



MONTANA MILITARY VEHICLE CLUB

May 2010 MMVC MINUTES

May 21st 2010 The mtg was called to order at 19:55 GMT at Mayville's shop (Code for MMVC Motor Pool).

In Attendance:

Officers: Steve Mayville, Mike Atwood,

Members: Rich Morris, Rich Galli, Al Dellacroce, Steve Opp, Bill Otto, Pat Baci, Tob Dempsey

Vehicles Present: Bill Otto's Deuce, MMVC's M43 Ambulance, Mayville's GPW & M38A1

FINANCIAL REPORT:

No report as Hank was not in attendance. No action taken to approve financial items. Approx \$3,000 in 2 yr CD, and little over \$2,000 in savings/checking. On the income side; Rich Galli sold about \$150 in raffle tickets at the Great Falls Gun Show in junction with his display of military rifles. Thanks Rich for your effort on this.

General Announcements/Comments:

Contact Hank Adams for additional caps or T-Shirts you may want to purchase. 406-388-2477

MEMBERSHIP/ RENEWALS:

We still have active members who need to pay dues for 2010. Thanks Guys for stepping-up and helping offset expenses for the club.

OLD BUSINESS:

M-43: Engine diagnoses/compression test needed (Dempsey/Opp) to determine why she is running on 4-5 cylinder's (stuck valve or? Ambulance work has been set-aside temporarily to work on Bill Otto's "Little Deuce Coupe Truck" and other projects for the Memorial Day Parade event. Members worked on paint prep sanding all the surface panels on Bill's truck preparing for Mayville to spray the following week. Many other items on the restoration completed (Winch installed, Data Plates restored by R. Morris, batteries and tires etc. It will be ready to go for the parade and it has been a great team-building experience!

Painting Projects: Currently, Al's (M37), Steve Opp (M38A1) required post war paint. Bill (MB), Rich Morris (M100 trailer) and Rick Blackwood ((Power wagon)

need early WWII paint. Members need to have their vehicles prepared to paint. If you have questions on this issue please contact Steve Mayville. Issue working.

NEW BUSINESS:

Our Flags are in at the Belgrade Hardware Store – Bill Otto is coordinating (get check from Hank)

Steve covered updates on the Memorial Day parade schedule and how we will participate:

- Correct period Military uniforms or MMVC T-Shirt and MMVC cap. Bomber or Airforce leather jackets appropriate.
 - Items necessary for our distinguished passengers – appropriate step to mount vehicles, comfortable seating in vehicle, wool blankets (2-3), bottled water, flags will be distributed to each vehicle driver.
 - Each driver will stop during the parade at the “Review Stand” to salute or recognize the Gold Star families seated adjacent to the stand.

Parade Schedule (See Steve's emails)

6:00 AM – Meet at Rich Morris's home. Store weapons and leave your vehicle there. Mount-up in Otto's Deuce.

6:30-7:30: Breakfast at Eagles downtown and return to Morris to load in jeeps.

7:45: Arrive at GrandTree Inn on 7th to organize and pick-up passengers.

8:30: Leave GrandTree with assigned and loaded passengers for downtown line-up location at Grand and Main St. Check with passengers for use of GrandTree restroom facilities before we leave for downtown.

8:45: We are in line at parade start point. Passenger list form made out for announcer and ready to go.

9:30: Parade kicks-off (we proceed to Sunset Hills cemetery parking line-up on the hill.

11:00 Ceremony starts.

11:45 Ceremony concludes – Find your passengers and help them load-up – return passengers to the Eagles unless they prefer to go directly back to GrandTree.

12:30 Lunch will be served at the Eagles.

Events and Announcements:

May 31st Memorial Day Parade down Main Street in Bozeman (AL Post 14 - Roger Durham is coordinating this event).

June 19th "Stand Down" event at Gallatin Fairgrounds sponsored my Vietnam Veterans and AL Posts.

June 24-26: Big Horn Days in Hardin

July 4: President is still undecided which event we will be attending as a group. Our options are Butte's "Freedom Festival" (Mike's preference – parade starts at 10:00AM he is getting more info), Ennis (we know the ropes there), or Livingston.

July 17th: Bruce Garby Annual Gun Shoot @ Livingston Range

July 23-25: Bozeman Gun Show and Vehicle Display

August 14-15: Manhattan Potato Festival

August 14: Optimist Club Mash Bash - Bozeman

August 21-22: Jeep Trail Drive (members would like to pick a different route this year.

Belgrade

Yellowstone Park Camp and Trail Ride 11-12 September (location TBD – camping in park sounds very doubtful – Bonnie checked it out).

Veterans Day, 11 November, activities TBC

Announcements:

The next meeting will be at 1900hrs at Steve Mayville's Shop in Belgrade, MT on June 18th.

Business mtg adjourned within 1 hour goal and members went to work on Otto's Truck project. Great Progress was made.

MEMBERS: PLEASE VISIT OUR WEB SITE: www.mmvc.org Contact our Webmaster, Jess Tode if you have ideas or suggestions on how to make the site better:

webmaster@mmvc.org

Thank you to all our remote members for staying in touch.