



#### FROM THE TOP From the President

Our summer is taking off and we are getting a lot of requests for military vehicles at events, shows and fundraisers. It looks like it's going to be a very busy summer. I even got a request to park a military vehicle at a political rally. Now that's a first.

Get those military vehicles out from winter storage and get them ready for some interesting events. Alex Gordon is planning a nice one day convoy soon from the Military Museum at Gowen Field and around the bombing range – I hope we aren't the targets. You'll need to have your vehicle in good shape for this one.

We had a nice show on Sunday April 24 near Sweet Idaho at the Triangle restaurant. The show was put on by POW-MIA club along with a motorcycle ride and a barbecue. Alan Jacobus brought his Case airfield tractor, Roy Cagnacci brought his M151 and I took by M37. It was a nice sunny day and they had a huge turnout for the ride, show, auction and barbecue. No one left hungry.

The next event we'll be attending is the Caldwell Heap Herders' car club show on April 30 at the Caldwell Memorial Park in Caldwell. This is always a fun show with a lot of very interesting vehicles. It begins at 10 AM and normally they'll

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### President's minutes, cont.

put all of our military vehicles together. I'm sure it's so they can keep an eye on us. A good friend of mine who has some beautiful woodies tells me we are the Dark Side of car collecting.

In the newsletter and on the website we'll try to keep an upcoming calendar of events as I hear about them

The Caldwell 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade committee contacted me today to request our vehicles participation in the parade. Since we've had a lot of trouble with the Middleton 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and haven't done it in several years Caldwell's may be a nice opportunity for us. As soon as I find more information I'll get it out to the club membership.

As anyone who has every visited my shop will know I'm a terrible tool freak. If there's a tool made I have to have it or 10 of them. At the last meeting I offered a free set of tools to any member that wants some. It's always a good idea to keep a tool bag in your military vehicle but you don't want to haul your good set of Snap On tools around in your truck or Jeep. I have a very large cache of less expensive tools and any member is welcome to sort through the pile and make up a set of tools you can toss in your vehicle for that minor emergency that seems to happen from time to time. They are free and it only requires a bit of your time to sort through them. So if you are a current paid up member stop by and pick up some free tools.

John Paul at the Warhawk Air Museum changes the antifreeze in his Curtis P40 Warhawk every now and then. It takes 14 gallons to fill it and he gave me the 14 gallons they took out of it. It is green, fresh and undiluted antifreeze. I gave anyone at the meeting first choice at it but I have a couple of gallons left so if a current paid up member could use it your welcome to it. Just come by my shop and get it.

#### -Pres Bruce Gates

#### It was in the news...

-We welcome our newest member Kevin Kirby.

-Happy Birthday US Army Reserve -The US has sent 3.4 Billion dollars worth of drones, artillery and other weapons to Ukraine so far.-CNBC Apr22.

-'Inside Defense' reports combat robot prototyping is in the fiscal year 23 defense budget. This includes climate friendly autonomous unmanned ground platforms. Does this mean the IMVPA of the future will send vehicles to parades without operators? Hmmm

-Please pay your IMVPA dues for 2022-23. POC is President Bruce Gates.

-The newsletter improvement dept has a new link at www.don't careaboutyourcomplaint.net

#### -A note to President Gates:

Bruce, wanted to thank you for coming down to the Toys For Tots Ride. Sorry I did not get to visit with you. We had a great day and were able to present the USMC a check for \$16,820 on Wednesday during the 246th USMC Birthday Celebration at Quinn's. On behalf of the Toys For Tots Ride we would like to personally thank you for your donation and look forward to you working with us again in the future.

Semper Fi!

**IMVPA MEETINGS: Always 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 yers truly

-April 30th: Caldwell Heap Herders' car club show at the Caldwell Memorial Park in Caldwell. This is a fun show with a lot of very interesting vehicles. It begins at 10 AM

-**May 10th-11th**: The Wendover Utah Airfield will have a B29 and several military vehicles on display and it's open to the public. Reach out to the Utah Military Vehicle Preservation Association for more information.

-May 14th: Celebration of Life for Marney Bernard, founder of the Veteran's Network. They would like vehicles at Dry Creek Cemetery 11am-2pm. Arrive at 10-10:30am. A BBQ at noon will be provided. -May 21st: Nampa Parade America. Line up behind Northwest Nazarene on Colorado Street and be there by 10AM.

-June 25th: Idaho Auto Investments is having a show at 475 N Linder Rd. Meridian from 9AM-2PM. This show benefits the VFW Auxillary.

-July 4th: Caldwell parade at Arlington Street near Caldwell Memorial Park. Line up between 7:30-8:30am.

-July 17th: Daughters of the American Revolution are having a show and selling wreaths at the Village at Eagle Road and Fairview Ave. This is Wreaths Across America and benefits wounded warriors. The event is 11AM-5PM.

-**September 14th-17th**: MVCC fall show and swap meet at 49er RV Village Resort and Amador County Fairgrounds, Plymouth Calif.

## His Glass is Half Empty --by Anonymous

## Editor's Note: this space is reserved for any member or guest, anonymous or not, to contribute to the newsletter. This month's contribution is by-anonymous

My New Year's resolution of being optimistic is shot to hell 'cause the IRS is on me like an angry yellow jacket. Some people say I'm a pessimist but that ain't true, as I try to see the best in every situation-I really do! My AA counselor says "why do you drink so much, and what's alcohol ever done for you?" Well for one thing If it weren't for beer and whiskey a lot of ugly girls would have never gotten laid. And I ain't goin' to no more AA meetings, its just full of damn drunks. I don't blame em though, they're trying their best in this world of high gas prices, inflation, high taxes, and democrats.(No politics, I'm serious -ed). I can't even afford my fentanyl patch anymore. I may travel to Oregon where at least I can grow and smoke all the mary jane I want. But I heard it makes ya hungry and food prices are way up too. Even military vehicle prices are up. The gov auction used to be a place to get a cheap HMMWV but not anymore. Even a deuce and half can't be had for a reasonable price. Hey pal, that 1972 M35 multi-fueler of yours ain't worth more than \$1500, I don't give a S%&# if you use it for overlandin' or glamor campin' or what. I ain't gonna be happy til I fuel a M35 up with stove oil, kerosene, used motor oil and turpentine, crank up the country music and get the hell out of the nutty state of Oregon, and cross back into Idaho at 45MPH with all 10 NDTs singing along with Ernest Tubb. Gonna stop at the Idaho Motor Pool for some spare parts and put em in the bed with all that Mary Jane I bought in Ontario and sing Walkin' the Floor all the way home until life is built back better and America is great again ...

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## A look at Fairchild Air Force Base by yers truly

Sometimes even military vehicle owners have to get their geek on with airplanes, so here's to all our Air Force Vets out there. I recently had a trip to Fairchild AFB and visited with my friend and fellow Washington State newsletter editor, Ivan. Probably no chance I coud convince President Gates this should be an all expense paid business trip. Ah Poo.



They call this B52 the Mig killer. According to the plaque it brought down a MIG with its 50 caliber tail guns. A red star is painted on the side of this big boy. Not for Sale.



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## A look at Fairchild Air Force Base; page 2 by yers truly

An Air Force geek should easily identify a Mig vs a Sabre. But here's the proof.

Joke of the day: How do you know if the guy you just met is a fighter pilot? Oh he'll tell ya he is.

It occurred to me one day, while looking at this train on the Air Force base, that we've never put trains in the FIRST FLOWN IN OCTOBER 1947, THE F-88 WAS THE FIRST FLOWN IN OCTOBER 1947, THE F-88 WAS THE FIRST SWEPT-WING JET FIGHTER TO ENTER THE AIR FORCE INVENTORY. THE AIRCRAFT SAW EXTENSIVE SERVICE IN THE KOREAN CONFLICT WHERE IT ACHIEVED A 10 TO 1 KILL RATIO OVER THE RUSSIAN BUILT MIG-15. THIS AIRCRAFT ARRIVED AT FAIRCHILD IN 1986 AND IS DEDICATED TO THE WASHINGTON AIR NATIONAL GUARD. THE PRESENT TAIL NUMBER REFLECTS THIS DEDICATION.

newsletter. Luckily for us the USAF apparently

Has flying trains. Crazy huh!

This plaque on the side of this train says:

"Do Not Hump or Rough Handle. Impact Recorder Installed." Well it's the Air Force, don't judge.





#### May 2022

## Your Free Free Free Classified Ads

## WANTED:

-Brian Tharp is looking for a full ring mount for an M35A2; POC is Bruce Gates

-Looking for 8 pieces of WW2 steel landing matt, can pick up within 250 miles of Wendell ID. Ask for John jrjrfm@yahoo.com

#### For Sale,

41 Dodge WC closed cab, fairly complete, engine free \$3750 w bill of sale; 1941WC winch model, fairly complete, engine turns free, winch frame was torched off, another WC winch frame is complete no body, w winch, engine ran 20 yrs ago \$5100

**WANTED**! 1941 powerwagon restored or to be restored. Send pics and price to Alex Gordon at www.idahomotorpool.com

Lifecoach counseling and services. ChelseaDoolittle .com; tranform@Chelsea Doolittle.com 775-722-6837 -77 Kaiser M35A2 w winch, runs great, complete, soft cab and hard cab, w Idaho title, drive it home now \$7000;

-M105 trailer for M35, clean w bows and spare tire. \$700 if you buy it with the M35, \$900 on its own, no canvas Wash title.

-1945-52 Winter-Weiss 7 ton navy model M1 medium tractor bulldozer, was at Papau new Guinea, runs great \$5500

-lots of misc 1/2 Dodge parts, fenders, priced to sell, want to sell all or none. 45 years of collecting. Also WW2, Korean War radio equipment. Make me offers. Contact John. All items in Wendell ID. **Email at jrjrfm@yahoo.com** 

Urgently wanted! Cargo box for a CCKW. Reach out to Ian Newby at ims@telus.net or 604 616 2537

Preppers get ready for 2022. Reach out to www.cdvs.us; Combat Veterans Surplus/Big Sky Surplus Spokane Washington.

# **IMVPA and MVPA Membership!**

## 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

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#### Ownership of a military vehicle in 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 Go to MVPA.org, or

**Join by Mail:** Don't want to join through our online store? Go to mvpa.org to print a membership form. Mail the form with a check or money order to: MVPA PO Box 520378 Independence, MO 64052 USA

Idaho Military Vehicle Preservation Association

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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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