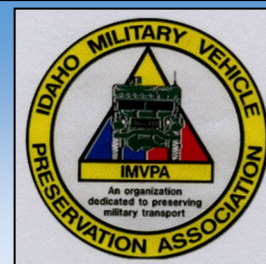




OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE IDAHO MILITARY VEHICLE PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION



FROM THE TOP

From the President

We've had a busy season so far. There were a lot of July 4th parades and members attended a few of them even though it's been a very hot year and it gets hot at the shows and parades. Remember to stay hydrated at these events.

We have a few events coming up in the near future. July 31 is the Kuna Lion's Club Car Show starting at 8AM at the Kuna City Green Belt.

August 7 is the Kuna parade. Ben Sterling is the POC for this event. I found an interesting problem a while ago. We had two M37s that had no leaks but both had a dry master cylinder. Because an M series vehicle is set up for fording the master cylinder vents into the

IMVPA CLUB OFFICERS

President: Bruce Gates

Vice President: Matt Wrobel

Treasurer: please volunteer

Quartermaster: volunteer needed!

Secretary: not too proud to beg

Social Media Director: Benjamin Sterling

Website, Newsletter Editor: Ron Powell

Spotted: Joe Perry's M37 at Patriot Thunder. More about this on page 3.



Intake at the carb. This means there will always be a slight suction on the brake fluid at the master cylinder and it can evaporate. So if you have an M series vehicle keep a close eye on the fluid level in the master cylinder. It can go dry in a couple years of normal use.

-Bruce
President, IMVPA

It was in the news...

-Kuna Parade, August 7th. POC is Ben Sterling.

This month in history.

It was July 1943 that the epic tank battle of Kursk took place, with about 900 German tanks against a roughly equal number of Russians. They clearly never cleaned, sanded and painted a tank. Now that's a real battle.

In July 1944 black and white soldiers were desegregated and black soldiers were assigned to white platoons for the first time. Official army desegregation formerly took place in 1948 signed by Pres. Truman. Now Aunt Jemima's face has been taken off the syrup bottle. That's progress. *(Is that sarcasm? -ed)*

IMVPA MEETINGS: 1st Tues of the Month. next meeting will be on August 3rd at 7PM at Gates & Associates at 604 N.

-Do we have any new members this month? Nobody tells me anything. -Pvt Schmedlap

-There were no meeting minutes published. The IMVPA hasn't had a secretary in years. Is that you? Volunteer today.

-Department of Corrections...

-The newsletter usually comes out before the end of the month. This time it came out on the first because of budget cuts. So maybe you missed the parade on July 31st because of this lack of professionalism and due diligence?

Now hiring; IMVPA newsletter editor, must be able to spell at the 3rd grade level and tell time. Will train.

We don't get enough tanks in the newsletter. At Fort Lewis your editor Ron and 2 friends (Larry and Ivan (editor PSMVCC), repainted the Lewis Army Museum's M4A1 Sherman. This lady now looks gorgeous. So does Ron while he checks the air in the tank's tires.



Wanted: your newsletter articles, photos, and editorials. The summer months are a great time to submit.

Patriot Thunder Ride. -By President Gates

Sunday morning July 25th Bruce and Joe took their M37s to the Patriot Thunder ride for veteran's benefits at High Desert Harley Davidson where 1200 motor cycles rode to Mountain Home Air Force Base.



His glass is half empty. -By anonymous

Editors 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

Oh I'm mad now! And if I could get out of this wheel chair I'd use my last good leg to kick someone's God d#\$%as#. My ex-wife says why can't you just be happy and I'm trying, I really am. But critical life events are looking gloomier every day. I won't rant about craigslist anymore but those dum idiats are now on my favorite new site faceybook market place. A typical ad: "I'm sailing a WW2 Jeep CJ3B with wench, rusty, not running. No lowballs I know what I got. Trade for Astin Martin or P47 Thunderbolt."

I can't even afford to build a she shed over this CJ3B. Seen the price of lumber? And we have to wear da mask again? I think the microchip the guvmint put in the first vaccine is working because it's convincing people everywhere to mask up and stop working.

My friend says my glass is half empty, so pour what I got into a smaller glass and quit the bitchin'. I suppose she's right, but I spent a lifetime crafting this level of cynicism and I don't wanna give it up jus' yet. I'm not ready to believe people don't want to be around me or hear what I got ta say. But I can't leave da house because someone let the air out of my wheel chair tars. Have you seen the price of air lately?

Summer Project 2021 *by Benjamin S*

This is a story about my second attempt at a vehicle restoration. My first was a 1944 MB that I ended up parting out and making a little cash on. This new project will satisfies two of my interests. Many of you know I'm a local fireman out in Kuna and I have a M998 HMMWV. Last week a 1966 M37B popped up on the marketplace. I contacted the seller to see if he would consider a trade plus cash into the deal. The owner's reply was what do you got. I offered a 1953 M1 Garand I had picked up a few years prior. He asked for a pic and the serial number. He liked what he saw and we setup a day to come check out the truck.

The truck had been used as a brush truck by the forest service in North Carolina and then gifted to a volunteer fire department after its military days were over. I have been thinking about selling the HMMWV and getting a vehicle to bring back to life. I called Bruce Gates to get his opinion on working on a M37 and sent him the link to see what he thought of the condition and value. Bruce informed me that his truck was a retired BLM rig and told me to go for it. So, with that I set out the next day and drove the hour and a half to check out the old truck and brought the rifle for the seller to check out. After following the directions given to me by the seller and not having any cell service I came to an open gate to a long drive out in the hills outside of Ola. After committing down a long muddy draw I passed a sign put up by the land owner that stated "If you can read this sign you are in range." I knew I was in the right location. *Continued on next page....*



Summer Project 2021 *continued*

The owner, Alan Jacobus, some of you might know. I recognized him from somewhere but could not put my finger on it. I knew it was not from the club, though he informed me he was in the club at one time. I thought well maybe he was a school teacher in Boise. No, Alan said he was not a teacher. I looked over the truck and knew I wanted it! Everything was all there under the hood, only a few places of rust under the head lights. Good bones for a restoration! Alan said he never tried to start it in the 16 years he has had the truck. He picked it up with good intentions to provide a little fire protection for his 270+ acre property in the hills but never got around to it. Alan told me he purchased the truck from an auction site in 2005. The only catch, it was located in North Carolina. Alan and his wife headed out from Boise and purchased a trailer at that destination and loaded the old girl up and brought her out West.

I did not want to tip my hand that I wanted the truck, so I told Alan I would talk to Bruce and talk about what I thought of the truck, now seeing it before I made an offer. Alan said that was fine and told me to come into his shop because he has something he thinks I would like to see. I brought the rifle in and gave it to Alan to inspect. In the middle of his shop was a WW2 Case Airborne tractor he has been restoring. Alan told me the story of how he got the tractor and the history behind it. Alan disassembled the M1 Garand to get a look at the barrel markings. While he was disassembling the rifle he told me another story and he mentioned the Parma Rod and Gun club. Bingo now I knew where I recognized Alan from. IAWCA. Alan and his wife help organized 'shoot for the cure' and other shooting events. My wife's grandfather was in IAWCA and we had been to the 'shoot for a cure' event and was on the same team with Alan and his wife in the past, Small world.

-Benjamin

Editors note: See previous editions of the newsletter for pics of Alan's tractor

Press Release *by VP Matt*

American Legion Post 113 Amateur Radio Club (N7LGN) will welcome the WWII Boeing B-17 Bomber named *Sentimental Journey* on her *Flying Legends of Victory Tour*, landing at Idaho's Nampa Airport on August 9 - 15, 2021. *Sentimental Journey* is one of only five B 17 aircraft in the world that are still airworthy.

Operating from under the flying fortress's wing, the club is inviting amateur radio operators, also known as hams from around the world to transmit and receive messages from this unique location and event. Club Amateur radio operators will demonstrate some of the latest Software Defined Radio equipment while operating a special events station August 10, 2021, at the Nampa Airport and the public is invited. Our special event call sign is K7B/SJ.

A QSL card is a written confirmation of a two-way radio communication between two amateur ham radio stations. All radio contacts will receive a commemorative QSL postcard for this event. Visitors will have the opportunity to transmit their own greetings from the B17 while talking with distant stations. They too will receive a commemorative card documenting their part in this historic event.

Tours of the aircraft will be available as well as flight opportunities around the area offered through the Commemorative Airforce (azcaf.org) based out of AZ. Ground tours of *Sentimental Journey* are \$10.00 per person or \$20.00 for a family of four.

Your Free Free Free Classified Ads

WANTED: Brian Tharp is looking for a full ring mount for an M35A2 if anyone knows where one of these scarce items is located contact [Bruce](#) Gates and I'll let him know.

Our Friend (and IMVPA VP Matt) has a 43 GPW that he's selling. His true passion is the M151 Mutt (well no one is perfect) so he says one project has to go. I think he needs a wife to tell him all projects need to go, but that's just my uninformed opinion. Has title, Make reasonable offer. Reach out to him at Mosin-matt@gmail.com



For Sale: \$1,200 · TOW Missile components. Three tubes no missiles. 6 missile stowage rack for HMMWV. Tri-pod, adapter. And other odds and ins. Boxed up ready to ship. Buyer pays for shipping. Reach out to Benjamin at hondaytoys@gmail.com



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Please let us know your membership number!





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