

# NEWSLETTER 159

### August 2005

#### **DEBRIEFING**

Legion 215 Veteran's parade was well turned out on a cool wet day, ended warm and dry with eight vehicles on show at the parade destination.

own power! July 1st was a much better day, at the Assiniboine Park venue with a very appreciative crowd as well as organizers.

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Steinbach worked out on the second try with half a dozen vehicles making

fired right up.

To end August, the club put on a small set-up for the Dugald Costume Museum/Antique and Classic Car Club Event.

### NEXT MEETING

September meeting will be held at the Car Show in Garden City Mall, Sept 11, 2305 McPhillips...members are encouraged to arrive in a MV for the show'n'shine or come with another member. Ten AM is the admission start, it's free.

#### **EVENTS**

- Garden City, see above.
- October meet is tentatively set for Bill Spence's redoubt in Headingley. We'll see a lot of progress on Bill's CMP project.

#### **DISPATCHES**

A bunch of PC members made it to Duluth MVPA Convention. The trip was not club organized as such, but John Tizzard and friend came from Moose Jaw to set the PC distance record, followed by Rob Love, Derk Derin, Gord and Joanne Falk, Don Trueman and un-member John McGoey (A1) from the Fort Garry Horse.

We found a mystery attendee from Wpg (I thought we would know everyone!), the son of Princess Auto looking for lost family history!!! Gord has details...

Welcome new member Doug Shaud from Winnipeg. Doug was a great help to all of us at the July 1 event, he



Canada Day at Assiniboine Park

- Mark Perry photo

June meeting was a wash, the Steinbach Car Show was rained out (although there was a nice Prairie Command ad in the show program -see last page). Several member vehicles made the trip only to be turned away until August 14, the "rain date".

Oakbank and Transcona Hi Neighbor parades had good response from club members. Oakbank broke a jinx in that all vehicles finished under their

the trek. This event also ended up adding another vehicle to the club fold. One of the participants in the car show let it be known that his son had an M37 for sale. While there were some challenges in arranging the purchase (a missed appointment, an on and off sale and quick work by the M37 Guru ... thanks Doug !!!), Jeff Helps has added the M37 (photo page 2) to his collection. A couple of pumps on the fuel pump primer and a couple of turns of the starter and it

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works for the City of Winnipeg and "discovered us helpless as babes in the woods", whereupon he fixed all the flats, moved all the heavy stuff and (almost) single-handedly made it the great day it was (he's not good with rain). Here's a lot of energy... welcome aboard!

We want your Photo's!!! While we can't put all the photo's we get in the newsletter, Jeff Helps is maintaining an archive which someday will be sorted by vehicle type, year, etc which may be of benefit to others restoring vehicles or just a nice trip down memory lane. So if you have pictures of your vehicle during its restoration or at any of the club events, please consider sending a copy to Jeff for inclusion in the archive.



M37 in Lorrette

- Jeff Helps photo



PC President Gord Falk surveys the appreciative crowd in Steinbach

Check out the new chat forum which can be accessed through the link at the Prairie Command website or at: http://www.m38jeepproject.com/phpBB/

This is the place to post MV questions, post buy and sell or just chat. There hasn't been much use to date but we'll give it a try for a while and see if things pick up.

### **TECH-TIPS**

We need to talk about thermostats...I do anyway, it's therapeutic. Whaah!...my A1 brewed up again after months of just fine driving. (see previous whiny news letters for background). I removed the head to look for restrictions to water circulation...none found that was significant, and after re-assembly it

still brewed up. Charactaristics: cold engine gets warm in the middle and back areas. Bottom rad hose warms. upper still cold, bypass too. Rumbly vibrations in bottom hose and burp. cold header tank water replaced by hot water suggesting reverse flow. Thermostat opens, things cool and run fine until the next cool-down (off engine) and start-up. To proof the system, I used a gutted thermostat (basically a restricter for flow rate) and everything works just fine business. The difference may be in the t-stat style methinks. The new pellet type doesn't reach in and sample as well as the old bellows style t-stat. They were replaced by the new style as engine temps and pressures were increased. The bellows was not pressure friendly. A place to look may be the Chevy/ GMC engines as they do have the t-stat out front on the head, unlike the M38 and 37 where it's located centrally. Remember "new theories, new facts, always adapt and never trust your compass!

Quote of the month: "Good Judgment comes from experience unfortunately most experience is a result of bad judgment"

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### **BUY AND SELL**

#### WANTED

**The bag** and manual for CPRC-510 radio set. Call Gord Falk at 204-326-1933.

M-38 or CJ3-B frame. Data Plates for MBT or Bantam trailer - also storage box. MB hardtop information. Swap M38-A1 canvas top for M38 top. 42 MB slat grill or pattern.

...for Koenig Iron Works Jeep hardtop, M38 or CJ, and made in Houston Tx, model 530. Need left and right door assemblies. -Call Al Sayak at(204) 256-5517 or sayak@mts.net

**Driver's Handbook** for HUP series vehicles. Remote Control Set for 19 Set Radio. - Call Lorne Ertl at (204) 757-2563

**WS 19 Mk II**, working or not. -call Derk at (204) 388-4557

Chevy 13 Cab for 15 CWT. (Must be for a Chevy and for a 15 CWT). Also need pintle hook for same, running boards & all three mountings for cab. Advise condition & price to Bill Spence, (204) 837-7706 or e-mail wrspence1@shaw.ca

**Chev bowtie** grille badge -Bumper mt attach bkts

-Bumper, brushguard and crank support, towing eyes:

-Windshield throw-out arms assy LHx2; 5828085 (long, with notch)

-Windshield throwout arm assy RH x 1; 5828086 (long, with notch)

-Windshield throwout bkt, centre, two threaded studs x 1; 5815112

Plate assy, starter motor opening x 1; 5820080

-battery box and holder assy; -R/H gas tank;

-1 x door lock assy, RH, 5829608

-2 x ea., mirror bkts and arms

-1 x rear engine mount bolt and spring (3/8 x 24 x 5 3/8)

grip assy, Floor x 1; 580955

-1 x front hub bearing spacer; 1811866

-door hinge set- side/rear 581123 -1 x sliding rear roof hatch roller assy -1 x front brake anchor pin adjustment cam; 92Y2028 Mark Perry 204 885 5863 or

#### **FOR SALE**

mperry@shaw.ca

1943 Ford 15CWT with rebuilt engine. Mostly complete, needs brake work and wiring. Original tread pattern (10.50x16) tires in good condx. Extra springs in rear, may have been machinery or welder configuration.. Ken Heiberg (306) 585-3406 or kaheiberg@accesscomm.ca

M-38 A1-CDN2 with canvas top and side curtains (but no doors) C-42 radio set, good condition \$6000 -Call Jim at 204-745-3405 or e-mail ikh@mb.sympatico.ca

**Assorted** metal ordnance boxes, mines, shells etc. These are in WW2 markings and good condition, good paint...

-CMP Chev spark plug socket 15.00 -Two manuals for Chev C60X 6x6 Cab 13 truck. Vg to Exc condition...not priced yet.

-Call Lorne at (204) 757-2563

**1944 Ford** Commercial Cab Army Dump Truck, runs, needs restoration. Now has a paint job plus some work done... \$2000 OBO

- Call Derk at (204) 388-4557.

**Shocks for M37** series. (\$110 US at Vintage Power Wagon) Doug at (204) 895 1618

**CJ-5 Jeep**. Mfr. 1955, 6 Volt. Good shape, open to offers Jean Catellier at (204) 347-5501

-Radio Crystals-U.S. #4807-PH-53. Crystals are in a metal transport box marked "Signal Corps" which held 42 crystals however 3 are missing-???42 Set?? (ed. note Nope)

-NOS rubber "boots" for 16" tire rimswill fit 1500CWT and 3/4 ton Dodge. These go between the rim and tube to prevent chaffing or pinching. -M-151 starter complete with new "Bendix"

-Chore Horse type portable generator. This is the 30 Volt model PU 5008 U. Supply tags are both marked "servicable"

-!5 CWT Run Flat Tire on 16" rim-Chevron patt-well worn-WW2 dated. -Crew Commanders Headset for 42 Set.

-6 Volt lamps-Phillips#55 (dash panel lights for CMP and other 6 Volt vehicles)

-Practice aerial bomb-sheet metal-9" dia x 48" long (for blowing up British type antennas?)

-Factory rebuilt starter for Dodge 3/4 ton M series- modelMCZ 4002 UT. -Factory rebuilt H2O pump- Dodge 3/4 ton M series.

-NOS starting motor-M38-Model MBP 4301 UT-fits engines with serial number below 74.419.

-Military Folding field Bench Seatlabelled Harrison Q.M.-Maxwell 1944. -Joe Greenberg at (204) 586-6134 or greentruckguy@canada.com

2 1/2 Ton M135 complete with winch, trailer and two Coleman field stoves, 60,000 original miles. Belonged to the Saskatchewan Dragoons (Moose Jaw). Downsizing my collection-asking \$7500Cdn. For more info, contact me at mickeyd@sasktel.net or call Mickey at (306) 764-7789

**CMP Chev** starter motors NOS in original sealed WW II packing crate...\$120

1952 Dodge M37 3/4 ton in good running cond with winch...\$3500
Tarp for M135 Cdn 2 1/2 ton truck, NOS. Slight damage one corner...\$500
Valve cover gaskets for M135 CDN, 2 1/2 ton...\$10 each.

24 Volt Alternator for M-series...\$100 Voltmeter type AN/PSM 6A \$50.00 1944 Chev 15 cwt wireless van complete with any parts I have for same...\$3500

all above call George McGowan 204 889 8688. Shipping extra (of course. Check the new Crow's Nest rates if you live in the east) 301001



## PRAIRIE COMMAND

Military Vehicle Association, Inc



### Who Are We

Prairie Command is an incorporated association of individuals in the Manitoba area who are dedicated to the history, restoration, operation, and preservation of the vehicles used by Canada's Army, Navy and Air Force.

The headquarters of Prairie Command is situated in Winnipeg, Manitoba, serving the greater Manitoba area.

Our members own a variety of vehicles ranging from bicycles to tanks. Included in our fleet are: MBs, M-38s, M-38 A1s, Mutts, M-37s, Dueces, Ferrets, Motorcycles, Bren Gun Carriers, and various others.



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