stand though its amateurs. I still can't believe these dopes didn't come up with a righteous bullcrappy like story to go help sell these beauties.



This 42 jeep is pure dope. General Eisenhower himself used the bottle opener. And we is pretty sure General Patton his own self drove that Dodge. That bumper needs 101st airborne written on it! Easy company all the way, of course. But lets not take it too far folks. Mud flaps are for sissys.

YOUR FREE CLASSIFIED ADS, free free free and free

Wanted: M101A2/A3 trailer. Contact Ben at hondatoys@gmail.com

Wanted: Civil defense items, contact John Downs at johnrdowns@yahoo.com

For Sale: Anderson Manufacturing assault rifle chambered for 300 blackout, retractable stock, black AR style carbine, dot sight, with box of ammo/brass, not used much, like new condition, asking 455 OBO; Savage arms bolt action .308 hunting rifle with scope, was in our family for decades, nice condition \$195 firm.

Also for Sale: 41 WC Dodge 1/2 ton very nice rolling chassis frame with original winch, winch driveshaft and shift attachment for the transmission. Asking 650. Send email to Rcpowell2001@hotmail.com

For Sale: misc MB bolt on parts, 5 new NDT Firestone tires 7-15 size \$100 each, and a very complete 1950s ¼ ton military trailer unrestored. Contact Wayne at waynehanners@msn.com

Wanted: black out light for Harley Davidson motorcycle. Contact nickwilson4@aol.com

Wanted: tail lights and black out lights for 1943 GPW. Contact Michael at michaelsantinik@gmail.com

For Sale: weapons misc, 50 cal trays (\$40), M240B/M2 pintle mount (\$125); Vietnam era ammo tray (best offer), everything is best offer. Contact mosinmatt@gmail.com



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
is you will participate in a Class Action lawsuit (not required) if so e mail
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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.

Please call (208) 890-2249 for more information.

Are you a member of 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

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