

Newsletter



of the Badger Steam & Gas Engine Club

Fall, 2011 Baraboo, Wisconsin

2011 Show Report

The September membership meeting is always fairly well-attended, because everyone wants to know how the show went. And this year, the show went quite well. The weather was cooperative for the most part, and attendance was about what it has been over the past few years, with 10,453 attendees this year. The attendance on Friday this year was a record (for Friday). Sunday was a little slack, which seems to be the trend at many shows now. Saturday was, as usual, the biggest day. There were 1,070 registered exhibitors, from 11 states and two countries. We had exhibitors from Florida, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and of course, Wisconsin, as well as from England and Scotland.

The **Flea Market** had 340 vendors this year, about 90% of capacity. This is in line with the past few years. Thank you to Flea Market Managers Stan and Sandy Johnson for your hard work and generosity. **Pie sales** were brisk, and sold out entirely. The **Book Store** sales were good, but Dennis Young says that printing costs have become so high that it is hard to discount the books for the store. **Shingle sales** were successful, and the **Pop Stand** did well also. Friday was a bit steamy in the afternoon, so that probably helped. Show books sold well this year, with only about 50 left at the end of the show. We will order a few more again next year. We will also need to order more show buttons for next year, as they ran low this year.

The **John Deere feature** was really terrific and very interesting. Art Woodward, John Friske, Paul Hasheider and their helpers did an excellent job. Thank you to all who exhibited and helped with the feature setup. The displays of JD equipment were especially well done and provided a very nice variety to the exhibit.



This 1920 Model N Waterloo Boy was restored by Dale Vogel (driver) and is owned by Carol (Vogel) and Craig Johnson of Rochester, MI.

The Youth Steam Engine Project was a success again this year. The setup has been improved, and although there were some concerns early on about getting enough participants, they showed up in the end. Everyone who participated seemed to be happy and very proud of their engine. The engines all worked again this year, so a 100% success rate is always good. Some adults are wishing they could build a model as well. Next year, the plan is to get participants registered, so they get a plaque and a ribbon.

The **Print Shop** had a shaky start, when the building was nearly lost in the mud while trying to set it on the slab during the week before the show. Fortunately, it was rescued and some exhibits were installed in it for the show. Antique printing equipment was donated by Steve Roudebush and others for the display. Next year will see some further improvements and more activity.

The **Office** was kept busy as usual with registrations, answering lots of questions, announcements, signing up new members, and trying to track people down. Not only that, it turns out lost and found items can be a

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job that continues for a while after the end of the show, sometimes even into the next show when people come trying to find things they lost during the previous show! Phones, keys, checkbooks, sunglasses, cameras, wallets... If you lost anything, contact Crystal Hasheider (608) 522-4277.

The new **Hug Sawmill** was a great success. With a lot of hard work for several weeks before the show, the crew got the saw mill installed and up and running in time for the show. The building is really well designed, and was very comfortable during the heat of the day. It was definitely a crowd pleaser and a lot of lumber was sawed during the weekend. Thank you to everyone who worked on the site prep, the building (floor, wiring, lighting, locks, and more), installing the mill, or provided moral support for this project.

Exhibits in general looked very good this year. There were a lot of unusual and rare gas engines on display. The non-feature tractors and the antique cars also had some different exhibits. The Fuller & Johnson Museum was a popular spot again this year, as were the Wood Shop and the Blacksmiths. The Women's Event Building was busy throughout the show. Sawing and threshing always have their fans, and the weather was good this year.

There are some people who want to see a certain exhibit or activity every year, and there are others who are looking for something new. Our show always offers some of each, and that is good. Workers and exhibitors all did a great job this year but you should be rested up by now, so get to work on your winter projects to be ready for the 2012 show!

Women's Events Building Raffle Winners

The 2011 raffle winners were:

1st prize – Antique Car Quilt

Laurie Zimprich, Baraboo

2nd prize – Green Sampler Quilt

Del Weisensel, Sun Prairie

3rd prize – John Deere treats

Shirley Buss, Waunakee

4th prize – Box of farm treats

Teri Fichter, Baraboo

Thank you to all who helped with the building and raffle!

The Sprecher Sisters



Laurie Zimprich of Baraboo won 1st prize in the raffle, the antique car quilt.

Photo Courtesy of Jean Brew

P.S. A heads up for 2012 – one of the themes for next year will be "Days of the Week". Remember those embroidered or appliquéd dishtowels – one for each day? Or hankies? Sounds like a good subject for a quilt too. Contact Jean Brew for more info.

Show Pics Wanted For 2012 Book

If you took photographs at the 2011 show – of your exhibit, the parade, or whatever caught your eye – please get them to Louise Coates as soon as you can. One picture or a hundred will be welcome. They need to be in focus, but otherwise if they are too dark, too light, too far away, etc. they can be manipulated to a rather amazing degree. Disks, prints and email are all fine. Photos will be returned to you if so desired. Give to Louise at the next meeting, or the annual meeting – the sooner the better. She wants to get the book done earlier next year. Please put your name on the photos, so you can be credited or contacted with questions. Call her at (608) 764-5563 if you have questions or want to make other arrangements.

No Candy Throwing During Parade

Due to safety concerns, there can be no candy thrown from vehicles, wagons, etc. during the parade at the show. Remember this for next year!

Missing Tent/Canopy

An exhibitor is missing his tent/canopy. Did somebody take it by mistake? It was a cream tent, with one broken brace repaired with duct tape. It was set up in the non-feature tractor area, near the antique cars. They took their tractors home on Monday morning after the show, but left the tent to dry before taking it down. The tent disappeared on Monday sometime between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. when they returned to take it down. If you know what happened to it, please contact Crystal Hasheider (608) 522-4277.

Membership Report

Membership Secretary Crystal Hasheider provided the following additions to the member list.

Robert Hensel (Walnut, IL) joined in June.

Eight new members signed up during the show: Tim Brooks (North Freedom), Lyle Craker (Hadley, MA), Ted Miller (North Freedom), Marshal Reysen (Kewaskum), Benjamin Richardson (Baraboo), Paul Sperbeck (Waukesha), Jerome Swietlik (Sparta), and Dustin Unger (Sauk City).

In September, we gained members John Anderson (Mount Horeb) and Dale Williams (Baraboo).

With these additions and sadly, a few subtractions, the total membership is now 786.

Welcome to the Club everyone, and we hope you will enjoy working and playing with us.

Vintage Massey Photo Wanted

The 2012 feature will be Massey, so a vintage photo is needed for the 2012 show book cover. If you have anything from your family or the Sauk County area, please contact Louise Coates (608)764-5563. If it's a small photo, it can be enlarged, providing the image is in focus. Either black and white or color is fine. Photo will be returned to you.

Deaths

Michael Bredlow, age 59, of Ontario, passed away on August 4, 2011, after a battle with cancer. He was born in 1951 in Sparta, the son of Phillip and Ellna Bredlow. He served in the U.S. Army, and completed a tour of duty in Viet Nam. His hobbies were fishing and collecting antique tractors. In 2005, he and his family donated a 20 hp Reeves steam traction engine and a Model G Rumely Oil Pull tractor. The Reeves was bought new in 1913 by their father Phillip Bredlow and the Rumely was purchased new in 1924. The donation to the Club was made in memory of their father Phillip, and uncles Robert and Walter Bredlow. Phillip and Robert were also Club members. He is survived by his three sisters, Darlene (Jerry) of Sparta, Pat (Paul) of Elkhorn, and Frances (Larry) of Mindoro, several nieces and nephews, special friend Sheri Calhoon, and fishing friends Raymond and Lola Heinz. He will be missed by his dogs, Brandy and Bear.

June Coates, age 90, of Baraboo, died on September 16, 2011. She was born in June, 1921, the daughter of Floyd and Emma Kinsman of Madison. She and her husband Lyle were married in 1941, and recently celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary. A Club member since 1993, she helped in the food stand at the Swap Meet up until the last few years. She provided many years of hospitality to her children and their spouses during show time, swap meets and other Clubrelated activities. She was also an active volunteer at Circus World Museum for many years, where she was noted for her wagon tours. She is survived by her husband Lyle, son Robert (Louise) Coates of Deerfield, daughter Carolyn (Duane) Newell of Black River Falls, granddaughters Sarah (Jeremy) Faulkner of Chicago, Melanie Singleton of Celebration, FL, great grandson Adam Faulkner, brother Edward (Jean) Kinsman of Kalispell, MT and other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother, Royal Kinsman and an infant daughter, Alice.

Membership Meeting Reports: August 10, 2011

About 34 members and guests were present. The deaths of Herman Scharp and Jim Tesch were noted. A meeting with the Town of Delton zoning office re: the

Club's conditional use permit was discussed. The Board will adapt rules for the use of the grounds. Steve Roudebush has donated items to be displayed in the new Print Shop. Additional items are expected. Art Woodward requested a 30'x60' tent for the John Deere display area. Stan Johnson reported that Flea Market space sales were equal to last year at this point. Two additional shuttle wagons are available for this year's show. An additional tent for the antique car area is available. David Beard reported the web site has been updated. He would like more Club members' pictures and stories to post.

September 21, 2011

About 45 members and guests were present. The meeting was held in the Women's Events Building this time, by invitation. The Treasurer's report was of special interest, with reports of the income from various areas of the show. A nickel trimmed wood burning cook stove was willed to the Club by Jim Tesch, and was on display in the building. The deaths of Mike Bredlow and June Coates were noted. Dennis Young reported on the book store. New members John Anderson and Dale Williams were introduced. Stan Johnson reported on the flea market, and donated his expenses for managing the flea market. Randy and Marshall Reysen donated a table saw powered by an F & J engine to the F & J Museum. Another F & J engine is being donated by Allen Jacobson of Madison. A proof press was donated to the Print Shop during the show. Art Woodward reported on the John Deere feature. People were cooperative, with many positive comments on our show. The rental tractor was discussed. A second, smaller feature will be added to the 2013 show – Empire Tractors. (See www.empiretractor.net for more information.) The main feature will still be Made In Wisconsin. Verne Kindschi reported on the Youth Steam Engine Project. Some people were so happy with it, they made cash donations to the Club. The big leaf sucker was purchased from Gordon Hellwig. Allen Steele is donating a large sign to the Club. There was a shortage of show buttons. Nearly 1100 exhibitors were registered. We ran low on show books, so will order more next year. The handout with the map and program schedule was discussed.



John Penshorn of Pardeeville stands by his 1939 Cockshutt 80, which was on its first show outing after restoration. Nice job!



This 1929 Ford racer was a three year project for Kurt Flannery of Orangeville, IL. The Model A engine has 110 hp. Hot wheels!



Jim Keats displayed his 1905 2 hp National Engineering engine, made in Saginaw, MI. It has a pendulum governor, rare on a small engine.

John Deere Feature Photos



This is just part of a remarkable exhibit by Bob Kimball of Janesville featuring four John Deere H tractors with matching equipment. Here is a 1945 Model H and a Model 101 One Row Corn Picker.



It's not every day you see a John Deere Model 414 Rotary Hoe!



What, you ask, is an aerial photo of somebody's farm doing in this newsletter? But this is not just any farm. It is "God's Country" a mini farm created by Michael Brasda of Poynette. On this farm, the John Deere equipment works, but all other brands fail.



Tony Helt of Middleton displayed this 1937 John Deere A complete with a No. 25 shovel attachment.



This 1930s John Deere "Reliance" running gear and grain box was sold by Jamieson Bros. of Poynette and still has the guarantee attached to the end of the grain box. It is owned by Terry Dorshorst of Poynette.



This manure carrier bucket repaired with an old John Deere sign gives new meaning to the saying "runs like a Deere".

Youth Steam Engine Project



Neat and shipshape, the new arrangement of the area for the engine project includes the new drill presses bought after last year's show.



Milo Kilen and Al Checky supervise the young machinists.



Does this young man remind you of anyone else in this picture? Pliers on the belt? Check. Wears his dungarees loose and a little slouchy at the waist? Check. Serious expression around machinery? Check. Oh. Wait ...his pliers are on the opposite hip.

Above photos by Pearlie Kindschi.



Made in Chilton, WI, this 6 hp Hippe-Steiner is one of only two known. It was exhibited by Dean Warrington of Hampshire, IL.

Club Calendar and Dates to Remember

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

November 16, 2011 and January 18, 2012.

Membership Meetings are held 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 in the Model 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 26, 2012 14th Annual Swap Meet – May 5-6, 2012 49th Annual Show – August 17, 18, & 19, 2012

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