

Newsletter



of the Badger Steam & Gas Engine Club

Fall, 2009 - Winter, 2010

Baraboo, Wisconsin

Annual Meeting Is February 28

This year the annual meeting will once again be at St Paul's Lutheran Church at 2 p.m. on Sunday, the 28th. Driving directions to the Church are included in the annual meeting notice/annual financial report enclosed with this newsletter. The 2010 meeting schedule and Club Calendar are also on that sheet. Please bring this sheet with you to the annual meeting for your reference.

Topics of discussion for this meeting will include a proposal to raise the gate admission price to \$7.00 for the 2011 show. The Executive Board has also approved plans for two buildings for presentation to the membership for voting. The first is a sawmill building to house the sawmill donated to the Club last year, and also a Women's Building, to be located next to or near the Craft Building. Money has been donated to the Club toward that project by Jean Brew and her sister Jan.

The election of officers will follow the business meeting. Since the recent resignation of Tammy Pate Rudolph, our interim Recording Secretary has been Peter Holzman. He will be a candidate for that office. All other incumbent officers are standing for reelection as of this writing. Neal Stone's directorship is the one up for vote this year. The nominating committee this year is composed of Don Blausey, Tom Ripp and Mark Beard. If you are interested in running for office or want to propose a candidate, feel free to contact one of these men before or during the annual meeting. Nominations will also be taken from the floor during the election.

The Spring Bus Trip this year will be to Case-New Holland (CNH) in Racine, Yerkes Observatory in Williams Bay, and the Wisconsin & Southern Railroad Roundhouse in Janesville. Sign up and payments can be made before and after the meeting. The bus is

about half full already, so you may want to call to get on the list before the meeting if possible. See p. 2 for more information.

Dennis and Barb Young will have a selection of books and more from the Club Book Stand available, so be sure to check out what's new. Thank you to the Youngs for this extra effort on their part every year!

Some members still have not paid for their complimentary tickets for the 2009 show. See Treasurer Bill Klemm before or after the meeting to do this.

A potluck meal and social time will follow the election of officers, so bring a dish to pass. The kitchen will be available to us to heat or refrigerate your contribution if needed.

Show Directories Available

The Club has ordered a limited number of 2010 show directories which will be available to members for the reduced price of \$11.00 at the annual meeting. These will be available at the Club table when you first come in the door.

Important: New Insurance Requirement for Gators, Golf Carts for 2010

Members and exhibitors need to be aware that a change has been made in the use of personal motorized vehicles (gators, mules, golf carts, ATVs, etc.) for the 2010 show. The Club is now requiring proof of insurance and proof of handicap or a doctor's excuse to obtain a permit to operate these vehicles on the show grounds. Motorized wheelchairs or power chairs are exempt from this requirement, and do not need permits.

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Spring Trip Planned For April 7

The first stop on this year's trip will be at the Case New Holland Plant in Racine. This will be a 2.5-3 hour walking tour of the tractor and transmission assembly lines and the machining area. The Case IH Magnum and New Holland T8000 Series tractors are assembled at this plant. No cell phones are allowed on the tour and no pictures or videos may be taken. A valid i.d. must be shown to enter the facility, and of course you will need comfortable walking shoes. No open toed shoes, sandals or high heels are allowed. No one under the age of 14 is allowed. A new consideration with this tour is that there are several induction hardeners in the plant, which create an electrical halo effect similar to a microwave. If you have a pacemaker/defibrillator you need to advise the tour guide so these areas can be avoided. There is a company store which may be available after the tour if time allows. It features CNH, Case IH and Case New Holland merchandise. Depending on how the time works out, we may be able make a quick stop at one of the local bakeries for a chance to buy a genuine Racine kringle as we head out of town to the next stop.

Due to tight scheduling, it looks as though lunch will be eaten on the bus as we travel to Williams Bay for a visit to Yerkes Observatory. Built in 1897 for the University of Chicago, the facility houses the world's largest refracting telescope (40 inches). We will spend an hour there touring the inside and outside of this beautiful old building, and will be able to look at, (but not through!) the famous telescope which is housed in a 90 ft. dome. Photos and video are permitted. There is also a gift shop at this location after the tour is complete. Visit their web site for a great image gallery and more information.

http://astro.uchicago.edu/Yerkes/

The third stop will be at the Roundhouse of the Wisconsin & Southern Railroad Co. in Janesville. Built in 1905, it houses one of the few railroad turntables still in use today. If we are lucky, we may actually see it in operation. Pictures/videos are o.k. at this location. Check out their website www.wsorrailroad.com The "Fan Page" has a very nice gallery of historic and current photos. The

"Resources" page has a pdf of the Roundhouse brochure. Supper will be at the Old Country Buffet in Janesville, after which we will head back to Baraboo.

The tour price will be \$48.00 per person, and includes transportation, lunch, dinner, admissions, tax and tips, based on a minimum of 45 participants. maximum for the tour is 56 people. If the bus fills up, a waiting list will be established. Last year, most of the people on the waiting list were contacted and offered a seat on the bus, due to cancellations. The bus has a restroom, and restrooms will be available at all tour stops. Payment should be made at the time of the annual meeting. Make checks payable to Badger Steam and Gas Engine Club. If mailing your payment, send to Louise Coates, 223 N.Main St., Deerfield, WI 53531. Please include contact info and your mailing address so the confirmation and itinerary can be sent to you about 10 days/one week before the trip. You may call (608)764-5563 to be added to the tour list before sending payment.

2009 Show Pictures



This fabulous, beautifully restored 1912 Case Type M automobile has a 40 hp engine and comes complete with a monocle wind screen. It is owned by Jim and Audrey Stark of Oconomowoc.



Always a favorite – the Case 10-20, complete with arrow to point the way. This tractor was so shiny it was difficult to get a photo!



Jim and Sharon Laufenberg of Vesper, WI brought their 1927 12-20 Case.



At our show for the first time this year, Jim Turner's IHC Mogul 45 was sure a crowd pleaser.



A very handsomely restored 7 h.p. Stickney like this is a welcome visitor at any engine show.



This International L.P. Gas W-450 gleams in the noonday sun, waiting to star in the 2010 IH Feature. Owner is unknown.



We always thought they grew their crops high in Iowa, and now we know. This Case 830 High Crop belongs to Doug and Barb DeShaw of Hopkinton, IA.



Jim Moffat of Modesto, IL brought this fine collection of hog tools for the Great Hog Oiler Roundup



This wonderful display of hog oilers attracted a lot of admirers during the show. It was brought by Willi Matznick of New Holstein, WI.



Above: Allis Chalmers ½ scale D-15 Series II Birdcage tractor, owned by Jack Gustafson. Right: A Haas Model A on parade at the show.



Part of the incredibly fine Case steam engine lineup at the show faces the morning sun.



Jean Brew once again provided displays and talks for the women who attend our show. This time it was aprons like we remember Mother (or Grandmother!) used to make and wear.



Recent Deaths

Craig Clement, age 81 of Reedsburg, passed away on September 6, 2009. He and his son George have been Club members since the early 1990s, collecting tractors and other machinery. Craig was the son of Elmer and Chloe Agnes (Holloway) Clement of Baraboo. He married Elizabeth C. Young of Boscobel in 1955. Craig was a musician and dancer. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Elizabeth in 2001, and brothers Floyd and Richard. He is survived by his son George of Reedsburg, and by two grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, his brother John of Elroy, sister Agnes Clement-Dahl of Middleton, and other relatives and friends. Alvin Klitzke of Baraboo died on November 4, 2009 at age 80. His parents were William and Edna (Schrank) Klitzke of Reedsburg. Alvin worked as a farmer all his life, except for his time in the Army during the Korean War. In 1955, he married Victorien Wilkinson, and they farmed in Mazomanie and later in Reedsburg before moving to Baraboo in 1966 where he farmed for the rest of his life. He has been a member of the Club since 1987. He is survived by his wife Vicky, sons Joey Klitzke of Baraboo (also a Club member) and Gregg (Terry) Klitzke of Baraboo, a daughter Bonnie (Charles) Eastman of Madison, five grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, brothers, sisters, and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Elaine Newbury of Brown Deer.

Recent Donations

A donation of money was received from Jean Brew and her sister Jan to be used toward a Women's Building. Dan Griffith donated to the building fund. Jim and Audrey Stark donated to the general fund. The Wayne Hatz family donated a shaving horse, snow fence maker and a pliers collection on a display board Pete and Mary Fargen of Hillpoint donated a Portage Boat and Engine Co. 2 cylinder engine.

Membership Meeting Summaries: August 12, 2009

About 48 members and guests were present. The new entrance gate shack will be ready by the show. There is a new fuel containment by the bundle wagon building.

Fire extinguishers have been ordered. Concrete has been put in by the ticket booth, which has been painted. Three new street lights have been installed. Pete Holzman reported on the Case feature. Two semi loads of tractors, three loads of machinery are coming. Maggie May will be at the show on Saturday p.m. The Case banquet will be at the Farm Kitchen. Robert Hasheider reported on the Case steam engines – 15 engines will be coming, with every horsepower bracket except the 150 represented. Two semi loads of threshing equipment are coming. Exhibitors from Washington state and Florida are expected for the Great Hog Oiler Roundup. A hog oiler tee shirt is also available in the book stand. Buttons will be here for the show, hat tacks and plagues are here and the show book is done. Members were reminded to sign up on the job board. Mike Spahn's 80 & 110 hp Case engines will be steaming corn in Waunakee on Saturday. The 110 will be moving to the grounds on Thursday. The new gate shack was built by T & E Co. (Trial & Error Co.) and the painting was done by D & D Co. (Drip and Drizzle Co.) The sound system is still going up. Broken wires and speakers were fixed, more speakers were added to cover more of the grounds. There will be an all-girl sawing team again on Saturday p.m. Marvin Rustand is coming to saw. The oats wagons are being loaded Aug. 13, 14, 15. The garbage packer is coming. Porta pots have been ordered. Motion to have requirement of proof of insurance for gators, golf carts, etc. for the 2010 show. MC

September 16, 2009

About 48 members and guests were present. Craig Clement passed away earlier this month. Show did very well this year. Record attendance on Saturday. The Case feature went well. The Case people were happy with the grounds, our show. We received a thank you letter from the J.I. Case Collectors Club, and a letter and donation from one of the Case collectors. The Hog Oiler Roundup went well also, with 307 hog oilers on display. Some exhibitors want to display again next year. Because of the large crowd, food vendors were running out of food on Saturday, and there were electrical problems. The flea market was sold out and about 50 vendors were turned away. There 287 paid campers this year. Some gravel is

needed on the camping area roads, by Schellenberger's for example. Deep spaces are needed for the big units. We need to finish clearing all 300 camp sites for the 2010 show. Speed signs and no parking signs needed for campground. Questions about campers in exhibit area: who should pay? Most do not pay. How many campers per exhibit? More benches are needed. Motion made to make another 20-25 benches. MC. The new exhibitor entrance road causes problems for the neighbors – dust in particular. A motion was made to move the road to the center of the lot. MC. Complimentary tickets can be redeemed. A sunscreen is needed at the ticket booth for the a.m sun.

November 18, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Coates. A letter of resignation from Recording Secretary Tammy Rudolph Pate was read. Peter Holzman was appointed to act as interim secretary to finish the term. Member Alvin Klitzke passed away recently. Neal Stone reported that Massey Harris has selected our club to host their 2012 convention. Paul Young reported that clearing for the east road is continuing. Steve Roudebush and Allen Steele have started plans to move and permanently install the Club's large diesel engines. Mark Beard, Paul Hasheider and Bill Klemm will work with Jean Brew to plan a women's building. Kevin Haarklau moved to put money donated at the August show in a building fund for women's events building, seconded by Anne Beard, MC. Lyle Opperman suggested a small building to store show set up items. Paul Hasheider reported several items were donated by the Wayne Hatz family. Kevin Haarklau had pictures of a Portage Boat and Engine Co. 2 cylinder engine donated by Pete and Mary Fargen of Hillpoint. There will be another belt buckle sold for the 2010 show. David Fuller reported a possible donation of a Hamilton Corliss engine. Kids Day will be on May 14.

January 20, 2010

There were 27 members and guests in attendance. Tory Strauss of Sun Prairie spoke to the group about his plan for a tractor registry, and asked for input on how to go about it. He is involved with a new show at Angell Park, which will be on September 12 this year. There was an update on Bob Nobbs. Dave Fuller reported on the Corliss engine trip. The engine is in

good condition. Paul Grotophorst checked on the oil leak on the chore tractor. It is not serious, so it is o.k. to use the tractor. Show directories will be available at the annual meeting for \$11.00. Volunteers for this year's nominating committee were Don Blausey, Tom Ripp and Mark Beard. Louise Coates gave a brief report on the Club bus trip. Maggie May wants to perform on either Friday or Saturday evening, after show hours. The 2011 show book will be dedicated to Paul Grotophorst. Kids Day will be bigger than ever this year, with 40 kids from the Dells coming in addition to the Baraboo schools. Plans for the proposed sawmill building were on view after the meeting.

Club Calendar and Dates to Remember

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

March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16, July 21,

August 11, September 15, November 17, 2010 and January 19, 2011.

Membership Meetings are held at the at the Baraboo Civic Center, 124 Second St., Baraboo, WI in Room 24 or 26 from November through April. From May through September, meetings are held 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 28, 2010 Club Bus Trip – April 7, 2010 Spring Cleanup Day – April 16, 2010 (tentative) Annual Swap Meet – May 1-2, 2010 School Kids Day - May 14, 2010 47th Annual Show – August 20, 21, & 22, 2010 Exhibitor Banquet – October 2010

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