



Tri-County Two-Cylinder Club of Michigan

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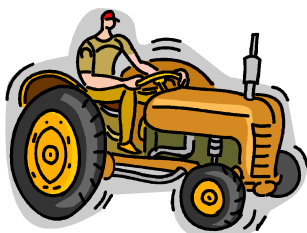
Hello Deere Club Members,

How about it... we finally made it to warmer weather, however wet. Just saw the first field that was worked in the other day. This is indeed a tough spring for our farmer families. They need our prayers.

A lot has happened since the last newsletter. We had a great time at Larry and Nancy Simmons' farm for the April meeting. The Directors' meeting was held on May 5 and a lot of plans and decisions were made about future meetings, etc. On May 7th the Club participated in Farmfest at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds (see article).

As we take each piece of equipment out of storage for shows or use, we discover those little problems that set in during storage. I was plagued with a battery cable which worked the first time I started the tractor but failed the next time I wanted to use it. I keep my batteries on a battery tender during the winter months. I am well pleased with their ability to keep a battery in good condition. I can always count on at least one tire that is low and needs air. Little by little, each tractor will get its needed attention and ready for the next show!

Your club has many opportunities to participate in parades and shows this summer. It speaks well for the club to have as many participate as possible at each event. So, do your maintenance now so you will be ready to show those beautiful Deeres.



Sam Brabant

UPCOMING EVENTS

MEETING SCHEDULE

- ⇒ **General Club Meetings** are held on the fourth SATURDAY of every month. They are generally held at the Washtenaw Fairgrounds, but are sometimes held in locations where great tractor information can be shared. Potluck meetings are a favorite, too! Mark your calendars now! See you there!
- **The MAY General Meeting will be on SATURDAY MAY 28th at Stony Creek Methodist Church, 8635 Stony Creek, Ypsilanti, MI. SEE MAP ON NEXT PAGE!**
 - **Director's Meetings** are held on the first Thursday of every month. Everyone is welcome. These meetings are where much of the club plans are made. If you have a suggestion, comment, etc. please contact your county's director or come to the meeting. Your input is **ALWAYS** welcome!
 - **The JUNE Director's Meeting will be Thursday, June 2nd at the home of Bruce & Judy Park... 8850 Werkner Rd., Chelsea, MI 48118.**

May 2011 Director's Meeting Notes:

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Directors' Meeting – May 2011

- Twelve officers, directors, and members were present at the meeting hosted by Ron Love.
- The treasurer's report was approved.
- Discussed the Farmfest show on May 7th and assured ourselves that all tasks were covered.
- Plans were made for the May 28th general meeting.
- The Club has been asked again this year put on a pedal pull at the 4-H Show in July at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds. Also we will be providing help for the tractor safety class conducted by Bob Robson.
- Received an update about the Club show in August at the Sumpter Hardware.
- The Club expressed a need for someone to sell Club merchandise.
- Changes to the Club by-laws were discussed.
- Discussed a possible tour to see the Keller Collection of rare Deeres in Wisconsin. CALL SAM OR BRUCE IF INTERESTED!
- The club has been invited to the Rentscher Show put on by the Saline Historical Society. The date has not been determined but will be in the 3rd quarter of this year.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

The 4th Annual Braun and Helmer Farm Festival - 2011

Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds
5055 Saline-Ann Arbor Road, Ann Arbor, MI

On Saturday, May 7th the annual Farmfest was held at the Farm Council Grounds in Saline. This event is always a premier spring outing with an auction of collectibles, display of farm equipment, flea market, kids pedal pull, petting farm, merchant displays, and tractor pull. Mother nature looked favorably on the event and no rain fell during this sunny day.

John Deere was a featured tractor and our Club brought 13 tractors (see photo). There were many other Deeres there, along with other brands brought in by other collectors. All in all it was a very nice display.

The Club also put on a fundraiser sale of donated items. There were 4 tables filled with a variety of items that would satisfy any treasure hunter. The proceeds from this sale will be used for Club projects. (see photo)

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make our Club's presence known to those who attended. A big thanks to those who rolled up their sleeves and worked so hard for the Club.

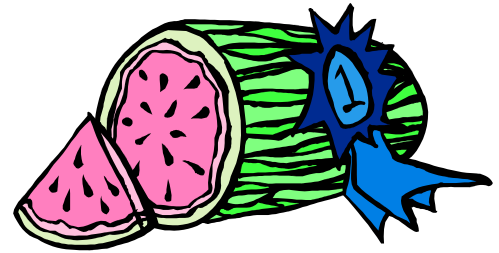


REMEMBER!!!

Our club website, <http://semichtwocylclub.org/>,
has the most up-to-date club information
available! **CHECK IT OUT!**



Washtenaw 4-H FAIR on July 29th... Bob Robson will be working hard at this fair and needs your help! You could help either with the Tractor Safety Class, or with the Kid's Pedal Pull. Please call if you can help!



FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE



- * Hay wagon for sale. **Bob Sears** 734-697-8415.
- * 1971 John Deere 4320 Turbo Charged Diesel tractor with a rollbar, syncro transmission, front fenders, and 3 pt. hitch with quick hitch. Rear tires are 18.4 x 38. This tractor is restored, with about 300 hours after re-build. Contact **Jim** 734-777-5735.
- * 1955 John Deere 40 Standard, 3 pt. hitch, great running tractor, tires 80%, older restoration. Price \$4,250 or best offer. Contact **Sam** at 734-483-7599.
- * 1944 John Deere B... rebuilt motor, good tires, runs well. \$1800. Contact **Ron** @ 734-326-0446.
- * 1949 John Deere A for sale! New aluminum pistons 90 over. Runs well. \$1800. Call **Ron Love** at 734-326-0446 for more information.
- * "PARTING OUT" an A, B, G, 630, 70, 720, MT, H, 720D, 730G... Call **Nate Girbach** at 734-260-9312 for more info.!
- * 2 John Deere 2-14 mechanical lift plows, ready to go. \$400.00 choice. Call **Nate Girbach** at 734-260-9312 for more info.!
- * Farmall/ International Wheel weights, half weights and wholes. \$30/each on halves, and \$55/each on wholes. Call **Nate Girbach** at 734-260-9312 for more info.!
- * 1952 Allis Chalmers Tractor with belly mower and a bucket. 4 cylinder engine. No 3 pt. hitch. \$2500. Please call **George Davinich** at 734-395-4613 for more details!
- * John Deere 3-14 trailer plow hydraulic lift needs a little work. \$400... Call **Nate** at 734-260-9312!
- * 1950 Model B, nice paint, newer tires, runs good, just converted to 12-Volts with correct generator to look original. \$2500 Call **Nate Girbach** at 734-260-9312 for more info.!

NOTE: If your FOR SALE item sells, please call (734-942-9162) or email (clf215@aol.com) me to let me know! Thanks, Cari

A big THANK YOU to Larry and Nancy Simmons for hosting last months meeting!

I would like to start to collect pictures for the 2012 club calendar. It will be the club's 20th year! You can mail them to me at 5851 Country Lane, Ypsilanti, MI 48197... or send them by email at swbrabant@yahoo.com. I would need a very nice clear picture. Thanks so much! Barb Brabant

WANTED:

- 1 Someone to sell the CLUB MERCHANDISE at meetings and such... please contact one of the Directors if you are interested!
- 2 Recipes you'd like to share. Please send to Cari at clf215@aol.com.
- 3 News you want in the newsletter... please have it to Cari by the 10th of each month. Thanks!

ANTIQUUE TRACTOR SHOW

**Dedicated to:
Farmers of Southeast Michigan**

DATE: **Saturday, August 6th
2011**

TIME: **9:00am - 5:00pm**

LOCATION: **ACE HARDWARE
19500 Sumpter Rd.
Belleville, MI 48111
(corner of Sumpter and Willis)**



- **EVERYONE** is welcome to bring their tractors to display.
- Set-up is between 6:00am - 9:00am.
- Ace Hardware will have a Sidewalk Sale, too!
- Kiddie Pull with a mini weight machine for the kids! Bring them along!
- Tin Pan Restaurant (just to the north) will be open for breakfast, and throughout the whole day!

Come Ride With US!!! The club members participate in some parades during the summer months, including:

Northville 4th of July Parade - Sat July 2
Ypsilanti 4th of July Parade - Sat July 2
Ypsilanti Heritage Parade - Aug 20th



Did you know...

- ... The **"Adopt-A-Family" bucket** is passed around at every General Club Meeting. We "Adopt" a family during the holidays as our way of giving back to the community. Please consider dropping a few dollars and spare change in the bucket!
- ... that the **club store** has items that would make great gifts?
- ... that the club has a **video library**? For rentals, or to loan your own videos out, please contact Judy Park at 734-457-2591.
- ... **ALL NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS ARE NEEDED BY THE 10th OF THE MONTH.** Please email Cari ... clf215@aol.com with your NEWS!!!
- ... that you are allowed to **copy and hand out this newsletter** to anyone who might be interested in our club? It's great to spread the word!
- ... that the **Tri-County Two-Cylinder Club of Michigan** has one of THE BEST tractor club websites around! All of the information in this newsletter can be found there!

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