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# MVCC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Chris Thomas, MVCC President**

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Hello MVCC!

I hope everyone is finishing up their last minute plans and projects for Camp Plymouth. I'm really looking forward to this year's meet, with a great set of showcases that has something for everyone.

I've had a lot of first timers calling about the meet from Washington, Colorado, Nevada, and New Mexico. I asked them about the fuel cost and all said "We're coming," that says a lot about this club and the great meet we put on!

Speaking of shows, Johnny Verissimo and myself made the trip down to Parker AZ for the MV Campout as it is joint meet of the Southern California Military Vehicle Collectors Club (SCMVCC) and the Arizona Military Vehicle Collectors Club (AMVCC). This is the second year for the show and it's growing according to vendors and members who attended last year. I saw some familiar faces and met many new ones. I had a chat with Presidents Dan McCluskey (SCMVCC) and Joe Snodgrass (AMVCC) on how we can work together to grow the hobby and help our local clubs. My hope is this will continue to grow, they were welcoming and this is the only MV event I didn't have to pack my allergy med. As for the swap meet, all I can say is both Johnny and myself helped the local economy with our olive drab treasures.

On the way back, we headed south passing through the WW 2 Desert Training Center. Angus Smith, of the Patton Memorial Museum, gave us a map with all the mileage posts to the WW2 camps and airfields along the way to the museum. It was a great drive, but I do have to warn you to stay on the road unless you have four wheel drive. As for the Patton Memorial Museum, it's a hidden gem of California military museums. Great displays inside and a good selection of mvs outside. While the outside vehicles range from "as surplus" to desert fresh, each is marked with signage. I would like to thank Presidents Dan McCluskey (SCMVCC) and Joe Snodgrass (AMVCC) for a great time at the meet and I do wish we had more time there. Also, big thanks to Angus Smith of the Patton Memorial Museum for letting us poke around the backyard a bit.

As this is the last newsletter you get before Camp Plymouth, I wish you safe travels and I hope to see you soon.

Chris

**Photo- Myself and Chris having lunch in Parker, AZ. Far Right photo- Chris making a deal at the meet.**

**Photos by Johnny....**



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## MVCC Secretary/ Editor Johnny Verissimo

What's up in the MVCC?

(Reminder May newsletter will be late due to Meet)

**-I was trying to remember an event that was coming up soon**, but I can't remember what it was? Some big military vehicle event was coming up, something to do with many military vehicles and many vendors selling military stuff, but I can't remember what event it was? It's at the tip of my tongue. Lol! THE MVCC SPRING 2022 SHOWCASE and SWAP MEET! Yep, it's this month, finally! Come by the MVCC HQ Booth and support your club by buying merchandise. It's a win win situation: you get a t-shirt, and your club makes funds to continue providing you a pretty cool event.

**Raffle Coordinator** for Friday Night at the MVCC Spring Meet is Mary Terberg (email is [MJS528@aol.com](mailto:MJS528@aol.com)) will coordinate (with Erik's help). Helping her are Jennifer and Scott Tanis ((916-813-3360). If you would like to show your support for the meet and want to donate a raffle prize please contact any one of them. Raffle Tickets will be available for sale at the event.

**-Military Vehicle Meet** - Chris Thomas and I (Johnny) went to the Arizona Military Collectors Club Meet co-hosted by the Southern California Military Collectors Club in Parker, Arizona, and we had a great time! My article is in this newsletter.

**-Want to save your club some money?** Choose the 3 year membership. By selecting the **3 year membership** you save your club 3 stamps, 3 envelopes, 3 sheets of paper, and your secretary's writing finger, lol... You also save yourself the headache of renewing every year.

**HUGE REMINDER - while at Camp Plymouth DO NOT PARK, STOP or BLOCK the tiny roads at Camp 49er or the Fairgrounds with your automobile or your military vehicle when checking out vendors! PLEASE leave the road ways clear! If you see someone doing so, please remind them to not do it. Camp 49er does not allow it for any reason unless it's an emergency or you're an ambulance or fire truck. Thank you. ☺**

There is unlimited FREE parking at the fairgrounds for all automobiles, trucks, and trailers in the designated parking area for your parking pleasure.

**Driving your military vehicles at Camp Plymouth? IT'S ENCOURGED!**  
The folks in Plymouth love the MVCC and all the military vehicles, so please feel free to drive your mv's. We have been embraced every year by the local community and we get tons of people at our event, so show off your MV's in Plymouth, California. Remember your military vehicle should be registered/licensed/insured to be on the road.

**-If you like the Events the MVCC puts on**, then consider becoming a member of the MVCC. Our events don't happen with pixy dust. It's people that put this event on. People like you who support your nonprofit organization. As always, MVCC memberships can make for a great birthday present that is received all year long! Once a month someone will receive a newsletter reminding them you got them one. Kinda cool...

**-Paying your club dues at the MVCC HQ in Plymouth. Just a reminder -**  
As club secretary/editor it's hard for me to be at the booth all day for 3 days taking dues, processing them with receipts and cards, and roster information. You can pay your dues at Camp Plymouth as usual, but I don't process them until I get home after the event. Since 2016 I don't give out membership cards at our events due to the amount of time it takes to process each one. It's a ton easier for me to process them at home on my PC with everything I need at hand. This helps give me time to enjoy the event as a member of the MVCC which is what I look forward to all year. I will definitely work with anyone who needs my help in any way I can. ☺

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Chris Thomas and Myself at the DTC in Southern California

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**MVCC HQ is at Camp 49er site 189 next to my site of 188.** If you have any questions or have an emergency, then come to the HQ booth and we will see if we can help you.

-I don't really need to say this to our group because we have some of the best people on the planet but just in case - **Don't be that guy.** Don't be the guy that ruins it for everyone else. I don't really need to say this to our group, but to be on the safe side: No drinking and driving, no live fire arms or ammo on display, or for sale. Most of you know all the issues going on in MV clubs in the east and Midwest, so we must protect ourselves and be on our best behavior. A big thank you to you all in advance!!! ☺

Don Gomes is looking for volunteers for the MVCC HQ Booth to do a shift. You can reach him at (209) 918-0488.

Yes, we do hope to have a water truck to water down the roads on the fairgrounds side just in case to keep the dust down. No worries on the 49er side as everything is paved road. There will be signs stating parking area, registration, etc.

**Reminder: There is no entrance fee. EVERYONE'S welcome to the meet.** 📺

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at Camp Plymouth. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please let me know. Let the GAMES BEGIN! Lol...

Regards.  
Johnny Verissimo

### Front Cover: Matt Walker's GPW

**The Jeep was built May 29, 1942.** As far as I know it was recovered off of a farm in flagstaff Arizona some time in the late 70s or early 80s. By 1983 it was restored and participating in local events. It appears to have the hood off of a USMC Jeep as you can see a patch where the fording snorkel went. Other than that it appears very original with lots of "F" market parts and correct parts for a 42 GPW.

I am a member of the Arizona Historical Military Transport Association and the MVPA.

Matt Walker

*(From the editor – Chris Thomas and I were able to meet Matt Walker, his wife and his daughter at the Parker Arizona Meet. Thank you to all of them for being helpful to us and letting us take photos of their beautiful GPW). Photos by Johnny Verissimo (me)...*





## PRELIMINARY ACTIVITIES (as of 30 Jan 2022)

**Camp Plymouth – 27 Apr to 30 Apr 2022**

**Covid Guidelines per current Amador County requirements**

**ALL WEEK – Swap Meet is open!** Please check campsites through the 49'er RV Campground AND the Tent Sector at the Fairgrounds next door for an amazing selection of items. Vendors MUST be in rented campsites, cabins or official tent spaces.

### Tuesday, April 26

**1800 – EARLY BIRD GATHERING.** Pool Area Patio. No potluck this year. Bring your dinner or just come to chat. Masks requested.  
POC – Jo-Ann Lesser

### Wednesday, April 27

**Swap Meet Happening!!**

### Thursday, April 28

**Swap Meet Continues!!**

**0700 until coffee's gone** - Early Morning Coffee. Location: Fairgrounds Tent Sector near the power/water sites.

**0900 – POKER RALLY.** Register 0900 - 0930 in the Wolin Arena in the Fairgrounds Tent Sector. First vehicle departs @ 0930.

\$5/poker hand. Maximum of 2 hands/person. POC: Dave/Nancy Porter (530-391-5650 or 530-391-8006)

**1000 – 1600 – MVCC HQ/Store Open at Sites #188 & 189,** near the Rec Hall at the 49'er. JOIN OR RENEW, meet MVCC officers, see who is camping where, buy the GREAT MVCC Commemorative memorabilia. **Support the MVCC!**

**\*\* Drop off your Raffle Donations @ MVCC Headquarters for the awesome Friday night raffle**

**1000 – 1100 – Club President @ MVCC HQ.** Come by to say Hi or vent.

**1300 – 1600 – SHOWCASE OF UNRESTORED BARN FINDS.** Wolin Arena in the Fairgrounds Tent Sector. POC: Chris Thomas (559-871-6507; The Swamp)

**1400 – WOMEN OF THE MVCC GATHERING (Onsite).** Pool Patio, under the awning. Due to Covid concerns, we won't be sharing food as has been done in the past. But come to visit - bring your own beverage.

**1600 – MVCC Board Meeting** – Amphitheater (west side of the 49'er – between the inner and outer camping circles) Bring your own chair (BYOC). Rec Hall if rain

### Friday, April 29

**Swap Meet Continues!!**

**0700 until coffee's gone** - Early Morning Coffee. Location: Fairgrounds Tent Sector near the power/water sites.

**0900-1200 – GTB SHOWCASE.** Wolin Arena in the Tent Sector @ the Fairgrounds. POC: Don Gomes (MVCC Headquarters)

**1030-1130 - Willard Repro 6 Volt Battery Display & Discussion Group - arena next to the GTB truck showcase.** Replica "tar-top" shells that are designed to conceal a 6v Optima. Meet the creator Robert Lenz who will be visiting from Florida. We are looking for MVs that carry these. POC: John Neuenburg 415-847-2801 or [in\\_garage@hotmail.com](mailto:in_garage@hotmail.com)

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**1100 to 1500 – WOMEN'S LUNCH AND SHOPPING EXPEDITION.** Leave @ 11:00 from the front entrance of the 49'er. We go to lunch, then have time for some boutique and antique shopping. May need masks for store and restaurant entry. POC: Claire Werner (707-291-2992)

**1300-1600 – M151 SHOWCASE.** Wolin Arena in the Tent Sector @ Amador Fairgrounds. POC: Mike Fedyk (916-809-2969)

**1700 – 45<sup>th</sup> MVCC ANNIVERSARY MEMBER DINNER @ the Fairgrounds. RAFFLE DRAWING @ 1900 (lots of great stuff!)**

### Saturday, April 30

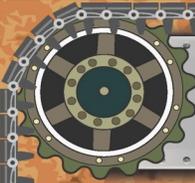
**Swap Meet Continues!! Time for those last-minute finds!**

**0700 until coffee's gone** - Early Morning Coffee. Location: Fairgrounds Tent Sector – near the power/water sites

**1000 – MVCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING.** Open Amphitheater on the west side of the 49'er Resort. BYOC (bring your own chair). Rain contingency: Held at Rec Hall at the 49'er.

**After General Meeting to 1600 – MVCC HQ/Store Open at Sites #188 & 189,** near the Rec Hall. JOIN OR RENEW, meet MVCC officers, buy the GREAT MVCC Commemorative memorabilia. **Support the MVCC!** -

**1230 – CONVOY & TOUR** (Details to be released soon. Actual tour time will be 1300-1500. POC: Dave Porter (530-391-8006)



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 Fri. 1-4  
**Ford GTB Showcase**  
 Fri. 9-12  
**Barn & Field Finds Showcase**  
 Your Unrestored Projects! Thurs. 1-4



Also remember  
**FALL Camp Plymouth**  
 Sept. 14-17  
 2022

**MVCC CAMP PLYMOUTH**  
 JAY'S WWII JEEPS  
 Jimmy Straus Jeeps  
 MIDWEST MILITARY

**APRIL 27-30, 2022**  
**Plymouth, California, USA**  
 49er RV Village, 182+6 State Hwy 49 / Amador Co. Fairgrounds, Plymouth CA 95669  
 Park at 18343 Empire Street

**45th Anniversary of the BIG SPRING MEET!**

*Visit Dozens of Nearby Wineries and Historic Gold Rush Towns*

*Tuesday is a set up day - Sunday is not a show day*

- All MVs welcome, any condition
- NO vehicle registration fee
- NO seller fee for pros or amateurs, just your campsite or cabin rental
- FREE visitor admission & parking
- Military Vehicle Poker Rally
- Military Vehicle Excursion
- Women's Activities
- Raffle Friday Night
- RV & travel trailer camping only, cabins, at 49er RV Village-Group Discounts
- Inexpensive tent camping at the Tent Sector at adjacent fairgrounds

Contact Jo-Ann for all campsites 408-238-8277 or MVCCCampmistress@yahoo.com  
 Camping Reservation Form on website



Event info: Don, 209-765-1273 caddymanwestside@yahoo.com

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Hello 510/925 MV'ers,

Hope you are ready to head up to Camp Plymouth! I'm excited about the event and will be there from Wednesday through Saturday in Cabin 2.

Our plan now is to chug up in the M37. This trip has me contemplating fuel economy. The best I've ever achieved in the truck is 13 MPG, but 10 MPG is more typical. This is after bumping the engine's compression up by 1.3 points. That's 3 MPG better than it ever achieved with the 6.7:1 engine. I can't help but think about fueling all the Dodge 230's rolling through Europe after D-day. The volume of fuel required to move an army and the logistics necessary to have it available is mind boggling to me. Current world events have had me thinking about the fuel economy too..

Have a safe trip up to Plymouth and I look forward to seeing you up there!



**Don Gomes, (Central Valley VP) MVCC Quartermaster, Divisions 209,559,661,760, 442**  
**(209)765-1273 caddymanwestside@yahoo.com**

Hi All.

Hope to see you guys at Camp Plymouth later this month.. I still have volunteer spots open for the MVCC HQ Booth. Please seek me if you will be able to do a shift. All help needed and welcomed! :)

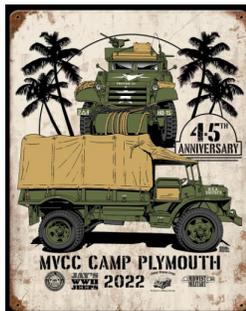
Still working on my bomb trailers and 1,000 lb bombs for the GTB Showcase. My plan is to have five 1,000 lb bombs on five bomb trailers to be towed by my GTB Bomb Truck and displayed at the showcase.

Dive Safe, see you soon!

Don...



*Photos of Don working on his last 1,000 lb bomb at his dairy's show. (photo by Johnny (me)).*



# MEMORIAL DAY



MAY

28|29  
2022

*“Never Forgotten”*

## THE MEMORIAL WEEKEND

**Saturday & Sunday  
May 28 & 29, 2022**

Woodward Park  
710 E. Woodward Ave.  
Manteca, California

### **SATURDAY, MAY 28 EVENT**

★ Evangelist, Mario Murillo

### **SUNDAY, MAY 29 EVENTS**

- ★ 5K Run
- ★ Classic Car Show
- ★ 7,200 Crosses
- ★ Korean War Memorial
- ★ National Remember Our Fallen Tribute
- ★ First Responders Tribute
- ★ Helicopter landings
- ★ Fireworks display to celebrate Veterans safe return!

*Visit...* [thememorialweekend.com](http://thememorialweekend.com)  
(209) 404-9298

# SAVE ★ THE ★ DATE



**Kurt Lesser, (South Bay VP) Divisions 408,669,650**

**408-238-8277 papakb@yahoo.com**



JoAnn and I took advantage of a visit to our daughter in Arizona last month and stopped by the combined Buckeye Airshow and Military Vehicle meet. Lots of familiar faces that we hope to see again this month. It's been a while since we've had the opportunity to do an Arizona show and I have to say both the vendor and vehicle areas were excellent. With the sky high gas prices we're all suffering from we weren't able to do the Parker show too although I've heard great things about it too.

By the time this gets out to the membership we're going to be past the deadline for registering for the April Plymouth meet and I hope this doesn't cause problems for anyone. We ask for the registration forms for a couple of reasons. First is so that we can inform the 49er Resort of our members and guests coming to the event so that they receive the discount they give us and it also allows us to make sure spaces aren't lost year to year. We keep your name on your site so that even if you do a late registration hopefully the 49er will recognize you when you arrive. Secondly it allows us to do those "where the heck is?" charts so you can find everyone. This year was a little slow on registering and when we send out emails I was surprised at the number of people that attend every year that don't feel it's necessary to become members. We (the MVCC Board) work hard to make these events happen and run smoothly with a minimum of problems and it's surprising to me that so many people don't feel the need to belong to the MVCC. If you know people that like to attend but aren't members, how about encouraging them to become a part of the club?

OK, back to the Bay Area. On Armed Forces Day, Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> we have been invited by the Eagle Field Foundation and the Wings of History Museum (San Martin Airport Pilots Association) to an event at the San Martin Airport. The event is FREE to the public and will run from 10am to 3pm. The Museum across the street will stay open until 4pm with our Eagle Field displays. This is a first go round so I'm not sure of all the activities but there will be some vendor space available on a first come, first served basis. They are asking for RSVPs to Niki Britton to request space at [niki111th@gmail.com](mailto:niki111th@gmail.com). Please bring your own tables, chairs and canopies.

The MVCC has again registered for the Morgan Hill July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. This takes place on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. JoAnn and I will be the POCs for information about where and when we rally for the parade. We don't have that info right now and will put it in the Newsletter when we receive it.

We're looking forward to seeing all of you again in Plymouth. Travel safe with "Fair Winds and Following Seas". OK, doesn't really fit road trips but you get the message!... Kurt Lesser



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Wow, I can't believe it's April already! But on the other hand, it couldn't have come fast enough! I've been digging through my treasures as of late and rounding up those priceless military artifacts that will sell for big money at Plymouth. I can't wait to get there, set up camp, and see all of you in our "natural habitat".

Here in Northern Nevada, we've had snow, rain, wind, warmth, cold, and that was just Monday! This is the time of year that tries to fool us into thinking Spring is here, right before it snows the next day. But with daylight savings in the rearview mirror now, things will start warming up gradually, days get longer, and more reasons to drive those military vehicles appear.

Lately I've been working on a non-MV car project that I've had on the back burner for years. It's nice to change up the projects once in a while and expand my restoration skills at the same time. But I'm planning a big push to finish up my LONG overdue fire engine restoration project probably this fall.

I hope you are all doing well, getting your MVs prepped, and your "magic beans" packed up to sell at Plymouth. I can't wait to see what this event has to offer at the swap meet tables. I have a feeling this year's Spring Meet is going to be one for the books! Don't miss it!

Take care and see you soon! ... Sean

# UPCOMING EVENTS



**April 25th to 30th 2022:** The MVCC Spring April Meet and Showcase in Plymouth California. The biggest Military Vehicle Show and Swap Meet on the West Coast. For reservations contact JoAnn Lesser [mvcccampmistress@yahoo.com](mailto:mvcccampmistress@yahoo.com). For questions, concerns or comments contact Chris Thomas. (559)-871-6507 [moparacer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:moparacer@sbcglobal.net)

**May 7th, 2022**—East Bay Swap Meet, Alameda Naval Air Museum, 2151 Ferry Point #77. 6AM-3PM See ad in newsletter.

**May 21st 2022** 5th Annual Gathering of Warbirds Reunion and Classic Car Show, Madera Airport, 7AM-3PM. P51 & B17 Rides [www.warbirdsreunion.org](http://www.warbirdsreunion.org). Check this newsletter for flyer.

**May 22, 2022:** Ron Fitzpatrick Jeep Parts open house in Central Point Oregon. Military Vehicle Show and Swap Meet. Free Lunch RSVP (541)830-3030 10AM to 4PM.

**May 28th and 29th**—Never Forgotten—The Memorial Weekend, Woodland Park, 710 E. Woodland Ave. Manteca, California. Visit [thememorialweekend.com](http://thememorialweekend.com) (209)404-9298 Classic Car Show, National Remember Our Fallen Tribute, Helicopter landings, fireworks. Looking for military vehicles for the Saturday Display. See ad in newsletter.

**May 30, 2022**—Castle Air Museum Open Cockpit Day in Atwater, California. Castle has one of the biggest selection of military planes around. Open cockpit is a must if you have never been. 9AM to 4PM. . <https://www.castleairmuseum.org>

**June 4th 2022** - Eagle Field Dinner Dance and Fly In/Military Vehicle Event. POC is Chris Thomas (559)871-6507 Friday night there will be a free BBQ to everyone that brings a military vehicle and to members of the MVCC. Saturday all day will be explore Eagle Field, Food vendors, MV games. Parade, Big Band, Dinner etc etc This is the 80th Anniversary of EF!!!

**July 4th 2022:** Gustine 4th of July Parade. POC is Don Gomes. (209)765-1273. Meet at 850 Elm Ave at 9AM.

**September 11 thru Saturday September 17, 2022** MVCC Fall Meet in Plymouth California. As usual 4 night minimum stay beginning Wednesday, September 17, 2022



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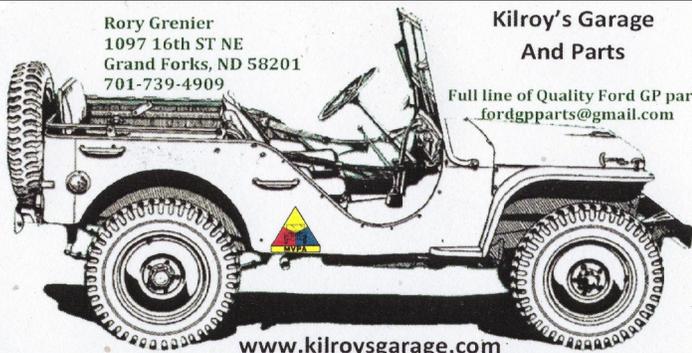
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If you have any questions or have information regarding a meet or activity in your area, contact your regional vice president or any of the officers to let them know. Be sure to visit our website for any last minute activities or changes to activities/events. Please submit information regarding upcoming activities to the newsletter editor at least two months before the scheduled event. All articles must be submitted to the newsletter editor by the 14th of each month. **MVCC News Editor Johnny Verissimo, (209) 918-0488 [istanbull@sbcglobal.net](mailto:istanbull@sbcglobal.net) or [www.mvccnews.net](http://www.mvccnews.net)**

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**Larry Pirack, President & Curator**

## Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of Eagle Field

# Eagle Field

## Dinner Dance Fly-In • June 4th & 5th, 2022

18 piece Live Big Band, Dancing,  
WWII Aircraft and Military Vehicles

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Find Eagle Field Dinner Dance and Fly In on Facebook 



### **Dinner dance Fly-In** **Saturday, June 4th & 5th, 2022** **Tickets available after March 1st**

#### **Saturday June 4th**

2:00 PM Aircraft Arrivals Begin  
3:00 PM Bar opens for water, sodas and drinks  
5:00 PM People arrive for pre-dinner activities  
and Collectibles Silent Auction Opens for Bids  
5:30 PM Military Vehicle Parade  
6:30 to 7:00 PM Dinner Begins  
8:00 PM Music Begins  
9:00 PM Coffee and Donut Break  
11:00 PM Hangar Doors Close

#### **Sunday June 5th**

8:00 – 10:00 AM Pancake Breakfast  
11:00 AM Aircraft Depart

#### **Prices**

\$75 Steak Dinner  
\$65 Half a Chicken Dinner  
\$50 Veggie Lasagna Dinner  
\$15 Sunday's Pancake Breakfast

**Los Banos Hotels (21 miles north):** Travelodge (209) 710-0593  
Maple Inn (209) 827-4600, Economy Inn (209) 826-0682  
Red Roof Inn (209) 826-9690, Sun Star Inn (209) 826-3805  
La Quinta (209) 827-4677, Best Western (209) 827-0954  
Los Banos Motel (209) 826-2700 Hotel on I-5 South (17 miles):  
Apricot Inn (559) 659-1444.

Saturday dinner includes: mashed potatoes, special green beans, a salad, a dinner roll and a wonderful chocolate éclair for dessert. Donuts and coffee are served at approximately 9:30 PM.

Buy tickets @ [www.eaglefield.net](http://www.eaglefield.net) • or call 925-383-3916  
E-mail: [michelle.knobbe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:michelle.knobbe@sbcglobal.net)

Eagle Field AAF base was opened in 1942 specifically to train pilots for World War II. From April 1942 to the winter of 1944 about five thousand pilots were trained in Ryan PT-22 and Boeing Stearman PT-17 aircraft. Purchased in 1980 by Joe Davis, Eagle Field is a link back to a very important and pivotal time in America's history. Having been saved, hopefully in the years to come it will be fully restored. We need your support.

This, our 33rd Warbird Fly-In and Dinner Dance promises to be a very entertaining historical event. Past aircraft have included PT-17 and PT-22 trainers, B-25 and PV-2 bombers, P-40, P-51, Corsair, Bearcat and Wildcat fighters, an ME-108, L-Birds and even a veteran C-53 transport that dropped paratroopers on D-Day.

In the past, military vehicles have included Jeeps, Half-Tracks, Weasels, Command Cars, Tanks, Cleatracks, APCs, Cargo Trucks, Weapons Carriers, Staff Cars and Artillery/Anti-Aircraft pieces.

Many will dress in World War II period attire. Espana's of Los Banos will cater our Saturday night dinner and you will sit at a beautifully decorated table. Knight Sounds, a classy 1940's big band from Modesto, will provide live big band music. There is always an exciting swing dance contest. Our veterans will be given special recognition.

Military Vehicles Only: Arrive Friday/Saturday (For MV info contact: Don Gomes at 209 765-1273). Vehicle folks can camp out through Sunday. Showers will be available. There will be a BBQ and camp fire on Friday night. Saturday activities include: A filming for YouTube, and a military parade at 5:30. Bring period military clothing for the video. Breakfast and lunch will be available at the cantina on Saturday.

Pilots: The Eagle Field identifier is CL01. Use a RIGHT HAND PATTERN and announce arrival on 122.9. A shuttle for PILOTS ONLY goes to both the La Quinta (209) 827-4677 and Best Western (209) 827-0954 in Los Banos. One afternoon shuttle at 2:45, returning at 5:45, and one every hour 9:00 until 11:00PM, returning on Sunday AM.

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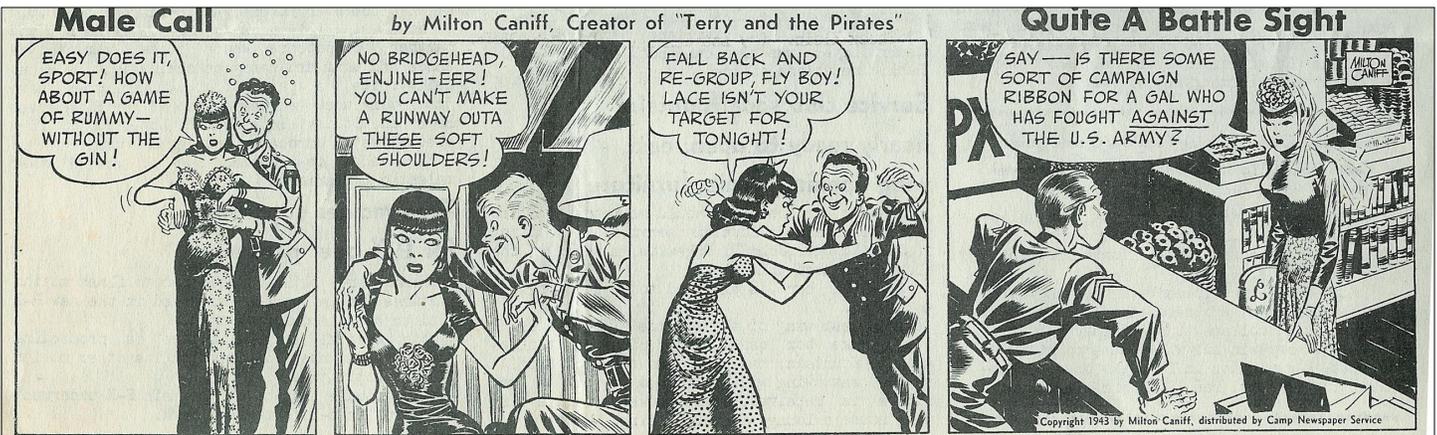
## CAMP PLYMOUTH 2022

By Jo-Ann Lesser

**The time is now, folks!** I need to receive your Camp Plymouth registration form for the upcoming show in April. Everyone that is planning on attending with a site needs to fill out a registration form and get it to me. The forms let me know who is coming and how to reach them in times of crisis. Think back to 2020. The 49'er does not inform me as to who has paid a deposit on sites. The only information I have is when I receive a registration form. If you have already made a deposit on your site and have not sent in the registration form, please do so now. The **cut off** for registration and deposits to the 49'er RV Resort is **March 24, 2022**. If a deposit has not been received by the 49'er by that date the site returns to the 49'er which then leaves me out of the registration/reservation process. Do not call or email me about needing a site after the above date. I will not be able to help. Reservations after this time will go through the 49'er office and the MVCC special rate will not apply. If you are planning on a site at the Amador County Fairgrounds there is a little more leeway but, please don't wait until the last minute. I would like to have all registrations and payment on Fairground sites received by March 24, 2022. I can accept **late comers** but, only until **April 10, 2022**. Please don't call or email me the week of the event. I will already be there and probably will not be able to help.

The MVCC Board has decided to celebrate our 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a special dinner for our members. Please fill out the line on the registration form with the number of members plus 1 guest per member for this dinner. It is my understanding the dinner and raffle will be held Friday, April 29, 2022 at the Pokerville Hall Patio area at the Amador County Fairgrounds.

Safe travels to all and we will see you there!







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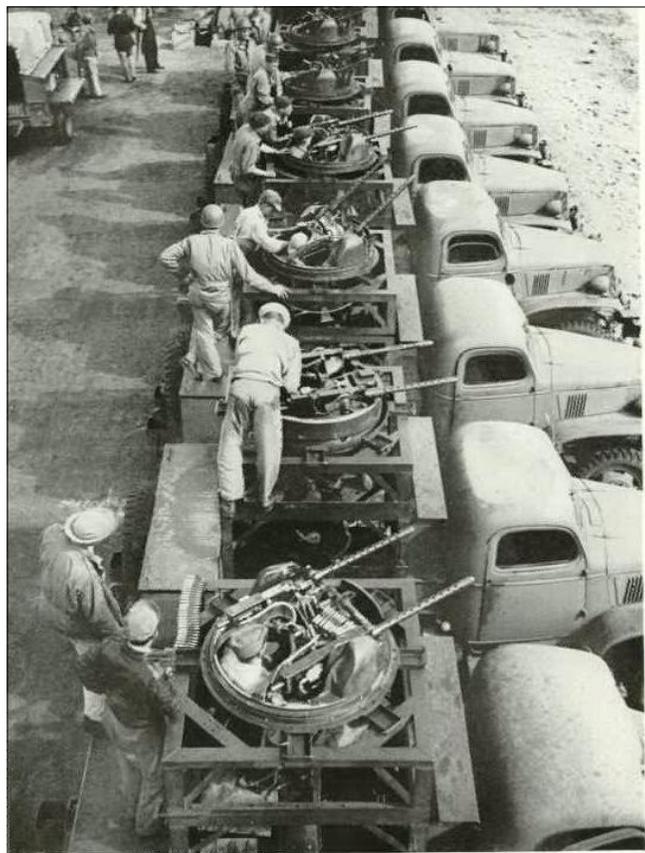
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Camp Plymouth is upon us! Are you ready? Very soon I need to lay out the Poker Rally route and do a couple of pre-runs to make sure the instructions are accurate. See Nancy's article elsewhere in this newsletter for Poker Rally details.

As of this writing I'm scrambling to finish up several projects to bring to Plymouth including a Turret Trainer truck for Taigh Ramey of Vintage Aircraft in Stockton. Acquired locally along with a G-506 Panel Truck, Taigh bought the Turret Trainer truck from me a couple years ago and asked me to complete it for display at his operation. He wants to show it off at Plymouth, so the push is on to get it done!

What is a Turret Trainer truck you may ask? It's a truck used in WWII to train aircraft gunners in the operation of turret mounted machine guns, typically on bombers such as the B-17, B-24, B-25 and several others. The most common version was based on the Chevrolet G-506 1-1/2 ton truck, designated the E-5 Turret Trainer. Starting out in a bare cab-and-chassis configuration, they were modified into E-5 Turret Trainer trucks with the addition of a large frame behind the cab for mounting gun turrets and included other modifications such as jack



Learning To Give Our Enemies a Nasty Taste of Bitter Medicine  
Gunnery students learn to aim and fire the .50-caliber machine guns which will later be installed in regulation bomber turrets. Here, for trial workouts, these deadly guns are mounted in Army trucks, from which they fire at targets carried by a driverless jeep running on a circular track.



Photo by Dave Porter

stands, rear fenders, steps, walkways, a large tool/ammo box, electrical boxes and other details. Most were deployed stateside at USAAF training bases, but some made it overseas and were utilized in training and anti-aircraft units.

Taigh already had an original turret (with guns) and had a correct frame fabricated and mounted in place of the bed on an original G-506 Cargo truck. He had been looking for an original Turret Truck when he saw one of mine (yes, I actually had two original Turret Trainer trucks). After some negotiating, a deal was made and Taigh had his truck.

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Taigh's truck, a mid-1942 version, was stripped down to cab and chassis when I found it. It may have had a dump bed or a water tank mounted in place of the turret frame for use on a farm, typical of the fate of surplus military trucks following WWII. It also had about a foot of the frame chopped off at the rear of the truck. Luckily, it still has its original engine and transmission in operating condition, which is a great bonus for any restoration. One particular detail that gave away its wartime configuration is something unique to Turret Trainer trucks: semi-circular notches cut into the front bumper where the forward jack stands were mounted. Some original Turret trucks also have the flat mounting plates still welded to the bumper, like my other Turret truck. No other G-506 trucks that I know of have this modification – and this truck has it.



It's been a long, involved process to accurately reproduce the design details on the Turret Trainer truck, utilizing the internet for photos and drawings to determine dimensions and attachment points, not to mention plenty of steel fabrication. Taigh collected archived information showing steel gauges and bolt sizes used on the original trucks, which has been a great help.

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Look for Taigh's Turret Trainer truck at Camp Plymouth! See you there!.. Dave

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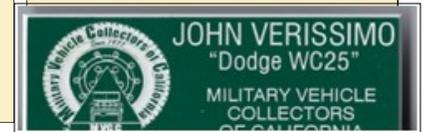


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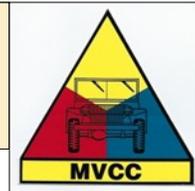
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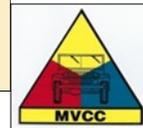
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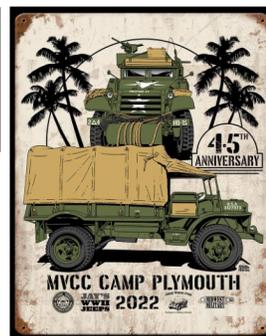
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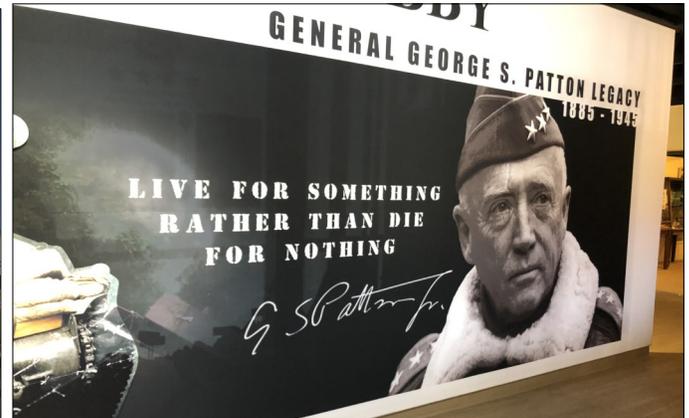
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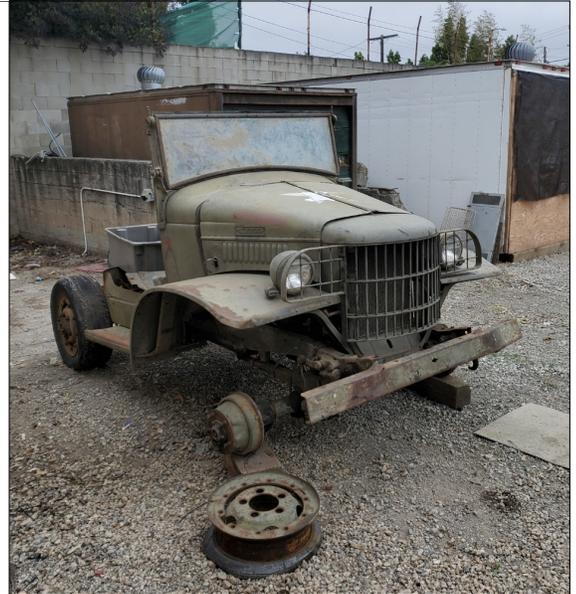
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## Camp Plymouth Camping Option

By John Neuenburg

Last year I wrote about our nice experience renting a travel trailer for the April 2021 event. In the interest of encouraging more people to attend or stay longer in comfort, this is a reminder of a way for those not wanting to tent camp at the fairgrounds to stay at the event. Unfortunately, the 49er Village doesn't have enough cabins. Even if one becomes available, the rental price of some trailers plus a RV site can be less than the price of a 1-2 bedroom cabin, especially after our group discount block goes away. One advantage to RVs and travel trailers is more choices of location in the Village.

There are two main RV rental broker websites that help private owners rent their equipment: [www.RVshare.com](http://www.RVshare.com) and [www.Outdoorsy.com](http://www.Outdoorsy.com). Plug in your dates and Plymouth and a wide variety of units will show up in that region. You book through the website and can pick it up or some owners will deliver to 49er and pick it up. When you click on a unit, many pictures will show up and sometimes a floor plan. All the owners' rules are listed plus the fees. These websites charge a fee and insurance is available and part of the quote. Delivery fees vary widely and often relates to distance. Instead of doing that, last year we found a commercial rental company in Sacramento called Advantage Caravans. We had a 28' trailer delivered, set up, and picked up. Service was excellent and priced lower than most of the units on the broker sites. Total was \$680. The round trip will be higher this year due to fuel cost. Then add the site rental. Obviously having one delivered means you can haul your MV with your trailer or drive it. Check out [www.advantageRVRentals.com](http://www.advantageRVRentals.com) or call (916) 832-8824 and ask for Alex. Or look for a commercial vendor near you.



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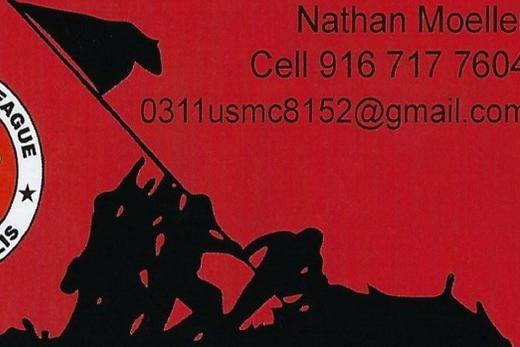
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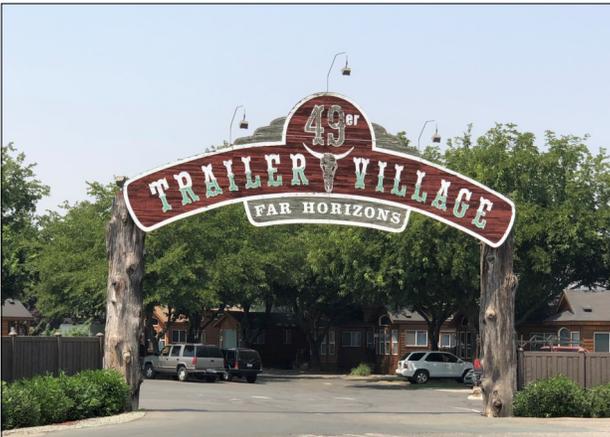
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Greetings from the Central Coast. I am looking forward to meeting you all in Plymouth. Like to invite any folks to join us in Pacific Grove CA for the Good Old Days parade on May 7<sup>th</sup>. I am working logistics to try to get as many vehicles as possible to Plymouth. So far we have a 1942 Harley WLA with sidecar, 1943 White Halftrack M2A1, 1942 Universal Gun Carrier built by Ford Motor Company of Canada, 1942 Willy's MB Slat Grill, 1943 Ford GTB.

Looking forward to the meeting everyone.

**Charles N. Tope**



## Restaurant Possibilities near Camp Plymouth

By MVCC Travel Expert Nancy Porter

If you don't want to eat all your meals at camp, there are several possibilities for food nearby. Here are some of the places you might want to check out.

**Deli at the 49'er**. Check on the door at the 49'er location for dates and times. Breakfast sandwiches, lunch items, ice cream, coffee, local beer and wine, and more.

### **Deli at Pokerville Market**

18170 State Highway 49, Plymouth - across the street from the 49'er and ¼ mile to the south. Hours should be 8 am to 8 pm every day except Sunday. Sunday hours are 9 am to 7 pm. A great place for Sandwiches, Pizza, Desserts, etc. and a wide variety of local beer and wine.

### **Marlene & Glen's**

18726 State Highway 49, Plymouth - At the Roundabout at Hwy 49 and Shenandoah Road. Open for Breakfast and Lunch – 7 am to 2:30 pm on Wed - Sun.

### **Amador Vintage Market**

9414 Main Street, Plymouth. Run by local caterer Beth Sogaard so excellent food. (It's the place with the red outdoor umbrellas on Main Street). Open Fri – Sun, Noon to 5 pm.

### **Donut Street Café**

17830 State Highway 49, Plymouth. (Just south of Pokerville Market)  
Breakfast Sandwiches, Bagels, Donuts and Coffee. Open daily – 5 am to 2 pm

### **Colina de Oro**

Mexican Food. 17810 State Highway 49, Plymouth. (Near the Shenandoah Inn)  
Open daily – 11 am to 8:30 most nights, but till 9 pm on Friday and Saturday

### **Taste**

This Zagat-rated restaurant and wine bar is a place for special occasions. Pricey.  
9402 Main Street, Plymouth. Hours are Fri – Sun 4:30-9 pm, Mon and Thurs 5-9 pm. Reservations recommended.



**These places are outside Plymouth but reasonably close for a drive and meal:**

**Sutter Creek: Cavana's Pub & Grub** on Main Street for Tues-Sat, 11 am – 8 pm. Shorter hours Sunday and closed on Monday. (MVCC women have been there for lunch). Also **Gold Dust Pizza** at 20 Eureka Street (near Main Street). Open daily 11 am – 8 pm

**Amador City: Restaurant at the Imperial Hotel**. This landmark hotel dates back to 1879 and is open for brunch on Saturday and Sunday from 10 am-2 pm. Dinner is served Tues - Sun starting at 5 pm.

**El Dorado: Poor Red's** historic roadhouse is at the intersection of Hwy 49 and Pleasant Valley Rd, fifteen miles north of Camp Plymouth. Famous for their Golden Cadillac drinks, they specialize in steaks, ribs, chicken and burgers. Open Wed, Thurs and Sun 11 am to 9 pm. Friday and Saturday hours are 11 am to 10 pm. Closed Monday and Tuesday

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**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY/ELIGIBLY**  
**MVCC Member Anniversary Dinner # \_\_\_\_\_**

**49er RV Resort, 18265 HWY 49 Plymouth, Ca. 95669 (209)245-6981**

**4 night minimum stay April 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> at 49er RV Resort– No tents at 49er RV Resort**

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check Out Date \_\_\_\_\_ **Payment in full paid to Camp 49er by 3-24-2022**

Assigned Site # / # of Nights /	Description of Site, Pick one	/ Per Night /	Total
	RV Standard (\$62.48) _____ RV Premium (\$72.16) _____ Premium Waterfront (\$81.84) _____ Studio Cabin (\$141.60) _____ 1-2 Bed Cabin (\$208.56) _____		

**Amador County Fairgrounds, 18621 Sherwood St. Plymouth, Ca. 95669**

**No minimum stay for dry sites, no RV's, 1 vehicle & 1 tent per site, 4 night stay for water/electric sites April 27 to 30<sup>th</sup> 2022**

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check Out Date \_\_\_\_\_ **Payment in full to MVCC, no refunds after 4/18/2022**

Assigned Site # / # of Nights /	Description of site, Pick one	/ Per Night /	Total
	(\$35) Dry Tent – Military _____ Civilian _____ (\$35) Dry Car – Pickup Camper _____ Utility Trailer _____  (\$45) Water/Electric – Tent _____ Military _____ Civilian _____ (4 night stay for Water/Electric)		

**No refunds after April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fairgrounds camping payment should be made to Military Vehicle Collectors of California, 2714 Peartree Lane, San Jose, Ca. 95121 C/O JoAnn Lesser .**

**For more information: [mvcccampmistress@yahoo.com](mailto:mvcccampmistress@yahoo.com)**

**All vehicle operating on public roads must be currently registered/ have insurance coverage.**

***In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate, participant and spectators, by execution of this entry form, release and discharge the producers of any and all known or unknown damages, injuries and or losses. No live firearms displayed or sold, no live ammunition displayed or sold.***

Please Sign \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**For MVCC office use only:**

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_

# Poker Rally Review

*By Nancy Porter*

If you've participated in our MV Poker Rally at Camp Plymouth in the past, this year's procedures will be no different. We will have a new route with some new stops, but procedure will be the same.

**Every year, some people have questions about how we do it, so I thought I'd explain some details here.**

- It's helpful if you have at least 2 people in your vehicle (can have more) so the navigator can read the route instructions and help you spot the card locations.  
This is not a timed rally. You can stop to buy lunch, take photos or get some wine. Your vehicle needs to be back at the final stop by noon.

Here's a rundown of the event to be held on Thursday, April 28.

- 0900 to 0925 - Drive your vehicle to the Wolin (Showcase) Arena at the fairgrounds.
  - Get a registration form from the Porters there, fill it out, then return it (along with your buy-in). You will then receive your route instructions and departure number.
  - Buy-in is \$5 per poker hand, maximum of 2 hands per person. Let's say there are 2 people in your vehicle and each person wants to play the maximum of 2 hands. You would pay \$20 when you turn in your registration form (\$5x2 hands/person x 2 people).
  - 0930 Vehicles will be released from the arena in 2-minute intervals.
  - As you drive through the local area, you will be following a list of coded instructions, looking for streaming red, white and blue ribbons along the way. An example of a line item in the coded instructions would be LT at SS (Left Turn at Stop Sign). There's a list of the possible codes in your instruction packet.
  - When you see a bunch of red, white and blue ribbons, pull over and look for a can of small sealed envelopes. If you have 2 people in your vehicle and each person has paid for 2 hands, you would draw a total of 4 envelopes from each can. (We don't have enough personnel to have manned checkpoints to hand you a card - thus, the cards in cans.)
  - Do NOT open the envelopes. If you open any of the envelopes, those cards will be disqualified and not count toward your poker hand.

There will be 7 sets of red/white/blue streamers and cans along the route. After the 7th stop, your instructions will bring you back to the RV resort, where you'll stop and turn in your envelopes to our poker tally team near the deli. Your envelopes will be opened at that time and we'll record your results in order to determine the winner.

What do I get if I win?

- Best poker hand will win half the pot.  
Remainder of the pot will be divided between the 2nd and 3rd best hands, with the 2nd best hand receiving slightly more than the 3rd place.

We will also have an 8th can near the tally location. Pick up a sealed envelope from that 8th can when you are done with the rally and turn it into the scorers. Person who gets an Ace will have their \$5 buy-in returned to them.



## MVCC 34th battalion Radio Comm station

The MVCC 34th battalion Radio Comm station will be active and on the air during the Plymouth April 26 thru April 30<sup>th</sup> event..

All Jeeps, Tanks, Haltracks, Helicopters, back packs who have radios that need testing our frequency will be monitoring (51.000 MHZ) . A formal net check in will be (every morning at 10 A.M.) Come one come all and check in and join us. Turn on the old radios and test them out for operation audio and signal. Amateur radio call signs excepted, and Voice Call signs will be acknowledged.

That anybody who has a radio PRC-10, PRC-25, PRC-77 , RT-524, PRC 174, or any of the hundreds of radios who would like a chat and test on channel. This is the time to try them out. If you have other frequency's, please let us know for monitoring. Looking forward to seeing you all.

Last time we had 12 different stations with all kinds of radio's making sounds. Will have the 51.000 MHZ channel up and running all the time, except for bar call.

Keep Healthy

Jerry Foster  
NET CONTROL WA6BXV ( Jerry) AMATEUR CALL -- 51.000  
MHZ 6 meters  
VOICE CALL --HOTDOG



## MVCC 34th battalion Radio Comm station

MVCC #833



# MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTORS OF CALIFORNIA

## Presents Barn Find Showcase

April 28<sup>th</sup> 2022 Show and Swapmeet!

Thursday 1300 to 1600

POC is Chris Thomas (559)871-6507 moparacer@sbcglobal.net



# MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTORS OF CALIFORNIA

## Presents the M151 Showcase at the

April 29<sup>th</sup> 2022 Show and Swapmeet!

Friday, 1300 to 1600

POC is Big Mike Fedyk (707)372-1311



**FREE CAR SHOW. BRING YOUR CAR!**

## East Bay Swap Meet Collector Cars & Parts

**Saturday, May 7, 2022**  
**6:00 am to 3:00 pm**  
Early vendor check-in and set-up Friday, May 6 at 3:00pm

**2151 Ferry Point #77  
Alameda, CA 94501**  
For more information or vendors  
email: stroh32@hotmail.com  
Call: Mark 510-432-1532

THIS EVENT IS HOSTED BY:




**WHAT A DEAL!**  
20' x 20' stalls  
are \$40.  
Car for sale stall  
\$30 each.

**FREE ADMISSION & PARKING**

**TO REGISTER:** Send name, phone, email, and check to Alameda Naval Air Museum 2151 Ferry Point #77, Alameda, CA 94501 • Day of meet phone ANAM 510-522-4262

**East Bay Swap Meet Registration Form** **VACCINATIONS, MASKS, GLOVES, SANITIZER ARE REQUIRED**

Print: Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Spaces for swap sale \_\_\_\_\_ x \$40 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Day of Swap Meet -**

Number of Spaces for car sale \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Cash Only**

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: Alameda Naval Air Museum, 2151 Ferry Point #77, Alameda, CA 94501  
**Deadline for reservations is September 30, 2021**

I hereby release the Golden Gate Regional Group #1 of the Early Ford V8 Club of America, Alameda Naval Air Museum, and City of Alameda, their officers, members, directors, agents, representatives, its employees or anyone else connected with the management or presentation of this event of any form of known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgment and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant to his or her person or property and all employees from any and all liability of personal or public property damage resulting from my participation in the event known as East Bay Swap Meet. I am over the age of 18. If not, a parent or legal guardian signature is required.

## MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTORS OF CALIFORNIA'S 2022 APRIL SHOW AND SWAPMEET



PRESENTS



### THE FORD GTB BOMB AND CARGO TRUCK SHOWCASE



**APRIL 29, 2022 10AM TO 1PM**

### AMADOR COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS IN PLYMOUTH CALIFORNIA IN THE SHOWCASE ARENA

Wanted, ALL GTB's in any condition, to be displayed in the arena. Awards will be given. Your GTB need not be restored or can be restored. We are trying to get as many Ford GTBs together as possible. This will be a great opportunity to see, learn, ask questions, take photos, make contacts and of course make new friends. The two GTB's on this flyer will be at the Show as well as others Don is working on having there.

The MVCC takes over the Camp 49er RV Resort and Amador County Fairgrounds for a huge military vehicle meet. There will be a huge swap meet and many military vehicles of all sorts and all era's.

Person of Contact (POC) is Don Gomes, if you have any questions, concerns or comments please call (209)765-1273 for more information of go to [www.mvccnews.net](http://www.mvccnews.net)

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## Our Trip to the Military Swap Meet and Show in Parker, Arizona

By Johnny Verissimo

In a phone call, Chris Thomas mentioned that he was going to the Arizona Military Vehicles Collectors Club show and swap meet co-hosted by the Southern California Military Vehicles Collectors Club in Parker, Arizona. I asked him who's going and he replied that it looks like he's going by himself. I then asked if he'd mind if I came along to which he said to come on along.

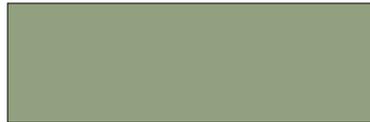
**Thursday** - It took us 8 hours to get from Chowchilla to Parker, Arizona, and we never once turned on the radio because we had great conversations along the way. It was such a great drive because I got to admire all the scenery and enjoy the company of a great friend. We eventually arrived at our Hampton Inn Hotel which was a great place to stay with a nice continental breakfast every morning.

**Friday**- We were happy to go the show and swap meet first thing in the morning. It was good to see SCMVCC President Dan McCluskey, SCMVCC Editor Al Wollonciej, and club members. I was able to get a photo of Angus Smith, Chris Thomas, George, Van Johnson, and myself. George and Van had vender booths at the event and Van's the one that had the GTB regulator for sale. Thanks Van!

Any interesting military vehicle finds for me in the venders section? YES! If you know me, you know I love GTB's. To my surprise there was a Ford Motor Company GTB regulator which looked NOS for sale on one of the vender tables! After chilling out and gaining my composure, the GTB regulator did end up coming home with us. Thank you Chris Thomas for your help! As I write this, the GTB stamped regulator is next to me on my desk so I can admire it a little longer before installing it on my GTB, lol.

**Saturday** – Chris and I went back to the event after having our continental breakfast. On Saturday, the event had a Gun Show that we attended. At the event, I met Matt Walker who was driving around in his stretched GPW whom I asked if I could take photos of it. On Saturday morning, I was able to take photos of Matt Walker's GPW next to the Colorado River. Thank you to Matt for letting me do a photo shoot with this beautiful jeep.

Finally met Phil Kern. Most of you remember the name Phil Kern as the gentleman who wrote our "Quiz's" in the newsletter. I was able to thank Phil for the quiz's and let him know that he was a big help to me by adding to the newsletter.



**Photo to the right are SCMVCC President Dan McCluskey, SCMVCC editor Al Wollonciej, MVCC editor Johnny Verissimo and MVCC President Chris Thomas. All these photos were taken at the event in Parker Arizona**



**Saturday Afternoon** – On Friday night, I asked Chris if he wanted to do something crazy to which he replied “What do you have in mind?” I replied that the General Patton Memorial Museum was just 87 miles to the West of us. Chris paused, then said lets think about it. Long story short, after the gun show at the event, we headed west back across the border and into California towards Palm Springs! I strongly recommend visiting the General Patton Memorial Museum. I wish we had more time to spend there. I told Chris I would be back someday in the future.

The drive from Parker, Arizona to the Patton Museum was made more interesting because we were given a Desert Training Center Maneuver Area Map with information about “markers” along the way to the museum that acknowledged where certain camps were located during WW2. Thank you Angus Smith, volunteer from the Patton Museum, for sending us to the Patton Museum and the map that showed us interesting points along the way.

The drive from the Patton Museum to home was an excellent drive. It was long, but it was fun. Thank you Chris for letting me tag along! You are a very awesome travel companion.

**The military vehicles meet** - About 15 military vehicles or more and about 10 vendors, if I remember correctly, were at the event. There were more people on Saturday due to the gun show... This location, which is right on the Colorado River, has a lot of room for growth with a lot of potential for future MV events. Some might find Parker, Arizona to be out in the middle of nowhere, but for a lot of people that’s what’s cool about it. If trees/shade are a concern for you, then you’re out of luck. It’s the desert, so no trees, lol. But if you love water, then put on a swim suit because you’re on the Colorado River! Lol. Its important to support these military vehicle meets by attending or soon someday you may wake up and find there are no more mv events left on your calendar.

Thank you to everyone involved in making our weekend fun and memorable.... Johnny...



All photos taken at he Parker Arizona Meet by Johnny. Pictured below are Angus Smith, Chris, George, Van and Johnny





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