



ANTIQUE FARM ENGINE AND TRACTOR ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MARCH 20 2019

We had a nice meeting in January and a successful work party the last couple of months and are on our way to a great show season. I hope to be in attendance for a symposium at the Central WA Ag Museum in Union Gap, WA April 17-18, 2019 for an 'Ag Museum & Event Summit'. Topics will include: A. How to increase event attendance B. Recruiting volunteers C. How to use social media to benefit your organization D. Networking with other museums/events to improve your organization E. Taking advantage of your hidden assets F. How to improve your fundraising efforts G. How to increase membership and engage current members. Our Swap Meet and Show is coming and we could use some volunteers; please contact me for a list of positions available at the events. I could use some help. On that note – Chris Jerue has shared legislation that was recently passed that may benefit us in the future; it is the bipartisan Natural Resources Management Act which includes 110 pieces of legislation. In this, the Maritime Washington National Heritage Area Act might allow funding for sharing Washington's Maritime Heritage. Good work Chris, we will be exploring ways to take advantage of this opportunity! We will have much to discuss at the next meeting Host: John & Cindy Neitzel on April 13th.

Finally, It is with a heavy heart that in this newsletter we have to report the loss of friends Barbara McDonald, Curt Warner, and host of the Iron Ranch Show, Alan Schurman Please keep their families in your thoughts.

Dale Fye, President

Board Meeting Minutes January 12 2019 - Board Meeting

Called to order by Dale at 9:40am. The meeting was held at the Keyport Mercantile.

Dale talked to Morrie Robinson this morning prior to the meeting. The EDGETA insurance is very particular about following the rules, which are, all correspondence and anything club related must have the branch number on it. It was decided to make copies of the rules and go over them in detail at the next board meeting.

We need a forklift.... We either need to buy one, or we will have to rent one or borrow one for the swap and the show. Please be on the lookout for a pneumatic tired forklift.

How are we, or do we need to, set up a budget for the next year? There will be expenses that we normally don't have due to the Regional Show, such as flyers, packets, postcards, banners (ours are worn out) advertising, etc. Should we send flyers to other branch presidents and ask them to disseminate to their members? EDGETA gives us \$300 to host the Regional Show. How do we make money to pay for the show? Should we have an auction at the Swap Meet? Should we put out the donation can again?

Frank Stricklin is working on the flyer for the show. He will also prepare a show agenda as soon as it is known.

There needs to be work parties. The camping area needs a lot of work. There are lots of roots that need to be covered and areas that need better leveling. We are assuming there will be a lot of campers at the show. Dale suggested we have work parties on Wednesdays and if rained out, the back up day will be Friday. That will leave weekends free for those who show up. The sawmill project is progressing. Dale has a list of projects and is looking for donations. At this time, the roof needs to get finished. Dale is looking for materials or money to get this accomplished prior to the show.

Brian Edwards is working on an announcer's platform/stage. This will be used for announcements throughout the day and for the parade. Dale wants the parade to be the centerpiece of the show. We need someone to start signing people up for different duties for the show, garbage, parade coordinating, announcer, etc etc

We need to drag out the old walkie talkies and maybe buy some more for the show. It's so much easier to communicate with walkie talkies rather than walking all over looking for someone. They are also essential in case of accidents.

Are we going to have someone cater our Saturday night dinner? If so, who? There will be a Regional meeting after the dinner. Do we want entertainment for Saturday night? Darrell Durbin may be available or maybe he could find us a local group of people who have a "band". The meal will be served in the building. April is working on food vendors for the weekend. Is our PA system working? Nick Huff has both a PA and outdoor speakers we can borrow. We decided we needed to plan on meetings every 4-6 weeks prior to the show Meeting attendees Dale April Nick Judy Jim Ken Frank Steve Gay

General Meeting Minutes: January 12 2019 - General Meeting

Dale called the meeting to order at 11:15. The meeting was held at the Mexican restaurant in Keyport, which has really good

food. It was announced that Dave Erkenbrack passed away in November.

The National EDGETA newsletter states that the insurance company is a real stickler on the rules. The board members will go over the rules and then present a synopsis of the rules to the general meeting. Everything the club owns, or any paperwork the club generates must have the Branch number on it.

The Treasurer (April) reported that we have about \$16,000 in the bank and that \$217 of that is from the Christmas raffle. Membership renewals are coming in. It was voted at the last meeting that the club would cover the additional \$5 insurance cost this year. We did not get word of the increase until after many members had already paid their dues.

Dale reported that we are in dire need of a forklift, and it must have pneumatic tires. Please get out and start searching for one that we can purchase. We need it by the swap meet or we will have to rent one.

John and Cindy Neitzel did a great job preparing the Christmas dinner turkey and ham. Thank you very much. There was a large turnout for the party.

OLD BUSINESS none

NEW BUSINESS We receive \$300 from National EDGETA to spend on the Regional Show. The Board voted funds for new banners and signs. We will get a tractor with an attached sign to every local farm related event that we can to advertise. April is creating 5"x7" cards that can also be handed out or posted on local bulletin boards

We need to discuss and decide on the show grounds layout. Think about it and we will decide at the next meeting the best layout. We need to start having work parties to prepare the grounds. We will start with the campground area. We will level it out and then compact the ground. Because we may have an abundance of campers, it was decided that the area where we normally park the empty trailers will be extra camping this year. The trailers/trucks will be parked down in Larry Swantak's field at the end of the road. The sawmill is progressing. The upright posts have been set and are awaiting the rafters and crossbeams. The metal pieces for the saw mill need to be cleaned next. We need to get more shakes/shingles made. Ed Murphy is ram-rodging the sawmill build. Get with him if you can help out.

Charles Skilman said he is going to man the "What is it" shed. If anyone has an item that can be used to show the younger crowd how people used to do their "chores" or live their daily life, please let him know.

Work parties will be scheduled for Wednesday with Friday as the rain back up day. Dates are as follows:

January 23/25 Feb 13/15 Mar 6/8 Mar 27/29

Jenny Throckmorton volunteered to be the coordinator for the sign-up sheet. Jim Throckmorton volunteered to be the camp host. We still need someone to agree to be the coordinator for engines and another person for the tractors and also someone to run and narrate the tractor parade. April is trying to see if we can't have Paul Bunyon and Babe on display.

Don Fifer's family has donated Don's Hart Parr tractor to the club. We also had several logging blocks given to the club by Mike Gross. We need someone to volunteer building some kind of display to hang the blocks on.

The local 4H group and their parents have offered to help park cars.

Mike Craig's 4H club is building an engine. We will ask them if they can bring it to the show and display it and answer questions concerning the engine. Frank Stricklin will be providing at least one people mover and may have another one we can use. We need, at the very least, two wagons, two tractors and multiple drivers. No one wants to sit on a tractor all day. Plus we need someone as the Safety Person in the back of the wagon. We have to remember the public will more than likely be parking back behind the horse barn and will be reluctant to walk back to the show. So there will be lots of wagon rides back and forth. Olympic Peninsula Antique Tractor and Engine club president, Melanie Pruitt, was at the meeting and offered up their wagon. We need to move their wagon ahead of time so we can ensure it is approved by the appropriate EDGETA personnel. A big thank you goes out to Mel and her club.

Francette Beeler is working on the exhibitor packets.

Evie Ofcken has asked to resign as club historian. She made the very good point that most people use their own camera or phone to take pictures and she is no longer needed. Plus, most pictures are never printed out. Evie has a stack of photo albums. She will bring a couple to each meeting and the duplicate pictures will be handed out to whoever would like them.

Evie also tries to keep track of all the members who have passed. Please keep her informed.

Mel Pruitt announced that OPATE is gearing up for their June 2-3 show/pull. She invited us all to participate and that Branch 245 is welcome to set up a booth. They are also planning a show/pull in September. Their next meeting will be at the Kitsap Way Pancake House in Bremerton on the 3rd Wed of each month. Dinner is at 6pm and the meeting usually runs from 7pm to 9pm.

Meeting adjourned at who knows when....about 11am. Most stayed for lunch and then off to the Keyport Undersea Museum.

From the Treasurer: We have found and purchased a forklift and fork extentions, new banners have been ordered and are ready for use., Many members are paying their dues. Jim and Francette Beeler will be attending the National Show and taking TShirts, Club Coffee Cups and a Branch #245 Show Banner -Thank you for your support!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019**March**

27 **Branch #245 Work Party 10AM**
@ Old Iron Park Johns Creek Drive Shelton, WA

April

5,6,7 Portland Swapmeet

6 McMinnville OR Farm Fest - Yamhill Valley Heritage Center 11275 SW Durham Lane The event includes teams of draft horses and mules in a plowing competition, blacksmith and horseshoeing demonstrations, horse drawn equipment exhibits, pioneer kids' activities, a working sawmill, quilt show, museum tours, food, music and children's activities. 10am - 4pm \$5 adults, 12 & under free 503-434-0490 yamhillcountyhistory.org

12-14 Tulare CA Annual California Antique Farm Equip Show International Agri-Center Fri/Sat 8am - 5 pm, Sun 8am - Noon Admission \$5 Children under 6 free 800-999-9186, 559-688-1030 Antique@farmshow.org

13 **Branch #245 Board Meeting 930AM**
@ John & Cindy Neitzel's 7674 Alta Vista Dr SW Port Orchard, WA

13 **Branch #245 Club Meeting 11AM**
@ John & Cindy Neitzel's 7674 Alta Vista Dr SW Port Orchard, WA
SACK LUNCH, COFFEE SERVED, BYOC = Bring your own Chair

26-28 EDGE&TA National Show - Branch 114 Red Bluff CA Tenama County Fairgrounds 650 Antelope Blvd Steven Zane 530-597-2253

27 **Branch #245 Spring Swap Meet**
@ Old Iron Park Johns Creek Drive, Shelton, WA
Gates open at 9AM – 5PM Vendor Spaces Available 360-490-8441

27 Lynden WA Vintage Motorcycle Swap Meet Northwest Washington Fairgrounds, 1775 Front Street 10am - 3pm Admission \$5 Mark Cattarin 360-223-3190 marcuscc@comcast.net

May

4 Old Timer's Fair
@ Mary M Knight School 2987 W Matlock Brady Rd, Elma WA
Country Fair, Old Engines & Tractors, Crafts, Vendors, Food & Fun
Leroy Valley 360-426-5637 or 360-426-1509 (General Information)

11 Mt. Vernon WA EDGE&TA Branch 26 Spring Gas-up Skagit County Fairgrounds 7am - ?? Morrie Robinson 360-826-3782

11-12 Sequim WA Sequim Irrigation Festival Blake Ave Lot Annual Logging Show includes Truck/Tractor Pull, lawnmower races, gas engine display, food, arts/crafts. Fri noon 10pm, Sat 10am - 5 pm Admission donations
Irrigationfestival.com info@irrigationfestival.com

18 71st Annual Armed Forces Parade - Downtown Bremerton 10am - 1pm Entry forms available bremertonchamber.org/pages/ArmedForcesDayParade

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Rod Janke

My Painted Heart

King Agricultural Museum

Vendor / Kids Zone Co-Host

Kids Zone Co-Host

Youth Vendor

Babbitt Bearing Class Host

Sign Painting Class Host

Working Display

Please contact April (360) 490-8441 if you can demonstrate your machinery during this show; we would like to add you and your exhibit to our daily schedule of events. Thank You to Nicole/my painted heart for hosting a painting class and Rod Janke for hosting a babbitt bearing class!

In Remembrance



Our friend Barbara Jean McDonald went to the Lord January 23rd 2019. She was married to her Bethel High School sweetheart, Bill McDonald for 59 years and together they raised 3 beautiful daughters. Barbara was kind, generous and always smiling and helping Bill with his logging tools at the Engine Shows. Please see her complete and very touching obituary published in the The News Tribune Feb. 26th 2019. She was loved by so many. " If sweet Barb touched your life, please consider making a donation to The [Alzheimer's Association www.alz.org/donate](http://www.alz.org/donate) or join us in The Walk to End Alzheimer's on September 15, 2019. "

In Memory of Curt Warner

We have lost a long time charter member, Curt Warner on March 9 2019 at the age of 89. Curt was born in Duluth, MN. He enlisted to join the Marines the later the Air Force. He had belonged to Oregon's EDGE&TA Branch 15, the later a Charter Member of Branch 20 in Olymipia, about 1975. Curt brought the Nicholas family to the Great Oregon Steam Up in approximately 1973 to show Dan all the tractors and equipment. Then as the saying goes, the rest is history. Curt enjoyed talking with the public about the working history how engines were used for farm power, ect. Also in the late 1990s he was show manager at Roy. Curt is survived by his wife Eileen, brother Paul, many nieces and nephews and cousins. Rest in Peach Curt. Respectfully, Cindy Neitzel

As well as club members, we have lost our friend Alan Shurman on February 23 2019. This was a man who's friendship, wisdom, passion for collecting and advice will be missed by us and his many friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with Marcella and Alans family. Alans full obituary can be seen at <https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/4201357/Alan-Douglas-Schurman>

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