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Lee Edwards M5 Stuart Light Tank "Mouse Trap" will be at Camp Plymouth



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MVCC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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MVCC! It's that time of the year, Camp Plymouth is here! If you don't have things done by now, you're not going to have it ready for the meet. I know I've had to play catch up on my plans for Plymouth because we have gotten a little bit of rain and snow since the start of the year. I hope everyone is dried out and ready for a great week of pure MV fun.

Our great showcases this year are WW2 jeeps, Military Dodges, and finally 2 and 3 wheeled motorcycles. All showcases are on Friday this year, so please check them all out. I'll be at the HQ 10:00 to 11:00 Wed-Fri if anyone wanted to drop by and talk about club stuff.

Lots of members have asked me if we're doing a membership dinner this year like the one last year, short answer is no but we'll have dinners for sale before the Raffle Friday night. Speaking of the raffle, we have several items donated to us that we'll be selling by live auction. If you have any raffle items to donate to the raffle, please drop them off at the MVCC HQ with your name on it.

Portable restrooms are being serviced daily during the meet by the local vendor right there in Plymouth. I ask all club members to keep an eye on them and let me or any board member if there's a problem so we can have the restroom serviced/replaced.

One of my favorite get away places in Plymouth has sadly closed, Marlene & Glens Cafe (AKA The Dead Fly) at the roundabout is no more. It was a great place to have a burger and will be missed.

Please remember that there's basically no parking in the 49'er RV park. No parking on the grass or other camp sites please. The roads must stay clear of parked vehicles so RVs and first responders can get through at all times. Over at the fairgrounds we have lots of parking but please park any car trailers along the RV park side of the parking lot backed in. Last April, several trailers were parked near the gate into the camping area and had to be moved. Please watch your speed, which is 5 MPH in the camping area and RV park. Also watch for people who may be focused on shopping and not the vehicle driving by. The rumor mill is that we may have armor at the meet, so be extra careful around any full armored vehicles. Remember stand clear of armored vehicles turning and backing. You can see them, but the drivers can't see you.

General membership meeting is Saturday and I hope you can make it as we have lots of things to talk about and plan for the next year or so.

Lastly, I hoped to have a report on my trip to the joint SCMVCC/AMVCC meet in Parker Az in this issue, but after having hotel rooms set, truck packed and fueled - we had all the passes closed during our travel window which is a first for me. Kurt was on the other side and made the meet, see his report inside this issue.

See you at Camp Plymouth!

Chris...



Chris Thomas at Lee Edwards going through treasurer, photo by Johnny.

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MVCC Secretary/ Editor Johnny Verissimo

Good Morning USA!

DUDE! ONLY 18 days till Christina and Myself are in Plymouth California! I'll see you all there. I talked to JoAnn Lesser who told me we are doing excellent on reservations on both the 49er RV side and the Fairgrounds side. Don't forget, in this newsletter you can find information on how to rent your very own golf cart so you can get everywhere, see everything and talk to everyone without wearing yourself out. For a guy like myself, who gets tired quickly (heart issues), the golf cart is my lifeline. Christina and I will be at Camp Plymouth from Tuesday to Saturday.

GREAT NEWS- MVCC member, Lee Edwards, will be at Camp Plymouth, with his M5 Stuart Light Tank called "Mouse Trap." This is your opportunity to check out a real World War 2 Tank. I've seen Mouse Trap, she's pretty AWESOME, just saying.

The Dinner and Raffle. Will be at the Rec Hall at the 49 RV side. For those of you who don't know where the Rec Hall is located its directly across from the MVCC HQ Booth near the entrance to the 49er Park. I'm not sure yet what food will be there but it does start on Friday at 6PM followed by the MVCC fundraising raffle.

New Jeep Parts at Camp Plymouth- Rory Griener, **Killroy's Jeep Parts**, will be at Camp Plymouth on the 49er RV side in space 172. If you need new GPW or MB Willys Parts give Rory a call and he will bring the parts you need which will save you on shipping. He will also be bringing all kinds of new parts. Kilroysgarage.com Phone number is (701)739-4909 email- fordgpparts@gmail.com For those who have been begging for a new parts dealer to come to Plymouth, he's here, Rory, is coming from Grand Forks, North Dakota! Dude, Rory and his supplies will travel 1,800 miles to get to Plymouth, then, return 1,800 mikes to Grand Forks. This man loves what he does. The MVCC thanks you Rory, I thank you.

Parker, Arizona Meet- Chris Thomas and I had reservations at the Hampton Inn at Parker Arizona for the military vehicle meet, unfortunately, this year's winter weather had other ideas about us attending this meet. The day before we were to leave Chowchilla we found out Tehachapi Pass (HWY 58) was to close as well as The Grapevine pass (I-5), so we were literally locked out of Southern California and a path to Parker, Arizona.

The Great Los Angeles Air Raider 1942 Event in San Pedro- Not only were we kept from going to the Parker Arizona Meet but Christina had found out, at about the same time I found out about Parker, that the San Pedro event had been cancelled. I assumed it had been cancelled due to weather but Christina told me it had been cancelled due to a rare Horn Owl nest being found on the property of Fort McCarthur.

This is the last newsletter before the MVCC Huge Massive Outstanding Military Vehicle Showcase and Swap Meet, so, I wanted to say please support our vendors, have fun checking out all the military vehicles from all eras in all conditions, check out the showcases in the arena and feel free to come by the MVCC HQ Booth and buy a tshirt or other merchandise, which helps us raise money to put on this event.

April Newsletter-Due to all of us being at Camp Plymouth during the meet, the MVCC April Newsletter will be late.

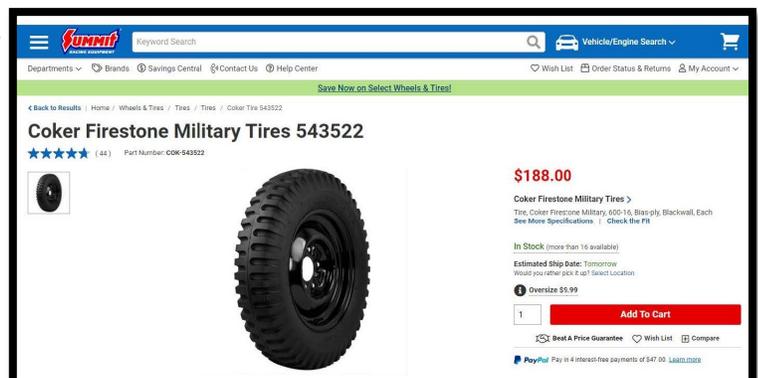
Please support the MVCC Raffle. By supporting the raffle you support this event. If you like coming every year, having a good time, buying needed parts or just hanging out with friends please consider donating a prize or buying as many tickets as you can afford. Thank you, POC are Jennifer & Scott Tanis. We will be collecting raffle prizes at the MVCC HQ Booth, please write your name on a piece of paper and tape to the raffle prize so you can get a shout out from us in the newsletter.

Eagle Field Flying Dinner and Dance- Its coming up quickly, the Eagle Field Fly In Dinner and Dance on Saturday June 3rd, 2023. This event is open to everyone. Military vehicles wanted. Some people get there on June 2nd or earlier and dry camp. Eagle Field has restrooms and showers.

RAFFLE PRIZE! Chris Thomas has announced that after talks, www.summitracing.com has donated 5 BRAND NEW 16x6 NDT Jeep Tires to the MVCC Friday Raffle! This is HUGE! A \$1,000.00 value. A Huge Thank you to Summit Racing, who selling all sorts of NDT Military Tires online.



New jeep parts from Rory Griener, Killroys Jeep parts. At Camp Plymouth, California this year



MVCC Secretary/ Editor Johnny Verissimo continued-

Mailed membership- gives you access to both online and mailed newsletters. Not sure if everyone is remembering that if you have a mailed membership you get both mailed and online access.

Don't forget the Jimmy Strauss Restorations Open House- to all MVCC members and Guests on Thursday of the event. I've been there and I promise you won't be disappointed. There will be a lead vehicle that will guide the convoy to Jimmy's. Average speed will be 40-45 MPH.

Military Canvas.- I've been watching John Ducketts restoration and canvas making and found it very cool and interesting, so, I asked if John could give us a n article on what he's up to, Thank you John for the article and photos, you da man, :) (Page 26)

Venders- Don't forget to support all the venders coming from all over the West Coast and Midwest. My friend Robin Bartel will coming from Oregon, he will be on site 80 and 91 on the Fairgrounds side. Robin sells all kinds of WW2 stuff from parts to militaria. If you're a vender please let me know and I'll get your name and space in here.

MVCC Camp Plymouth Staff- If you end up liking this event please give a thank you JoAnn Lesser who takes care of the wagon waster reservations and everything that goes with it, Don Gomes who takes care of the MVCC trailer, merchandise and HQ Booth and everything that goes with that, and Christina, treasurer, who will be taking care of money, dues and everything associated with that, and Chris Thomas, Club President, who's always on call for me and leads the way for the Club, and he's really good at talking me off a cliff, lol. These are the people I deal with almost daily and I can honestly say I love working with them. We are on it like flies on warm milk, lol.

On a personal note- Last month when I went to Lee Edwards place, with Chris Thomas, I was blown away by something Lee said. He said that he was buying someone's estate collection of military stuff and giving MVCC members first crack at the stuff. Now if you know Lee like I do, this is Lee Edwards. In our conversation, Lee said that the MVCC, the members, people he has met in our hobby are closer and mean more to him than people he has known since his school years growing up. Lee went on to say people in this hobby are like his extended family and friends and that he was very happy and proud of that. I've known Lee for some time now, not as long as some, but more than most, and I can say Lee is true to his word. What Lee said was true in my case as well which is why what Lee said stuck with me. I've met people in the MVCC that I consider super close friends that I now text or call all the time. I hope that you all can experience that in the MVCC as I did, if you already haven't.

Water Buffalo- I bought a water buffalo, G527, water trailer, from Aidan McMackin in Minden, NV. I'm super excited about this purchase because I've always wanted a water buffalo AND because the date on the trailer is December 1941. Aidan also has a DUKW for sale in case anyone is looking for one to restore. Aidan is one of the nicest guys you will meet in our hobby. Thank you Aidan. I've already got a lunette from Lee Edwards, a lunette nut from John Bizal, a July 1942 rim from Chris Thomas and safety chains from eBay. I hope to pick up the G527 trailer at Camp Plymouth.

I want to do an article on YOUR military vehicle! If your interested, please contact me. istanbull@sbcglobal.net

Johnny Verissimo, Dude...



1941 G527 "Water Buffalo" and parts, photos by Johnny

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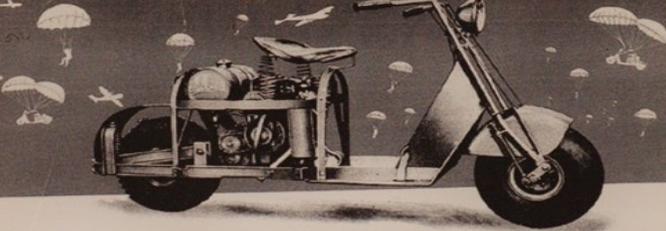
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Camp Plymouth

It's been a long wet and for some a snowy winter- let's all pray the weather turns and we have a beautiful week this April at Plymouth. As of this writing we have 110 registrations received for the 49'er and 100 paid or with deposits. Still working on the 35 sites not registered or paid for. We have 40 that have registered and paid sites at the Amador County Fairgrounds. Port-a-johns have been ordered and we are working with Chris Prince and Keith Courtney regarding breakfast/lunch options. A new addition is Cameron Fisk and his caramel popcorn truck. If you have not done so already, please get your registrations in and payments made to the 49'er. The 49'er has extended the cut off for our group to March 29, 2023. At that time all sites without deposits or payment will revert back to the 49'er and I may or may not be able to help get you back in. Some have been asking why the registration forms are needed each year. The forms are the only way I have of tracking who plans on attending and they help with tracking when deposits are made or for some not made. The potluck, showcases, ladies day events and the poker run are being finalized. Oh, and don't forget the raffle! The MVCC depends on raffle donations and support to help boost our club income.

I have confirmed with the **49'er RV Resort** and the **Amador County Fairgrounds** the dates for upcoming events. They are as follows:

September 2023 – Sunday, September 10 thru Saturday, September 16. Sunday, September 17 is a “go home” day. Registrations forms will be published May issue of the mvccnews. Or on the web site mvccnews.net June 1st, 2023

April 2024 – Sunday, April 14 thru Saturday, April 20, Sunday, April 21 is a “go home” day. Registration forms will be published December 2023 issue of the mvccnews or on the web site mvccnews.net January 1st 2024

September 2024 – Sunday, September 08 thru Saturday, September 14. Sunday, September 15 is a “go home” day. Registration forms will be published May 2024 issue of the mvccnews or on the web site mvccnews.net June 1st, 2024.

As always, I am here for you. Please don't hesitate if you have questions or concerns

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Hi All,

Hope it's drying out near you, I've seen the sun for 2 days in a row now and I'm excited about it! I hope it continues for our event at Plymouth.

Unfortunately, it doesn't look like we'll be driving M37 will make it this year, there's just too much on my plate to get it done and every time we peel a layer off the onion we find another surprise. I thought the damaged cam lobe was the last of 'em until Jian magnafluxed our small chamber head today. It all looked good until #3 spark plug hole... Now it's time to chase down another small chamber 218 Plymouth head. Any leads ☺??? The good thing is the kids are getting to see many examples of wear and tear then learning how to deal with them. We also found a source for custom head gaskets which will be a great help when dealing with some of the changes we want to make. I just wish we could speed the process.

On other fronts, please take a look at the Upcoming Events section of the newsletter as the Walk of Honor event on 5/20 looks like a good one.

Take care and have safe travels to Plymouth. Hope to see you there!!!!

Andy



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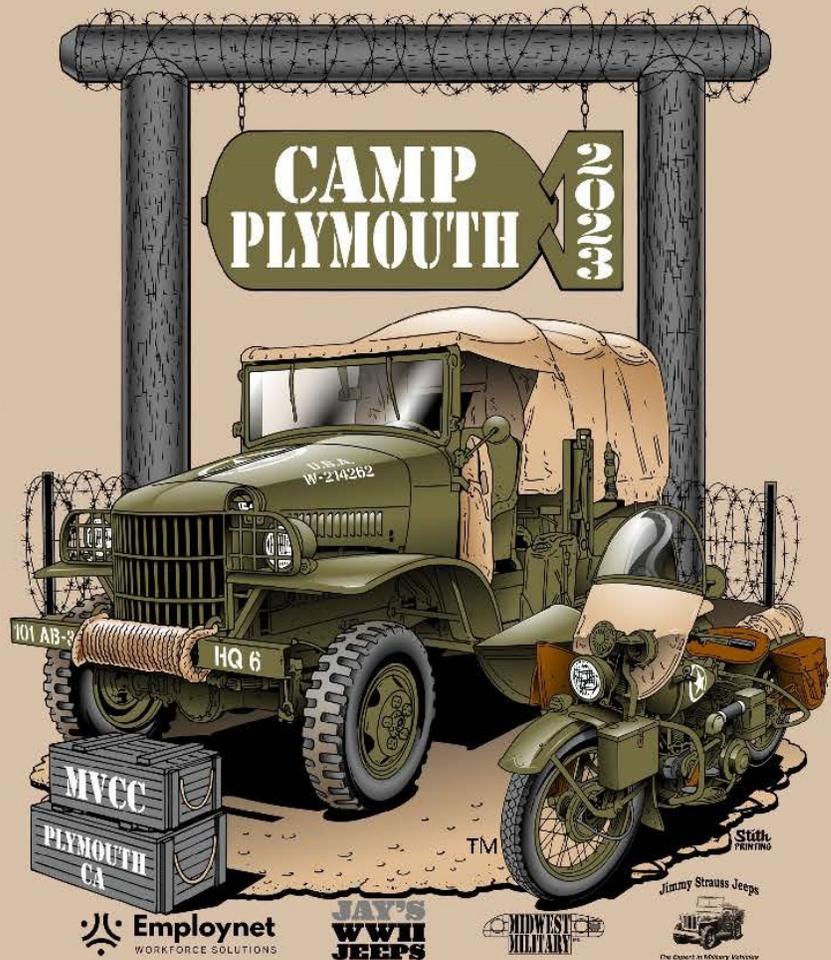
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 - ⊙ MV EXCURSION Thursday to JIMMY STRAUSS JEEPS
 - ⊙ WOMEN'S SOCIAL and a LUNCH / SHOPPING TRIP
 - ⊙ RAFFLE Friday night, all welcome
 - ⊙ POKER RALLY off-site
 - ⊙ THEMED SHOWCASES with PEOPLE'S CHOICE CONTESTS:
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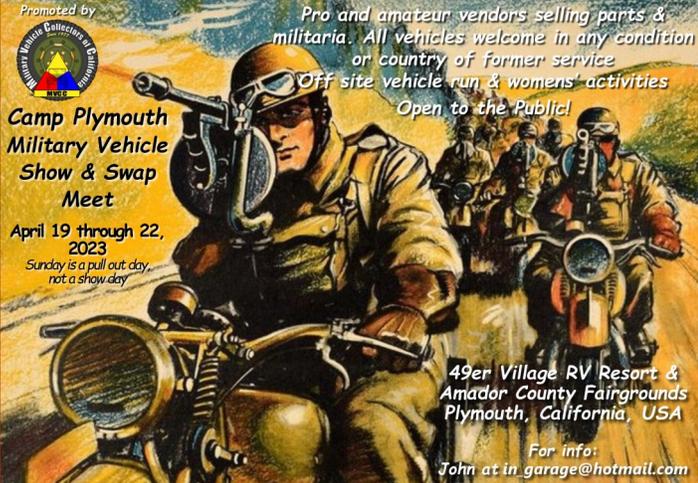


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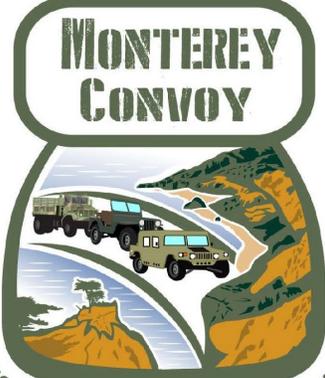
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April 19 to 22 2023 - The MVCC April Spring Meet in Plymouth, California! Showcases, vender, sellers, buyers, military vehicles, parts, military memorabilia, Look for ad in this newsletter. Also get more info on the www.mvccnews.net Chris Thomas (559)871-6507. This is the biggest military vehicle meet on the West coast. All are welcome!

May 5, 2023- Walk of Honor **Date:** 5/20 **Time:** 0830-1400, **Location:** Crockett Community Center
Details: The Walk of Honor is an event honoring Veterans and the funds raised go to the Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley and the Crockett Community Services District. They have requested some MV's for the event. Typically there is a \$30 registration fee that includes lunch and a T-shirt, **but this will be waived if you bring your MV!** Sounds like a great opportunity to get your vehicle out and have some fun!!! They would like you and your MV to arrive at 0830 for setup and there will be a walk across the Carquinez Bridge (cool views!!!) at 1000. In addition there will be a BBQ and live music. Hopefully I'll have my truck up and running by the event! If you would like more info check out their website at: <https://www.sfrwalkofhonor.com/>

May 20, 2023-Chowcilla Armed Forces Day Parade-POC Chris Thomas -(559)-871-6507 moparacer@sbcglobal.net

May 21st 2023-Ron Fitzpatrick Jeep Parts Open Houes in Central Point, Oregon. 10AM-4PM flyer page 8. Free lunch, RSVP

May 25-26-27-28,2023- 8th Annual Best of the West, Antique Equipment Show, Location –Santa Margarita Ranch, Santa Mararita, Ca (Central Coast) Just off the 101 Fwy. Between San Luis Obispo, Ca and Atascadro, Ca. Family friendly for all members. Daily antique tractor operations, Daily Warbird flights, Daily Military Vehicle display and convoy/parade around ranch, Camping available on site for small fee. Please come join us for a fun weekend and show off your military vehicle. Contact information : PR.BOTW@gmail.com Phone : (805) 423-7758, (805)423-3505

June 3, 2023-Eagle Field Dinner and Dance. In Dos Palos, Ca. Pull in on the 2nd have fun on the 3rd, leave on the 4th if you like. Free Dry Camping. POS is Don Gomes-(209)765-1273 All military vehicles wanted. BBQ for MVer's on Friday Night.

August 12, 2023– Spirit of 45 in San Jose at History Park. POC is Robert Corpus (Executive Director) www.spiritof45.org 408-887-3311. Anything WW2 related is wanted for this event especially WW2 vehicles and people dressed in WW2 ear attire including but not limited to uniforms. There is food and a Big Band plays at night under the stars.

August 17, 2023-3rd Annual Veterans Appreciation Military Vehicle Convoy and Picnic, Pacific Grove California. 10AM. Its free to attend but vehicle registration is required. Flyer on page 3. Victoria Cambell (818)324-8174 info@montereyconvoy.com

August 19-20, 2023 - SS Jeremiah O'Brien Liberty Ship 80th Birthday Cruise and MV Display, San Francisco
Dates might change. We have been invited to display WW2 MVs next to the ship at its great new location, Pier 35 West. Includes Bay Cruise on Saturday aboard the only unmodified, operational WW2 Liberty Ship in the world. Also a static open house on Sunday with engine operating. Overnighting on the ship Friday and Saturday for no charge. Secure nighttime parking plus tow rig/trailer parking inside the Pier 35 building. They want a variety of MVs. There is a limit. See the article in this newsletter and RSVP to POC John Neuenburg at his contact info shown.

September 11th-17th 2023-The MVCC Fall Meet in Plymouth California. For more information keep an eye out in the following MVCC newsletters. For space reservations contact JoAnn Lesser(MVCC wagon master). www.mvccnews.net

CAMP PLYMOUTH MILITARY VEHICLE SHOW & SWAP MEET

April 19 through 22*, 2023

DAILY BRIEFING AS OF 1/30/2023

See the Basic Training document at www.MVCCNews.net for general information about this event. *Sunday is a pull-out day, not a show day

ALL WEEK – Swap Meet is open at the 49er Village RV Resort and the adjacent Amador County Fairgrounds! Amateur and professional vendors. Anyone with a rented campsite is welcome to set out military-related items for sale. **THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME!**

Tuesday, April 18

1700 – EARLY BIRD POTLUCK DINNER - 49er pool deck. If bad weather, the Rec Hall. All should bring a dish to serve 6-8, your utensils, plate, and BYO beverage. Carole Parma and Sally Smith are POCs. caroleparma@yahoo.com

Wednesday, April 19

Swap Meet Happening!

Golf cart pickup starts (could be Tuesday, check back here). Pre-reserved only. See Golf Cart Program information on MVCC website

Thursday, April 20

Swap Meet Continues!!

0700 until coffee's gone - EARLY MORNING COFFEE. Fairgrounds Tent Sector

1000 – 1600 – MVCC HQ/STORE open at site #189 near the 49er office. JOIN OR RENEW, meet MVCC officers, see who is camping where, buy great MVCC and event commemorative memorabilia. Support Camp Plymouth! Do you know the MVCC is the largest MV club in North America and has members in 22 states and Canada?

** Drop off your raffle donations here for the awesome Friday night raffle, open to all! Include donor name & item description

1000 MILITARY VEHICLE EXCURSION to Jimmy Strauss Jeeps in Diamond Springs, 6401 Capitol Ave., Diamond Springs. Line up at fairgrounds arena. POC is Scott Tanis, bsmotorsports@sbcglobal.net

1000—1400— OPEN HOUSE AT JIMMY STRAUSS JEEPS. Specialist in repair and restoration of mainly WWII prototype and production jeeps.

Usually 20 or more projects happening. Finger food, beverages.

1000 – 1100 – Club President @ MVCC HQ. Meet Chris Thomas

1500 – WOMEN'S SOCIAL. 49er patio behind Café. Meet WW2 historical author Bonnie Park of the Utah MV group. Bring a snack to share and your own beverage. POC is Nancy Porter, 530-391-5650

Friday, April 21

Swap Meet Continues!!

0700 until coffee's gone - EARLY MORNING COFFEE. Fairgrounds Tent Sector

0900-1200 – MILITARY DODGE SHOWCASE. Fairgrounds arena. Any condition, all welcome. POCs are Tim Coolbaugh timsresort@att.net or 530-308-8164, and John Duckett zephyr11@yahoo.com or 530-604-0050

1000 – 1600 – MILITARY MOTORCYCLE, SCOOTER, BICYCLE SHOWCASE. 49er RV site #190 next to event HQ and merchandise tent by the entrance. POC is John Neuenburg in_garage@hotmail.com or 415-847-2801.

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1100 – 1500 – WOMEN'S OFFSITE LUNCHEON, SHOPPING. POC is Nancy Porter, 530-391-5650. Meet at 49er Café. Drivers greatly appreciated

1300 – MVCC BOARD MEETING, location TBA

1300-1600 – WW2 JEEP SHOWCASE. Fairgrounds arena. Any condition, all welcome. POC is Scott Rohrs recon3rdid@yahoo.com

1800 – RAFFLE and SOCIAL. 49er Clubhouse. All welcome. Camp Plymouth fundraiser. Donate and be recognized! Raffle POC is Jen Tanis at 209-304-2592 or my_little_tonka@hotmail.com

Saturday, April 22

Swap Meet Continues!!

0700 until coffee's gone - EARLY MORNING COFFEE. Fairgrounds Tent Sector

1000 – 1100—MVCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING. 49er Rec Hall is tentative location. MVCC election nominations. Fall 2023 event news. 2024 showcase and activities suggestions. All welcome.

After Meeting to 1600 – MVCC HQ/STORE open at site #189 near 49er office. JOIN OR RENEW, meet MVCC officers, see who is camping where, buy great MVCC and event commemorative merchandise. Support Camp Plymouth

1230 – POKER RALLY. Register fairgrounds arena, depart 1300. \$5/ hand. Maximum 2 hands/person. POC: Dave/Nancy Porter 530-391-5650

Sunday April 23

PULL OUT DAY, NOT A SHOW DAY!



Scott Rohrs, (North. Bay VP) West Divisions 707, 415, 628

415-259-8177 recon3rdid@yahoo.com

Hello North Bay West and beyond,

Let's start with the report from the Vintage 4X4 Expedition up in Somerset. The weather was great, and the snow was deep! We had the biggest turnout to the meet has seen in the 26 yrs. that it has been occurring. The total count was 50 vintage rigs, and all rigs were pre-1980. We had a 5th generation local who's family was one of the first to settle in the area give us an impromptu local history talk at the site of the old town where we staged all the vehicles before we hit the trail. It was very informative and a great way to start the trail ride. It took us about 5 hours to do the 30-mile loop! At the end of the trail, member John Sorenson treated the MVCC members to a, well deserved and tasty, trail side steak sandwich lunch that he prepared on the tailgate of his M37! Thanks John, well done! It was a fun day seeing all those vintage 4X4s on the trail through the snow and the mud.

Ok... Now for Camp Plymouth. Everything is shaping up for the BIGGEST MV SHOW IN THE WEST! Pay up, if you haven't already for your spaces. Get your "punch lists" together, get you rigs tuned, get your swap items together, and pull out those canvas tents! It's TIME! We are looking for volunteers for the HQ booth! Donate an hour to helping peddle some club swag and meet other members of the club. Remember to re-up your dues, that's what keeps the wheels rolling on this club! I love the 3 yr. hitch myself. The awards for the WWII Jeep Showcase are official! So....., see where your "peep" fits in. The categories are Factory Fresh, Combat Loaded, and People's Choice awards. Let's get those jeeps out in the sun and set the standard in the hobby for the biggest Jeep/mv club in the world! No one does it like the MVCC does!

Finally, I have moved from the back row at the fairgrounds to space 102 & 103, down by the "lone tree"! I will have the GI tent up and peddling all my treasures. Speaking of treasures, I am downsizing my tent collection. I will have squad tents (2) for sale (16X16') and a mountain tent. I also have a M416 trailer for sale (no axle or wheels) and much more from uniforms, books, parts, and field gear. I look forward to seeing all of you in "Gold Country".

Keep your powder dry,

Scott Rohrs

North Bay West VP





Dave Porter (Northern Region VP) Divisions 530 & 916, 279

dnporter56@comcast.net (530)-677-5115

Greetings MVCC members and guests!

It's March 15th as I write this, about a month out from the big show at Plymouth. Nancy and I made the short drive to the Amador Fairgrounds and the 49er resort and checked out the conditions after the recent heavy rains and wind. As you can see in the photos, things at the Fairgrounds and the RV park are in relatively good shape with minimal water intrusion and only a couple of downed trees at the 48er. The 48er is doing some remodeling on a few campsites, but nothing that will affect MVCC campsites. There is some standing water in both areas, but nothing that will be a problem later on. By the time our April meet rolls in, things should be in really good shape. Looking forward to a great time at Plymouth!

Dave



The Military Vehicle Collectors of California are on social media. #1 -MVCC on Facebook, this group is only open to MVCC members. #2 - MVCC on Instagram, this page is open to everyone. #3 -MVCC Camp Plymouth on Facebook, this page is open to everyone.

I just started the Instagram page last month which will gradually grow, at the moment we have 60 followers. I started the MVCC Camp Plymouth sight which now has 1,300 followers. Sean Nichols started the Military Vehicle Collectors of California that has 139 members.... Johnny...

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Kurt Lesser, (South Bay VP) Divisions 408,669,650
408-238-8277 papakb@yahoo.com

After last Septembers meager showing at Plymouth I know everyone is looking forward to this year's April turnout. It's time for another gangbuster event and I know we're all ready for one. We've worked overtime to make sure everything's in line for a top of the line show. While the MVCC registrations at the 49er RV Park have closed there are still spaces available at the Fairgrounds but please don't wait and just show up. Registering does have it's advantages and one of the best is your name on a site for next year. Yes, we do maintain a site in your name between years.

I'd asked if anyone was interested in a local, Bay Area campout last month and didn't hear anything which doesn't surprise me with all the rain we've had so far. As the weather clears up after Plymouth if anyone would like to do a small meet possible at Mount Madonna, Uvas, or Casa de Fruita please let me know and I'll see what we can put together and get it into the Newsletter.

The MVCC is signed up for the Morgan Hill July 4th Parade again this year and I will publish the detail as soon and I receive them. I will be the POC for the parade.

Attending the recent Arizona meets

Back in January JoAnn, Glen Closson and I attended the Arizona AMVCC meet at the Heard Scout Pueblo Ranch in Phoenix. This is an amazing meet and well worth attending. I was pleasantly surprised not only with the number of military vehicles (and tanks) at the show and the number of vendors and their diversity of products! Something we didn't find out about until we got there is that there is some camping on site but the specifics on how to register wasn't made clear. January weather can be iffy but we had a great time and there's no summer heat to worry about.

Then in February the three of us attended the meet at Parker on the Arizona side of the Colorado River, This meet is held in an RV park and there is plenty of room for both campers and RVers. This is a young meet with excellent potential and was done in conjunction with the Southern California MVCC. We spent the day there on Friday and attended their evening meal and meeting where JoAnn and I had a chance to talk about this years upcoming Plymouth meet and the process of registering for it. There was a question asked about upcoming MVPA conventions and some interest in hosting one, something both of us have experience with. The Arizona group is going to look into what it takes to host a meet and if it's possible for out clubs to cohost one.

Keep 'em Rolling, Kurt Lesser...





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2023 MVCC Camp Plymouth

T-shirt. This year we chose A
WW2 Theme, Olive Drab T-shirts
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Zip Up Hoodie Sweaters, Limited Edition, ONLY 20 MADE!

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Everything will be for sale at Camp Plymouth 2022! Come by and check out the MVCC HQ Store for more



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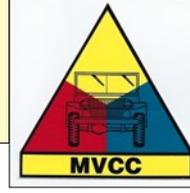
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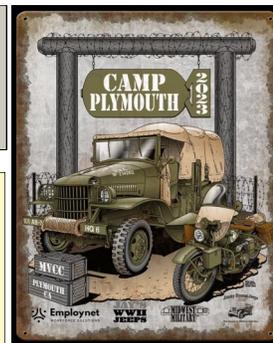
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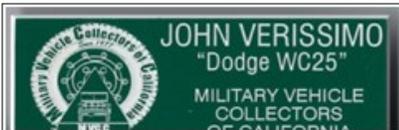
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For Sale: GPW Engine, Serial Number 144723, no manifolds. GPW block and parts, Serial Number 18971. CJ-2A complete frame with front and rear differentials with 15" Jeep wheels. Contact Alvin Rentsch (707)972-8726

Wanted : shock mount for my PE-55 and my BC223 radio. I have been missing these for years and would love to finally find them. Johnny Verissimo (209)918-0488 istanbull@sbcglobal.net

For Sale: M151A1 which has been stored in a garage and is licensed in the state of California. It was last driven about three years ago and everything was in excellent condition. Uncut. There is no rust. Completely original. Asking \$15,000. Call Don Thomas at 310-418-9344. Vehicle is located in St. Helena, California (Napa Valley).



For Sale- Ford Jeep Engine Runs #271-256 (no bolt on's) \$1,400. Ford Jeep Engine, Runs, #133-810 (no bolt on's) \$1,000. Willys CJ Jeep Engine, runs (no bolt on's) \$1,000. Harold Tufenkjian -(559)266-7520 Fresno, Ca.

For Sale -1968 M35A2, 465 Hercules Turbo Multifuel winch Hard Cab., Contact Gill (775) 826-1719.



For Sale: T90A-1 transmission, Spicer 18 transfer, bell housing and flywheel (for Hurricane F-Head engine). Call for more information and photos if interested. I'm located in Goleta, CA. Call Brad at 805-708-3963. Asking \$900 for the lot.



FOR SALE: Fully restored, 1941 Chevrolet USMC Staff Car, by Jerry Mambretti. As seen at many MVCC meets and parades. Ground up resto. Fuel injected, power steering, power brakes, cruise control and more. Located in Azalea, Oregon just 86 miles over the CA border on I-5. \$40,000 OBO. Email Donna Mambretti @ sgjts-wife@yahoo.com. Can send more photos if interested.



For Sale: 1, I have a 1942 Ford script parts jeep to sell - to include grill, fenders,, body tub, hood, reproduction rear panel, MB engine, front and rear axels, bogus frame rail, etc - please contact for additional info. 2, 9N tractor engine short block with GP cam less head - also GP transmission that needs repair. 3, miscellaneous MB parts. Contact @ tidyacres @ hotmail.com John Manuel

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For Sale: 1942 Dodge WC-51 Weapons Carrier. Early Model w/Small Fuel Filler.

I bought it from the original owner in 2011, who bought it as Surplus in the early 1950's, used it on his farm, and stored it in his shop when not in use. Very clean, complete and straight original truck. Unrestored. Engine has a Rebuild tag from the 1970's, with very few miles since.

Runs, but has not been driven since 2015. It will need some attention to drive, including Brakes, Carburetor & Fuel system. Comes with 7 Combat wheels, 5 good tires, 5 new tubes. Parts included, but not installed: NOS Windshield frame, Restored Fuel Tank, Rebuilt Carburetor, Rebuilt Original Fuel Pump. Calif Titled. \$8500 OBO Matt (408) 398-0036 msira36@aol.com



Wanted: Halftrack. My son, Anthony, and I are looking for a restorable halftrack. Preferable an M3 or M16 with a good solid frame, any condition considered if it is priced right. Anthony has one that he has been working on, but the frame has been extended. So, he would like to get one with a good frame...

John Souza, souzaj3@yahoo.com, 559-313-4480

For Sale: 1943 Ford GTB Burma Jeep Cargo Truck with Winch and Hydraulic Dump Bed, which runs off the PTO for the Winch. Correct Original motor. Not running, but Engine turns over as normal. Last ran in 2017. \$3500 OBO Matt (408) 398-0036 msira36@aol.com



For Sale ½ ton WWII Dodge truck parts. New wood floorboards and dash map board \$60.00. Transfer case \$100.00. Transmission \$ 100.00. Transmission with PTO \$150.00. PTO \$50.00. Rims \$20.00. Complete re-built MU winch. has been sand blasted and primed. \$1000.00. (2) Command car safety strap body eye. New MU shift fork \$200.00. Rims \$30.00 ea.. ¾ ton Dodge truck parts. 2 speed transfer case for WC 62 and 63 \$300.00. M37 complete front axle \$200.00. M37 complete rear axle \$ 200.00. MU2 winch with cable guide \$800.00. WWII ben hur One ton trailer complete metal bracket set for wood sides \$230.00 203-4674 motor that has been re-built with transmission \$800.00. n auger for Chevy K44. Includes 4 different bits \$400.00 or best offer. Radio box CH-74A fits Jeeps, Dodge and ½ tracks \$50.00. WWII ben hur One ton trailer complete metal bracket set for wood sides \$230.00

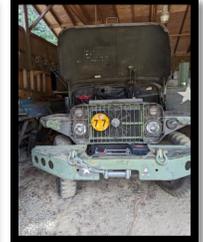
CONTACT GREG LAMPMAN CELL (805) 550-5838 OR E-MAIL glampman@calpoly.edu

For Sale: a M211 truck

It has a 505 GM Crate engine, different 4 speed,

changed to 12 volt , Chester Berrlow

<chesterb777@yahoo.com>



For Sale: Willys 6cyl Super Hurricane Motor. This motor was a running motor when pulled. Used in Willys P/U Trucks and Wagons from the 50's- the 60's. Will bolt up to T90 transmission. Motor is complete with Carb, Intake, Exhaust manifold, Generator, and Distributer. Black oil on the dip stick.. Asking \$800. Scott 415 259 8177

For Sale: Military Canvas Tents. 16' X 16' Squad tent w/poles \$250. Hexagon Mountain Tent complete. N.O.S. \$200. Scott 415 259 8177

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Articles! Articles! Articles! from your neck of the woods. If you have something you would like to see in the newsletter just email it to me and I'll see about getting it in the newsletter, If you're a member in any state and have something you think is interesting please email it to me: Johnny istanbull@sbcglobal.net :) If you want more info on the MVCC check out the web page and we are on facebook in two areas, look us up.

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For Sale- Ford GTBs and parts as a Lot. Re-built transmission, cargo bed, etc. All GTBs to be sold together. 2 GTBs and 2 Parts GTBs \$5,000 or best offer John Azevedo (559)381-2656



For Sale- 2 M100 trailers. 1/2 Command Car, body cut behind front Seat. Fred Kennedy (209)639-9724



For sale: 1962 REO M49 Deuce and half with extra oa331 motor and many extra parts, needs to be restored, no title. \$4000. Also 1942 Chevrolet CCKW with non-military boom, needs complete restoration. \$1500. Contact Gregory Hays at 530-677-2519



Wanted: For Dodge M37, [Crankshaft Pulley](#), [Crankshaft Pulley Hub](#), [Water Pump Pulley](#) for 25 amp generator system. We're replacing the 100 amp system. Contact: Andy, 510-832-4322, mvcc510925@gmail.com

For Sale: NOS Rear Cargo Curtain for a M54 5 ton military truck. The canvas cover is in excellent condition and needs to find a truck to go with it! \$75 or willing to trade for M37 Dodge parts :). Contact: Andy, 510-832-4322, mvcc510925@gmail.com

For Sale: 1966 M151-A2 with M416 Trailer. Current CA Registration. Uncut Jeep Body, No Rust. Running Condition. Comes complete with Radio Mounts, Antennas, Tow Bar, Dash Gun Holder, Trip Wire Cutter, New Tires, Complete Manual Set, and more spare parts that can be listed here. Asking \$17,500. Vehicle is located in Vallejo, CA. Contact Art Doran (925) 366-8610.



For Rent: **Camp Plymouth RV site #190 for Friday through Saturday. 4/21 check out 4/23.** I booked it only to have it open for the Military Motorcycle, Scooter, and Bicycle showcase Friday 10-2. So it's available after that. I paid for it so whoever wants it will pay me our group discounted price in advance and I will hand over a vehicle tag that Friday. This is a high visibility location on the 49er Village entrance road next to the MVCC/event HQ and merchandise sales tent. Perfect for a vendor or display. John Neuenburg 415-847-2801 or in_garage@hotmail.com is preferred.

Wanted: WW 2 Era 8 foot officers wall tent. I live in Colorado but would like to take delivery at Plymouth 2023. I will take it at Plymouth and send it back with me. Cash, NO shipping Hassle. Please contact Russ Morgan 970-669-9099 morganru@oneimage.com



WANTED: M-37 winch bumper parts. Need both driver and passenger side front bumpers, extensions, winch to bumper angle brackets, pto, pto bracket with handle. Please contact John Sorensen (707)486-2882 or email rattlecanjohnny@gmail.com



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For sale, over 3 tons of mostly post war radios, antennas, mounts, soft tops, doors, canvas items, engines and misc for M151 and M38 vehicles. Most of this was collected by Willy Denninger, a long time MVCC member. I barely know WWII items, very little knowledge about post war stuff. Located in Livermore so come by and shop away. Lee Edwards (510)912-5333



If You Think You Want a Rental Golf Cart at Camp Plymouth Call ASAP

By John Neuenburg

Last month we mentioned the golf cart rental program we now have for Camp Plymouth. It also appears on the event page on our website. On January 13 Zach at Gipson Golf Carts called me to say he is getting some reservations from non-Camp Plymouth customers for our week, and he wanted to firm up what we will need. Carts are available first come, first served. If you think you want one, best to act now. As mentioned, you will contact Gipson directly to reserve one and do the rental agreement. The MVCC is not in the middle except we called several companies and found the best deal for you. They plan to deliver and pick up for free but I am not sure about that if the quantity is less than six. The location of the cart corral and procedure for getting your key will be published in an upcoming newsletter or Zach can tell you.

To summarize, Gipson Golf Carts in nearby Rancho Murieta is our supplier and they have offered us a discount on four passenger, electric, flip flatbed carts. It is \$55 per day if four-day rental. If fewer days, \$60. The few six passenger carts they have will be \$80.

To cancel a reservation, call them at least 48 hours before our event. You will receive a refund less a \$15 processing fee. Pretty friendly. So if you are "iffy" about coming or your budget, reserve one now and at worst you will be out \$15. That assumes you contact Gipson in time. They are at 916-806-0920.

I think all of us would prefer to see people who own military jeeps putt around and shop in those rather than leave the jeep home and rent a cart instead. Especially WW2 jeeps because we have that showcase on Friday afternoon. Also remember the MV excursion Thursday to the Jimmy Strauss Jeeps open house in Diamond Springs.



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Howdy MVer's,

Camp Plymouth is just around the corner and will be here before you know it. Stay focused on your vehicle PMs to insure your MV(s) are ready and safe for travel. I'm still working on the 741B Indian in preparation for the showcase. She should be ready by Camp Plymouth.

Last month I mentioned having to pull another lift cylinder off the HEMTT crane since it sprung another leak. I got the cylinder rebuilt and was able to install it the other day. I had to use a bit of Yankee Ingenuity to get it reinstalled. I used a couple floor jacks and some long pipes to hold the cylinder in place as I pounded the pins in. It wasn't easy but was well worth the effort. I'm not sure which truck I'll be bringing to Camp Plymouth. It will either be the HEMTT or the M543A2 Wrecker.

I also continued preparing the Cushman for paint. I have the engine shroud and bed sanded. I even put bed liner in the bed. Yea, it's a bit overkill but what the heck. All I need now is a dry and warm day and I'll be able to paint. My goal is to still have it ready for Camp Plymouth.

As always, please share your projects, events, etc. with me so I can share them in our newsletter.

Regards,

BigMike



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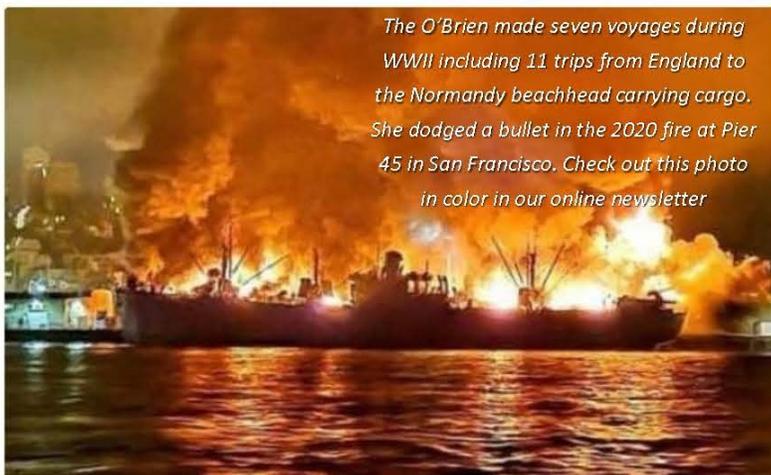
SS Jeremiah O'Brien Liberty Ship 80th Birthday Cruise and MV Display

Likely Dates August 19-20, 2023 at New Location in San Francisco

By John Neuenburg

The only unmodified, fully operational WWII Liberty Ship in the world is turning 80 this June. The National Liberty Ship Memorial is planning a Saturday Bay cruise and static Sunday public open house with engine running at their new location on the west side of Pier 35. We have been invited to display WWII vehicles next to the ship. Those bringing a MV will receive a cruise ticket and another if a co-driver! Those wanting to stay aboard the ship that weekend are welcome in the open berthing area they use for group overnights like for Sea Scouts. No charge, see details below. Lunch is included aboard the ship when cruising. They hope we will stay for the Sunday public open house. I asked if a discount for a future cruise could be given to people who display a MV on Sunday. My contact thinks that is possible. This would include the Fleet Week cruises in October, a very special way to watch the Blue Angels and other aviation acts.

Pier 35 West is an upgrade from their relatively hidden location at Pier 45 at Fisherman's Wharf. The move was due to the big Pier 45 fire that burned the shed (the building on the pier) next to the ship. The ship was saved by the SFFD fire boat except for some scorched paint. But the shed which blocked much of the prevailing wind is gone and the wind has been causing mooring lines to snap. Pier 35 is a backup cruise ship terminal and on its west side the wind will blow the ship toward the pier, solving the line problem. The ship is in full view of the busy Pier 39 dining and shopping destination because there is no Pier 37. Part of their deal is the Pier 35 shed is available for O'Brien staff parking when there is no cruise ship visiting. This includes us unloading and parking trucks and trailers inside for this weekend. The MVs will park along the pier's apron between ship and shed so the cruising public and Sunday visitors will walk right by us.



The O'Brien made seven voyages during WWII including 11 trips from England to the Normandy beachhead carrying cargo. She dodged a bullet in the 2020 fire at Pier 45 in San Francisco. Check out this photo in color in our online newsletter

RSVP to me, space is limited for the cruise and on the apron. Numbers are fuzzy as of this writing. 20 MVs should be OK. All must be U.S. WWII. No RV camping inside the shed. Shed and apron are locked at night and during the cruise. If anyone wants to move a MV into the shed at night that is OK. There will be a procedure for walking in and out of the shed gate to go to breakfast, dinner, or shopping, probably using our own combo lock on the gate.

One of the themes is "Wartime San Francisco" and they encourage the wearing of WWII era Class A, B, or field U.S. uniforms or period civilian clothes. Combat equipment and guns is not what they are looking for. They hope we can provide a variety of MVs, meaning not 20 jeeps. I will ask if they would like to winch a vehicle off the ground for show, maybe even to their deck. That would be great for a Navy or USMC jeep with lifting eyes. Anyone interested

in that? Volunteer docents will talk about the Merchant Marine, Navy Armed Guards, engine, deck equipment, guns, etc. The organizers are seeking warbirds for fly-bys in San Pablo Bay (attacks?). These cruises are really special.

I am POC for this event. Who wants to do it? Let me know year, make, model MV, driver and co-driver name, which days, overnight Friday and/or Saturday or not. Let me know if you want to do a living history impression without MV. The dates will be firmed up later. I can be reached at 8472801 in the area code where San Rafael is, but prefer email to in(underscore)garage(at)hotmail.com if you know what I mean.



The open berthing area is very communal, four bunks high. The top ones are only for the athletic. Bedding, pillows, ear plugs not provided. Tables, chairs, refrigerator, microwave, sink are there. There is a head (restroom) close and showers up a deck.

Starboard side now faces the Pier 39 shopping and dining hot spot. Great location!



Camp Plymouth Raffle, by Jennifer & Scott Tanis

Well it's that time of year again, April's Meet is just around the corner. The MVCC is going to have our raffle this year after the MVCC Club Dinner on Friday, April 21, 2023, dinner is starting at 6pm. As for the selling of raffle tickets, we will start selling the tickets the day of the raffle at the Club Tent and last call for tickets will be about 10 minutes before we start the raffle.

The raffle proceeds go back to the club and allow for us to continue to put on the Spring and Fall events. Every year there are a lot of expenses to put on the Club Events and the raffle helps to offset some of those expenses. Last year's raffle was a great success and we hope to have another great turn out this year too, with amazing donations and participation from our club members.

We are looking for donations for the raffle prizes, so please bring something or two with you when you come to Plymouth in April to add to the raffle prizes. There is a few large ticket items that will be raffled as a live auction, more to come at the event, stop by the Club Tent for details.

If you have donations, you can drop them off at the Club Tent at anytime and let whom ever is there know it's for the raffle. If you have any questions please contact Jennifer (209) 304-2592 or Scott Tanis (916) 813-3360. We will be acknowledging all donatees after the event, so please let us know what you donated. Jennifer...



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Hello to all Mvcc members, and I hope you're staying warm & dry in this crazy weather. I think we have had enough rain & snow in such a short time.

Last week I picked up my wife Cheryl's boss's 1942 Willys Slat Grill to do a complete frame off restoration. Here's a few photos to show you all what good condition the Jeep is in. I went over the Jeep to see what parts are needed to get started on this restore. The Slat grill jeep will need to be completely disassembled and all parts and bolts bagged and tagged. The engine took me about two hours to get running after sitting 10yrs. I did a compression test on all cylinders, and they had 80 to 82 psi which I thought was very good but it smoked a little bit so I'm thinking a stuck valve. I'm going to keep working on the Slat restore and I'll keep you all informed of the progress each month.



April is almost here and I hope your all ready for Camp Plymouth and the fun we will all have looking for those hard to find rare parts. And don't forget the Showcases on Friday throughout the whole day. I will be at our club Information and merchandise MVCC HQ booth at the entrance of the 49er Campgrounds. Please come by and support your MVCC club, we will have the limited edition T shirts , signs , hats and sweat shirts in multiple colors. If anyone would like to donate their time by helping work 2hr shifts for the 3 days, Thursday 9am to 4pm Fri 9am to 4pm and Sat 9am to 12pm . Please call, text or email me at (209)765-1273 or caddymanwestside@yahoo.com

Keeping The GTB History Alive!

Vintage military vehicles in the News

Russia is welding ageing naval turrets on to old armored vehicles to make crude tanks as Vladimir Putin's forces face worsening arms shortages. The crudely engineered vehicles are being deployed in a likely attempt to shoot down Ukrainian drones as the armed forces grapple with crippling shortages of fighting machines and ammunition. New footage from an undisclosed location appears to show a 25mm 2M-3 twin-barreled naval anti-aircraft turret fitted to a Soviet-era MT-LB amphibious fighting vehicle to form a new hybrid weapon.

Its 25mm guns were likely procured from a naval patrol boat, an area where Russia has a rare surplus, while its tracks could date back to the 1950s.

The amalgamation, which was constructed with parts manufactured as early as 1945, could be seen being transported by rail, potentially to Ukraine.



Restaurant Possibilities near Camp Plymouth by 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.

Fig Barn Coffee Cafe

9506 Main Street, Plymouth – Open for Breakfast and Lunch – 7 am to 2 pm Mon - Sat.

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. Pricy. 9402 Main Street, Plymouth. Reservations recommended.

Amador Brewing Company

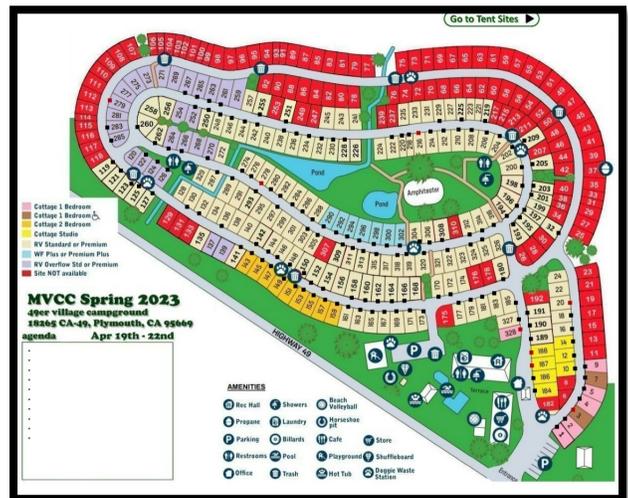
9659 Main Street, Plymouth - At the Roundabout at Hwy 49 -> Shenandoah Road. Fri, Sat & Sun – they also have food catered by a local company from 11:30 or noon to 8 pm.

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

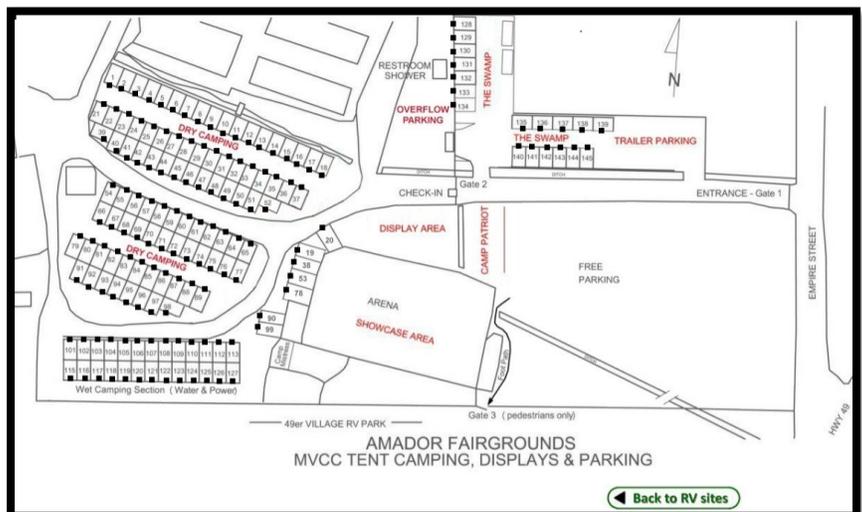
Sutter Creek: Cavanaugh's Pub & Grub on Main Street for Tues-Sat, 11 am – 8 pm. Also **Gold Dust Pizza** at 20 Eureka Street (near Main Street). Open daily 11 am – 8 pm.

Amador City: Restaurant at the Imperial Hotel.

This landmark hotel dates back to 1879 and is open for brunch on Sat and Sun from 10 am-2 pm. Dinner is served Tues - Sun starting at 5 pm.



49er RV Site with vendors & displays



Fairgrounds side with vendors and displays

PARKER, AZ MILITARY VEHICLE MEET, by Phil Kern

The weekend of February 23-26th saw the Third Annual Military Vehicle Meet take place at La Paz County Park just north of Parker, AZ. Jolly green men & women journeyed from all over the Southwest US to the riverside site, those of us from California had to dig out our snow chains to avoid going Donner Party on the way over the mountains.

Once we arrived the weather generally held when we needed it to, but the wind and showers were challenges at a few times. Activities included an MV run to the off-the-grid Desert Bar Saturday afternoon, various forays to the Bluewater Casino and Pirate's Den restaurant/bar, a display of 20+ historic military vehicles, a military swap meet and, of course, a lot of jaw-jacking and sailor stories. Some of the more unique vehicles on display included the La Paz County Sheriff's Department's MRAP, a 5-ton 6x6 tour bus and a one-off chain-drive three axle "German Scout Car" built as a movie vehicle. Friday night featured pizza and salad for dinner in the clubhouse plus an informative round table discussion of upcoming events and issues affecting MV clubs in the region, plus a raffle where almost everybody won something.

Presidents of four MV clubs from CA and AZ (MVCC, SCMVCC, AZMVCC and the Arizona Historical Military Transport Association) discussed mutually supporting events, reaching out to younger members and the MVPA's role in the future of the hobby. The locals seem to appreciate our group visiting the area, to the point that everybody who registered got a "swag bag" of goodies from local businesses and one of the County Supervisors even spoke in appreciation at Friday night's dinner. Many thanks to Mike and Colleen Colgan for again stepping up and organizing a great event that originated in the depths of the COVID pandemic when absolutely nothing else was going on. Thankfully that is over with (I think) and we look forward to next year's event along the Colorado River.



All the photos on this page are taken by Phil Kern at the Parker Arizona Meet.



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MVCC Article: 3/14/2023 – VC1 Command Car and Canvas Projects by John Duckett

A few people have been interested in some of my projects and happenings recently, so I was prompted to put together a little narrative or my activities by the MVCC. One project that's actually been taking a bit longer than I expected is my 1940 Dodge VC1 Command Car. A somewhat rare pre-war military Dodge, I thought it would be a good project to tackle. Jumping on the mechanical aspects like getting the frame, transmission, transfer case, and axles completed went fairly well. It's great to learn more about this one year only Dodge design. The VC series is a true cross between civilian and military as both Dodge and the Army were anticipating war based on what was happening in Europe. The "fat" fenders as opposed to "flat" fenders is what really sets the one year only VC truck series apart from the Dodge WC's that followed

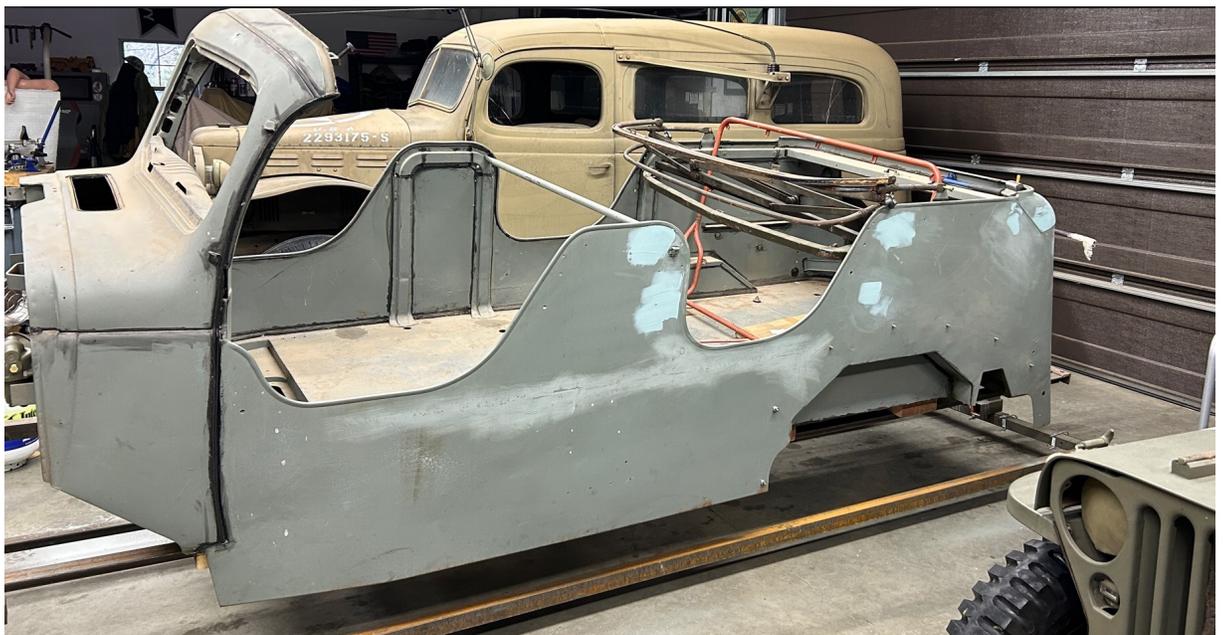
I have restored a couple of half-ton Dodge WC's in the past, so I figured I'd have no issues taking on the VC1 chassis. Hmm... well, what a difference a year makes. Didn't take too long for me to discover that the chassis for the VC1 was a lot different than the Dodge WC's. The axle housings are completely different and are welded steel vs. the Dodge WC cast axle housings. Plus, the way the axles are installed had me making some custom parts to shim them to get the proper clearances to spin. One of the oddest things I discovered was that in order to get into first gear or reverse gear in a VC, the transfer case needs to be placed into four wheel drive. What? Yep, it has a lockout mechanism on top of the transmission. Very happy that that idea was scrapped in 1941 when the Dodge WC models began production.

Overall, it has been a great experience. I could see where the Dodge engineers realized the errors of their ways in the 1940 VC production and correcting many issues in the 1941 Dodge WC production. Much as they did throughout production of Dodge military vehicles during the war.

Another area I've branched out into is sewing some of my own canvas items. I was completing a Dodge WC26 Carryall and needed some canvas seat covers. I ordered the seat covers from a WWII canvas supplier, but after waiting and contacting them repeatedly over a year and a half I cancelled my order. I then found some decent canvas on my own and took it to a local canvas place. I figured they could sew up some seat covers and help me get my seats completed. This was not too long into the COVID-19 pandemic. Well, they told me \$2,400 to sew the canvas I had, and could I wait until Fall. I said it is Fall? No, next Fall! Whoa, lots of people were off work and getting on their backlogged projects. I needed a new plan.

I've always been interested in what it would take to learn to sew, but had no clue what it was all about. Always considered it akin to an act of magic. I had hand sewn a button one time on a pair of pants as a kid, but that was basically the extent of my sewing knowledge. My wife told me many years ago that she does not sew, and I'm on

my own. With that lack of knowledge, I started searching for used industrial sewing machines here and there, but really had no clue what I was looking at. Then I discovered there was a local industrial sewing machine business not too far from me. Ended up buying their entry level unit and carted it home.



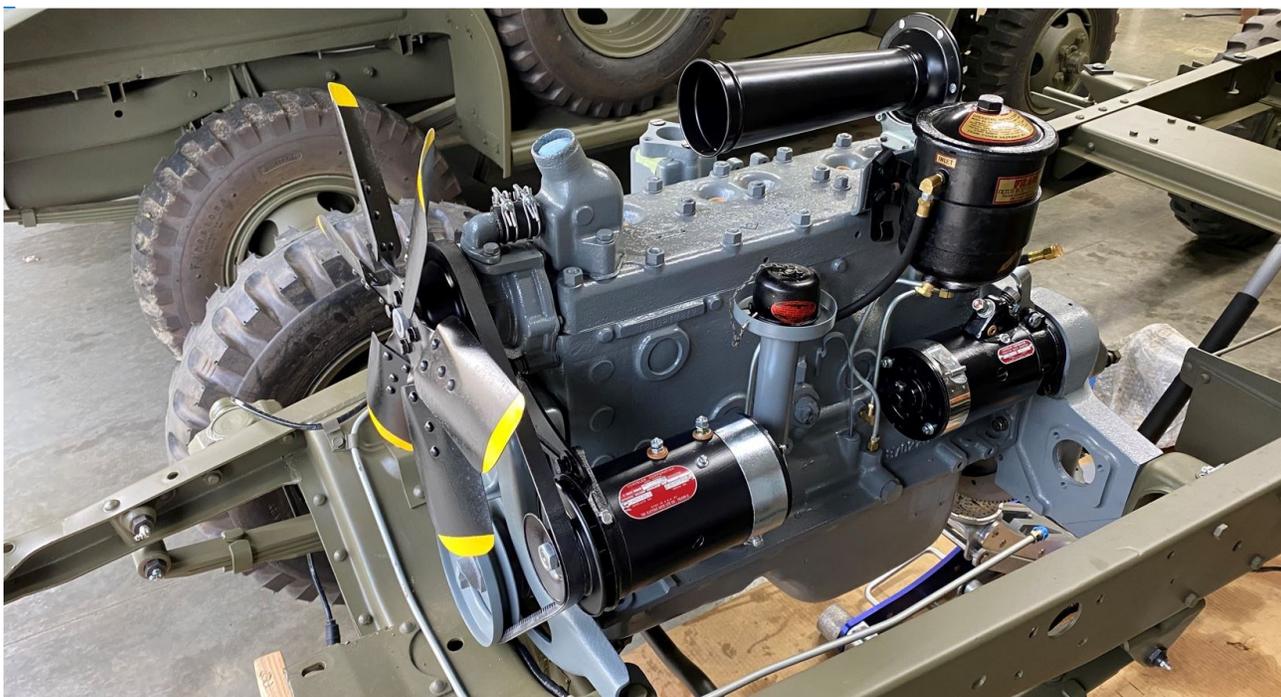
VC1 Command Car and Canvas Projects continued-

To say I was a rookie was an understatement. It took me a few weeks to figure out how to thread the machine and what a bobbin was. The bobbin contains separate thread below the needle that locks the stitching from the thread in the needle. I even built a device for my drill to wind the thread on the bobbin. After a few weeks, I still couldn't figure out how to get the bobbin thread up from below to engage the needle, so I went back to the dealer and asked them how to get the thread up from the bobbin. They looked at me like I had a third eye in my forehead. Evidently, one just winds the machine over once and the bobbin thread pops out. Geez, who knew? I told them I built a cool bobbin winder for my drill. They gave me the same look and said there's an automatic bobbin winder on your machine. DOH! That was a game changer. Back then we didn't have enough internet speed at our house to watch videos, so I was on my own as I didn't know anyone that sewed. Looking back now it cracks me up how little I knew and how much I know now.

Oh well, it's good to learn anything new. After practicing for about six months making little things and trying to figure out what a top stitch was that I wanted to duplicate, I gave it a go with my Carryall seats. I think they turned out pretty well. And, not only that, I really had a sense of accomplishment much like upon completing a full vehicle restoration and firing up the engine for the first time.

Now that I'm much more comfortable sewing, I have made seat covers for others when I can. Finding a template to complete a specific seat cover is key. I have had a few people help me out with that. For my own projects, I can usually wing it and figure it out. In fact, I just finished the faux leather seat covers for my Dodge VC1 project. That was a bit nerve wracking. The leather material is a lot less forgiving than sewing canvas. One false move and there is a permanent reminder thanks to the needle holes memorialized in the fabric!

Overall, I'm very happy that I took the plunge into the industrial sewing world. It's very liberating sewing one's own seat covers and not having to depend on a third party. I post my projects on two Facebook group pages: "Dodge WC Carryall / Panel", and "Dodge WC Command Cars." If you are on Facebook, stop on by. Lots of good information on these groups. I also post some of my projects on G503.com under my handle zepher11. The April Plymouth meet is right around the corner. Hope to see everyone there. Don't forget the Dodge Showcase being held there this year. Bring your military Dodge!



Dodge WC Carryall / Panel, photo by John Duckett

Dodge Straight 6-cylinder engine, photo by John Duckett



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