



News from the Republic of Molossia



A Few Words from the President

Summer is upon us and here in Molossia it's a time of increased activity, a time when we go out and do things. To be sure, we're busy here year-round, but each season is a little different. Spring is a time for construction, improving our nation and the beginning of tourist season. Autumn is "parade season" and merges with winter as a time for holidays and family events. But summer is when we go out and do activities. Chief among these, of course, is our annual deployment of the Molossian Navy, usually to nearby Lake Tahoe - but perhaps this year to the Pacific Ocean! Also we travel afield with the Outpost Molossia camp, launch rockets at Misfit Flats, explore volcanoes and the list goes on! Molossia is a busy, active nation and we pride ourselves that we do real things in the real world. No virtual activities for us! So it's time for adventures and time for Molossia again to make it's mark on the world!



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Obscura Day 2015

30 May 2015 XXXVIII

On 30 May 2015 XXXVII the Republic of Molossia was proud to take part in Obscura Day 2015. Obscura Day is an extension of the website Atlas Obscura, which profiles and highlights unusual places around the world. On Obscura Day people are encouraged to explore unique places near to them, and in the Northern Nevada area the Republic of Molossia is one of those locations. After discovering the existence of Atlas Obscura and Molossia's profile on that website, His Excellency, The President readily volunteered our nation to be an Obscura Day point of interest. Therefore, on a warm Saturday morning we opened our borders to a special group of world explorers. Robin, Brad, Frank and Craig arrived to visit Molossia on this unique day, joined by long-time Molossia friend Jerry Jessop. Beginning at 10:39 AM MST, His Excellency, The President, The First Lady and the Chief Constable took our Obscura Day guests on a tour of our nation, seeing all



Touring Molossia



the sights and hearing all the tales of Molossia. After wandering our little country for an hour and a half, the group took their leave of our nation having had an excellent visit. We are quite proud to have taken part in this year's Obscura Day event and thoroughly enjoyed welcoming our visitors to Molossia. We look forward to Obscura Day 2016 and to more intrepid world explorers visiting our nation!

Our Obscura Day Visitors

A Quiet Founder's Day

26 May 2015 XXXVIII



Matt Roth Photo

The Republic of Molossia celebrated its 38th anniversary on 26 May 2015 XXXVII, albeit rather quietly. As compared to parties usually held to celebrate our nation's birthday, celebrations this year were low key. Founder's Day 2015 fell on a Tuesday, not the best day on which to hold a fête. Instead, a private family barbecue was held the day before, on 25 May. Besides the usual burgers and hot dogs, Molossian kids painted rocks to line the Trans-Molossia Trail and virtually everyone joined into a game of American football - our traditional sport of Molossian Broomball being skipped because the ball was missing. Following the barbecue there was a showing of the micronation-style movie "Passport to Pimlico", wrapping up the day's festivities. A public event, in loose conjunction to Founder's Day, will take place on Saturday, 30 May. This event will include a tour of the nation, as part of Obscura Day. Obscura Day itself is an extension of the website Atlas Obscura, which profiles unusual destinations around the world. Molossia is one of those places and we will welcome visitors to our country that day and show off our nation.

In the meantime, let's all wish a very Happy Birthday to the Republic of Molossia, our home, our land, our heart, mighty and magnificent!

Booming Tourist Season

9 May 2015 XXXVIII

Tourist season has started with a bang this year in Molossia with two back-to-back sets of visitors. On 2 May 2015 XXXVII Xinwen Zhang and Hongtat Tong visited us from Los Angeles, California and on 9 May, Meng Chen and Liang Zhao visited Molossia from Davis, California. The latter tour group was joined by some special visitors, the eldest son of the First Family, Mark Baugh, his lady Danielle and their two children, Lyla and Jade. On both days our visitors toured Molossia, escorted by His Excellency, The President, The First Lady and Chief Constable Alexis. They saw all the sights of our nation, including Red Square, Norton Park and the Tower of the Winds. The President as usual regaled our visitors with the story and culture of Molossia, ensuring they had an enjoyable sojourn in our nation. Finally, their curiosity about the world's smallest republic satisfied, our visitors returned to the United States, destined for adventures elsewhere. We are happy as always to have hosted these two groups of intrepid travelers in our nation and wish them well on their future pursuits.



Xinwen Zhang and Hongtat Tong.



Meng Chen, Liang Zhao, Joined by First Son Mark Baugh and His Family.

The Great Rattlesnake Hunt

3 May 2015 XXXVIII

Molossia is a desert nation, indeed just beyond the edge of tidy Red Square lies the untamed Great Basin Desert, home to sagebrush, jackrabbits, lizards - and rattlesnakes. On 2 May 2015 XXXVIII one of these desert predators encroached into the "civilized" portion of our nation, when a rattlesnake was discovered coiled in Red Square. It is not our policy to harm animals in general, so the invader was gently encouraged to leave Molossia. However he only made it as far as the shadowy depths under the Molossia Trading Company, where he remained for the night. The next day, 3 May, the rattler emerged to sun himself in Red Square and the stalwart guardians of Molossia leaped into action. His Excellency, President, The First Lady and the Chief Constable, ably armed with a rake, a curtain rod, a crawdad net and a lemonade pitcher, chased the rattlesnake around Red Square and environs. Eventually the snake was encouraged with a tap on the rump (if snakes have such things) into the crawdad net, and was thence deposited safely into the pitcher. After a reasonable period of snake and humans enjoying each others company, the snake was driven to a distant desert locale over the border in the U.S. There he was set free and slithered off into the sagebrush to pursue the happy life of a wild rattlesnake in the great Nevada desert.



Unhappy Rattler



Caught In The Net



Snake Capturer



Snake In A Bucket



Happy In The Wild

A Little Culture Note...



Cookie dough is a staple at "Cookie Dough Fests", traditional Molossian celebrations held in honor of any holiday or event Molossians want to celebrate. At a Cookie Dough Fest, Molossians eat copious amounts of cookie dough and watch (usually bad) scary movies. Any excuse will do, and they're always great fun!



come see us!



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May Calendar

VM (Victory Mustachistan) Day - June 8th
VM Day commemorates the victory of Molossia over the nation of Mustachistan in the war that took place in May - June 2006 XXIX.

Kaylin Harrison's Birthday - 21 June

THIS MONTH'S WEATHER

Molossia's weather is always gorgeous, with plenty of sunshine and temperatures year-round of 22° Celsius (72° Fahrenheit). However, our little country is surrounded by the US and they are so close, their awful weather invades frequently! So the weather report reflects both our weather and theirs.

	Molossia	US
Maximum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	30° C / 87° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	10° C / 50° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	20° C / 68° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	0 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

The arrival of June means that summer is officially upon us! Summer is the perfect time to take a moment and sit back, relax and enjoy the fruits of your labor. Here in Molossia we will sit in Red Square on a warm summer evening and look around and think wow, we created all of this! It's a wonderful feeling to celebrate your achievements and feel proud! Many high schoolers are graduating right now and feel that same sense of pride. For you Micronationalists out there, look around at what you have made, what are you most proud of? Share your achievements with us on Twitter @molossia. Everything we do starts small, when you build on your project daily or weekly it begins to grow. Before you know it, you'll have something amazing on your hands!

Thank you and until next time,
Make every moment count!

~Adrienne

