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It's hot out there! But Molossians know how to keep cool – in July we deployed the Navy to explore the California coast and we plan on deploying the Navy again this month on another expedition to nearby Lake Tahoe. Besides keeping cool, this is all part of the normal activity of our nation, doing real things in real places. I often get the question from other micronations, what should I do with my new nation, once I've founded it? Activity is my answer. Nations are made up of people living lives and doing things. You should do the same. It can be any sort of activity – here in Molossia we like rocket launches, naval missions, parades – as long as it shows your nation is more than just a flag and an idea. Make it real by doing real things. That's what do, every day, here in Molossia!



Molossian Navy Coastal Study

19 July 2016 XXXIX

On 16 and 17 July 2016 XXXIX, the Molossian Navy deployed to the coast of nearby California, to conduct oceanographic studies. Being a largely landlocked Navy, the opportunity to explore the ocean rarely presents itself and when it does, our Navy jumps at the chance. The target of the Navy's explorations were the Northern California beaches of Patrick's Point and McKerricher State Parks. On 16 July the sailors explored the tide pools and shore at Patrick's Point, seeking out the marine life along the tideline there. On Sunday, 17 July, the explorers traveled down the coast to McKerricher State Park, near Fort Bragg, California. There they learned about tides and especially explored Glass Beach. This beach is made up of millions of tiny bits of glass, left over from when the people of Fort Bragg dumped their garbage into the ocean throughout the 20th century. Tides and waves wore the glass bottles to tiny pebbles, now comprising the entire beach. The Navy explored the beach, learning about ecology and environmental issues, as well investigating nearby tide pools. After visiting these two marine environments, the Navy wrapped up their expedition by traveling to

the exact spot on the Pacific Coast that lies on the same latitude as Molossia. At latitude 39° 19' 8.40" N, Jack Peters Gulch just north of Mendocino, our valiant sailors unfurled our flag

and with that wrapped up an amazing voyage of discovery to the Pacific Ocean.

Patrick's Point Beach

Molossia's Flag at Jack Peters Gulch





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Cordovia State Visit

2 July 2016 XXXIX

On 2 July 2016 XXXIX, President Ross Wilbanks of the Republic of Cordovia visited Molossia for the first State Visit between our two nations. Cordovia is currently located in Sacramento, California. Cordovia is nomadic nation, developing over the past ten years. Soon the nation will move to Maryland, to take up a more permanent home there. President Wilbanks arrived at 10:09 AM MST, accompanied by his head of his security. His Excellency and the President made the State Visit official by exchanging medals in Republic Square, after which discussions were held in the Office of the President pertaining to micronational matters and especially to the development of Cordovia. After discussions The President and Chief Constable took President Wilbanks on a tour of Molossia, accompanied by Heidi and Antonia, who were visiting our nation from San Jose. During the tour the group saw all the sights of our nation, and the ladies gave The President a special gift, "Molossia" inscribed on a grain of rice. A very unique gift indeed! Following the tour President Wilbanks, his security Chief, Heidi and Antonia bid farewell to Molossia as they returned to Cordovia and San Jose. Thus ended a successful diplomatic meeting, a milestone for both of our great nations.



State Visits - Who's Visited Molossia?

The Republic of Molossia has hosted twelve State Visits since 2008, but our first meetup with another micronation goes back much further, all the way back to November 2000 XXIII, when His Excellency, The President met somewhat informally with the Co-Monarchs of the Kingdom of TorHavn in Los Angeles. Since then micronationalists have traveled from many far-flung lands to visit our nation and meet with Our President. State Visits usually include a ceremony in Republic Square, the ceremonial heart of our nation, where the flag of Molossia is flown alongside the flag of the visiting nation. Sometimes medals or plaques are exchanged and speeches are given, marking the occasion. Then the visiting dignitaries are escorted around Molossia and shown the sites of our nation. Following this, His Excellency and his guests retire to the Office of the President, where conversation takes place regarding both nations and the micronational world in general. With a few exceptions the conclusion of talks also concludes the State Visit, and our visiting dignitaries take their leave, back to their home nations. Molossia has thus far been visited by President Ross Wilbanks of Cordovia, on 2 July 2016 XXXIX, President and Shogun Wyatt Larsen of Wyzantia, on 16 August 2014 XXXVII, Governor General Larry Robinson of the Republic of New Plimoth, on 21 June 2014 XXXVII, the Magistrate of Ponderosa Territory, Shaun Kasimir, on 17 - 18 August 2013 XXXVI, Her Majesty, Queen Anastasia of the Kingdom of Ruritania and Duchess Elizabeth Gretchen von Tarlenheim on 14 July 2013 XXXVI, Their Highnesses, Prince Arthur and Princess Zena-Antoinette of the Territorial House of Homestead on 25 - 26 May 2013 XXXVI, High Prince Harrison of the Principality of Venus, on 13 May 2013 XXXVI, the Grand Premier of the Socialist Republic of Hydrovia on 23 October 2011 XXXIV, King Montague of the Imperial Kingdom of Calsahara on 29 and 30 May 2011 XXXIV, King Christopher of the Kingdom of Vikesland, 27 - 30 June 2008 XXXI, and Grand Duke Paul of the Grand Duchy of Greifenberg, 21 April 2008 XXXI. In addition, The President has traveled to three State Visits outside Molossia, the aforementioned meetup with the TorHavn Monarchs in Los Angeles, a meetup in Las Vegas with the Honorable Nicholas Q. Fry, Premier of the Nation of Ambrose and His Royal Highness, Spence King of the Kingdom of Zarahemla in August 2003 and a meetup with Grand Duke Travis of the Grand Duchy of Westarctica in Washington D.C., 20 September 2005 XXVIII.







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Our National Symbols - Symbols of Pride!



The National Flag of the Republic of Molossia, called the Grand Triune, is made up of three horizontal bars of blue, white and green. The blue bar symbolizes both strength and the desert sky. The white bar symbolizes both purity and the mountains that make up much of Molossia. The green bar symbolizes both prosperity and the Molossian landscape, green after a spring rain.

National Bird: Valley Quail (Lophortyx californica)



The Greater National Arms of the Republic of Molossia consists of a shield, divided into three equal bars in the National Colors, blue, white and green. The shield is trimmed in blue and white, with a mustang, the State Animal, rampant, centered upon it. The shield is centered on a gold sunburst, symbolizing the setting sun, and the far west where Molossia is located. The sunburst is topped with a crown, hearkening to Molossia's origin as a kingdom, and three plumes in blue, white and green. A banner with the word "Molossia" is centered beneath the shield.

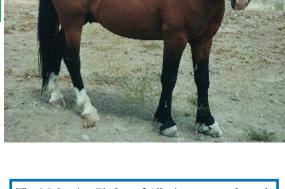


National Animal Mustang (Wild Horse) (Equus caballus)

The National Anthem of the Republic of Molossia is **Fair Molossia Is Our Home.** Music written by Simon-Pierre Boka Di Mpasi Londi and lyrics written by His Excellency, President Kevin Baugh.

Lyrics:

There's a place beneath the western sun,
A country proud, a nation next to none,
An oasis amid the desert sand,
Standing tall in this uncommon land.
From the mountains high down to the valleys wide,
Our flag of blue and white and green it ever flies,
Where hawks and mustangs roam,
Fair Molossia is our home.
Treasured land of wind and sage and mighty dreams,
Our country strong and free and proud, it reigns supreme,
Fair Molossia is our home,
Fair Molossia is our home.



The Molossian Pledge of Allegiance was adopted in May 2012 XXXV, written by His Excellency, The President.

I pledge allegiance to Molossia, my home, my land, my heart, mighty and magnificent, from Molossia I'll never part.

Republic of Molossia

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AUGUST CALENDAR

Katrina Day - August 29th - Remembrance day in honor of the victims of Hurricane Katrina, August 29th, 2005.

August Birthdays

Carson Baugh - 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	39° C / 103° F
Minimum Temperature	22° C / 72° F	7.7° C / 46° F
Average Temperature	22° C / 72° F	31° C / 88° F
Monthly Precipitation	0 mm	0 mm
Sunshine hours	Pretty much every day!	

The Last Word With The First Lady

Hello everyone! August has arrived and for many kids that means school will start soon. For many parents this is a great relief! Teens that have graduated in June will be going on to college, the military or whatever path that they have chosen for themselves. I enjoy new beginnings. I like to watch the excitement someone has for a new opportunity in their life. For many this is the first time they have control over what they want to do. Will they make the right choices? We don't know yet, but this is their chance to do things their way and to find out what works for them and what doesn't. Whether it's school, a new job, or moving into a new place, new beginnings takes place in many forms. If you see someone starting something for the first time go ahead and lend them a helping hand. Your advice and knowledge of the situation could come in handy to them. So, for all of you with a new start ahead, congratulations! Keep your head held high and your eyes on your goal.



Thank you all and until next time...

Make your own path and enjoy the journey.

~Adrianne