



NORTHEAST CLUB

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April 2013

Join us for our next gathering on:

Sunday, April 28th

PLOW DAY

Hosted by Leila and Duffy
McDanolds

Route 10
North Haverhill, NH
603-787-2396

Plowing starts at 9:00am.

Potluck Lunch at 12:00pm

Club Meeting at 1:00pm



Pictures from 2012 Plow Day – J Schonberg

- Plow day is April 28 at Duffy's in North Haverhill, NH, visible east of Route 10, just north of village starting around 9:00. Loader is available.

- **We are in need of 4 club members** to retrieve picnic tables from the North Haverhill Fairgrounds meet at the Fairgrounds main gate at 8 am. Duffy will have his trailer available. Contact Jerry Frankenfield if you can help in the am. Jerry03755@comcast.net or 603-643-3231.

- There will be a short pre plow meeting at 9am. Potluck lunch is at noon, business meeting to follow. After lunch, tables will be loaded back on Duffy's trailer. After plowing, the tables need to go back to the Fairgrounds.

Do you have items you want to sell? Please let us know for future editions. We would also be very interested in articles such as: unusual John Deere history, repair and restoration hints, club activity pictures, trivia and other good things to help keep your newsletter interesting. Editor

Northeast Two-Cylinder Club

Winter Gathering - Meeting Minutes R. N. Johnson Dealership Walpole, New Hampshire February 10, 2013

Present: Mike Schroeder, Jack Schonberg, Ralph Reed, Gary Phelps, Margaret Clark, Leila & Richard “Duffy” McDanolds, Jeryl Frankenfield, Mark & Nancy Wilder, Erin & Nate Carey, Dana Ramspott, Gordon Ramspott, Ira Allen, Fred Barr, Morton Bailey, David Lamphere, James Berlinger, Ed Karman, Kim and Allen Guidry, Terry Robison.

The Winter Gathering activities began about 11:00 a.m. with an open show room at R N Johnson and social hour. Then, at approximately 12:15 p.m., the Pot-Luck lunch which ran until 1:09 p.m.

Opening the Meeting: Club President Morton Bailey called the Meeting to Order at 1:10 p.m.

Secretary’s Report: A motion was made by Gary Phelps, seconded by Dana Ramspott, to approve Winter Christmas Party Meeting Minutes of December 2, 2012 as printed in the February 2013 Newsletter. The Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report: as of January 30, 2013 was made by Leila McDanolds:

<u>Check Book Balance:</u>	\$19,051.93
Expo VI:_____	7,384.86
Scholarship:_____	1,780.00
Wagon Fund:_____	449.28
General Fund Account:_____	9,614.14

Gary Phelps moved, Mike Schroeder seconded, to accept the Report as presented. The Motion passed.

Old Business:

Jack Schonberg reported on his activities to develop a Club lapel / collar pin as authorized at the last meeting. He showed the members a letter size print out of the Club Logo and another from an organization he works with as models. After a

lively discussion, the following parameters were suggested:

- Add an outer ring to the logo to create a border similar to the example.
- Spell out the words as the Logo by itself is too cryptic and the 2 Cylinder image may unrecognized.
- Suggested wording: North East Two Cylinder Tractor Club spread above and below the image.
- Latitude to shorten the words to abbreviations and omit “tractor” was given depending on spacing and visual impact.
- Color to be green wording on yellow background in keeping with JD colors and vendor options.
- Jack will send draft to vendor(s) for mock-up and quotes (estimated 200 pieces).
- Results will be brought to April meeting for review and possible approval.

Jack Schonberg, Secretary and Newsletter Editor made a plea for the submission of articles for inclusion in the Newsletter.

New Business:

Jerry Frankenfield made a strong pitch for the upcoming Plow Day on April 28th at the McDanold’s farm in North Haverhill, NH. His intent is to promote the event early and often with the intent of increasing participation at this great opportunity. Members are welcome to bring their tractors with or without a plow as well as the observers. As with last year, he will recruit a team to begin the day before to set up, continue set up on Sunday morning and then take down after lunch before returning to the fields to plow. Volunteers are needed. The intent is to avoid placing an undue burden on the McDanolds who so graciously make their farm available for this annual event.

Jack Schonberg reported a contact he had from Cheryl Boulier, Secretary of the Northern Maine Antique Tractor Club in Presque Isle, Maine. They will be holding their “Tired Iron round-Up June 28th – 30, 2013 as hosts of EDGETA (Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association) Regional Show. Flyers depicting the event and club were

passed around. Further information may be obtained from Cheryl at her email:

Cheryl604@myfairpoint.net

Jack Schonberg reported on a telephone inquiry he received, probably as the published Secretary on line, from a lady in Indiana who was hoping for information / help in determining whether an engine in her antique John Deere tractor was an original or replacement? Club members discussed possible options and one suggested the possibility, at least if it were a Dubuque tractor (unknown) of submitting the engine serial number to John Deere and see what the original tractor serial number is. Service has, but don't know if still available, to assist with tractors without serial number plates. In this case, if match, to serial number plate on this one, probably original, if not, probably replacement. He will attempt to contact lady and provide this approach if possible.

Jerry Frankenfield began a discussion, based on a recent inquiry to him, for potential participation by at least 10 antique JD tractors at the upcoming Lyons Auto Show to be held from 10-3 in White River Junction June 22, 2013 with 6/23 as rain date. The basic question was whether this opportunity should be met by individuals or as a club response? A lively discussion ensued. It was decided to commit to 10 individuals, not as a club, for this request.

Jerry Frankenfield also reported on the first Expo VI (2014) planning meeting. The last Expo, according to our Treasurer, Lila McDanolds, cost \$7400 to put on. The discussion included the objective of more 4H involvement with the actual event which would help share costs. While maintaining the Expo identity as the NE Two-Cylinder Club, the possibility of inviting other color clubs (such as Red Power Farmalls) was considered. The objective is to improve attendance. Flyers are being prepared early with the intent of distributing them at the huge Canandaigua Expo in July 2013. It was determined that the Featured Tractors for Expo VI would be the first JD Numbered Series: 40-50-60. The date of the event was set as August 22-23-24, 2014 with a similar schedule to Expo V. JD

garden tractors are also being considered. There were several in the parade last time. Morty Bailey attempted to poll the members present to help guide the Expo Committee. For example, should New Generation tractors be formally included? This produced a discussion which mentioned preferring the antiques to newer versions with less resistance to other brand antiques. Probably, if include other brands, will be limited to one other as partner. The next Expo planning meeting will be Sunday, April 21 at the Hanover Fire Complex which will ensure a report by the Plow Day meeting.

Morty returned the meeting focus to outside events by reporting that last year at the Rail Road Days event (WRJ?) the organizing entity provided \$50 for each tractor brought to the event. This went to the owners who could keep the money to help cover gas / transportation costs which are rapidly rising, or donate it to the Club.

The Treasurer, Lila McDanolds reported that 2012 was our best Pedal Tractor raffle year ever with 972 tickets sold. She suggested that it might in part be due to the particular tractor offered (7020 4 wheel drive) as well as the marketing efforts by many.

Mention was made of John Deere's birthday 3 days ago on March 7, 1804 in Rutland, VT. How many of us will even be remembered let alone a contemporary force 209 years later?

James Berlinger returned to the issue of monies paid to our Club members who bring their tractors to outside events. His opinion was that it was critical to adopt a uniform rate as the various groups were bound to compare notes and differential amounts could bring significant problems for the Club. He then made the suggestion in the form of a Motion, seconded by Jack Schonberg. The Motion was heard as: Whenever a club member brings his / her personal tractor to an event sponsored by an outside (non NE 2 Cylinder Club) organization and an honorarium / stipend or other monetary

remuneration is offered, that it be uniform at the hereby established Rate of \$50.00 per tractor or zero. The Motion carried.

Ralph Reed introduced a Thank You to R N Johnson, most particularly Terry Robinson and Ed Karman, for hosting this Winter Gathering of the Club. A big round of applause was offered.

Terry Robinson, our host, spoke to clarify the recent changes at R N Johnson which is no longer a John Deere Dealership despite having been so for approximately 84 years. He began by saying that they could still obtain parts and provide repair services but could no longer sell new tractors or offer JD warranties. In essence this came about by the policy of John Deere to support large dealers, particularly those affiliated with other dealers (such as the Mountain View Equipment LLC created out of four dealerships from Rutland, VT to Malone, NY). R N Johnson was considered as an “Island” and without this option to aggregate up, the eligibility to remain a John Deere dealership was withdrawn. RN is currently working to establish relationships with two new lines including garden models. Secretary’s personal note: When arriving this morning for the Club gathering, seeing no green machines in the large side display yard and none in the show room, was a depressing experience.

A motion was made by Gary Phelps, seconded by Dana Ramspott to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed.

The formal meeting ended at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackson R. Schonberg, Secretary



Pictures from 2012 Plow Day – J Schonberg



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