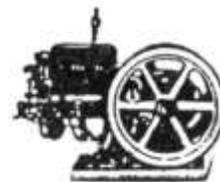


Newsletter



of the Badger Steam & Gas Engine Club

Fall, 2012 – Winter, 2013

Baraboo, Wisconsin

2013 Annual Meeting Is February 24

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Baraboo is once again the location for our annual meeting. Included with this newsletter is a meeting notice/annual financial statement. Driving directions to St. Paul's, the meeting agenda and Club calendar are also on that sheet. Please bring it with you for reference during the meeting. Parking is behind the church. The building opens at about 1 p.m., the meeting starts at 2 p.m.

Each year during this meeting, we consider all fees such as gate admission, yearbook price, shingle price, vendor space rents, and any other fees that we charge. Robert Hasheider will present a proposal, including initial planning of the route, to allow for the possibility of a future railroad project. Other business may be introduced from the floor.

After the business meeting, there is the election of officers. All incumbent officers have declared their willingness to serve another term. Directors serve a three year term, with only one directorship each year up for vote. This year, it is Neal Stone's position. Members of the nominating committee this year are Paul Grotophorst, Ron Schell and Paul Young. Pleased contact one of these committee members before the meeting if you wish to run for any of the offices or to nominate somebody else. Nominations from the floor are also accepted during the election.

Following the election, there will be a potluck meal and social hour, so please bring a dish to pass. Before and after the meeting, take some time to check out the selection of materials on sale from the Club Book Stand, courtesy of Barb and Dennis Young. Plans for the Club trip should be finalized by then, so you can sign up for that. There will be 2013 bumper stickers, poster, brochures, Swap Meet flyers, etc.

At right: Gary & Beverly Napiwocki of Amherst Junction created this lovely display of their 1947 Massey Harris No. 16 grain binder.

2012 Show Report

A little rain before the show, then a lucky break from the terrible heat and beautiful weather on the weekend all led to one of our best years ever for attendance. The gate count was 12,689 paid admissions. We had 1,156 registered exhibitors from 20 states and 2 countries: Alabama, California, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Virginia, Wisconsin, Canada and England. The Massey Expo feature was very nice, with some exhibits beautifully done with sheaves of grain. A big thank you is due to coordinators Mike Popp, Neal Stone and Tom Nelson for a job well done. Mike also wrote the Massey article in the year book, and provided the excellent vintage photos that accompanied it. The Massey feature alone had 377 tractors and/or implements from 16 states, England and Canada. This was the first year we had a parade on Friday, and the comment was made that the Friday parade was a "bit extemporaneous". Nevertheless, it seemed to be popular with the spectators. The shingle mill had record sales, the Flea Market was bustling as usual, and the Pop Stand also kept busy. Pie sales were brisk. The shuttles had heavy use all three days. For the first time, there were more vintage trucks than cars exhibited this year.



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Spring Swap Meet & Auction May 4 & 5 Get Your Auction Items Listed!

If you have engines, tractors or other related items you want to consign to the May auction, please contact Mark Beard, sooner rather than later, so these items can be included in the advertising for the sale. Pictures will be posted on the website, and some items already are posted there. Advertising increases attendance at the sale, and results in more competitive bidding. Items accepted for consignment are limited to steam/gas engines, tractors, related parts, implements and related literature. No consignment items will be accepted on the day of the sale, and all items will be sold. Contact Mark Beard for information and authorization. (608)356-6115

50th Anniversary Book

Yes, there is a 50th Anniversary Book in progress. **It will be a separate book from the 50th annual show book.** Barb and Dennis Young are working on this project and would appreciate some help. They are looking for stories from individuals about past shows, past members, amusing incidents, etc. Although there are a lot of pictures from past shows in the Club's collection, if you have good pictures from earlier shows, Club projects, etc. they would be interested in seeing them. Contact them at (608)524-6352 and/or bring your items to the annual meeting. Please label your photos or other items so they can be returned to you.

Annual Show Book

If you have photos from the 2012 show which can go in this year's annual book, please contact Louise Coates (608)764-5563 and/or bring them to the annual meeting. Please mark your photos or disks so they can be returned to you.

Lost & Found: Crystal Hasheider reported the following items still in the Lost & Found from the show: a watch and a set of truck keys. Contact her if you think these may be your items. A big thanks to Crystal, who has gone above and beyond handling the lost/found this year. After the show, she contacted people, arranged for shipping or pickup of items, and generally tried to find the owners for everything in that rather motley collection of items that get turned into the Office every year.

Exhibitor Banquet, 2012

October 13 was the date of the annual exhibitor banquet, which was at the Farm Kitchen of Baraboo. Only 64 people attended, the smallest turnout we have had in quite a long while. We were actually in a smaller room this time, but it was an enjoyable evening all the same. It's nice to have an occasion to see Club friends in a relaxed setting. We chatted, we ate, we chatted, and we had lots (LOTS!) of door prizes to distribute. Thank you to everyone who contributed!

Membership Report

Membership Secretary Crystal Hasheider has reported the following new members.

During August and September, we added these new members:

Paul Kohlwey - Rio, Melvin Gaetzke - North Freedom, David Hall - Wisconsin Dells, Jim Keats - Hawley, MN, Ronald Draeger - Juneau, John Holton - Camp Douglas, Dawn Miller - North Freedom, Beth Thompson - Baraboo, Charles Walesh - Two Rivers, Chris Olson - Baraboo, Dale Rathermel - Merrimac, Sauk County Historical Society - Baraboo, and Candace Schell - Merrimac

October brought Mark Stead of Platteville into our Club.

December new members included Gage Hill of Baraboo, Lloyd Koepfel of North Freedom, and Peter Mueller of Baraboo.

At the January meeting, Judith Curtin of North Freedom joined our ranks.

Help Wanted for 2103 Feature: Made In Wisconsin

Peter Holzman (608)635-7772 and Louise Coates (608)764-5563 are co-chairs of a committee that presently has no members. If you would like to help with the feature this year, please talk to one of them.

Spring Bus Trip 2013

The bus trip is presently a work in progress. I am still contacting possible tour destinations, but will have the necessary information at the annual meeting.
-- Louise Coates

Saturday Saw Day: October 20, 2012

Submitted by Don Blausey

A group of members got together to saw some logs donated to the Club. The group consisted of Lyle Opperman, Paul Grotphorst, Doug Johnson, John Rowsam, Dave Fuller, Don Blausey, Dale Knuth, Dennis Knuth, Duwane Knuth, Jim Turner, and Kathy Blausey. Kathy provided the crew with a chili and cornbread lunch. Other crew members brought all the beverages, condiments and desserts. It was a lot work, and I thank everyone for helping. I would also like to thank the person who donated the logs* and the person who hauled them to the show grounds. They were nice size white pine logs that were in decent condition. We made everything in boards that can be used for future projects on the show grounds. In total we made 2,800 board feet of lumber. I am not sure what the current price for pine boards is right now, but I am sure it is at least \$1.00 b/f. Now that the sawmill is working o.k., we are looking for decent logs to saw. Pine would be our first choice, but if you have something, please contact one of the officers and let them know what you have. The biggest concern would be foreign objects (nails, climbing teeth, bob wire, etc.) that will damage the saw teeth.

** The logs were donated by Craig Lothe, who also arranged for hauling for just the cost of the fuel. Thank you Mr. Lothe!*

Recent Deaths

Frederick R. "Fritz" Slama, age 89, of Hillsboro, passed away on January 4, 2013 at Lakeview Health Care Center in West Salem, WI. He was born in 1923 to James and Tillie (Herdlika) Slama at Trippville, WI and graduated from Hillsboro High School. He was united in marriage to Ramona Smith in 1949. He was a charter member of the Badger Steam and Gas Engine Club. Fritz was involved for many years with the Hillsboro Farm Service, which later became Hillsboro Equipment. He worked as a mechanic and salesman and later became an owner of the dealership. His enjoyment of John Deere machinery continued into retirement. He was also active in the community as a volunteer fireman, eventually becoming Fire Chief, and he served on the Hillsboro City Council. He is survived by his wife, Ramona of Hillsboro; children Don (Joann) Slama of LaValle; Merry (Don) Preston of Union Center, Lori (Ross) Plucker of Lennox, South Dakota and Nancy (Bill) Niemczyk of Novi, Michigan; 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. He was

preceded in death by his parents and two sisters. Burial was in the Mount Vernon Cemetery in Hillsboro.

Henry "Heinie" Wedekind, 77, of Baraboo, died October 7, 2012 at St. Clare Hospital in Baraboo. He was born in 1934 in Baraboo, the son of Henry and Mabel St. Clare Wedekind. He graduated from Baraboo High School. In 1956, he married AnnaBelle Hames in Wisconsin Dells. He worked for Utility Transformer in Baraboo for 25 years, and then worked as a supply sergeant at Truax Field in Madison until retirement in 1995. After retirement, he worked as a Ho Chunk Casino security guard. He joined the Club in 1995, because his son Lowell was already a member. They bought a Farmall tractor from a neighbor, which they lovingly restored and have exhibited at the show each year. Henry is survived by his wife, AnnaBelle; his son Lowell; daughters Debra (Greg Pope) Wedekind, and Barabara Wedekind, and brother, Phillip (Shirley) Wedekind, all of Baraboo, and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Christian, Art, Ed, John, Victore and Robert, and a sister, Frances Alley.

Doris Young of Hillpoint (Bear Valley), age 89, passed away on October 26, 2012 at Schmitt Woodland Hills in Richland Center. Doris was born on September 2, 1923 at home in Ontario, WI, the daughter of Floyd and Agnes Hadley Perkins. She was united in marriage to Walter Young in 1940. Doris and Walter were involved with the Club from its beginning, and she became a member ca. 1970. She started the flea market with two vendors and it quickly grew. Doris was a homemaker, farmer, and also had a lunch wagon for auctions. She also worked at Badger Ordnance. Doris is survived by daughters Bonnie Clift and Rita Gulsrud (pie ladies at the Badger show), and Rebecca Blinston; sons Duane Young and Jack Young; special nephew Richard Young, 10 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, 4 great great grandchildren, many other relatives and friends. Doris was preceded in death by her husband Walter, sons-in-law Smokey Clift and Kevin Gulsrud. Burial was held at Bear Valley Brown Church. *Submitted by Bonnie Clift*

Recent Donations to the Wood Shop

Submitted by Lyle Opperman



This Dunlap 11" jig saw was built during the Second World War. This was a Sears brand and was put on the market about 1941. It was donated to the Club by Ken Weber of Baraboo.



Buffalo Forge Co. of Buffalo, New York built the post drill shown above. It is a little different because the flywheel is mounted horizontally instead of vertically. It was donated by David Kuester of Antigo.

Not shown, is a Canedy-Otto Manufacturing Co. post drill built in Chicago Heights, IL. It is a Model #19 flat belt drive. It was donated by Earl Petzke of Baraboo. Art Woodward of Rio donated a small amount of red cedar boards to be used for Club projects.

Membership Meeting Reports:

August 8, 2012

About 72 members and guests were present. A card of thanks from the Antique Truck Restoration Club was read by President Coates. They will use the grounds again next year. The burning ban has been lifted in Sauk County. The use of charcoal grills and camp stoves will be allowed in the camp ground. Ticket dispensing machines have been repaired and security equipment is being installed in the ticket booth. David Beard will be working with Steve Thompson to set up Print Shop equipment. A motion was made to dedicate the 2013 show book to Neal Stone. MC. The Club's Eagle engine magneto is out for repair. Mark Beard will check for its return to the Club. A possible change in the shuttle route to be closer to the Fuller & Johnson Museum was discussed.

September 19, 2012

About 44 members and guests were present. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Coates. Treasurer Bill Klemm reported paid gate attendance was 12,689 for the three show days. Membership Secretary Crystal Hasheider reported 11 new members since the August 8 meeting, bringing the total membership to 779 members. One of the concerns about this year's show was the number of power vehicles on the grounds without handicap tags. Don Evenson, speaking for the Yellow Thunder Radio Club, requested renting one half of the Feature Building for their show and swap meet. Their club will show proof of liability insurance. Their show will be August 23 & 24, 2013. The board approved the request. Gate admission policy was discussed. Members 65 and older are admitted free. Members under 65 not working or exhibiting are to pay the ticket price. President Coates read a letter from the Massey Collectors thanking the Club for our co-operation and hospitality. Paul Young requested additional 40"x48" pallets for storing firewood. Mark Beard reported a donation of white pine logs from Craig Lothe for the Club to saw into lumber.

November 21, 2012

About 23 members and guests were present. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Coates. A cash donation to the Club from Edwin Greene was noted. A Hart Parr engine manufactured in Madison will be part of the 2013 "Made in Wisconsin" feature. It is an inverted single cylinder engine, owned by Don Selmer. The Empire Tractor collectors will also be exhibiting at the show. Allen Steele reported that Don

Winchell donated a line shaft from the Stieber Machine Shop. Crystal Hasheider reported the passing of long time Club member Doris Young. Paul Young announced that the 2013 Kids Day will be May 17.

January 16, 2013

About 26 members and guests were present. A motion was made to dedicate the 2014 show book to Peter Holzman. MC. Chuck Schaffer of the Upper Midwest Blacksmith Association presented a request to use the Blacksmith Shop the second weekend of August. This would be to present a demonstration of blacksmithing for its members, several of whom are also members of our Club. A motion to approve this was made and carried. Verne Kindschi reported that several Thank You cards were received from the Youth Steam Engine Project participants. A nominating committee was appointed for the upcoming annual election of officers: Ron Schell, Paul Young and Paul Grotophorst. Changes in shuttle routes and signage were discussed. President Coates gave a "thank you" to Allen Steele and Paul Young for their snow plow work at the grounds. A commercial four side wood shaping plane donated by Norman Nobbs has been delivered.



New for the 2012 show, this cool sign for the Pop Stand was made by Ken Weber of Baraboo.



Some Massey exhibitors made themselves at home at our show – a little shade, plant some flowers... Honey, where's the remote?

Club Calendar and Dates to Remember

Membership Meeting Dates: Third Wednesday of the month at 8 p.m., except August.

March 20, April 17, May 15, June 19, July 17, August 7, September 18, November 20, 2013 and January 15, 2014.

Membership Meetings are held at the Baraboo Civic Center, 124 Second St., Baraboo, WI in **Room 14 (Note: changed from second floor rooms we used previously)** from November through April. From May through September, meetings are held in the Women's Events Building at the show grounds on Sand Road. **Executive Board meetings** are held at 7 p.m. on regular meeting evenings in the same room, if members care to attend.

Annual Meeting - February 24, 2013 St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Baraboo

Club Bus Trip - late March/early April, 2013 (to be announced)

Spring Cleanup Day - April 20, 2013

Annual Swap Meet - May 4-5, 2013

School Kids Day - May 17, 2013

49th Annual Show - August 16, 17, & 18, 2013

Exhibitor Banquet - October, 2013 Farm Kitchen, Baraboo

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Director: Paul Hasheider 608-522-4277

Director: Neal Stone 608-254-7195



At right: This 1969 Arctic Cat limo was built by a dealer in Tomah in 1976. Present owner Al Nowciki of Necedah bought it in 2000 and restored it. He says it needs a lot of room to turn.

2012 Show Photos



Joe Poncelet of Lake City, MN exhibited his 48 hp 1917 Wallis Cub, complete with the little cub in front, which indicates the direction of the front wheel for steering.



Looking like a rocket built for a trip to the moon from somebody's backyard, this New Idea mounted corn picker had to leave its nosecone behind for the parade. It belongs to the Armstrongs of El Paso, IL.



Sooo, the big question here is which one is really man's best friend? The dog or the tractor?? Chris Kessel of Gardners, PA parades his 1941 Model 81 Massey Harris.



Stan Johnson's Fuller & Johnson field service truck (#7) is very sharp. If you need service for your F & J engine, just phone Badger 25. And Stan, we can't wait to see trucks 1 thru 6...



There were some Massey Harris gas engines scattered around the grounds. This 6 hp is owned by the Dan Janke family of Westfield.



Resembling the portable lab of a mad scientist, Paul and Heather Kohlwey's exhibit of Delco light plants, fans, radios and other antique electrical items offers plenty to look at.

