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1800 Hours
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Under the Hood

Monthly E-Newsletter of the MVCSC



President's Corner

Happy to see we are returning to some sense of normalcy! I hope you each had a safe Memorial Day as we as a nation commemorated those who gave their lives to protect our freedoms.

The Aiken Memorial Day Parade was well-attended and the weather cooperated. Bob Young and the Augusta group were in attendance. Thanks to Bob for getting MVCSC registered. We had 8 vehicles ranging from a 5 ton tractor to the FAV. All were well received by the crowd.

Work in the Compound continues... upcoming events include Legion Post 21's 100th Anniversary, Myrtle Beach MOPAR car show, and American Heritage weekend.

As we get into summer, remember that heat can overcome you rapidly without much warning with deadly results. Please be aware and be careful.

Meanwhile, stay safe, thanks for what you do, and...

Keep 'em rolling!

Dave

REMINDER

The MVPA Annual Convention will be in South Bend, IN August 11-14, 2021.



MVCSC is an affiliate member of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association.

Minutes from 12 May 2021 MVCSC Club Meeting

Secretary Lee Porter called the meeting to order and led 11 members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Paul Daniels led the club prayer and moment of silence for POW's/MIA's. The 14 April 2021 minutes were approved. The secretary announced that the annual filings required by the IRS and SC Secretary of State had been completed on time.

Treasurer John Peck reported \$10,779 in savings and \$10,953 in checking as of 30 April. This included deposits of \$3,525 from the club's scrap metal efforts, and \$250 from McWhirter, Bellinger & Associates. John has donated \$3500 toward the \$7,000 purchase of

a 10K forklift from Federal Surplus to be used extensively and exclusively at the Compound. No reimbursements were requested. There was also no old or new business brought forward.

John Harris has received suggestions on the written safety guidelines being developed for securing artifacts, weapons, and vehicles during public events. The drafts will be used until finalized.

In the April/May issue of *Under the Hood*, David reported that MVCSC's presence at the Fort Jackson Car Show on 24 April had been well received. John Peck, car show POC, also indi-

cated that the club's value with Fort Jackson's Morale, Welfare & Recreation area continues to grow and more event opportunities are anticipated.

The club will be participating in the Aiken SC Memorial Day Parade on 29 May. Members/vehicles need to be in line in Aiken by 0900. John and David are event POC's.

Submitted by Lee Porter
 MVCSC Secretary

Note: There will not be a July issue of *Under the Hood*. However, June meeting minutes and a July meeting reminder will be distributed.



Paul's 1948 Gibson
Model D

**Paul's
advice to
young
adults:
"Pick a
service,
work with
people and
go to places
you would
not normally
go, and in
that process
of serving
grow the
h___ up!"**

Member Spotlight: 1SG (RET) Paul Daniels Vietnam War Veteran & Antique Tractor Collector



Who knew that an interest in antique Gibson tractors would lead to the MVCSC? For Paul Daniels, displaying a vintage Gibson at Columbia's annual Sparkleberry Fair introduced him to MVCSC members who were displaying military vehicles, and whetted his appetite for an Army truck. Seven years later, Paul and his 1952 M-37 are everywhere MVCSC goes!

Paul grew up on a farm in eastern North Carolina in a family that valued military service. Two brothers entered the Coast Guard, and another became a US Army engineer.

Paul enlisted in the Army in September 1966. Following AIT at Fort Lewis and further training at Fort Benning, he deployed to Vietnam as a Spec 4 in November 1967, where he was in-processed at Long Binh/Camp Bearcat with the 9th Infantry.

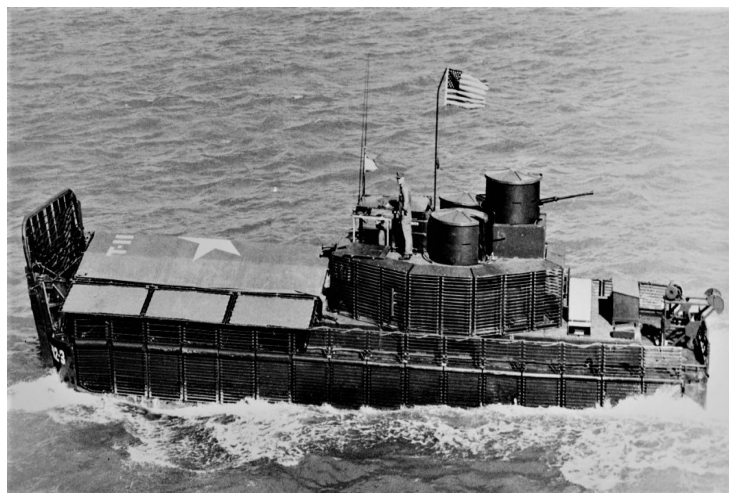
Paul was then assigned to the Dong Tan area as part of the Mobile Riverine Force, Co. E 4th Battalion 47th ID. Patrolling the Mekong River, his company was placed on old WWII landing craft upfitted with extra flotation, armor and weapons. He was wounded twice during combat, most seriously in April 1968.

Served on Mobile Riverine Force with Converted WWII LCP's

Following hospitalization in Japan, Paul spent the next 6 months at Walter Reed for surgery and rehabilitation. Paul's next assignment was back at Fort Lewis where he was in charge of a training platoon. During this time he graduated from drill sergeant school and made E-6. After re-enlisting, Paul went to Thailand in 1970 with the US Army Security Agency, which required top secret clearance. After returning to the states in 1971, he spent the next 4 years as a drill sergeant at Fort Polk and Fort Knox, the latter where he met his wife, Rita.

Now an E-7, Paul's experience was put to use as a tactical NCO at the Military Academy Preparatory School in Fort Belvoir from 1975-79. He next served in Crailsheim, Germany as a platoon sergeant with the 1st Armored Division from 1979-82, where he made E-8. Returning stateside, Paul continued in a training role at Stewart Air Guard Base and Fort Drum, NY with the Rainbow Division until coming to Fort Jackson where he served as First Sergeant in a basic training company until retiring in 1989.

Paul and Rita with their two children settled in Columbia, where he



worked for Spring Valley Hardware for 19 years, earning a degree from UofSC in retailing.

Since joining MVCSC 7+ years ago, Paul faithfully participates in all club events and workdays. Thank you, Paul, for adding your experience, wit, and wisdom to our unique family!



MVCSC at Aiken Memorial Day Parade

On 29 May, MVCSC members and friends represented the club at the Aiken SC Memorial Day Parade.

The parade drew large crowds on a beautiful day.

Thanks to MVCSC member and Aiken Mayor Bob Young for his hospitality!

Participants included: Marty Parler, Kimberley Byrd, Mike Michaelski, Bob Young, John Harris and friend April, Cullen Johnson, Kip Fordham, David Cartledge, Caroline & John Peck, Paul Daniels, Tony Saxton, Ron McManus, Allen Branham, Fred Cota and Matt Cota.



SAVE THE DATES!!

MVCSC will participate in the MOPAR "Bash at the Beach" classic car show on September 24-26, 2021 in Myrtle Beach, SC. Contact John Peck for more details.

The American Heritage Festival has been rescheduled for October 23-24, 2021 in Lake City, SC!! Please plan to participate. This is becoming a signature event for MVCSC!



Affiliations

MVCSC is incorporated in South Carolina as a nonprofit organization, and is recognized as tax exempt under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations are tax exempt to the degree allowed by law. MVCSC is an affiliate member of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association, an international organization providing technical support and historical research for local efforts in vehicle restoration and public education.



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← Recognition received from Ft Jackson MWR for MVCSC's participation in the April 2021 Car Show



Aiken Memorial Day Parade (L to R)
Matt Cota, Fred Cota, Allen Branham, Ron McManus