

# NY-PENN NEWS

NY - PENN MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTOR'S CLUB

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## MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

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## RIGHTY-TIGHTY, LEFTY LOOSELY?



Bill Harris discovered this M35A2 -with interesting steering axle duals- on a side street in Endicott. According to John Tennis, " ... the setup is real good in mud, but a bear to steer." John also stated that this dual front set-up was used with CCKWs in the WWII Pacific Theater. Simply done by removing the lug nuts adding budd thimbles and tightening them, then install the dual wheel using rear lug nuts. Bob Muller also states that John is absolutely correct in these being an optional configuration for both CCKW's and the 1-1/2 ton Chevy's. A cautionary note though is that some folks like to put them on and put the truck in 4wd which is fine in snow, ice and mud. But do that on dry pavement you risk a broken axle. There is too much ground contact and as these are true four wheel drive it does not allow for the necessary "slippage" of the tire needed to make a turn. Something has to give and likely it is that 75 year old axle which is a bit tricky to change on the front.

After some research on the Internet and remembering some truck experience by your editor, right side is right-hand and left side is left hand budds. The most often heard reason for this is the forward motion torque helps tighten the lug nuts and budd thimbles. Those few who have mistakenly switched drums from one side to the other has found budds and nuts actually loosen. Heavy duty commercial trucks still today use left and right hand budds. Which side is which? Just remember right-hand for right side. Also, loosening nuts and budds always turn towards the rear of the truck and heavy-duty trailers.



Left: US Army 2 1/2-ton 6x6 cargo truck towing a piece of field artillery through heavy mud in the South Pacific, date unknown; bumper markings showed 98th Division, 369th Field Artillery.



Right: GMC 1941 CCKW 353 in 1942. It's beeing pulled by a winch cable. The editor would like your opinion on what's going on when this photo was taken.

## Easy Co Meeting January 6, 2019

Meeting called to order by 1st VP Richter at 2:00pm with The Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag.

14 Members present: Ralph Richter, Bob Hill, Stephen Gage, Gerry Malerba, Scott A. Wendt, Dan Delaney, Jim Green, Chris Robson, (guest) Jessica Armstrong, Greg Natke, Lorne Coon, Chad Waybright, Tommie Bryant, Frank Beninati and hosted by Brant Messer.

Reading of previous meeting minutes and voted upon to accept.

Attendance sheet and dues collection taken.

New club T-shirts will be finished for paid members at end of this week. A proof sheet was sent around so we could view how they will look.

EASY Co, an affiliation of NY-PENN expresses our condolences for the passing of Leon Rutkowski's son, Chris.

### Old Business:

NY-PENN funds: The Directors have decided that the best course of action is to leave the funds in the treasury and use it as needed. A couple of the recent expenditures were the new T-shirts and purchasing 2 tables for NY-PENN members to meet and relax at the MVPA National Convention in York, PA August 7-11, 2019.

The request for the club to purchase the five spots (that Eddie King formerly had) at the Gilbert, PA Show in September is not necessary, as Brant Messer will be buying those spaces. However, all members attending are invited to meet and relax here.

Veteran's Day at the NYS Fairgrounds in November turned out to be a weather problem, for some, with cold temperatures, strong winds and remnants of snow and salt on the roads. Discussion was held about attending in the future and it was determined that NY-PENN will always have a presence there to honor our Veterans. (Member attendance has always been each individual's choice).

### New Business:

Membership dues, \$20.00 per year, needs to be current to receive NY-PENN benefits, including one of the new club T-shirts (and the NewsLetter).

Preparations for attendance at the MVPA National Convention, in York, PA – bring your vehicle, or not?

Oil & Filter change and chassis lubrication: This is **critical** maintenance for the life of your engine and MV. If you cannot or are unable to perform this task, Ralph says that if you bring your own oil and filter, then for \$34.99 Jiffy Lube will do it and grease the joints. Recommended oil is Shell Rotella T, 15w-40. For canister type filters that fit most Jeeps, NAPA Gold C21P filter element is one of the best. Brant saw a video on YouTube where a man took a bunch of different brand oil filters and cut them in half to see what the differences were. He determined that FRAM are the worst/cheapest and the NAPA Gold's were one of the best.

Socializing with Hudson/Mohawk and A Companies is set for May 4, 2019 at the Brooks House of BB-Q, 5560 NY-7 in Oneonta. ([brooksbbq.com](http://brooksbbq.com) 607-432-1782) Any EASY Co member wishing to go may contact Ralph for carpooling. (This is a NY-PENN club function called the NY-PENN Spring Banquet).

A discussion was had about the number of meetings that we should have per year. It was decided that the next meeting will be determined during the current meeting.

Ralph demonstrated his Air Hawk hand-held, rechargeable battery powered inflator. Brant owns and showed his own Ryobi. He believes that it was part of a set, because it didn't come with a battery. He found a couple online that fit. This will be a key part of his traveling tool kit.

Scott Wendt is collecting the names of Members who served in the Armed Forces. He also includes branch, rank and unit or group. He has a boonie hat on which he puts the unit designation pins of our members.

The next meeting will be held at Brant's Motor Pool on March 10 at 2:00pm. Meeting adjourned at 3:10pm.

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## Easy Co Calendar of Events 2019

March 2<sup>nd</sup> Mt. Bethel, PA - Annual Red Ball Militaria and MV Parts Swap Meet, Mt. Bethel Volunteer Fire Dept.

April 27-29 Augusta, NJ - 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Sussex County Fairgrounds, Military Vehicle Show and Flea Market

May 4 Oneonta, NY – NY-PENN BBQ and social get-together at Brooks House of BB-Q.

May 9-11 Aberdeen, MD – 46<sup>th</sup> Annual East Coast Rally and Flea Market at Ripken Stadium

May 17-19 Findlay, OH – 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Armed Forces Day Celebration, Hancock County Fairgrounds

May 30 Baldwinsville, NY – Memorial Day Parade

June 7-9 Butler, PA – 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Bantam Jeep Heritage Festival – Birthplace of the Jeep, large gathering of Jeeps and activities

June 16<sup>th</sup> Auburn, NY – Annual Father's Day Car Show at Emerson Park

July 4 Local towns Independence Day Parades

July 12-14 Geneseo, NY – Air Show with Military Vehicles and re-enactors.

July 14 Liverpool, NY – Annual Antique Truck Show at Longbranch Park

July 20-21 Berwick, PA – 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Military Vehicle Show

July 25-28 Weare, NH – 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summer Rally

August 4 Sylvan Beach, NY – 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Jeeps At The Beach

August 7-11 York, PA – 44<sup>th</sup> Annual MVPA History In Motion National Convention and Military Vehicle Show

August 29 Syracuse, NY – Annual Armed Forces Day at The Great NY State Fair, ceremonies, displays and 6:00 pm Parade

September 8 Wampsville, NY – Model A Truck Show and Flea Market

September 19-21 Gilbert, PA – Redball Annual Military Show and Flea Market, West End Fairgrounds

November 9 Syracuse, NY – Veteran's Day held at The NY State Fairgrounds Center Of Progress Building displays and Parade

If there are any events that you are aware of, or specific towns/dates for parades not listed, please bring to the next meeting or email [Chad](#) for additions.

## BILL HARRIS' SON-IN-LAW SHARES TWO PHOTOS



*Submitted by Bill Harris*

This might be of interest to the membership. Attached are two pictures of Jeeps that my son-in law saw while attended the Mecum Auctions in Kissimmee, Fl. He spotted the two Jeeps for sale at the event. The newer one is a 1954 M38A1 and the older one is a 1943 Willys. He didn't know what they sold for. [Editor's Note: the young lady next to the A1 is Bill's daughter.]

## ALFA CO MEETING JANUARY 13, 2019

*Submitted by Bill Harris*

Meeting called to order by 1st Vice, Bob Messersmith at 2:30pm.

Nine members attending were: Bill Harris, Florence Stacconi, Carl Gorden, Dan Price, Matt Madga, Kevin O'Brien, Frank Fairfield, Bill Westfall and hosted by Bob Messersmith.

The meeting was held at Bob Messersmith's Shop. Everyone enjoyed Bob's huge fireplace warmth that he has in his meeting room.

Audit of the treasury's records was discussed. Bob & Bill will again contact Angie to meet with her to conduct the audit.

Bob reminded the members that if dues paid by the deadline they would receive one of the new T shirts.

Bill Harris brought pictures of a M35A2 that had dual wheels on the front axle. Kevin O'Brien said that he has seen the vehicle driving around the Owego area.

Bob encouraged the members to contact any of the old members to rejoin the NYPENN organization

A round table discussion of what each member is or has been working on during the past year.

The next meeting will be at the home of Florence Stacconi on April 7th, 2019: 39 Villa Circle, Endicott, NY

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM

## HUDSON-MOHAWK MEETING JANUARY 27, 2019

Meeting was held at the Home Front Café beginning at 2:00pm. Minutes of the meeting follow the photos of a great tech session lead by Tim Ryan all about tires and tubes. Page 5 provides additional information with photos. A link for the jack is here: [https://www.amazon.com/Mophorn-Breaker-10000PSI-Hydraulic-tractor/dp/B071VT79CR/ref=sr\\_1\\_6?ie=UTF8&qid=1548800867&sr=8-6&keywords=TIRE+BEAD+BREAKER](https://www.amazon.com/Mophorn-Breaker-10000PSI-Hydraulic-tractor/dp/B071VT79CR/ref=sr_1_6?ie=UTF8&qid=1548800867&sr=8-6&keywords=TIRE+BEAD+BREAKER).

## HUDSON-MOHAWK MEETING FEBRUARY 17, 2019

Meeting of the Hudson-Mohawk Chapter was called to order at 2:00pm on Sunday, February 17, 2019 with 22 members present.

There will be a "Touch a Truck" Event benefit Veterans Miracle Network: on Saturday, May 18, 2019 at the ESAM Rte 50, Glenville. We will have more information available as the time gets closer.

Family Night Banquet at Brooks Bar-B-Que will be held Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at Brooks in Oneonta at 4:30pm. The cost will be \$15.00 per person (member + one guest). Reservation dead line will be April 25<sup>th</sup>. If you plan to attend you may mail your check with the number attending to: Stephanie Remmers, 162 Brick Schoolhouse Rd., Berne, NY 12023. Please include a contact number and an email address in the event there is a question. More information to follow.

2years ago with **much** more to see, as the museum has greatly expanded. It will also include a reenactment. We will use L&S Bus Lines, there will be 3 places to meet the bus – I-88 Central Bridge Park & Ride, Maple Ave. Altamont, & Crossgates Commons behind Pet Smart. We will have one stop on the way over and one stop on the way back to stretch. You may choose to purchase food at the show or you may take food and snacks with you, also be sure to bring a folding chair for the show. There will be 55 seats available,, we will open the trip up to others. The cost will be \$50.00 per person for member and one guest which includes, admission, bus fare, & tip. To reserve you seat you must send payment to: Stephanie Remmers, 162 Brick Schoolhouse Rd., Berne, NY 12023 please include the number of seats, a phone number for contact, and email address and the pick up spot where you wish to board. Checks should be made out to "NY-Penn MVCC". On June 10<sup>th</sup> the day after our June meeting if all seats are not reserved we will open the trip up to



non-members first come first serve. The cost for non-members is \$60.00 per person NO SEAT WILL BE RESERVED WITHOUT PAYMENT! Again this should be a trip to experience as we all had a great time on the last trip. Exact times of pickup will be determined as we get closer to the trip date.



Mark Pollard strongly endorsed Freylube No-Rim-Rust Prima for wheels prior to installing flaps and tubes. It lasts far better than other water based materials and is like "never seize" for your wheels. It is available in a 5lb bucket for \$28 at Advance Auto Parts (15% off coupons are commonly available). Here is that link:

<https://shop.advanceautoparts.com/p/xtra-seal-450-lb-freylube-14-748/28200416-P>

Here is a YouTube video on it too; it's on the Frey site:

<http://www.freyhd.com/home.cfm> (scroll about 1/2 way down)

As Lorna mentioned after the meeting, what a GREAT tech tip discussion and how fantastic to have such a wealth of knowledge in the room we can all learn from! Thank you!!

## Easy Co Meeting March 10, 2019

*Submitted by Loren Coon*

Meeting called to order by 1st VP Richter at 2:05pm with The Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag.

There were the following 12 members present: Lorne Coon, Ralph Richter, Dan Delaney, Scott Wendt, Chad Waybright, Bob Hill, Jim Green, Brant Messer, Tommy Bryant, Chris Robson, Stephen Gage, and guest, Jessica Armstrong.

The previous Minutes were read and accepted.

### **Upcoming Activities:**

- Antique Truck Historical Society held their annual dinner on March 9th. Ralph, Brant, Dan and Scott attended.

- Dan Delaney's 1972 Deuce-And-A-Half was selected as the featured Show Truck for the Long Branch Show, July 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - The MVPA National Annual Meeting/Show is in York, PA August 5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, depending on which source you use. MVPA members enter free. This was discussed even though we only went over this Spring's upcoming events, as it is one of the major ones this year.
  - Mattydale Militaria Show is April 7<sup>th</sup> 8:30 – 2:00, Factory Ave. VFW Post.
  - Syracuse Gun Show at the NYS Fairgrounds is April 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>.
  - Sussex County MV Show and Flea Market in Augusta, NJ is April 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>.
  - NY-Penn Spring Banquet, May 4th at Brook's House Of BBQ Rte. 7 Oneonta. \$15 per person (Member/Guest) This is a great way to catch up with members of the other Companies of NY-Penn.
  - East Coast Rally in Aberdeen, MD at Ripken Stadium is May 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. This show has unfortunately been declining, but Dan said that last year's was vastly improved. Perhaps, another visit is in order?
  - The Findlay, OH 32<sup>nd</sup> Armed Forces Day Celebration at The Hancock City, Fairgrounds is May 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. By all accounts, this is a great show.
  - Chad Waybright's M35A1 was featured on page 79 of the Spring 2019 issue of *Military Vehicles Magazine* and some good-natured fun was had at his expense about the write-up. It appears a paragraph was "left out" between when the NCARNG had it and when Chad acquired it. That friend was Brant Messer. However, The "friend" that was mentioned in the article was indeed Jack Downing.
- Next meeting will be May 5<sup>th</sup> at Chad's in Kirkville. Meeting adjourned at 2:42pm.

## HUDSON-MOHAWK MEETING MARCH 17, 2019

*Submitted by Stephanie Remmers*

Our monthly meeting was held on 3/17/19 at the Home Front Café with 25 members present. It was nice to see so many members present; we missed our members that were enjoying the warmer weather to the south. Many were dressed for the St. Patrick's holiday, thank you for spreading the spirit. We thank the Home Front Café & staff for hosting our meeting.

Member Joanne Carrazzone was the winner of our trivia contest this month. Thank you to Bob Muller for being so creative in the trivia question.

On May 4<sup>th</sup> – 4:30pm at Brooks Bar-B-Que will be the family night Banquet, we look forward to seeing everyone for an enjoyable evening of friends, food and visiting. This will be a great time to share our adventure plans for the summer.

If anyone is interested in t-shirts, hats, stickers or patches please contact Bill Lichliter for prices and availability. Bill's email; [william.lichliter@aol.com](mailto:william.lichliter@aol.com)

The Schoharie County Historical Society and Old Stone Fort Museum of Schoharie will celebrate the 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of their formation. In recognition of this event our group will be placing a Patrons Memory in their 2019 Season Guide. For more information about the years events at the Old Stone Fort please visit: [www.TheOldStoneFort.org](http://www.TheOldStoneFort.org)

There will be two 1943 Federal 606 trucks which were used by the Air Force being added to an already existing car collection of a local collector, Clifford Hay of Cobleskill. Congratulations Mr. Hay. Watch for additional information about a possible trip to see this collection.

Our chapter is planning our second bus trip to the Collings Foundation, 568 Main St, Hudson, MA (Stow, MA) on Saturday, October 12, 2019. We are very proud to have one of our own club members, Jim Mudge who will be part of the reenactment that day. Paid reservation are currently being accepted for member and one guest. If the bus is not full in June we will then open this trip up to non-members. For more information or to submit paid reservations contact Karl Remmers, email: [crazygram09@yahoo.com](mailto:crazygram09@yahoo.com) First come, first serve.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, April 14, 2019, 2pm at the Home Front Café, Altamont.



# TOUCH-A-TRUCK

MAY 18, 2019 • 9 AM - 2 PM

Empire State Aerosciences Museum  
250 Rudy Chase Drive, Glenville, NY 12302



A wide variety of vehicles on display including trucks, police cars, ambulances, fire, military, and antique trucks!

**RAIN OR SHINE**



This is a  
**HORN-FREE EVENT**



**This event is free and open to the public. The cost of food and raffle tickets is extra. Discounted museum admission available for \$5 per person or \$20 per family, maximum! A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Veterans Miracle Center.**

In cooperation with:



**A full day of education and fun!**

- ✓ **ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST**  
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM \$5 kids / \$8 adults
- ✓ **LUNCH**  
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM hamburgers, hot dogs, etc.
- ✓ **RAFFLE PRIZES**

**REGISTER TO BE A TRUCK EXHIBITOR AT NYTRUCKS.ORG**

## HAVE YA' HEARD THE NEWS?



### *It's Time for the 3rd Annual NY-Penn MVCC Spring Banquet!*

**WHERE:** Brooks House of Bar-B-Que Banquet Room, 5560 State Rt 7, Oneonta, NY 13820

*(Banquet Room is behind Restaurant; park in restaurant parking lot and walk down)*

**WHEN:** Saturday, May 4, 2019 4:30 – 7:30pm      Dinner served at 5:00 sharp

**WHAT:** All you can eat buffet including their famous BBQ chicken, St. Louis Pork Ribs, roast beef, three salads, coleslaw, rolls, NA beverages and make your own sundae.

**COST:** Just \$15/per person for member and one guest. Payment to be made to Stephanie Remmers, in person or by mail to Stephanie Remmers, 162 Brick Schoolhouse Rd, Berne, NY 12023

### **PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

*(Reservation cut-off 4/30/19)*

**ALL Companies welcome!**

*You may want to swing by the Norwich Car Museum,  
24 Rexford Street, Norwich, NY 13815  
This is a large museum so plan a few hours!*

*Sponsored Hudson Mohawk Chapter membership and the banquet committee*



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## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (PLEASE PRINT)

DATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/20\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MVPA Member Nr: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Vehicles: (yr/mfg/model)		

Check Affiliation:      A Company       Easy Company       Hudson-Mohawk Company   
    (Tri-Cities/Southern Tier)      (Central New York)      (River Valleys in proximity to Albany)

Membership will be opened to anyone who supports the purpose of this organization, and, who applies with payment of dues.

Membership dues are \$20.00 per calendar year.

Make checks payable to: NY-PENN MVCC and mail to:

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