# Newsletter Q3 2022



# A NEW ISSUE OF THE RED BULLetin IS HERE!

Hello all!



Greetings fellow members. It was a busy summer capped off by the September 18 convoy.



We had events ranging from Dundas Minnesota to Braham Minnesota to a tour in South Dakota.



I have come

to the conclusion that we are all event coordinators.

We had at least a dozen members that stepped up and coordinated events in their local area.



I encourage each member

to get involved, in at least one event.



Getting involved, people

that do come from all over. Show up, what a great time.

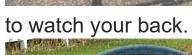


Who knows,

you may even be the one that rescues a fellow member.



The Group is always there







Membership is strong we have 85+ and growing. It seems we sign a new member up at each event i.e. at the September



Convoy, we registered two.



#### **Financials**

Shelley Landgraf reported at our meeting on September 18 that we are in a very strong financial position. A big shout out to Shelley for the work that she does in keeping our finances in line.

# Activity

Activity was robust. I would suggest we were in at least a dozen parades this summer. See the photos below. We are well received by the event organizers, and the parade attendees.









Looking forward to 2023 events To name a few that are in the planning, our annual meeting kickoff at Wayne's will be early May.



Thank you, Wayne!

Twin City Auto Show Air expo, flying cloud Various convoys Multiple Parades.

If anyone has any ideas that they would like to pursue, please contact me.

As events come together, they will be posted on the website so pay attention.

John Varner is coordinating event at the Minnesota military history center Camp Ripley. We are discussing a convoy to the national MVPA convention in Des Moines, Iowa.

Mark your calendar:

MVPA convoy coming to Minnesota in 2024!

We are excited to announce the 2024 MVPA Transcontinental Convoy is starting in Minnesota. The 2024 Historic Jefferson Highway Convoy will organize and begin in Northern Minnesota on its journey to New Orleans in early October, 2024.

This is a 4-week journey south from Minnesota to Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana, visiting both the National WWI & WWII museums, historic frontier Army Forts Ripley, Leavenworth, and Scott, civil war battlefields, as well as Ft Polk & the WWII Louisiana maneuvers.

Overnights in Minnesota include East Grand Forks, Lake Bronson & Itasca State Parks, Camp Ripley, Hutchinson, and Albert Lea. We will drive through Thief River Falls, Bemidji, Park Rapids, Little Falls, Hutch, Farmington, and Owatonna.

John Varner is planning the National Convoy, Dan McCluskey has offered to be the convoy Commander, and Chuck Toney will be

coordinating the convoy in the South. More information will come



available as planning continues.

So, as the third quarter comes to an end there are some things to be grateful for and remember what sacrifices our troops have made. Let us recall the important military events that have passed us by in the third quarter of 2022.

The month of September has a special significance when it comes to World War II.

The Second World War started on September 1, 1939, when Hitler invaded Poland. At that time, the United States did not enter into war but it did supply a significant amount of military aid and other assistance to the Allies in September 1940. However, when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, the US had to stand up in its country's defense and formally entered the bloody war that lasted for six years.

September is also of great significance since it marks the end of World War II. The war officially came to an end when Japan surrendered on September 2, 1945. As such, the month of September marks both the start and the end of the Second World War.

Although the official day to commemorate and remember the heroes who sacrificed their lives for the country is May 8th, we

understand that for many people, the month of September carries equal weight. Therefore, we pay tribute to all the brave men and women who served the nation during World War II, to the Allies whose valiant service members fought hand-in-hand with the US forces, and to the innocent people who lost their lives or the lives of their loved ones in one of the bloodiest wars that the world has ever seen.

We honor the troops who laid down their lives for the sake of freedom, the missing in actions and prisoners of war whose loved ones still hold hope, the veterans who returned home, and the sacrifices their families saved for the preservation of liberty and independence. Our country was very busy during the third quarter, take a moment to see how much our troops have sacrificed.

### Independence Day

## July 4, 2022

The Declaration of Independence was announced on July 4, 1776 after the Second Continental Congress ratified that the 13 colonies were no longer under the rule of the monarchy of Great Britain. The Constitution provided the governmental and legal framework of the US but perhaps its most beloved assertion is "All Men are created equal."

## Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

### July 27, 2022

On July 27, 1973, the Korean Armistice Agreement officially ended the Korean War. The armistice was the longest negotiated truce in history which took over two years and spanned 158 meetings.

The Korean War Veteran Armistice Day is a time to recognize the sacrifices of 50,000 American soldiers who died in the Korean War and over 100,000 wounded and thousands of prisoners of war.

### Purple Heart Day

## August 7, 2022

The National Purple Heart Day is the day to remember and honor the brave men and women who were either wounded while performing a meritorious act for their nation or paid the ultimate sacrifice. These people are decorated by the oldest US military decoration, which symbolizes an American Patriot's unwavering courage and devotion.

### **Patriot Day**

# **September 11, 2022**

Patriot Day commemorates the memory of the almost 3000 innocent victims who perished in the September 11, 2001 attacks. We dedicate this day to remembering those who passed away and the first responders who risked their own lives to save others.

#### POW/MIA Recognition Day

## **September 16, 2022**

Observed on the third Friday of every September, the central focus behind the POW/MIA Recognition Day is to honor prisoners of war and the missing soldiers and ensure they are never forgotten. Efforts to find these men and to bring them home are unceasing and constant and will always remain so.

#### Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day

#### **September 25, 2022**

Gold Star Mother's and Family Day falls on the last Sunday of every September and is observed to honor families who have received the Gold Star. This award recognizes and honors the death of a military member who gave their last full measure in the line of duty and hopes to provide some measure of comfort to their grieving parents and families. September 2022 comes to a close, and like every year, we look behind us and honor and recall the achievements and sacrifices of the brave souls who were willing to give up their lives for this great country.

At the Red Bull Historic Military Vehicle Association, we aim to celebrate the brave soldiers who left home and family to serve the nation and without whose ultimate sacrifice, we would never have been able to achieve what we have today as a nation.

The brave men and women who risked their lives for our great nation must never be forgotten, and a great way to honor their sacrifice is to participate in community events and parades.

Keep active in your local communities. Feel free to post any event on the website that would be appropriate for our Group. Contact info@redbullhmva.com with details.

At the Red Bull Historic Military Vehicle Association, we honor and support military personnel and their families.

Join us today to keep active.

To know more about us, visit our website at <a href="https://www.redbullhmva.com/">https://www.redbullhmva.com/</a> and become a member by signing up with us.



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