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Don Gordon's restored WWII US half-track with Quad 50 mount (FOR SALE)



QUESTION - What is this ex-military vehicle?

MVPA CONVENTION 2013 JULY IN PORTLAND, OREGON

2013-02-04 To whom it may concern:

I am taking an opportunity to invite all of our Canadian friends to the 2013 National Convention of the MVPA. There will be many good displays and great vendors. We have already sold a good portion of our vendor tables with still many good tables available. There are also indoor and outdoor spaces to sell vehicles or larger items available.

We will again be having the DUKW rides in the Columbia River and the WWII PT Boat will be making appearances. There will be several great tours to go on and two dinner functions that are always great fun and good food. The host hotel rates are good and it is located right on the Columbia River. Great food is nearby and

transportation is VERY easy to downtown Portland and about.

We have room to display your vehicles at no charge – there is a charge if you want your vehicle to be judged however. There is secure storage area to store trucks and trailers with a limited RV area for dry camp(We call it “Security Detail”).

Please go to the MVPA website or refer to supply line if you have the latest copy. MVPA members get better rates on many things.

WWW.MVPA.ORG

If you have any questions I can answer questions that the folks at Headquarters didn’t – please feel free to get hold of me.

I hope to meet many of you here in Portland, Oregon in July of 2013.

Jason Ball, VP MVCCO

2013 MVPA Convention Chairman

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Japanese tank at Portland MVPA Convention 2008

Canadian military jeeps - A quick photo review by date. How many can you identify? ANSWERS TO LAST ISSUE'S (JANUARY 2013) TEST

1. "The Jeep" 1936 Canadian Army half-track which they called "The Jeep"
2. Bantam Pilot Model - A couple were brought to Canada for testing.
3. Ford GP in R.C.A.F. use in Alaska. The Canadian Army had a few as well.
4. Willys W-LU 440-M-PERS-1 Canadian contract CDLV-241 jeep on a Willys MB chassis. Special model.
5. Willys W-LU 440-M-PERS-1 Canadian contract CDLV-505 jeep on a Willys MB chassis. Special model.
6. Ford GPW in Canadian service in Normandy. This one has invasion markings.
7. Ford GPA amphibious jeep. Canada used a few of these. The only one known in Canada now is Reg Hodgson's in Edmonton. Your Editor used to own one which he found in Steveston!
8. Tracked Jeep Mark I. Armoured. Canadian Army development. Only survivor known is in Canadian War Museum. Mudguards were removed by museum.
9. Tracked Jeep Mark II. TJ-2 Soft-skin, amphibious. Two survivors are known. Restored one in Canadian War Museum. One awaiting restoration in collection of Fred Smith in England.
10. M38CDN 1/4 ton jeep. Made by Ford Canada. A second one with Bren and spotlight in Gaza fitted with Bren Gun, spotlight and grab rail serving with UNEF (1); a third one fitted with a 1096mm Recoilless Rifle.
11. M38A1 with UNEF in Egypt. Fitted with Bren Gun. A M38A1CDN fitted with 4 ENTAC anti-tank missiles. (A Halifax collector thinks he MIGHT have THIS jeep.)
12. M38A1CDN2 or CDN3 in the Officer's Mess of the B.C. Regiment. Ask Tom Houghton for the story. White M38A1CDN3 jeep in Cyprus with UNCIYP. PPCLI flag. These jeeps were apparently cut in half and dumped in the ocean there.
13. Military CJ-7 (CJ = Civilian Jeep!)

CLUB MEETINGS

B.C. Mainland - 2nd
Wednesday each month,
8 pm ROYAL CANADIAN
LEGION, BRANCH 263,
1025 Ridgeway Ave.,
COQUITLAM

Vancouver Island - 2nd
Wednesday each month,
7 pm BRITANNIA LEGION
780 Summit Ave., Victoria.

**NEW ADS ARE
HIGHLIGHTED IN
YELLOW**

AVAILABLE

- DVD of Alaska Convoy 2012 for those who participated in it. Contact Dean Wilcox.

**FOR SALE (listed by
size, smallest to largest)**



Fig. 2.—Jumping position from Dakota



Typical BSA Airborne Bicycle photos shown from WWII.

- **BSA Airborne Bicycle, folding, RARE FIRST Model (circa 1942)** as used by British and Canadian airborne forces, by Commando, by Canadian 9th Infantry

Brigade on D-Day and by various other units in Sicily, Italy, North West Europe etc. Includes pump but not tools or tool pouch. Needs repainting. \$2,500 Colin Stevens, Richmond, BC seaforth72@gmail.com 604-341-1917

- **BSA Airborne Bicycle, folding. SCARCE SECOND Model (circa 1943)**

All original except for rear wheel and tire. Includes original paint and decals, original seat (poor condition), spare modern similar tires and tubes. Modern leather seat that is almost identical is available for about \$250 locally (Dean Wilcox got one). . Includes pump but not tools or tool pouch. This bike can be made into a nice parade bike. \$1,500. Colin Stevens, Richmond, BC seaforth72@gmail.com 604-341-1917

- **Two sets of radio tray stuff for a Land-Rover** they are big tray set, \$50 for each set OBO, also a **military radio** don't know the year but also \$50 OBO. - by Ian MacArthur. c/o Vince Hands in Maple Ridge, BC 778-229-4405 42mbjeep@telus.net [2012 Nov 03]



- **1953 M100CDN 1/4 ton jeep trailer,** in good condition, ex-Vince Hands, currently licenced and insured. Made by Motor Coach Industries Limited, Delivery date 03/53. Comes with almost new canvas reproduction cover. \$1200 firm. Please call Guy

(604) 937-7673 or email gblack231@gmail.com



SOLD

- **Canadian contract Willys jeep W-LU 440-M-PERS-1** on contract CDLV-242 made 13 Feb. 42. Slat grill jeep for sale--it is stripped down to the chassis & the body & sheet metal have been done. It has the correct engine--the block has been dip cleaned & the crank & camshaft have been ground. It is serial # 22169--the chassis number is 119769 --the engine was 121318 & the body # The price with several spares & 4 good proper wheels & one rough one plus one combat wheel is \$10,000.00 Larry Healey, Cambellford, Ontario mechman@bell.net (2012-11-23)

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- **1942 Willys MB jeep original UNRESTORED. Ex-Canadian Army.** On eBay 2013-01-09 ending (Spotted by Harold Lang.) eBay item 190781315852 Auction ends: (Jan 12, 2013 17:46:40 EST) Seller is 41gpaws SELLER DOES NOT SAY WHERE JEEP IS LOCATED! (Eastern USA BASED ON TIMEZONE AND HIS ID BEING IN USA. HE LEAVES OUT THE MOST IMPORTANT INFO AND INCLUDES A LOT OF SEPCULATION. NO SERIELA NUMBER, NO DATE, NO CONTRACT. DOES ENGINE MATCH? (probably not as it was rebuilt) Here is part of his description: " *Canadian Titled unrestored 42 Willys that had been in storage for 50 plus years. Other than surface some rust the jeep is in excellent condition. The previous owner bought this jeep from the Canadian government in early 1947 and used it*

for a few years before putting it in storage. ...The jeep comes with an original willys manual [WHICH ONE? - IS IT A CANADIAN SPECIAL ONE?] as well as a supplement CANADIAN LOG BOOK of which a picture will be included. The supplement log book has information dated back from Nov 1945 with the last date of Nov 1946. ... [LOG BOOK SHOWS CHATHAM AND LONDON. ONTARIO] At the top of one of the pages it is noted that the jeep returned to Canada after service in North Africa. The jeep does run. ... the rebuilt tag on the engine which is dated 1945 is also Canadian. ...As can be seen in the pictures the interior is all original with original seats and canvas. Original data tags are also present on the dash. [BUT HE DOES NOT TELL US ANY INFO FROM THEM!!!! CONTRACT? DATE? SERIAL NUMBER? IF CANADIAN CONTRACT CDLV-505 IT WOULD SAY SO!] U.S. \$18,000 to start of US \$25,000 buy it now. AN INTERESTING JEEP, BUT OVERPRICED. BLACK PAINT OVER REAR WHEELWELLS ALMOST CERTAINLY COVER THE DND NUMBERS. THERE MAY BE AN INTERESTING HISTORY IN THE PAINT UNDERNEATH. CANADA HAD FEW TROOPS IN NORTH AFRICA. MORE LIKELY THIS JEEP MIGHT HAVE BEEN USED IN ITALY AND RETURNED VIA NORTH AFRICA. THE SINGLE WIPER MOTOR IS VACUUM NOT ELECTRIC AS ON CANADIAN CONTRACT. THE JEEP MAY BE A REGULAR MODEL MB AS CANADA ACQUIRED MANY OF THOSE DURING THE WAR. THE LIFTING RING AND SINGLE WIPER MOTOR COULD BE FIELD CHANGES. WE NEED TO KNOW THE SN. NO SIGN OF THE CONTRACT CDLV-505 MANUALS DATAPLATE OVER THE STEERING COLUMN. Your editor would like it, so if any lottery winners among you feel inclined to be very generous please contact me.

- 1945 Willys MB jeep restored, US \$17,000; 1942 Willys MB slat grill, unrestored needs body work, engine runs smooth, hold good oil pressure, found registration number on hood, has original factory body. \$5,000 Lloyd White [Southern Oregon. Editor's note: Lloyd White is one of the top WWII jeep

experts around.] 1-503-631-2239 [Southern Oregon Military Vehicle Collectors Club Dec. 2012]

- 1942 Ford GPW older restoration. Rod Boles of Langley is selling his jeeps. All these come with manuals and some spare parts. \$15,000 each. (1) 1942 early production GPW, older restoration, mostly original with MB engine, runs well but leaks oil; (2) 1947 CJ2A original, never repainted, overhauled, or in any accident. No rust, windows still have the 1947 dated glass. \$15,000.00; (3) 1952 M38 CDN Off frame restoration by Vince Hands. Proper engine. 24-volt water proof ignition. Was not rusted out when restored and has been kept inside since. Comes with Cdn. military trailer(don't remember the model # but it is the one for the Iltis) [Editor - M101CDN, 1/4 Ton type?] Rod Boles rgboles@telus.net [2012 Summer]
- 1943 Ford GPW 95% original, always stored inside, no rust. 12V, heater, later military rims, one piece windshield. \$7,500 1-209-532-5770 bdeutschman@mlode.com [MVCC News Sept. 2012]
- 1945 Willys MB 6V No top. Tom Carlson thomasdebra@comcast.net 1-650-365-1908 CALIFORNIA USA \$10,000 com [MVCC News Sept. 2012]
- Parting out M274 A5 Mechanical Mule. Nathan reanders09@hotmail.com com [MVCC News Sept. 2012]
- M38CDN which has been on loan to Osoyoos Museum on display. Harold Lang, Osoyoos, BC xk120@persona.ca 1-350-498-6957 [2012 Summer]
- **NOT WHAT IT SEEMS** - "1956" (sic) M38A1CDN3 jeep with 1952 M100 trailer - "Korean War" (sic) frame. Jeep apparently used in Nova Scotia. Built in 1956 (sic) and transferred to civilian duty in 1970 (sic) "All original data plates.

serial number plate and markings have been retained for authenticity." US \$19,500 OBO Andrew (360-914-0098 (Feb 2012 in Puget Sound MVCC newsletter March 2012.) *Editor's Comment: Buyer beware. There were no Canadian M38A1 jeeps made in 1956. The M38A1CDN3 was built in the USA for Canada in 1970-1971. The M38A1CDN3 is not a Korean War jeep. The jeep sounds like it is physically restored, but that the owner does not know what he has. I would like to know the data plate info to confirm its identity. [2012 Summer]*

- **Iltis Parts (taken off vehicles) and NOS M151A2 parts** - Fred Ogilvie 1-506-459-3409 fogilvie@nb.sympatico.ca [ACMVA NEWS 2012-06-15]
- **Iltis parts, M151A2 parts, M-series jeep and truck parts, M101 trailers.** Niagara Military Parts, Ontario Ralph 1-905-732-4122 cellular 1-289-213-9939 [ACMVA NEWS 2012-06-15]
- **1942 Dodge WC-12 1/2 Ton Pick-up ex-US Army.** Good driver. Parade ready. Ex-Ian MacArthur and possibly from Spokane, WA area. \$10,000. Would consider a trade involving a Harley-Davidson WLC or WLA. Jeff Davis, Maple Ridge 604-465-2373 [2012 Summer]

- **1951 US M-37 truck (3/4 Ton) SN 11208** ex-Arizona. Has changed engine (225 HP Dodge slant Six and lockout hubs. Runs great. Needs cosmetics. Bob Jacobsen 1-541-878-1445 [Southern Oregon Military Vehicle Collectors Club Dec. 2012]

- **1954 M152 CDN communications van.** 3/4 ton. Runs good, needs restoration. Jim Shipp 1-541-2909-1779 (evenings) [Southern Oregon Military Vehicle Collectors Club Dec. 2012]

- **1950s Dodge M-37CDN parts; three engines for M35A2 multi-fueler,** turbo diesel, 6 cyl. Clutch to fan belt. Rebuilt by Tooele Army Depot (TEAD). Low hours. Rick Rice, Mission, BC 604-820-7026 milspec@telus.net [2012 Summer]

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1942 Chevrolet 15 Cwt cargo box CMP Includes new tailgate. \$500 Jim 1-902-923-2350 in Pictou area, Nova Scotia. [ACMVA NEWS June 15 2012]

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- **WWII 1942-1945 Canadian Military Pattern (CMP) Cab 13 F60L (?) 3-Ton 4x4** Found in Willowbrook, B.C. Apparently it used to belong to Norm Kruger. Seller is Glenn 1-250-486-3237 **Asking \$1,500.** [2012-11-01 via Harry Moon] **US 2-1/2 ton Multi-fueler and M37CDN parts - engines etc.** Rick Rice, Mission 604-820-7026 rickrice@shaw.ca [2012 Summer]

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• **SOLD** 1945 U.S.

Studebaker M-29C "Water Weasel" SN 8761 1945, rebuilt 1955 by US Army ("LKY") WWII amphibious (with floatation tanks). Good for snow, mud etc. **NOT RUNNING**. (Photos show engine head is off, radiator loose etc.) Has data plates (some are arsenal rebuilt hand stamped) and both tracks. Missing floatation tanks. **HISTORICAL NOTE FROM EDITOR:** The Weasel was original developed for the First Special Service Force (The Devil's Brigade) in WWII for a special mission to Norway which was cancelled. Weasels were very successful and were used on Kiska invasion, in Italy I believe and in North West Europe. U.S. General MacArthur used one. Used by Canadians in Holland due to flooding. Located in Victoria, BC \$2,800 Andy Jones 250-217-5022 (Non-member)

- **1942 White WWII Halftrack M16** with Quad .50 turret and deactivated .50 cal's (4). Built as an M15A1 and converted by the US Army. Turret rotates by hand but no power traverse installed. Restored, good parade vehicle. \$45,000 Don Gordon, Victoria 1-250-592-2622 ww2mv@shaw.ca [2012 March]
- **Original manuals for the Ford Lynx Scout Car.** Operator's Manual and Maintenance Manual. Very rare \$400 each. Original manual for the **Ford Universal Carrier Mk. I** \$150 Colin Stevens 604-341-1917 seaforth72@gmail.com [2012-11-12]
- **Jeep evolution poster US MILITARY JEEPS - A concise history.** Produced for the late Roy Van Wicklin. Only a few left. \$15 each Colin Stevens 604-341-1917 seaforth72@gmail.com [2012-11-12]
- **BOOK - "Camp Vernon" A Century of Canadian Military History** by Hugh Rayment & Patrick Sherlock 2003. Hard cover large book with 524 pages. Lots of photos. Unsigned \$35; Signed \$50 Thomas Houghton 604-522-0128 [2012 Summer]
- **M-Series tool pouch (ex-Canadian for 38/38A1/37/135/152/151 etc. \$25; Tool bag for Ferret Scout Car \$45; Mauser Kar 98k rifle in full military garb including rare sling and bayonet. Converted by Israelis to 7.62mm NATO (.308 Winchester). Nazi proofs neatly removed. Good for shooting or reenacting as blank ammo is available. With**

WWII German captured bayonet and scabbard. \$750; 1942 British Lee-Enfield No. 1 Mk. III* full military. Bolt does not match as it is a "dispersal rifle" assembled from spare parts and salvaged parts after factory was bombed. \$450; 1896 Lee-Enfield Mark I (Long Lee) all original and Canadian issue marked to 88th Regiment (Victoria Fusiliers) (now Canadian Scottish) with bayonet but no scabbard. \$2,500. **WWII 1943 Canadian vehicle map case** (opens up and has brass stiffeners in back and a hook to hang it.) \$75; **WWII German M-42 steel helmet**, all original and complete. Decal had been removed under German orders during the war; **WWII 1943 dated RARE British Mk. II "Turtle shell" helmet** as worn by 3rd Canadian Division on D-Day 6 June 1944. This one was later issued to the Dutch and repainted for Post Office First Aid. \$175; **Bren Mk. I tool** \$10; Note: Guns for sale in Canada only. Live firearms require PAL. **Open to trade for a Lee-Enfield No. 4 Mk. I (T) sniper rifle in transit chest, dewat Vickers; 2-inch mortar; PIAT.** Colin Stevens in Richmond 604-341-1917 seaforth72@gmail.com (Revised: 2012-13 - 09)



- **Airsoft "Guns"** - PoCo Military Surplus in Langley can bring in Airsoft guns which are LEGAL in Canada as they fire pellets within the legally specified range.. These have metal (not plastic) bodies. The red nose cap is a U.S. requirement, not Canadian so logically they can legally be removed

(though not all come with a red nose cap). They can get Thompson SMG with stick or drum magazine, M-16, AK-47, M1 Garand, Mauser Kar 98k, Dragunov, M-4 Carbine and any of the modern black rifles or SMGs. Cheaper than deactivated guns for your military vehicle and LEGAL. One of their Thompsons with a stick magazine recently sold for about \$325 including taxes. Ask for Paul. He also comes to the HACS gun shows.

SOLD

- **Ben Hur trailer** via Vince Hands to Ron Baker, a WCMVHS member.
- **Dodge D 3/4 APT** via Vince Hands to Ron Baker, a WCMVHS member.
- Studebaker M29C Water Weasel to Ron Baker, a WCMVHS member.

[Editor hopes that the information is correct.]

WANTED

- 37mm shells (inert) for Stuart tank restoration. Ron Baker. (604) 462-8344
- **WLC or WLA 42 Harley Davidson motorcycle.** Would consider a trade deal involving his Dodge WC-12. Jeff Davis 604-465-2373 [2012 Summer]
- **WANTED Parts for 1942 Ford CMP 15 Cwt.** Radiator, shroud, mounting bracket, expansion tank, right rear knee action shock. Bob Estabrooks estabrooksrobert@yahoo.ca

MEETINGS: We meet the second Wednesday of every month. Meeting location is the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 263 at 1025 Ridgeway Ave., Coquitlam. Meeting time is 2000 hours (although the pre-meeting crowd gathers at the bar first).

2013

- **MARCH 17 - St. Patrick's Day Parade, Vancouver**
- **APRIL 10 Western Command elections.**
- **MAY 27 - Tankfest Northwest at Paine Field, Everett, WA, USA. This is a MONDAY, the U.S. Memorial Day. A recently imported Sherman tank is expected to make an appearance. Your Editor plans to attend and wonders if it is a Canadian built Grizzly.**
- **MAY 25 11:00AM- Hyack Parade, New Westminster.**
- **MAY 18-19 Vancouver Island - at HERITAGE ACRES (Saanich Historical Artifacts Society) 29-acre site! 7321 Lochside Drive, Saanichton (north off Island View Road, just South of Sidney, close to the Swartz Bay ferry terminal.)
250-652-5522 (vehicles from any period) & Fort Rodd Hill (WWII vehicles only) Possible ferry subsidy (based upon need). Victoria Day Parade, Monday May 20.**
- **JULY 11-13 Arlington Fly-In, Arlington Airport, WA, USA They expect a P-47, DC-3 and L-4 Observation aircraft.**
- **JULY 25-27 MVPA Convention, Portland, Oregon, USA. 3-4 vehicles coming from Alberta. Emphasis on British ex-military vehicles from Western Command but any are welcome. Red Lion Hotel is the host hotel. Gun show in the hall next to the MVPA Convention.**
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- **AUGUST 9-10-11 Abbotsford Air Show. Western Command did not go last year due to Alaska Highway Convoy. We are going this year. John Hawthorne coordinator. Due to US budget cuts, US military aircraft are not expected so our part could be more important.**
- **JUNE 22-23 Vancouver Collector Car Show & Auction at PNE. 12 acres. About 600 vehicles and about 150 being auctioned.**
- **SEPT. ____ Yorke Island. Ian Newby coordinator.**
- **DEC. ____ Club Christmas Party**

FUTURE YEARS

2014 OCT. 04 Parade and dedication of new "Wait for me, Daddy" war memorial in New Westminster.

Answer to the Question:

Canadian prototype Dodge 3/4 Ton truck. On display at CFB Borden Museum in Ontario, North of Toronto. A great museum to visit and tanks and artillery are scattered around the base too.

Club Officials

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