



MEDIA ALERT for SATURDAY, AUGUST 4 to THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

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Historic Military Vehicle Convoy Celebrates 70th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway Leaving Dawson Creek August 4 at 7:00 a.m.

WHAT: Over 80 historic military vehicles will leave Dawson Creek on August 4 in a convoy to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway. Convoy facts:

- Over 200 participants from the U.S., Canada, Australia, New Zealand, France and Belgium
- Length of convoy - 27 days / 4,100 miles / 6,600 km
- Official Launch Ceremony will be held at the Mile 0 Cairn in Dawson Creek on August 3 at 6:00 p.m. The public is invited.
- Convoy travels approximately 200 miles per day at approximately 35 mph / 56 km/hr., depending on road conditions. They purchase fuel, food and supplies along the way and stay overnight in local campgrounds and motels.

WHEN: Saturday, August 4, 7:00 a.m. Leaves Dawson Creek
Returns to Dawson Creek on Thursday, August 30

WHERE: Convoy will depart from the EnCana Events Center, Dawson Creek

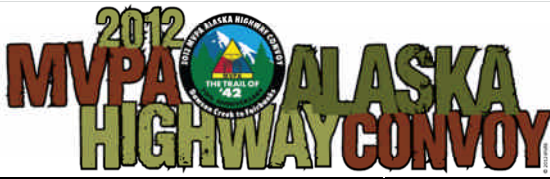
SCHEDULE: See attached **MVPA Convoy DAILY SCHEDULE – Aug 4-30**

VISUALS: Long column of historic military vehicles depart Dawson Creek and begin their convoy on the Alaska Highway. Many of the vehicles are WWII vintage – an excellent photo opportunity.

INTERVIEWS: Terry Shelswell, Convoy Commander
Jeff Rowsam, Executive Officer & Military Vehicle History Expert
Wendy Rowsam, Convoy Logistics & Public Relations Coordinator
Selected Convoy Participants Based on Your Interests

BACKGROUND:

MVPA's mission is to provide an international organization for military vehicle enthusiasts, historians, preservationists and collectors interested in the acquisition, restoration, preservation, safe operation and public education of historic military transport. The association has over 8,000 members worldwide and over 35 years as an organization.



AUGUST 4 / DAY 1	Milepost
Start - Dawson Creek	DC 0
AM Break - Taylor	DC 36.3
Fort St. John - passing through	DC 47
Lunch Stop - Shepherd's Inn	DC 71.7
PM Break - Pink Mountain	DC 140.4
Stop - Buckinghorse	DC 173
AUGUST 5 / DAY 2	
Start - Buckinghorse	DC 173
AM Break - Prophet River Air Strip	DC 217.2
Lunch Stop - Fort Nelson	DC 283
PM Break - Steamboat Mt	DC 335.7
Stop - Toad River	DC 404.6
AUGUST 6 / DAY 3	
Start - Toad River	DC 404.6
AM Break - Liard River Hot Springs	DC 477.7
Lunch - Allen's Lookout	DC 550.9
PM Break - BC Maint Yard	DC 582
Stop - Watson Lake	DC 612.9
AUGUST 7 / DAY 4	
Watson Lake	DC 612.9
AUGUST 8 / DAY 5	
Start - Watson Lake	DC 612.9
AM Break / Lunch / PM Break	Along the Way
Stop - Ross River	WL 226 + 7.5 miles
AUGUST 9 / DAY 6	
Start - Ross River	WL 226 + 7.5 miles
AM Break	WL 290.9
Lunch - Carmacks	Along the Way
Stop - Pelly Crossing	J 168
AUGUST 10 / DAY 7	
Start - Pelly Crossing	J 168
AM Break / Lunch / PM Break	Along the Way
Stop - Klondike River Lodge	J 298
AUGUST 11 / DAY 8	
Start - Klondike River Lodge	Km 0
AM Break / Lunch / PM Break	Along the Way
Stop - Eagle Plains	Km 369
AUGUST 12 / DAY 9	
Start - Eagle Plains	Km 369
Arctic Circle	Km 405.5
AM Break / Lunch / PM Break	Along the Way
Stop - Tombstone Territorial Park	
AUGUST 13 / DAY 10	
Start - Tombstone Territorial Park	
AM Break - Klondike River Lodge	Km 0
Stop - Dawson City	DO 0.2
AUGUST 14 / DAY 11	
Rest Day - Dawson City	DO 0.2
AUGUST 15 / DAY 12	
Start - Yukon River Gov Campgrd	D 0.2
Canada/US Border	D 65.7
Stop - Chicken	D 109
AUGUST 16 / DAY 13	
Start - Chicken	TJ 66
AM Break - Mount Fairplay	TJ 35
AM Break - Tok	T 0
Lunch	Along the Way
Stop - Glennallen	T 141

AUGUST 17 / DAY 14	Milepost
Start - Glennallen	G 2
AM Break	Along the Way
Lunch - Palmer	G 147
PM Break - Along the Hatcher Pass	P 0
Stop - Willow	A 69.6
AUGUST 18 / DAY 15	
Start - Willow	A 69.6
AM Break - AK Veterans Memorial	A 147
Lunch - Cantwell	A 210
Stop - Denali Grizzly Bear Resort	A 231.1
AUGUST 19 / DAY 16	
Denali Rest Day	A 231.1
AUGUST 20 / DAY 17	
Start - Denali Grizzly Bear	A 231.1
AM Break / Lunch / PM Break	Along the Way
Stop - Paxson	C 133.8
AUGUST 21 / DAY 18	
Start - Paxson	C 133.8
AM Break	Along the Way
Lunch & Program - Delta Junction	V 266
PM Break - Gerstle River Bridge	DC 1357
Stop - Tok	DC 1279
AUGUST 22 / DAY 19	
Start - Tok	DC 1279.2
AM Break - Northway	DC 1229
Canada/US Border	DC 1186.3
Stop - Beaver Creek	DC 1166.5
AUGUST 23 / DAY 20	
Start - Beaver Creek	DC 1166.5
AM Break - Donjek River Bridge	DC 1098.7
Lunch - Soldiers Summit	DC 1029.8
Stop - Haines Junction	DC 985
AUGUST 24 / DAY 21	
Start - Haines Junction	DC 985
AM Break - Champagne	DC 937.2
Stop - Whitehorse	DC 887
AUGUST 25 / DAY 22	
Whitehorse - Rest Day	DC 887
AUGUST 26 / DAY 23	
Start - Whitehorse	DC 887
Am Break - Jake's Corner	DC 836.8
Lunch - George Johnston Museum	DC 776.5
Stop - Rancheria Lodge	DC 687.2
AUGUST 27 / DAY 24	
Start - Rancheria Lodge	DC 687.2
AM Break - Watson Lake	DC 612.9
Lunch - Allen's Lookout	DC 550.9
PM Break - Coal River	DC 513
Stop - Liard River Hot Springs	DC 477.7
AUGUST 28 / DAY 25	
Start - Liard River Hot Springs	DC 477.7
AM Break - Toad River	DC 404.6
Lunch - Steamboat Mt	DC 335.7
Stop - Fort Nelson	DC 283
AUGUST 29 / DAY 26	
Start - Fort Nelson	DC 283
AM Break - Prophet River Air Strip	DC 217.2
Lunch - Pink Mountain	DC 141.4
PM Break - Shepherd's Inn	DC 71.7
Stop - Fort St. John	DC 47
AUGUST 30 / DAY 27	
Start - Fort St. John	DC 47
Passing Through Taylor	DC 36.3
Dawson Creek	DC 0

*AM/PM Break & Lunch Stopping Points subject to adjustment if needed to facilitate movement of the convoy.