



### *A Few Words From The President*

The world beats a path to the door of Molossia! In spite of being unrecognized by the larger nations of the world, we certainly are recognized by our many visitors. Tourist season began on Saturday 21 April and we welcomed 25 visitors to Molossia from as far away as France and China. It was a great group of sojourners and we were happy to show them around our nation and tell all about Molossia. Coming soon, our next tour of Molossia will include a group of students from the nearby University of Nevada, Reno, perhaps as many as 60! And after that, Founder's Day always heralds a decent crowd - we are very popular! As the fans of our nation know, Molossia is in a one-sided competition to beat the nation of Nauru in number of tourists visiting - Nauru hosts around 200 a year, so our goal is to beat that, and we are well on our way. But above all we are proud that so many people desire to travel to our nation.



We may be small, but we have a lot to show off and we are more than happy to do so!

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## *State Visit and Tourists*

21 April 2018 XLI

Saturday, 21 April 2018 XLI was truly an exceptional day. Under a brilliant blue Molossian sky, His Excellency, The President, The First Lady and the Chief Constable welcomed our first tourists of the year, a mighty group of 25 visiting us from all over the world. Additionally, it was our honor to welcome Ambassador Dominique Garing of the Republic of Saugeais for a State Visit. Accompanied by Clara and Geoff, the Ambassador is traveling the world, visiting various micronations as part of a documentary project. As is customary, the State Visit began with a short ceremony in Republic Square, raising the flags of both nations over Molossia, followed by the playing of both national anthems and an exchange of gifts. After the ceremony the Ambassador and his companions joined the visiting tour group for a tour of our nation, seeing all the sights of Molossia, including Red Square, Norton Park, the



The President And The Ambassador In Republic Square

Molossia Railroad and our new Constabulary, wherein a few miscreants were briefly detained for bringing banned items into Molossia. Following the tour our other guests bid farewell to Molossia as they returned to their homes, and the Ambassador, Clara and Geoff sat down with His Excellency in the Office of the President to discuss Molossia and micronations in general. Thereafter, the Ambassador and his companions departed Molossia, thus ending a successful diplomatic meeting and a rousing tourist visit, an august day for Molossia indeed.



Mighty Tour Group

# The Molossia Constabulary

8 April 2018 XLI

It brings our government great pleasure to introduce and inaugurate our newest agency, the Molossia Constabulary. The Molossia Constabulary is the principal law-enforcement agency for the Republic of Molossia, charged with enforcing the laws and decrees of our nation and Our President, keeping our nation safe and secure and free from threats both foreign and domestic. The headquarters of the Constabulary are located just outside Norton Park, next to the Tower of the Winds and includes the Constabulary office, watch tower and jail. Adjacent to the Constabulary is the Merry Molossia Re-education and Rehabilitation Facility - otherwise known as the Molossia Salt Mine - wherein Molossia's political prisoners are gently guided back from their erroneous ways while producing quality salt for tables across our nation.



The Molossia Constabulary is staffed by our able Chief Constable, Alexis Baugh, who is ever-vigilant, guarding against who and whatever might endanger the peace of our mighty nation.



The Molossia Constabulary



Jail And Political Prison



Constabulary And Salt Mine

Ever Vigilant



Visiting Tourists In Jail for Importing Catfish



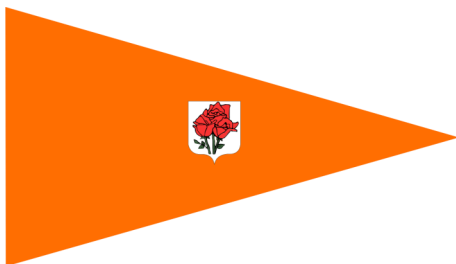
## The Molossian Navy



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## Rose Island - A Micronation In The Adriatic



The Republic of Rose Island (Esperanto: Respubliko de la Insulo de la Rozoj) was a short-lived micronation on a man-made platform in the Adriatic Sea, 11 kilometers (6.8 mi) off the coast of the province of Rimini, Italy.

In 1967, Italian engineer Giorgio Rosa funded the construction of a 400-square-metre (4,300 sq ft) platform supported by nine pylons, and furnished it with a number of commercial establishments, including a restaurant, bar, nightclub, souvenir shop and a post office. Some reports also mention the presence of a radio station, but this remains unconfirmed.

The platform declared independence on 24 June 1968, under the Esperanto name "Insulo de la Rozoj", with Rosa as self-declared President. Both Esperanto rozo (plural rozoj) and Italian rosa (plural rose) mean "rose". Soon afterwards Rose Island issued a number of stamps, including a stamp showing the approximate location of Rose Island in the Adriatic Sea. The purported currency of the republic was the "Mill" and this appeared on the early stamp issues, although no coins or banknotes are known to have been produced. This denomination was translated into Esperanto as "Miloj" on later stamp issues (it is unrelated to the Esperantist currency spesmilo).

Rosa's actions were viewed by the Italian government as a ploy to raise money from tourists while avoiding national taxation. Whether or not this was the real reason behind Rosa's micronation, the Italian government's response was swift: a group of four carabinieri and Guardia di Finanza officers landed on the "Isola delle Rose" and assumed control. The platform's Council of Government is said to have sent a telegram, presumably to the Italian government, to protest the "violation of its sovereignty and the injury inflicted on local tourism by the military occupation", but this was ignored.



On 13 February 1969, the Italian Navy used explosives to destroy the facility, an act later portrayed on postage stamps issued by Rosa's self-declared Government in exile.



## Around Molossia...



The President, First Lady and Chief Constable visited Donner State Park in California on 22 April to learn about the Donner Party tragedy that took place during the winter of 1846-1847. Trapped in the mountain snows for several months during their trek from Illinois to California, the desperate pioneers were eventually forced to resort to cannibalism before they were finally rescued.

## Upcoming Tours Of Molossia

Tours of our nation are currently planned on the following dates **only**:

- Saturday, 5 May 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST and 11:30 AM PST
- Saturday, 26 May 2018 XLI at 3:00 PM PST (Founder's Day, our nation's birthday)
- Saturday, 16 June 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 21 July 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 18 August 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 22 September 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST
- Saturday, 13 October 2018 XLI at 10:00 AM PST (last tour of the year)

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### MAY CALENDAR

**Boulder Day - May 1st - The day we moved that very large boulder, celebrated with meatball subs!**

**Space Day - 4 May (May the Fourth)**  
A rocket or rockets should be launched on or about this day if possible to celebrate the mighty accomplishments of our great space program!

**Founder's Day - May 26th - Founder's Day is Molossia's principal National Holiday. This day remembers the date, in 1977, when Molossia (then known as Vuldstein), first became a nation. Usually celebrated with a general get-together of all Molossians and a barbecue, all in Norton Park.**

### 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	27° C / 81° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	-3° C / 26° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	15° C / 53° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	16 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

## *The Last Word With The First Lady*

Hello all! What a whirlwind this last month has been! We had so much fun with our first tourist visit of the year! Everyone was pumped and excited to be here. Almost everyone had prior knowledge of Molossia and were able to ask questions while they were here. Many people exchanged money at the Bank of Molossia or bought souvenirs at the Trading Post. Spending money in Molossia is never required but as the years have gone by, we regularly hear tourists say, I wish you had this or that. So, we add it to our Trading Post racks. Almost everything you see is a direct response to a suggestion from a tourist. When planning your trip to Molossia, the first thing you should do is find a tour date on our website that's best suited your needs. Then, email the President an rsvp. Next, do a little research. The President always says, in every tour there is usually one Molossia enthusiast and the few people that they brought with them that know nothing of our country. I've been to a few places that I enjoyed visiting but later on found out more information that I wished I had known when I was there. Be sure to wear good shoes and use plenty of sunscreen. Our Molossia sun shines bright and if you have fair skin you may feel it later. Most of all, come with an open mind and heart. We want you to enjoy our little slice of the world. We sure do!



Thank you all and until next time.

Explore, smile and breathe the fresh air.

~Adrienne