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A newsletter for the members of Hope Agricultural Heritage Club

2019 Edition

# Hope Agricultural Heritage Club 2019 Christmas Wrap-Up

## **Dear Members and Friends**,

In a few weeks the year will be over again, wow another year is gone! Where did it go? It started with a normal winter then a wet, late spring that hampered many farmers with planting. Then a hot dry summer, dryer in the Peterborough, Lakefield and Lindsay areas but along the lake it was spotty. Then fall came and the rain seemed to take over and a few snow storms with most crops still in the fields. Makes you wonder who wants to farm!

The good news is our club was not hampered by the weather other than a few outdoor shows. When it rains the public does not show up. Your HAHClub was at many functions this year, many more than in past years, in part because of the 225 yr. anniversary of wheat in the Municipality of Port Hope. Barry and I did 4 seminars regarding the area wheat history and with many members helping at the Port Hope Fall



Fair Wheat Equipment Display for 3 days. The club was also at the many fall fairs in the area; Hastings Farm Show; Hosted the Antique Machinery and Snowmobile Show. Plus, the open house days at the Antique Machinery Centre.

Some of you may be aware of the HAHClub is requesting future lands and buildings as well as committing some financial, advertising and promotion at the Canton AMC site from the Municipality of Port Hope. This was brought to council on Nov. 5 and will be discussed at a future date. This council meeting can be seen on the internet at Port Hope Website Council meeting of Nov 5 and we are awaiting a report on our requests. If the Club gets the OK on this request, it would give the club room for future expansion, demonstration areas, plus equipment storage and display areas. The club has constant calls of equipment, tractors, vehicles and tools wanting to be donated by locals.

•n a sad note, we have had a few of our long term, honored members pass away this year. Charles Weaver and Eugene Watkins, and Gail, the wife of Walter Stapleton.

Many know our Christmas Party will be the drawing of our 2019 Tractor Draw in which some lucky ticket holder will win a tractor or \$2500. There will also be a drawing for a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize. Thanks to all tickets sellers throughout the year to make this event a successful fundraising function. Special thanks to Jake Greydanus for his dedication. Thank you everyone for selling and/or purchasing a ticket and supporting the HAHClub.

I would like to thank everyone for an exceptional year for the HAHClub. The club has had a terrific year and would not be possible without the help of the dedicated members, friends, and public. On that note, the 2020 Membership Cards are ready, so please renew as

soon as possible. The club has some exciting projects in the works at the shop and some interesting guest speakers for 2020.

Merry Christmas from your President, Earl Ashby





# 2018 Christmas Meeting and Draw:

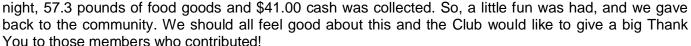
December 12<sup>th</sup> came with winter weather and the members shuffling in with presents in hand. Of course, the Bare is at the door with his hand out saying Merry Christmas and have you paid your membership. Always the same old grumbles, but the \$20.00 comes across the table and a smile: "Still only \$20.00? What a Deal". Next our members drop off their food bank donations and hand in the gift. Only \$5.00 for food, that's a steal. Now the celebration begins. Old friends and new ones to talk to, with stories of last summer's glories, being told.

Earl takes the floor and the evening begins. Soon it was tractor draw time. Everyone sat still in their seats as Mayor Bob Sanderson put his hand in the big drum and pulled out the winning ticket. (See winner's names below.) Now everyone watches as the call to the winner goes through. Yes, you won! Do you want the tractor or the money? Wife said money, he said tractor - so we wrote out the cheque.

Next, before we can come to grips that we had not won ourselves, in comes Santa Claus with his cheery voice calling out HO HO. A lot of our members jump on poor Santa's knees. It is very strange that Santa keeps coming back, he is not getting any younger, you know.

Next comes the food. I think that our members always come hungry because the food disappears quickly. Like magic more comes out. The members like that this food is prepared by a couple of the better halves of the executives. Always a big THANK YOU to them.

**B**ut it is not all about our own tummies, as members are asked to bring non-perishable food items for the local food bank. On the



The annual meeting is also the time that the once a year newsletter gets distributed. It is a black and white version with a digital colour copy being put up on the website for all to enjoy and print if you want colour. If you would like extra copies of this critically acclaimed piece of journalism for family and friends, don't be shy. They also make great stocking stuffers!

With calendar and newsletter in hand, the members say Merry Christmas with a thanks and see you next year.

A full list of the winners of the HAHC tractor draw for 2018 is as follows:



FIRST PRIZE FOR FORD 8N TRACTOR
BRIAN HOPKIN, DORSET ST. PORT HOPE, ONT
SECOND PRIZE FOR CHILDRENS PEDAL TRACTOR
JACK MALFAIT, ALDER ROAD, COBOURG, ONT.
THIRD PRIZE FOR MINIATURE REPLICA FORD 8N
TRACTOR
STEVE WILLIAMS, DURO DUMMER, ONT.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS AND THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL CLUB AND ANTIQUE MACHINERY CENTRE!



### 2019 Club Draw:

For 2019 the first-place prize to be given away by the club is a 1953 John Deere 40S, serial number 96469. The option to take \$2,500 cash instead will again be offered if the green and yellow isn't your colour! A children's pedal tractor will again be given as a second prize as well as a die cast model John Deere tractor for third. Thanks to all who helped to sell tickets, at home and at all of the events attended by the club.

Stay tuned for the announcement of prizes for the 2020 draw. You won't want to miss out!





## **Annual HAHC Show**

The main event in the Club's annual calendar is always the Annual HAHC Show, now held in conjunction with the Classic Snowmobile Club of Canada. The 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique Machinery Show/3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Wheatfield Rendezvous was held on August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and was to have been held on the south side of Highway 2 across from the Burnham Family Market between Cobourg and Port Hope. It is a great field for public viewing but due to soggy weather the location had to be moved just prior to the show. After the grain was harvested the rain came so the straw could not be bailed so the search for a new spot, a dry one, began. And so, the show moved to Birch Road and Telephone Road, Cobourg, towards Highway 401 across from Dan Lovshin's shop.

The Wheatfield Rendezvous Vintage Snowmobile Show and Swap Meet continued to add many more things for spectators to touch and see, even if there is no snow for demonstrations. The ACSCC were on hand for both days and again brought representatives of the Ontario Snowmobile Oval Racers (OSOR) to the event. As Earl has mentioned, over 70 sleds were on hand over the weekend, up from last year, and we hope that they plan to attend again in 2020.

The show continues to offer something for all ages. It is a nostalgia weekend for seniors, learning experience for those under 80 and a walk down memory lane for all. Kids can see and do and touch and experience the past.

One of the popular and fun events at the show is always the lawn mower pulls. So, what is a FUN Lawn Mower Pull??? Well, Dad, Grandad, Mom or whoever gets out the lawn mower, hoses off the weeds (grass) and gets his adventurous family, gets out the helmet, and loads them all into the vehicle and drives to the show. Once there, they unload, register and understands the rules (for safety). Then they hook up to a SLED (this is a machine that gets heavier the farther you pull it). So, the person that knows how and when to give "IT" the gas and not spin the tires goes the farthest, WINS! Just that easy and lots of fun. Yes Dad, you can enter in this race also, it's not just for the kids. We of course have trophies and ribbons, but it is mainly about the bragging rights.

## My lawn mower is stronger than yours!

For rules and more serious stuff go to our website. And plan on taking part in 2020! If you want more information on this fun time, call John Tufford 905-373-3147.

He waybe this winter you can get the old lawn tractor out and fix it up. Tune the engine and give it a paint job. Now at the summer show you can do two things with it:

One: Enter it in the Best Lawn Tractor category and

Two: Ride it down to the Lawn Tractor Pulls and make some smoke.



**S**ee you there.

A part of the weekend events is the handing out of trophies to lucky and well-deserved recipients and this is one of the big expenses. For 2020 the Club continues to look for sponsors of some trophy classes. This could be a company, or a personal sponsor of a large trophy engraved with the sponsor's name that would be returned and awarded every year as well as a small trophy that the winner gets to keep. The

estimated costs are approximately \$50 to \$60 for the initial trophy (one-time cost for approximately 10 years) and \$30 every year for the keeper trophy. Please contact Jack Malfiat for more information at 905-372-6308. Also, if you have any suggestions or comments in this regard don't hesitate to reach out at a meeting or by calling Earl or The Bare.





2019 HAHC Antique Machinery Show Judge's Final Standings			
CATEGORY	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE
Original Tractor	Brent Bowman 1963	Myron Szalawiga	Paul Burnham
	Allis Chalmers D17	1958 Allis Chalmers	1956 John Deere 70
	Diesel	D14	Diesel
<b>Restored Tractor</b>	Allan Strang	Carmen Erwin	Bob Barrabal
	1954 International Super	1952 John Deere 60	1949 John Deere A
	W6 TA		
Restored Farm	Glen Middleton		
Machinery	Massey Harris African Scuffler Massey Harris Quebec Sulky		
<b>3</b>	Massey Harris 7A signal plough Massey Harris Grape & Berry Vine Hoe		
	Massey Harris bag cart Massey Harris Electric Cream Separator		
Restored Garden	Ron Davey	Darren MaCinnes	Brent Adamson
Tractor	Gravely 8199 KT	1987 Ford LGT 12	1959 Gravely L1
Odd Ball/Unique-	John & Frank Hale	-	-
Non-tractor	Grain Binder		
Antique	Jack Malfait	Howard Toyne	Tyler MacInnes
Car/Bike/Truck	1968 Dodge Super Bee	1964 Ford 100 Pick-Up	1965 Ford Mustang
Engines/Display/	Ron Davey	Greg St. Amand	Ron Davey
Others	1920's St. Lawrence	1938-1970, Various	1933/37 D. R.
Others	Boat Engine	Makes and Models	Clarke Model 0
Judge's Favourite	Chris Plowright	Brian Bickle	Grant Greenwood
Restored Tractor	1950 David Brown Crop	1952 Gibson E	Minneapolis Moline
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2019 Fun Lawn Mower Pulls - Results			
SATURDAY Aug. 10			
	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE
Light Weight	James Westington		
Under 700 lbs			
Middle Weight	James Westington	Brendan Huggins	Terry Hudgins
700 to 900 lbs			
Heavy Weight	Tibor Voznor	John Tufford	Brendan Huggins
900 to 1100 lbs			
SUNDAY Aug. 11			
	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE
Middle Weight	James Westington	Brook Cowan	Katlin Boese
700 to 900 lbs			
Heavy Weight	James Westington	Dan Goody	Mason Brimacombe
900 to 1100 lbs			



#### **2019 Events:**

Every year the club and its members participate in many events, gaining an opportunity for public exposure (the kind that doesn't get you arrested) and to sell draw tickets, fundraise and try to gain new members. Once winter is over and spring arrives things get busy and barely a weekend goes by that doesn't have something for the club and its members to participate in. Some of the highlights are those that follow.

## Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny 2019 Editions

First showing of the club's draw tractor is the annual Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny race. This event more than other outdoor event depends on weather, and the MIGHTY GANNY River. So, the weather before the Race was iffy, but April 13<sup>th</sup>, turned out to be a terrific spring day. People came out in droves. The clubs shiny new John Deere draw tractor was on display (so new the paint was hardly dry). This year we added to our booth, the Hit & Miss engine/grinder trailer. This is a new display custom built on a trailer that can be towed anywhere. Greg spent a lot of time in his shop designing and building this antique piece of art. As the Fanny racers roared down the river, Greg and the boys made smoke and sound that had the spectators gather around to see this gem.

This was the 39th year for the event which serves as a reminder of the Port Hope flood of 1980 and always draws large crowds of spectators and participants. Large crowds give us a chance to sell tickets, but also to talk about our Club and Museum. So we started the selling year with a flying start.

## Open House No. 1 and Club BBQ

With the snow gone and the dandelions back, the first of two annual open houses to be held at the AMC took place over the weekend of June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. First of all, it never rained on the weekend!! This was very exciting for the members as we didn't have to set up some tents and everyone had room to sit inside the building or outside during the Sunday evening BBQ.

Over the weekend many visitors came and viewed the equipment and talked to our members about what some of the equipment was used for or discussed how they remembered using some the items on the farm when they were younger. Brought back many memories of sore backs. The Bantam Excavator was running, and the Waukesha Engine was started several times drawing a crowd with its noise, plus periodically the hit and miss engine driving a

grain grinder drew a crowd of interested folks. Our Latest additional building was open, and many people were seen in it admiring all the equipment inside.

The Bare had the HAHClub BBQ going for those that wanted a hamburger or hot dog during the visit and it also kept the members on duty for the weekend. The big BBQ happened on Sunday night; attendance was 224 and I am sorry to say that the response for tickets late in the afternoon was overwhelming. We had to turn people away, which broke my heart but as we have advertised for years ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY! Hayden Taylor needs to know attendance 4 to 5 days in advance for food preparation so we do a little guessing from past experiences but there are limits on over booking! In the future PLEASE GET YOUR TICKETS in advance and EARLY. We would like to see you there!

Thanks to John Buchan and members for organizing the music again this year. Also, Lawrence Finnie from Garden Hill won the lottery draw for \$150.00 Sunday evening. Thanks to our club members for their work during the weekend and clean up afterwards. Thanks to everyone attending and supporting the HAHClub and the Antique Machinery Centre. Several people over the weekend made some substantial financial donations to the AMC.

Your grateful President, Earl Ashby





## **Parades**

There is never a shortage of parades for HAHC members to participate in, especially around Canada Day. Under sunny skies the club again participated in the Port Hope Celebration and Parade with a lovely line up of antique tractors to compliment cars and trucks. Sunscreen, hats and red and white colours were the order of the day and there was also food and beer in the park downtown if you weren't quite ready to go home after the parade was over.



# **Hastings County Plowing Match and Farm Show**

This popular show was held in Madoc this past August 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. With 200 exhibitors of agricultural technology and services, woodlot information and demonstrations, crafts, family programs, antiques, Queen of the Furrow and entertainment the event has something for everyone. Billed as Eastern Ontario's largest annual outdoor farm show and with between 5,000 and 20,000 visitors it is a great place for the club to set up and sell draw tickets. And the beautiful weather was an added bonus!

This was the our 3<sup>rd</sup> year attending the Hastings plowing Match. We set out early Wednesday morning the 21<sup>st</sup>. with Barry towing his camper, Greg towing the hit and miss engine and grinder on a trailer and Barry Staples and I towing the draw tractor. We had to be there [Tweed] and set up by 9am. This is a very good event for the club, not only do we sell a lot of tickets but meet and talk to a lot of people of who we are and about the club and museum. This event is in the middle to farm country and a great show to see. After 2 days of selling tickets we came home Thursday evening and of course Barry had to make the trip exciting by blowing a tire and not being able to get the spare off the vehicle but that's another story for the future.



## 225 Years of Wheat

225 Years of Wheat. These few words caused a lot of excitement for the HAHClub this year.

What do they mean? Well the history of Port Hope Area shows that the first settlers in this area finally grew enough wheat to take it to Belleville, to have it milled and turned into flour. This piece of history started a chain reaction here in Port Hope. The Fair Board decided that they would make this "225 Years of Wheat" this year's theme and that they would get the HAHClub to make it happen. Sooooo!!! President Earl got the call. First, we must make sure Paul Burnham is onboard to grow the Wheat. Then we need to get our newly donated Grain Binder working. (This donation was needed because the Binder we have used for years was destroyed in a fire.) The Binder rebuild was a winter project. Then on a sleepless night Earl thought up the idea, "let's have Bare build a presentation to educate folks on this history and how we help preserve farming".

Next, our building neighbours to the North (The Canton Hub) was opening its new library and would we do a presentation on wheat, and what is an HAHClub. This started the "Earl and Bare Wheat Show".

While Bare and Earl are doing these shows, the wheat is ready to be harvested. Because of rainy weather problems, the grain was not cut at the show, but had to be cut by the binder, loaded on a big wagon and stored for

the fair. Fair weekend came, and out came the HAHClub members to put on a show. Friday was Grade 3's learning about the farm day. We had over 150 kids watch our demonstrations on planting wheat, growing, binding it and then our old Threshing machine making Straw Flakes and harvested grain. Oh, we even had them grind the wheat into flour on our new "Hit & Miss" engine driving a portable mill. What great fun we had. Voted best demo at the Fair by the teachers. Of course, we did demos all weekend and gave out information on our September Open house. This worked as the open house was our best attended open house yet.

Sadly, the year ended, and we have put all this equipment to bed for the winter. But I heard Earl has had another sleepless night and he thinks we should do something about Tobacco. Stay tuned.

PS. For our contribution to the fair, we receive a \$500 donation to the club. Thank You Fair Board.

The Bare

# **Port Hope Fall Fair**

As in past years the HAHClub took part in Port Hope's Fall Fair, a way of supporting the community that we call home. Held this year from September 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> the fair always has many events, shows, exhibits and things to do and see. It is a great atmosphere and is a great opportunity for the club to get noticed and sell tickets.





## Open House No. 2

**H**eld in September each year, the second AMC Open House fell on Saturday September 28<sup>th</sup> in 2019 with doors open between 9 am and 4 pm. It was a chance for people to visit our working museum of antique farm equipment, snowmobiles and everything in between. With free entry, free wagon rides and food available there really is no reason not to attend. There were lots to see, indoors and out! It was also one of the few events that yours truly was able to get to over the year and despite some mid-day rain is was nice to chat and get caught up.









On the Friday before our Open House we held a gathering for Port Hope Town Staff and Councilors. The property we have our building on is owned by the Municipality. This group of people came with the Mayor to see what the HAHClub was all about. To say the least, they were very impressed by our little "museum "and the amount of history we have preserved.

Late Saturday afternoon, President Earl and Th'Bare, held a little BBQ for all the workers who helped at this year's Antique Show. Do you know how hard it is to hold something for all the folks who do all the work? Who will do the work to put on this BBQ and make this happen? Of course, bring in the "kids", the Price family, because they were in the UK during the show and they were happy to come and cook and serve.

Have you noticed that FOOD is a common theme of this group? Nevertheless, Earl and I can never say enough THANK YOUS to everyone who makes this little club of ours SHINE.



## Club Meetings, 2019:

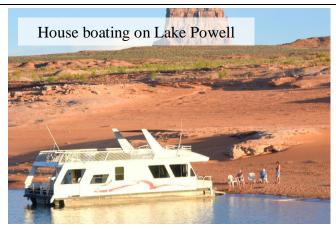
General Club Meetings, open to all HAHC members and the public, are held every second month starting in February. Is is an opportunity for everyone to learn about current club operations, projects and other business. To lessen the weight of official business a guest speaker or other form of entertainment is planned. If you know someone, or even yourself, who has a topic of interest that would be willing to talk in front of a group please see Earl or The Bare.

With the June Open House that months meeting was moved to July 29<sup>th</sup>. It was held at the usual summer location, the Antique Machinery Centre in Canton. The first topic for the evening was an update on the club's annual show in August.

Following this and other formal business was a presentation by our President, Mr. Earl Ashby, talking about his recent trip to Las Vegas, Route 66, The Grand Canyon and Houseboating on Lake Powell. Lots of wonderful pictures were promised because Earl's wife is a super photographer. And yes, The Bare was there and also helped with the presentation.

Apparently, everything that happens in Vegas does not stay in Vegas. Thankfully there were no hiccups with the choice of photographs!







With the annual show in August the next formal meeting was held in October on the 7<sup>h</sup> and was broken into two parts. First, the HAHClub had been invited to celebrate 225 Years of Wheat with a special tour of the 1800 Grist Mill in Campbellcroft. This mill is still in operation, offering grain and seed cleaning and as a seed dealer.



This tour was not for everyone though with a special note that only able-bodied folks should attend, those that can climb stairs and walk around holes in the floor. No walkers or wheelchairs were allowed, and it was all at your own risk. Having said that, the mill is full of equipment and mechanisms that were designed way back when so it was a no brainer that members would want to take their chances and see inside this historic mill.









The time was set at 6pm to start the tour so as to have natural light to see the insides. No electricity or lights in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. Following the tour, the members made their way back to the Port Hope HUB for the regular part of the meeting.

And that brings us up to date, with the December meeting being the last for 2018. Santa has been booked, the gift exchange organized, and food prepared. If you still have draw tickets, please hand them in. And make sure to renew your membership for 2020, still available at the same old fee of just \$20 for the year. And as a bonus for renewing early President Earl will be offering once again the greatly desired 2020 calendar with each paid membership. And don't forget your donations for the food bank. If you did forget a cash donation works as well. But above all enjoy the evening!

# **2020 Future Meetings**

The club tries to hold meetings though out the year with some interesting speakers and/or topics. If anyone has suggestions of a good speaker please let Barry or Earl know. For our first meeting of 2020 we will welcome guest speaker Kevin Stewart of Dufferin Concrete. This will be on February 10 at the Canton Community Centre and is also our" show and tell". Bring your treasured artifacts and quiz the boys or just show it off. The next meeting is on April 6<sup>th</sup>. We have started working on this and it will be a talk along with photos of the tobacco industry and behind the scenes of the growing of tobacco in Northumberland and Durham county. This will be also held at the Canton Community Centre. This evening will be our silent auction as well, so bring all those Christmas gifts you really didn't want and help the club out!



# **2019 Donations, Acquisitions and Restorations:**

Every collection needs to grow to remain interesting and keep people coming back to "see what's new" and the HAHC is no different. There is always something new to see or something you didn't notice on a previous visit to the AMC. One of the main ways that brings new items to our collection is through donations from local families and individuals. Sometimes one of our members finds an interesting piece that they think would be a good fit at the AMC. Here are some of the new articles that were added over the past year.

# Marlow Pump with a Chrysler Industrial Engine

The Hope Agricultural Heritage Club received a pump that was donated by John Szwakob of Elizabethville. It was purchased new in 1956 from Ken Ashby Farm Equipment in Port Hope and used on John's father's tobacco farm. Once the tobacco industry stopped growing in the local area, the pump sat in the Family barn until now. The club was very excited to receive the pump from John to add to our collection of equipment in the Antique Machinery Centre in Canton.





The engine is a Model IND 20 A.with a 331 c.i. Chrysler industrial engine, 180 H.P. at 4600 rpm and 312 ft ib. torque at 2000 rpm with 7.5-1 compression ratio. It has a bore of 3.8125 and stroke of 3.625, and has sodium filled valves and dual points. These engines were made to run at low RPMs under heavy load for hours, days and weeks on end.

The Marlow Company took these engines and connected them to their water pumps. Marlow Pumps was based in Ridgewood, New Jersey, USA and is still in business today. This pump has a 6" intake and outlet and is connected to the flywheel of the engine. The unit is capable of pumping 1000 gallons per minute. These engines were parked beside the pond or creek and the outlet pipes would run to the fields where the aluminium pipes would be tee'd off into smaller pipes and sprinklers. The number of sprinklers and size used depended on the distance away from the pump and rise in elevation. A 200-gallon fuel tank was parked close to the pump for refilling every other day.

Farmers never liked to irrigate because it was costly, time consuming and the Tobacco crop liked the rain better than the pond or creek water. Once it did rain these engines were shut off and towed back to the shed and would sit until needed again in a dry year. When that happened, the carburetors would be plugged up with old gas, etc.





The Club has this engine in our shop at the A.M.C. and is working on getting it up and running again. It is seized up because of not running for perhaps 20 years. And after the removal of the heads it looks like there has been water on some of the pistons! During the winter we will keep tearing it apart and try to get it running again. We will keep you posted on the repairs.

## The Club's Sled

Winter was almost over, and Greg had taken the sled home to Newcastle to finish painting and do a little pin striping, something close to original. After cleaning the old paint off, it revealed the name on the side of the

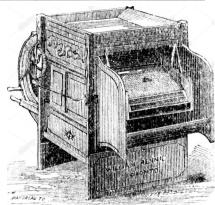
sled. We could never find the original history of the sled owners as written on the side and the phone number did not seem to work anymore! Once it was completed and there was still some snow on the ground, Greg and I took it to my house and tried it out. It worked perfect, less the horses pulling. We pulled with my 1985 Alpine snowmobile and took turns riding the sled. It is now in the museum and many of you may have seen this summer. Earl





# **Surplus Fanning Mills**

Of course, in the process of acquiring items for the AMC the Hope Agricultural Heritage Club occasionally finds its self in possession of multiple examples of similar equipment. This situation presented itself this past April while workers had been cleaning up the AMC leading to Boss Earl declaring that we have too many fanning mills. I'm not sure if any are still available but if you or someone that you know are interested give Earl a call to see if there are any left that the club is willing to part with.



The club is always maintaining and restoring equipment and machinery from its collection at the AMC and members are always encouraged to help out when the can. This past year member Greg St. Amand took home a trailer and restored and painted it to look like new. The plan for this winter is to mount a hit and miss engine on it that will be used to power a grain binder. This way it can be easily taken to any of the shows and demonstrated. Thanks Greg, nice job!



## **Membership Says Goodbye to Some Good Friends:**

Every year it seems that we have sad news to pass along and 2019 has been no exception. It is a part of everyday life and when our interests lay with antique equipment it goes without saying that most of our members are of similar vintage as the machines we love so much.

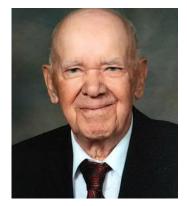
## **Charlie Weaver**

The HAHC shared the passing of our member Charlie Weaver this past July. Charlie had a very full life and was very near 100 years old, passing just short of his 99<sup>th</sup> birthday. He was a very active members when he was a young 80-year-old. When you have visited the Antique Machinery Centre, you may have seen the WOODEN Manure spreader. Charlie's name is on this as he rebuilt and finished this beautiful piece of history.



Charlie was another unsung hero of World War II, serving from 1941 to 1945. He was an avid gardener, accomplished wood worker, conservation warrior, life-long lover of nature and generous contributor to the club.

He was celebrated as an honourable man who will be remembered by many. Charlie, may you plow on where ever you are.



# **Eugene Watkins**

Another beloved member that has taken his last tractor ride here on earth was Eugene Watkins, peacefully passing in his 92<sup>nd</sup> year this past November. Eugene had a very active life with our club. At ninety-two he was still attending HAHClub events and smiling and chatting with all the younger members. The Bare personally remembers Eugene always wanting to sit on Santa's knee and smiling like a big kid. It was a smile that warmed the whole room. He will be missed.

## Cy Rich

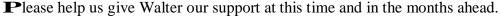
Cyril "Cy" John Rich was also a long-standing member of the club. Cy left us peacefully at his home in Cavan on May 14<sup>th</sup>. A beloved husband, devoted father and proud grandfather and great grandfather he will be missed by many He was very involved in many clubs beside the HAHClub including the Airstream Club, Bell Canada, Kawartha Woodturners, Millbrook Community Choir and the Peterborough Miata Club. He will also be fondly remembered by his best friend – his dog Buddy.



## **Gail Stapleton**

Also announced with a heavy heart this past November was the sad news of the passing of Gail Stapleton, wife of our member Walter Stapleton. You would know Walter as one of the guys on the electric gator who is always asking for your money for 50/50 tickets.

Walter and family held a private service for Gail but invited members to share in her celebration of life. Her commitment to community, especially Orono Town Hall, gave her much pleasure throughout the years. A Hostess with the Mostest Gail, was a business woman, career gal, hockey Mom, equestrian supporter and had a list of extracurricular activities that went on and on.









## **Other Club News:**

At a Port Hope council meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup>, Barry pitched council an idea which would include the club taking over municipal land and expanding the work we can accomplish. The expansion would see the creation of the Canton Heritage Park.

In an article by the Northumberland News:

"By giving us more space, more buildings and more support, we can accept and restore more items," said Adamson. "Right now, it takes about two days to move things so someone can walk through our buildings. Our goal is to be able to open for tours such as school classes, seniors and other organizations."

Currently, the heritage club owns land at 5077 County Rd. 10., but they hope to take over land surrounding the current location which is owned by the municipality.

Adamson says that the use of property and surrounding buildings would allow for more physical activities including the use of an excavator and plow so there is more room to clean and turn the area into a nicer park.

The outlook for the park would include more space to store and take care of antique machinery.

Also, the heritage club would be able to provide more activities for those who attend the park including demonstrations on how the machinery works, wagon rides and more.

The hope is the new year will bring good news for the heritage park.

"If they gave me the key to the building back there tomorrow it'd be great but it's going to take its time," said Adamson.

Adamson said that eventually, the hope is that if the members of the club are no longer able to continue their work, the municipality would be able to take over and continue running the park.

"Our hopes would be if we didn't have enough people to do it that someone would take it over, that they would take it over, because it would be heartbreaking to try and sell stuff that we've worked so hard to restore," said Adamson.

The Hope Agricultural Heritage Club is a group dedicated to preserving heritage in the county by restoring antique machinery and artifacts that have been donated and recovered.

Council received the information from Adamson and referred it back to staff to explore the potential opportunities available.

A report will be brought to a future meeting of the committee of the whole.



## **Member Recruitment:**

As you are aware, like any club, new members are the only way we can survive. Some pass away, move, get old or just become disinterested. We meet many people through the years and especially at the open house weekend where a flyer could be handed out, asking for new members. New members don't join unless they are asked, similar to tractor draw tickets that don't sell themselves. In an effort to create interest and awareness in what we do, donations that we need, please provide an e-mail contact for all future club function's a "Would You Like to be a Member?" form has been created. Please take a look (it's the last page) and get back to Earl or The Bare with any thoughts or comments.

Thanks, Earl



# **General Meetings in 2020:**

Mark your calendars! You don't want to miss any of the excitement!

# **Hope Agricultural Heritage Club Meetings and Event Dates for 2020**

(All meeting are on a **Monday** unless noted otherwise)

**Directors Meetings** (located at Dan Lovshin's on Telephone Road): February 3<sup>rd</sup>, March 30<sup>th</sup>, July 20<sup>th</sup>, September 28<sup>th</sup> and November 16<sup>th</sup>.

□ *Please note* that all meetings will start at 7:30 pm.

# **General Member Meetings and Club Functions:**

Meeting and Silent Auction at Canton Community Centre	7:30 pm
Meeting at Canton Community Centre	7:30 pm
Open House & BBQ at the Antique Machinery Centre	
Meeting at the Antique Machinery Centre	7:30 pm
Antique Machinery Show and Snowmobile Show	
Port Hope Fall Fair	
Open House at the Antique Machinery Centre	
Meeting at Canton Community Centre	
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**Christmas Party and Tractor Draw** 

## 2020 Membership Form. Fee - \$20/year.

Mail To: Membership Chairman Barry Adamson 1020 Port Britain Rd., Port Hope Ont., L1A 3V7 – 905-885-2760 <u>Bare@AProd.com</u>

NAME	
ADDRESS (INCLUDE 911 ADDRESS)	
CITY	
POSTAL CODE	
PHONE	
EMAIL	
FAX	

See the AMC flyer for dates and events specific to that facility. If you don't have a copy, go see Earl or Barry. They'd be glad to set you up with one!

## **Your HAHC Directors:**

Barry Adamson	905-885-2760	Earl Ashby	905-753-2387
Doug Davey	905-396-5746	Jake Greydanus	905-373-5310
Dan Lovshin	905-377-1348	Jack Malfait	905-372-6308
Steve Lake	905-999-3230	John Tufford	905-885-9351
Mark Shelly	905-373-9843		

## **Closing Remarks:**

Well, another year has blown by, the summer is a memory and we are well into the winter months. With luck you have had the chance already to get those fall chores done before winter had a chance settle in and have some projects to keep you busy over the cold months ahead. If you find yourself needing to get out of the house during those long months head over to the AMC for a visit and see what's going on. You can stop for a chat or help out with one of the projects. Maybe you can offer some words of wisdom or encouragement. Or just make fun of everyone, that's a good way to shake the winter blahs. Just don't be too hard on them.

And if you see something of interest, read an article, go to an event or visit a museum that you think fellow members might be interested in also, take some photos and pass them along. You can phone Earl or the Bare with your story, email it to them or better yet post on the club's Facebook page. If you haven't done this before and aren't sure how, it's easy. Your niece or nephew or the 10-year-old next door will gladly help you get started.

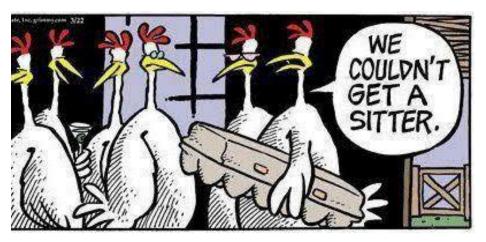
**B**ut above all, have a happy and safe winter. See you all on the flip side!



**I**'m going to leave you with a few funnies found on the inter web. Enjoy!







# WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A MEMBER?

The Hope Agricultural Heritage Club is always looking for new members.

If you like antique machinery, engines, tools and meeting others with the same interests then this is the club for you!

Attend informative meetings with interesting guest speakers, club functions like open houses at the Antique Machinery Center, annual barbeque, annual show, and hands on restoration projects.

For only \$20.00 you can be a part of your community's preservation of our heritage and leave a legacy of historical artifacts for future generations. Plus you get to have the enjoyment of fellow enthusiasts.

I like what the club is doing and agree it needs my membership and support.

PLEASE SIGN ME UP:

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NO THANKS, but please put me on your e- in the club.	mailing list to ke	eep me informed of what's happening
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