



The Mustang

A Few Words from the President

Several times a month I get asked the same question, "how does one start their own nation". I never tire of this question, as often as it is presented, because it is asked by the future of micronationalism. Young people who, for whatever reason, are spurred to create a country from scratch. To these people I always say the same things, learn about other nations and use creativity and imagination to see where you can take your own. Creativity and imagination are driving forces in Molossia and are what have brought us this far. I admire these traits as shown by newer micronationalists and I always pledge to support their efforts as best as I can. Building a nation can be a challenging and rewarding project and I salute those that undertake it. I undertook this challenge over 38 years ago and I look forward what the future will bring for these new nations, for they are the future of micronationalism itself.



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Jack Black Visits Molossia

15 July 2015 XXXVIII

On Tuesday, 14 July 2015 XXXVIII, actor Jack Black visited Molossia along with an esteemed filmmaking team, including Jared Hess, Damon Ross, Keith Nelleson, Spencer Berman, Brandt Andersen and Dave Hunter. This talented group came to our country not only because it is a unique place to visit but also as part of preparation for an upcoming movie they will be creating, called "Micronations". Inspired in part by Molossia, Micronations will feature Jack Black as the reluctant minister of war for a Nevada-based micronation that comes into conflict with local law enforcement. It is bound to be as quirky and humorous as some of Jared Hess' previous movies, which include "Napoleon Dynamite" and "Nacho Libre". In spite of the afternoon heat, our visitors saw all the sights of our nation, including Red Square, Norton Park and the Tower of the Winds. The President of course regaled our visitors with the stories and culture of Molossia, including a few stories that are not normally part of the tour, ensuring they had an enjoyable stay in our nation. Finally, their curiosity about the world's smallest republic satisfied, our visitors returned to the United States, destined for adventures elsewhere. In the meantime, we all look forward to the future movie, bound to be a micronational adventure itself!



The Star Photographing The President



The President Welcomes Jack Black To The Border

Return To Cave Rock!

19 July 2015 XXXVIII

On 19 July 2015 XXXVIII, the mighty Molossian Navy returned to Cave Rock for the first time in three years, with a new mission. This first naval deployment of 2015 was tasked to explore the western shore of Lake Tahoe with a final destination of mighty Cave Rock itself. Cave Rock is the most prominent rock formation on the shores of Lake Tahoe, towering high over the clear lake waters. The prominence features several small caves and is sacred to the local Washoe Indian Tribe. A legendary cavern below the water is reputed to be the home of "Tahoe Tessie", Lake Tahoe's version of the Loch Ness monster.

On a warm July afternoon the Navy set out to explore Cave Rock. This deployment was historic as it included every vessel in our Navy, the M.S. Spindrift, Platypus, Bandicoot, Manatee and our newest vessel, the M.S. Wahoo. Indeed this was the maiden voyage of the Wahoo, first obtained by our Navy late last year. The Navy set forth from tiny Cave Rock Harbor, rounded the rocks and then sailed swiftly along the shoreline. It took about a half an hour for the flotilla to reach the base of Cave Rock, which towered over our tiny fleet. Resting beneath the rock, observations were made about the decreasing water level, Lake Tahoe also being a victim of the western drought. Further observations were made regarding the flora and fauna of the Rock and the old highway that rounded the Rock before the current tunnels were drilled through it. After pausing for lunch in the lee of the Rock, the Navy redeployed back to Cave Rock Harbor, completing a two-hour sortie upon arrival. Further explorations around the Harbor were made for another hour before the Navy ended their successful mission.

These sorties complete, the mission was declared a success, and our brave Navy retired from the waters, returning to Molossia.



The Navy Ready To Deploy



Setting Sail



Approaching
Cave Rock



The Rock
Towers Over

At The Base
Of The Rock



Returning
To Cave
Rock
Harbor



The Constable's Corner

by Alexis Baugh

Saluton! Let me tell you about our exciting month! First off, on July 14, the actor Jack Black came to see our exciting little nation! He came because Molossia was an inspiration for a movie that they are making. When this team first came up we shook hands with one and other and introduced ourselves. After we shook hands, they gave us cookie dough, because they knew about our money system. It was really exciting meeting such a great actor like Jack Black; he is a lot like his character in his movies, he was also very casual!

On July 19 our Navy had a mission to go to Cave Rock in Lake Tahoe Nevada!

It was fun kayaking around! Sometimes it can be scary and dangerous though. This is because we had to cross past the boat docks, with all the real boats trying to get in and out of the water! But luckily, they saw us and let us pass! Once we were already past the dock, the current was pushing us and our kayaks into the rocks! It was hard to get out but we did it!

Cheers!

<3 Alexis, The Chief Constable



July Journeys

3 July 2015 XXXVIII

As the sultry month of July barely dawned upon Molossia, our nation already hosted two separate groups of visitors, each eager to experience the world of our tiny nation.

On Thursday, 2 July, Jumbo, Joshua, David and Dieter visited Molossia as part of a tour through the western U.S. Hailing from Germany, the quartet were visiting various unique locales for a television show called Galileo on channel ProSieben. On a broiling summer afternoon the team visited with His Excellency, The President and the Chief Constable on various matters pertaining to micronations in general and Molossia in particular. They learned a bit about the history of our great nation and a bit more about our culture. The show host, Jumbo, even helped raise and lower the flag and swept Republic Square in anticipation of a State Visit planned the next day (that did not take place, unfortunately). After several hours the group departed Molossia for distant Elko, somewhat worse for the heat but having nevertheless had a good time visiting our nation.

On Friday, 3 July, Stana and Chris visited Molossia from their home in Mexico by way of a tour through the west for Stana's travel blog. In spite of the blazing heat 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 stories 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.



Joshua, David, Jumbo and Dieter



Stana and Chris

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August Calendar

- **Katrina Day - August 29th** - Remembrance day in honor of the victims of Hurricane Katrina, August 29th, 2005.
- **Carson Baugh's Birthday - 15 August**

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	37° C / 99° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	8.8° C / 48° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	22° C / 73° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	4.8 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

August is here and that means one month left of summer, then we return to the school year with normalcy and routine. What is normal? What might be normal to some might be highly different to others. Do you ever feel judged or made fun of because you are different than some people? Everyone can be the target of ridicule, if it's for your race, sexual orientation, size, shape, disability, intelligence, or even your hobby. Yes, sometimes people make fun of us because we have a flag and dress up, but you know what, that's ok. We keep our heads high and we know that the ignorance of others does not determine our self worth. As long as we have kindness and integrity in our hearts and the mind to keep moving forward then we are going in the right direction. I want all of you that are having a hard time to know that when someone is being rude to you and judging you for looking or being different, just keep going and know that their ignorance doesn't make you the person that you are. It is how we choose to react to situations that define us. So hold your head high and your flag even higher! Be the person you are supposed to be even if that doesn't conform to how "they" think you should be. Be true to yourself and you'll never go wrong.

Thank you all and until next time,

Put the awe in awesome!

~Adrienne

