



Newsletter

of the Badger Steam & Gas Engine Club

Summer, 2018

Baraboo, Wisconsin

Wow! Our 55th Annual Show This Year: August 17, 18 & 19, 2018

This year we will have two tractor features, as well as a new building complete with an entirely new display not seen at our show before. There has also been quite a lot of work done on the grounds to improve some areas by clearing brush and leveling for parking and improved access, so if you haven't seen the grounds since the last show, you will be pleasantly surprised.

The larger tractor feature this year will be John Deere, and tractors, implements, gas engines and anything else John Deere are all welcome. If you have questions, contact Bill Klemm (608)434-2100 or Paul Hasheider (608)522-4277 or Art Woodward (920)992-5149.

The Leader Tractor Collector Association will be setting up on the north east corner outside the Feature Building and will feature tractors built by the Leader Tractor Co. from ca. 1940-1949, and later the Brockway Tractor until 1959. For more information, contact Donald Jones (319)524-2482 (home) or (319)670-8603 (cell) or our man on the scene, Peter Holzman (608)635-7772. This collector group has never been at our show before, so we can look forward to seeing some different, interesting exhibits.

See "Mini Farm" p.5 for info on the new building.

Worker passes will be required for people helping with exhibits or working for vendors. Exhibitors and vendors **must sign these passes**, otherwise the helper will be required to pay admission to enter. Helpers should enter by the south gate if possible.

Show Week Schedule

Wednesday, August 8 Last member meeting before show. Job Board will be available.

Saturday, August 11 – Mowing Day

Sunday, August 12 – Roping Day

Wednesday, August 15 – Camping begins at noon

Thursday, August 16 – Flea Market setup begins at 8 a.m.

August 17, 18 & 19, - 55th Annual Show

Monday, August 20 – Post-show cleanup

Help Wanted

People Hauler Drivers and Spotters: Tractor drivers and spotters are needed for 3 hour shifts Fri., Sat. and Sun. 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily during the show. **Call Mark Zweifel (608)448-5119 now to sign up.**

This is a very important service we offer our show attendees, many of whom are not able to walk all over the grounds. Please step up and help. The people haulers greatly enhance the enjoyment of the show for so many people who would not be able to see it otherwise. **Note: This will be Mark's last year of managing the people haulers.** He has done an excellent job, and we are very sorry to see him go. If you are interested in taking on this responsibility, contact Mark and work with him this year to gain experience. Many, many thanks to Mark for his work in this area.

Exhibitor (South) Gate: Personnel are needed to check that only campers, exhibitors, and workers come in this way. Campers are required to have an exhibit. Window passes are given to campers and exhibitors so they can be identified more easily when they go out and return. Workers must have a red pass, signed by the vendor or exhibitor they are working with. Gate opens at noon on Wednesday, when camping starts, and will open at 6 a.m.

Thurs.- Sun. **Call Robert Coates (608)770-1223** for more info and to sign up for a shift.

Book Store: Help is needed to fold tee shirts and provide general customer service. **Contact Barb Young (608)524-6352** for more information. Book Stand is usually open Thurs.-Sun.

Pie Booth: Homemade pies and other baked goods are needed beginning Friday a.m. Demand will be heaviest on Friday and Saturday, but there will need to be some for Sunday also. Staffing is needed in the booth for cutting and plating, serving customers and cleanup. **Contact Judy Curtin (608)293-4045** to be added to the worker list, or for other information.

Garbage Detail: Days: Fri – Sun, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Pick up full bags of garbage, replace with clean bags in food court area especially, busy areas of show, main street, etc. **Contact Doug Johnson (608)576-0064 evenings.**

Late afternoons: Fri-Sun 5-7 p.m. Pickup full bags from all parts of the grounds; replace with clean bag. **Contact Jim McGhee (608)574-4607** to sign up.

Threshing & Baling Straw: Help will be needed for shocking our grain crop before the show and pitching bundles into the thresher during the show. Baling straw is part of the show as well as cleanup. If you are a new member, this is a good way to get started in the Club. **Contact Neal Stone (608)963-5776**

Women's Building: Volunteers would be appreciated for cleaning on Tuesday, August 14, and setups on Wed. & Thurs. August 15 & 16. Starting time on all days is 10 a.m. **Contact Jean Brew (608)254-7428.**

Book Store News

This year, the Book Store will be taking credit cards at the show, as they did at the Swap Meet. There will be plenty of John Deere items, of course but Dennis Young has also stocked some Leader information as well. Tee shirts, hats, buttons, show books, hat tacks, and more will be available. They are open Thurs – Sun. Check it out!

Women's Building Themes for 2018

This year the features are: World War I, Kitchen toys, Strawberries, Victrolas and The History of Boy and Girl Scouts Starting time each day is 10 a.m. **Contact Jean Brew (608)254-7428** for information.

M. Rumely Restoration News

There will be no M. Rumely benefit dinner this year, but you can still donate to the restoration fund. Del Endres will be popping corn in the John Deere Feature area this year, and proceeds will be donated to the M. Rumely restoration fund. So, come and watch him pop corn with his John Deere powered popper, and do a good deed while enjoying a tasty snack. Del collects Rumelys as well as John Deere so he has a soft spot in his heart for the old girl.

New Golf Cart Rental & Registration Building



New this year, a building for **golf cart rentals and registrations** is now in place, just a short distance from the main gate ticket booth. This gray building with red trim replaces the flapping tarp previously used for sheltering the golf cart rental operation and replaces the Office as the place to register carts owned by handicapped people or others who bring in their own personal transport. There will be a \$5 fee for bringing your own vehicle, **except for handicapped people**, and you must have proof of insurance. Personal vehicles must be no larger than 5' x 10'. Two-person golf carts are renting for \$75 per day this year, call Allen Steele to reserve (608)355-0646.

Membership News

Membership Secretary Crystal Hasheider reported these people joined the Club since the Spring newsletter.

May: Kasen Hasheider, Pardeeville; & Laurie Luther, Dodgeville, and Harold Pletzer Dodgeville.

June: Jim Allen, Nekoosa

July: Michelle Keller, Mount Horeb

There were also 6 deaths (see p. 6) bringing the total membership to 850.

Phone Auction of IH Model TD6 Crawler: Get Your Bids In!

This crawler was donated to the Club by Robert Anderson. It has a blade, but does not run, and the transmission is seized up. It does not move at this point. It will be sold to the highest bidder by phone bids. Call **Neal Stone (608)963-5776 to bid** and for more information. Deadline for bids is September 1, 2018. The machine is stored outside at L&N Tractor Repair in Prairie du Sac and must be removed by September 30, 2018.

Kids Day 2018

May 18 was a beautiful day, and we had what I believe is a record number of helpers from the Club this year. There were 40 people helping who were either Club members or family of Club members. Participants in no particular order were: David Beard, Robert Coates, Louise Coates, Sandy Zweifel, Paul Young, Jerry Phelps, Geoffrey Schrab, Barb Meister, Rives Morelock, Bonnie Clift, Judy Wehler, Jan Bruski, Jean Brew, Margo Holzman, Jeanane Burton, Fran Kessenich, Pauline Weber, Paul Hasheider, Scott Klang, Vince Kessenich, John Geoghegan, Richard Thomas, David Beard, Jerry Wilson, Donna Opperman, Ron Krueger, Randy Brue, Bob Hoege, Reta Hoege, Dennis Pulvermacher, Lyle Opperman, Phil Maas, Bob Zweifel, Wadena Opperman, Karla Vale, Paul Kohlwey, Verne Kindschi, Pearl Kindschi, Bill Mitchell, Joan Mitchell, and Sally Leong.

Activities included lawn mowing, corn shelling and grinding, sanding wooden Thunderbird plaques, the Fuller & Johnson building, (including the “Delco Dude” explaining early farm electrification, and starting the big F&J engine), boiler house and steam roller demo, stationary steam engine, ice cream making, the Wood Shop pounding nails and using a hand drill, and in the Women’s Building, making butter, measuring ingredients and a large assortment of hats to try on.

Favorite quotes and comments:

David Beard had a great patter for the lawn mower demo, saying lawn mowers were “the top technology in 1855”. At the Fuller & Johnson building, a girl saw the sign on the building “Built in 2008” and she said, “It was built the same year I was.”



Wally Clavadatscher received a “thank you” poster signed by all the 4th graders and is holding a framed copy of the certificate of achievement from the “Wallace Clavadatscher Lawn Care Technology Program”. Each kid was awarded a certificate when they finished mowing. Wally and Norma were always at Kids Day from the beginning, and started the lawn mowing segment of the visit, which has become very popular with the kids.

Photo by David Beard



David Beard and his famous Lawn Mowing Ballet Troupe, performing the "Rites of Dandelion Mowing" by the famous composer Mowry Dandelinsky.



Club members Randy Brue (at front) Sally Leong (at right) and Jerry Wilson (middle back) getting the scoop on ice cream making with their group of 4th graders.

20th Annual Swap Meet Report

There were 352 vendors at the Swap Meet this year. Golf cart rentals went well and turned a profit. We will get 10 more carts for next year. The new golf cart rental building was a big hit and was quite the social center during the event. The weather was good at the right times, which always helps. The auction went fairly swiftly this year, although there was a tremendous amount of stuff on the sale.



A job just getting started. The engines have been hauled to the grounds, but now they need to be unloaded. All will be sold at the Swap Meet auction. From l to r, Al Riddle, Paul Kohlwey, Mark Beard, and Bo Mattson.

Photo by Robert Mattson



Al Riddle does the towing, Jerry Phelps does the driving. They are moving engines from the Model Building over to the auction site by the Feature Building.

The Book Store was set up to take credit cards for the first time, and the very first sale was a credit card sale. It was well-received, with about 25% of their sales made by credit card. It will be in use there at this year's show as well. Customers were glad to hang on to their cash to buy in the market, so perhaps it benefits our sellers as well.

As always for the Swap Meet, it amazes me how few people put on this event. We could use more people to get the preparations done and help in some areas once the event is under way. Hope to

see some new faces next year! You will be welcome.



Seems like a lot of tractor to move that engine, but all tractors and Cushman trucksters were put to work moving engines over to the sale area. Art Woodward is helping, like he always does. A big thank you to Art and all the guys who worked on the auction and swap meet.

Exhibitor Banquet Information

When you register your exhibit in the Office, there will be a post card for you to fill out with your mailing address. This reminder will be sent to you in September and should be returned with your payment before the deadline DATE, which is October 1st, 2018. The banquet is on October 13th, at 6:30p.m., and will be at the North Shore Restaurant next to the Farm Kitchen on Hwy 123. There will be a cash bar for soda and alcoholic beverages, and the meal will be buffet style to trim costs. The buffet selection will be full salad bar, ham, chicken breasts, potatoes and gravy, vegetable blend, dessert, milk, and coffee. Price is \$15 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under. We will continue with door prizes if you wish to participate. Reservations should be mailed to Crystal Hasheider, E9807 Pleasant Valley Road, Baraboo, WI 53913. If you have any questions, contact Crystal at (608)522-4277.

Photos in this newsletter are by Louise Coates unless otherwise noted.

Mini Farm



*June 15: Bill Hendrickson shown doing concrete work for the floor of the new building. You can see it all smoothed out in the background. Dan and Nate Sunderlage helped with the finishing.
Photo by Robert Mattson*



July 18: Taken just before the meeting, it still needs some finish work, and the carpeting was being installed.

The new building, at present referred to as the “Mini Farm Building”, although that name may be changed, is still in progress. When completed (before show time!) it will house the 1:8 scale miniature farm created by the late Al Przybylski of Chippewa Falls.

The farm was very generously donated to the Club by his wife, Irene Przybylski and family. Other gifts from the Przybylskis include wall pieces and a monetary gift toward the cost of the building. The farm is such that it does require its own building to protect it from the elements and our dusty show environment. As of the July 18 meeting, carpeting

had been delivered and was in the process of being installed. The building will be our only one to have carpeting, other than the strip behind the Office counter.

Work has been progressing steadily to get the building completed. It is expected the mini farm will be moving in starting July 25, weather permitting. Bill Hendrickson oversees the build and was aided by (in no particular order): Jim Turner, Art Woodward, Pete Holzman, John Campen, Robert Coates, Robert Mattson, Jim McGhee, Allen Steele, Jerry Phelps, Tim Pittman, Mark Beard, and Dan and Nate Sunderlage. Thank all of you for the very fine job and thank you once again to the Przybylskis for their generous donation.

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Deaths:

Rick Bauer, age 63, of LaMoille, IL passed away on June 12, 2018. A lifelong farmer, he also worked at Hendrix Town & Country, Leland, IL for 25 years. A member of the Club since 1988, he enjoyed restoring Allis-Chalmers tractors and gasoline engines, displaying them in many tractor shows in the Midwest. He established the antique tractor show at the Mendota Tri County Fair in Illinois. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Dawn; his two sons Matthew (Mandi) Bauer of Mendota, and Jonathan (Lauren) Bauer of Yorkville; four grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

Maurice G. Bobholz, age 87, of West Bend, died Sunday, May 27, 2018. He married Eunice Schultz in 1951, and they lived most of their married life in West Bend. He was employed by GEHL Company for nearly 40 years, first as a machinist, later as a foreman and inspector. He and Eunice had six children, ten grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. Eunice passed away in 1990. In 1997 Maurice married Joan Breneman and relocated to Pardeeville. In the same year, he joined our Club. He would take one or more of his John Deere tractors to the shows each summer. He also enjoyed riding his beautiful Harley, a tradition he passed on to his sons. Joan passed away in 2016, and Maurice returned to West Bend to be near his family. He is survived by his children, Curtis (Susan) Bobholz, Patricia Steinhofner, Cyndi Lovet (friend Lisa), Barbara Cross (Robert Nettesheim) & Jeffrey Bobholz; 9 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; a sister, Norma Barnes, his brother, James (Millie) Bobholz; other relatives, and friends.

Ronald "Ron" Dahmen, age 70, of Sun Prairie, passed away Wednesday, July 11, 2018. He worked for Chase Lumber for 25 years. A collector of John Deere tractors, he joined the Club in 1989. He is survived by Jody, his wife of 35 years; daughters Elizabeth and Kathryn; his father, Gilbert; siblings Jo Ann Dahmen Ripp, Terry (Le) Dahmen, Gary (Jerilyn) Dahmen, Dean (Melissa) Dahmen and Tim (Barb) Dahmen; other relatives and friends.

William "Bill" V. Jacobs, of Merrimac, died April 21, 2018, one day short of his 59th birthday. He

married Mari Vivian in 1983. Bill worked for over 25 years for Perry Printing and R.R. Donnelly in Baraboo. He loved model trains, planes, boats and was a member of the Club since 2008. He is survived by his wife, Mari of Baraboo; daughter, Jessamyn (Charlie) Dvorak of Lyndon Station; Mari's children, Joe, Heidi, and Justin Schilling; four grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

Stanley Johnson, age 79, passed away July 4, 2018. Born in Madison, he later moved to Chicago where he flew for American Airlines for 30 years, retiring as a Captain. He was also a maritime Captain and spent his free time boating on the Great Lakes. He was a man of many interests (see link below for complete obituary). After retirement, he reconnected with his heritage of Fuller & Johnson Engines and helped establish the Fuller & Johnson Museum on our Club grounds. He also started a foundation to ensure the legacy of Fuller & Johnson continues. He joined our Club in 2008. He is survived by his wife, Sandra Johnson; sister Elizabeth Pfeifer; daughter Elizabeth Johnson Dickson (Steve) and step-daughter Susan Czagas (Bill). He is also survived by grandchildren, great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. <http://www.badgersteamandgas.com/Stanley%20A%20Johnson.pdf>

Arthur Spanjar, age 81, of Stoughton, died on Tuesday, July 10, 2018. Born in The Netherlands, Arthur immigrated to the U.S. in December, 1959. He lived in Madison where he operated a downtown bicycle shop and was an importer of foreign bicycles until the early 1970s. He collected in many subject areas, including early transportation, steam, gasoline, mechanical pieces, and early toys. He was a Club member since 1971. He is survived by his wife Candice; sister-in-law, Deanna Spanjar of Mequon; nephews David Spanjar of Germantown, Michael (Melissa) Spanjar of Glendale, niece Deborah (Rick) Intravaia of Sheboygan; grand-nieces and nephews, and friends.

Member Meeting Reports

April 18, 2018 About 17 people were present. President Coates called the meeting to order. The

following items discussed during the Board meeting were reviewed: security for the Swap Meet is hired; the Book Store will accept credit cards; new computers for the Treasurer and the Flea Market are here and set up; a money counter has been purchased; pest control company will spray 3 times a year; Cleanup Day will be moved to April 28; we will hire the senior citizens group to park cars; neighbors have asked to use the property and the board will meet with them on May 16 at 6 p.m.; next meeting will be at the Club grounds. A motion to get a quote to cover the bottom half of the Women's Building was made by Crystal Hasheider, second by Louise Coates, MC. Peter Holzman said that the Leader Tractor group feels that a tent would be fine for them. Paul Hasheider said that a lot of people are planning to bring a lot of John Deere stuff. Louise Coates reported the Club trip went very well. Motion to adjourn made by Peter Holzman, second by Paul Kohlwey, MC.

May 16, 2018 About 45 people were present. The meeting was called to order by Robert Coates. Peter Holzman went and looked at the printing equipment. There are some pieces that are duplicates, and Don Evenson suggested we take it all. It was agreed that we will take it all. Neighbors have asked to use the property. The vote to use the property was No. Robert Mattson will notify them. Bill Hendrickson installed 4 new vents in the Women's Building. We need to make sure workers have workers passes. They are available in the Office. We are still looking at projects the Boy Scouts can do – paint the Wood Shop, paint barricades?? We continue to ask people to keep a Volunteer log for any areas they help with. The Machine Shop will continue to post work days on the web site. Kids Day is Friday, May 18, Paul Young asked for more help. City of Baraboo asked if they can use three people movers, ok'd by the Board. Mark Zweifel informed the Board that this will be his last year overseeing the people haulers. Peter Holzman informed us that he has ordered 1200 plaques for the show. Gates are still an issue, with not enough volunteers to staff them.

June 20, 2018 About 35 people were present. President Coates called the meeting to order. Robert

Coates requested that everyone help to put a book together on how to run the Club. Does Paul Grotophorst have the Youth Steam engine kits completed? Allen Steele reported there is one 4-seater golf cart left for Friday. Rentals overall are going very well. Worker passes are at the back table so please make sure your workers coming in have passes or they will be charged. Al Riddle has been appointed as Grounds Committee lead. If you would like to help, contact Al Riddle. We need to be sure we keep track of volunteer hours, and they need to be turned in to the Treasurer. The Machine Shop group will be working Saturday June 23 if you would like to help. Robert Coates reviewed the security schedule. Bill Hendrickson reported on the mini farm. He is looking for help starting June 21. Peter Holzman reported that Leader Tractor will need a 20'x40' tent. Jena Brew reported on the Women's Building. The Job Board is there for signup. Louise Coates is looking for information for the next newsletter. Kids Day had about 240 kids. David Beard took over the lawn mowing for Wally Clavadatscher. There were over 35 volunteers.

July 18, 2018 About 60 people were present. Bob Coates called the meeting to order. Credit card use in the Book Stand was discussed. It worked well. Bill Hendrickson reported progress on the new building and read the list of helpers (see p. 6). Golf cart reservations are going well; help will be needed in the visitor-owned golf cart area. They will need proof of insurance and will be assessed a \$5 fee. Al Riddle reported they have been doing a lot of mowing, dealing with sticks, leaves, and painting tags for camping, etc. Bill Hendrickson is making a list of maintenance things that need to be done on the grounds, mostly small projects. Robert Mattson reported they are still getting letters out for the flea market. Printing parking passes, etc. for vehicle windows was discussed. Judy Curtain reminded that marking for handicap parking spaces needed to be done. Information for the newsletter is due on July 23. There was a motion made to pay Maggie May to sing the national anthem at the show for \$200.00. MC. The Leader Tractor exhibit will be in the area east of the north driveway into the Feature

Building. Friesland Band will play late (4pm?) Saturday afternoon in the Food Court. Porta pots and radios have been ordered. Who will announce the parade? Paul Kohlwey will contact Delton ambulance to be sure they will come. There will be a donation made to them. Warren Knaub says old cars, trucks, motorcycles, etc. welcome for the car exhibit. The Machine Shop is putting lights up on Saturday.

Club Calendar and Dates to Remember

Membership Meeting Dates: Meetings begin at 8p.m. **August 8, September 19, November 21, 2018, and January 16, 2019.** Membership Meetings are held at the Baraboo Civic Center, 124 Second St., Baraboo, WI in Room 18 (south end of hall) 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 membership meeting evenings in the same room, if members care to attend.

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Exhibitor Banquet – October 13, 2018
Annual Meeting – February 24, 2019

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Looking Ahead: Future Show Features

2019 – Minneapolis Moline
 2020 – International Harvester
 2021 – Rumely National
 2022 – Allis Chalmers