



# OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION



## FROM THE TOP

*From the President*

On March 21<sup>st</sup> we had a Rosie the Riveter event at the Warhawk Air Museum. It was the Idaho MVPA's first time attending the event and we had a nice turnout for the show. I want to thank the owners of the eight vehicles that showed up for the event.

As of last month Craig Donat is our new quartermaster so if you need T shirts, patches, stickers or whatever contact Craig. We got a new supply of shirts in so maybe it's time to replace your old one.

Eric Kunkle is our new secretary for the club. I'm sure he'll do a great job.

At the next meeting I'm going to ask for volunteers to help with cooking hot dogs and hamburgers at the June show. We'd like to have two people do the cooking for each of the three days of the show. More would be better. Last year Craig Donat and Bob Schoenderwoerd did all the cooking and it was just a bit too much for just two people.

## IMVPA CLUB OFFICERS

**President: Bruce Gates**  
**Vice President: John Downs**  
**Treasurer: position open**  
**Quartermaster: Craig Donat**  
**Secretary: Erik Kunkel**  
**Social Media Directors: Benjamin Sterling and John Downs.**  
**IT and Website Editor: Scott Oerding**  
**Newsletter Editor: Ron Powell**

## Spotted!

**It's coming up fast so see the flyer in this month's newsletter!**

**IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE SHOW  
AND SWAP MEET**

**JUNE 4-6, 2026**

**9AM - 5PM**

**4114 DEARBORN STREET, CALDWELL, ID 83605**

## Pres' Message, continued

Camp Plymouth will be from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> of April in California so get ready for that. So far this is the only event we have coming up in April.

**Bruce Gates**  
**President, IMVPA**

## It was in the news

The US may be planning ground operations against Iran, as reported at legion.org.

**Thank you Craig Donat for volunteering to serve as the IMVPA Quartermaster!**

**Funny of the Day:**

**Why does Norway put giant barcodes on their military ships? It's so when the ship returns to port they can expedite reception, receiving, re-supply and rearming. Oh, and they call it Scandinavian.**

*No more navy jokes please, -ed*

**Some notes from Scott O:**

**The QR code is for our members only facebook page. The page has only 12 members so we're encouraging more members to join. It's an easy way to connect and the newsletter will be posted there as well as club events.**

## Announcements

-Elections were held last month and there were a few changes. We welcome Craig Donat as the new quartermaster and Erik Kunkel moved over to serve as the Secretary. All other positions were reelected and sadly, so was the *the newsletter editor*.

*Planning continues for the 3rd Annual IMVPA Military Show and Swap Meet. There's always a lot to do and we need members who will step up to help out. Is that you?*

*Some upcoming events in April:  
Did we miss your birthday? Tough \$h!t.*

*April 1st April Fools Day*

*April 9th National Former POW Recognition Day*

*April 14th Air Force Reserve Bday  
Easter April 20th*

*April 23rd Army Reserve Bday*



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

## ***Upcoming Events – by Pres Gates***

- April 15th-18th Camp Plymouth in Calif.
- June 4th—6th, IMVPA 3rd Annual Military Vehicle Show and Swap meet. See the details in the flyer, attached.

## ***IMVPA Meeting Minutes.*** By the Secretary, Bob Schoenderwoerd

The meeting minutes transcribed for 3-3-2026

Treasurers report: \$4694.72

Members in attendance: 15

First order of business: election of new officers. Erik K ran for the secretary's job held by Bob S and was elected, duties to start at the April meeting.

-Talk of the IMVPA show for 2026, with Sec. Bob S voicing his concerns that a committee was to be formed to ensure that mistakes made by Erik K and John D at the 2025 show weren't going to happen a second time. Alex Gordon talked about how he'd ran other shows over past years. Next, John D talked about handouts and flyers for the show and how much money he's spent so far, with no help from the club, and in getting the porta potties for free this year in return for free publicity to their business. And making a toy drive for Saint Vincent DePaul at the show. Shitz S to hold a raffle, and advertise the show on 107 Hank FM.

- Erik took back the floor with talk of how the club has been left out of the decision making in the past.

-Next on recruiting new members

-Show will to be on June 4-6th, 2026

-Wayne B on money for John D

-Scott O on having displays, reenactors and maybe a swing band at the show on or after noon the last day

-Craig D on a food truck or club food for the show

-brought up paypal to collect dues for club members and paid events.

-9 MV at the Gun Show in Nampa were present

-April event: Parade America discussion

Meeting ended at 6PM

## ***Rosie the Riveter at the Warhawk Museum – by Pres Gates***

-In March there was an event at the Warhawk Museum called Rosie the Riveter. It was a short notice event and not advertised in the March newsletter but we're grateful to everyone who came and it was a fun event.



# IMVPA Military Vehicle Show/Swap Meet by John Downs

3RD ANNUAL

## IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE SHOW AND SWAP MEET

JUNE 4-6, 2026

9AM - 5PM

4114 DEARBORN STREET, CALDWELL, ID 83605

- ★ DOZENS OF MILITARY VEHICLES
- ★ RAFFLE DRAWINGS
- ★ SWAP MEET VENDORS AND FOOD
- ★ FREE GENERAL ADMISSION & PARKING
- ★ EVERYONE WELCOME: GENERAL PUBLIC, HISTORY BUFFS, VETERANS & REENACTORS



### VENDOR INFORMATION:

SWAP MEET SPACES: \$20

VEHICLES/DISPLAY AREA: FREE



### CONTACT INFORMATION:

STARK AUTO ORDINANCE: 208-866-5711

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Meet our  
sponsors:



# ***IMVPA and MVPA Membership!***



## **501(c) ORGANIZATION DONATION RECEIPT**

**Name of Organization:** Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association

**Mailing Address:** 604 N 36th St, Nampa ID 83687

**TIN:** 820457259

### **DONOR INFORMATION**

**Donor/Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **DONATION STATEMENT**

Thank you for your donation with a value of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars

(\$ \_\_\_\_\_), made to the above-mentioned 501(c) organization.

**Donation Description:** \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned representative, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that there were no goods or services provided as part of this donation.

Furthermore, as of the date of this receipt the above-mentioned organization is a current and valid 501(c) organization in accordance with the standards and regulations of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

**Representative's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Representative's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



## **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: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this membership application to:

Bruce Gates  
PO Box 592  
Nampa, ID 83652

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

