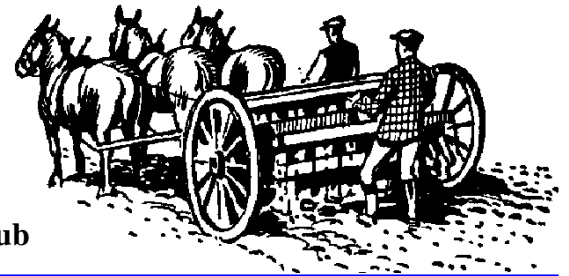


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# HORIZON



A newsletter for the members of Hope Agricultural Heritage Club

2022 Edition

## Hello Members and Friends,

**W**ow, what a year. After 2½ years off it was an effort to get back into the swing of things regarding your Hope Agricultural Heritage Club. It was almost back to normal except for no raffle tractor [for the second year], and the annual BBQ, normally held in June was cancelled, but at the last minute [30 days before] it was okay to hold in September. All 161 attendees enjoyed the evening. Thank You for your support.

**T**he Antique Machinery Show was also an enormous success with the best attendance we have ever had. The weather co-operated with no rain but a little hot and dry. There was a variety of machinery running, operating, and being demonstrated. A bonus on Saturday afternoon was the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Elizabeth Dowdeswell, attending the show and going for a wagon ride around the site. We also had the most over-night campers due to the owners of over 116 antique snowmobiles, from all over Ontario and Quebec, supported by the Antique and Classic Snowmobile Club of Canada, sharing our show. Lawn mower pulls, threshing, binding, plowing, wagon rides, shingle mill, tasty food at the Lions trailer, provided lots to see and do. A great weekend! The Bare and I were out of the groove with so much time off with no show, but with all of our volunteers stepping in and helping the show went off very smoothly. We cannot thank you enough.

**T**he HAHClub had an open house in June and September at the Antique Machinery Centre. The June event had good attendance both days, but the September attendance was down for unknown reasons on Saturday. Since it rained all day on the Sunday, we can understand why people didn't want to come out.

## In Passing

**W**e have lost our long-time member Herbert Gasser. Originally from Switzerland, he lived and farmed in Orono until the 407 purchased his farm. He then moved to Toronto and later to north of Cobourg. The Clubs' first restoration projects were worked on at Herb's in Orono and he was very instrumental in completing them. Herb got a kick out of hosting the HAHC in his workshop at the farm, where many tractors were renovated. Herb was 74.





Also, multiple members knew Allan Strang of Cobourg. Allan had numerous beautifully restored, rare tractors and pulling tractors. Allan worked in the cedar lumber industry and was the dedicated, proud owner and operator of Strang Cedar Limited for 50 years. Allan and his wife, Audrey, spent many happy years travelling throughout Canada and the United States competing in tractor pull competitions where he won many awards, including the US Championship for Class 4 Antique Tractors in 2013. He was extremely proud of his vintage tractor collection and throughout his life he loved to take his grandchildren for rides and tell them stories.



Another loss earlier this year was Henk Jensen. Henk was on the HAHC Board of Directors for many years until his health required him to leave. Henk arranged the much-loved Silent Auction, usually held during the first member meeting of the year.

Henk was born in Holland and came to Canada at the age of 23 with a dream of owning his own farm. This dream was realized in 1979, when Henk, along with his wife Margaret and their three children, purchased and moved to their own farm on Shelter Valley Road. They would farm and live there for 39 years. Henk enjoyed the outdoors, enjoying winter sports and family gathering. Henk's charm and wit will be dearly missed. Henk was 79.



More recently saw the passing of Ross Alldread. Ross passed away suddenly at home on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Ross was recently a member of the Hope Agricultural Heritage Club and loved our BBQ's. He grew up in Bowmanville, racing his Studebaker car up and down the main street and loved farming with his John Deere's. Ross loved his green paint with a collection of JD M,40, 420, 4400 and JD lawn mowers and was always wheel'in and deal'in. The other item Ross loved was his Ford Trucks, which were always clean and with every piece of chrome available on it. Many of our members will remember Ross and will miss him. He was on of the "in the know" and "go to" John Deere guys. Ross was 81.



Another passing that should be mentioned is that of Doug Davey from Baltimore. Although not a regular HAHC member, Doug was a common site at the many parades, road runs and shows in the area, including our annual machinery show. He could often be seen, perched atop his beloved Fordson Major with a big grin on his face, with his brother Bob on his Cub not far away. They were often known to go through the Tim Hortons drive-through on their tractors, providing much enjoyment to smiling patrons and staff.

It was a tough year, and all of these members will be missed!



### **Now on to 2023 ...**

The plan is to have a tractor draw again in 2023, if things don't change due to Covid. We will be looking for help selling tickets. We will need volunteers to sell at the shows and fall fairs we attend throughout the year. Please let us know if you can help. This is the Clubs' largest fund-raising event. Tickets will be available early in 2023.

**R**egretfully we have had to make an increase in our club membership dues as of 2023. We have not had an increase for approximately 20 years. Compared to other clubs we are still a bargain. It will be \$30.00 for the 2023 year.

**W**hile talking about money, the HAHClub would like to thank the Orono Tractor Club for their generous financial donation in October.

**P**lease review the attached 2023 dates of your HAHClub activities: Meetings, Open House(s), Fundraiser Supper [BBQ], and Antique Show. Get the dates on all your calendars so there is no conflict on the dates with others in the family! [e.g., the wife]

**O**n behalf of the HAHClub, a Big Thank You to all our members for your continued support and a special thanks to all the volunteers helping at the shows and open houses. There are too many names to mention but Thank You - Thank You. And thanks to Jon Beavan for creating another newsletter which helps keep everyone informed on who we are and what we do.

**I**n closing, please have a Happy Holiday and New Year. We are looking forward to a great 2023.

Your President,  
*Earl Ashby*



### **Club Events and Happenings by *The Bare*:**

**W**ell, the leaves are falling outside as I write this, but it is not snowing. I guess fall is here and winter is coming. Meanwhile back at the club we had our first BBQ (which is not a BBQ, but the Beef and Pork Buffet) in 3 years. This year we held the BBQ in September to let Covid cool down. We had a 2-day Open House and BBQ Sunday night. The Open House attendance was low, but the BBQ exceeded our expectations. We fed about 160 people. Thank You all who supported us. This was a fund raiser, and we did put money in the bank.

**A**s far as club meeting go, everyone was still in shutdown, thanks to Covid, so there was no meeting in February. Emails were sent to members to keep in touch and make sure that the club was still being thought of. Things were finally looking up by April, however, and our first meeting in over two years was scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Canton Community Centre (The Hub). Members were asked to RSVP if they wanted to attend, as seats were limited. Jack Malfait, a club member who grew up growing tobacco, finally got the chance after two years of waiting to give a presentation of Local Tobacco Farming of our Past. This presentation proved to be so well received, with a positive response from the sold-out crowd, that another showing was held at the AMC Open House on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**F**or the August 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, Jonathan Taylor Farrier Services was asked to present. Members were asked to join us at the Antique Machinery Centre at 7:30 pm for a visit with a real Blacksmith, like the guys in the past that made all of the metal things that we now do not know what they do. Jonathan brought his forge and hammer and showed how he works with cold steel to make useful things. In fact, he made a very large, working horse size horseshoe on the spot. This will be a novel item on the wall of the AMC. About 30 members gathered to watch him work, and boy did he work hard! Many thanks Jonathan!





## Canada Day Parade

The annual Canada Day Parade (or the Callithumpian Parade) returned to Port Hope and members were invited to participate on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The main difference was a very different parade route, due to Port Hope's main street, Walton, was having major repairs done and was closed to all traffic. A rally point and time was arranged and Bare led the way. The club was given a spot to park at the end of the parade with the opportunity to show off the tractors. And a beer garden was available across the park by Town Hall!

The parade was a great success for the club, with nine tractors taking part. Doug Davey also towed our Tractor sign with the show information displayed. Thanks to all who participated!



## HAH Club Tractor Drive 2022

If you missed the annual Canada Day Parade you had a second chance to strut your stuff, with a big thank you to the Szalawiga Team. The HAH Club Tractor Drive was arranged for Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup> (rain date on Sunday), starting on Szalawiga Road. Participants were asked to make sure that their tractor was mechanically sound, capable of driving at a road speed of at least 10 mph and to be equipped with a slow-moving vehicle sign. A full tank of gas was also a good idea. A drink to stay hydrated and possibly a light snack were the only other things necessary.

The procession left the mustering point, after checking out some orange tractors, at 10:15. Periodic stops were arranged for rest before arriving at Barry Adamson's in Port Britain around 3 pm for a BBQ of hamburgers and hot dogs. The cost of this feast was only \$10, with any profits donated back to the club.

This report was submitted by the Szalawiga's:



*This year's tractor ride consisted of 10 tractors (and 1 classic car!). There were 2 Cockshutts, 3 John Deeres, 5 Allis Chalmers and one 1965 Ford Galaxie - We don't discriminate! While the turnout was smaller than last year, we were still very happy with those who did attend. We were a little late in planning for the date selected. By the time the word got out, several people already had other plans in place, such as kid's birthday parties - kids versus old tractors? Hmm...*



*We covered a distance of 49 km (30 miles) to Barry's house for a delicious BBQ and refreshing beverages. Our route took us north of County Road 9 where we were treated to lovely views of the Northumberland hills and quiet country roads which offered lots of shade and very little traffic - great settings for a couple of rest stops to stretch our legs, talk tractors, and answer questions from passersby: Why are you doing it? Just because! We also had a couple of club members visit us using other modes of transportation (dirt bikes and minivans). Turns out someone in our group was tipping them off! We won't name names and that person does not need to fear any reprisal! We eventually worked our way south through some of the residential streets of Port Hope and on to the scenic Lakeshore Road. Everyone was happy to enjoy a relaxing outing in beautiful summer weather. No major mechanical breakdowns were encountered aside from one green tractor having some coughing and sniffles from debris in the gas tank. We will aim to give more advanced notice for next year's ride. Stay tuned!*



*Many thanks again for all of your help and accommodation Barry! Much appreciated!*

*Michael and Myron Szalawiga*

**W**ell, we the members of the Hope Agricultural Heritage Club THANK the Szalawiga family for taking the lead on a fun time.



## **2022 HAHC Machinery Show:**

**T**he show was able to go ahead this year and was held on August 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Earl gave a run down of the weekend in his opening remarks, and as he mentioned we received the special news that the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, Elizabeth Dowdeswell, was going to visit the show on Saturday afternoon, Port Hope Mayor Bob Sanderson brought her to the grounds, so it was a double honour. The entourage was met at the gate and escorted in for a planned one-hour visit. A wagon ride and various demonstrations were arranged for the group along with discussions with the members about the machinery and history.

**T**he following was submitted by Earl:



*Hello Everyone,*

*I just wanted to tell everyone, that the 29<sup>th</sup> Outdoor Antique Machinery and Snowmobile Show was an enormous success. Two days of sun and gentle breezes, hundreds of*



*spectators, countless tractors, and equipment. Also, we were honoured to have a visit and wagon tour of our show Saturday with the Honorable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.*

*On the Snowmobile end of the field, with the last count of 116 sleds on display, there was lots of action around the rows of antiques sleds and equipment. Numerous members travelled from as far away as Sudbury, London, Windsor, and Quebec. Plus, most stayed the weekend. Nothing but great comments. "Can't wait until next year" according to the Antique Classic Snowmobile Club of Canada's Facebook page. Several members were disappointed they didn't get to the show.*

*One major item I would like to mention is THANK YOU to all the volunteers. You worked tirelessly over the weekend. Barry and I were worried going into this year's show and while planning this show because we had 2 years off. Trying to remember what's needed and who is available to volunteer for the countless operations of this outdoor show in a field was a challenge. There are just too many names to mention but thanks to the HAHClub members, friends, family, sons, daughters, and grandchildren for their help over the 3 plus days of preparing, operating, and dismantling of the show site, operating displays, and the long hours spent at the gate. Without them there would be no show.*

*Thank you also to all our sponsors who donated either financially or with product.*

*Now I can get back to unloading and putting away my trailer full of stuff from the show!!!  
Earl Ashby*

**I**f you missed the show, or simply want to revisit over a cup of hot cocoa on these cold winter nights, Pete Fisher, a local videographer, and news reporter, was on site on the Saturday and captured the action. The video is about six minutes long, so sit back and enjoy. It can be found on YouTube by searching **29th Annual Hope Agricultural Heritage Machine Show August 13, 2022** or you can use this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WBk9nOLivKo>. Thanks, Pete, for the great reporting!

Saturday night big screen movie night.



Largest tractor in Ontario.



The Allis set up at the show.

Greg St. Amand driving the Allis Chalmers B to the show site for advertising the show.

### HAH ANTIQUE MACHINERY SHOW 2022

	First	Second	Third
<b>Original Tractor</b>	1952 Allis Chalmers G Rick Bowman	1960 Allis Chalmers D14 Myron Szalawiga	1953 John Deere 60 Paul Burnham
<b>Restored Tractor</b>	1949 Allis Chalmers G Myron Szalawiga	1947 John Deere BR Jim Blakley	1950 David Brown Cropmaster Christopher Plowright
<b>Restored Farm Machinery</b>			
<b>Restored Garden Tractor</b>	1968 Allis Chalmers B-110 Ray White	1952 Hillier Yardhand Ron Davey	1952 Simicity VA Ron Davey
<b>Odd Ball / Unique</b>	1967 Clark 290M Humming Bee Herb Hunter	Cub Cadet Bulldozer Mike White	Pedal Tractor Peter Speziale
<b>Antique Car / Bike / Truck</b>	1960 Crown Imperial Darren MacInnes	1958 Ford Thunderbird Ivan Allin	1968 Dodge Super Bee Jack Malfait
<b>Engines / Display / Others</b>	1910-30 Hit & Miss Engines Collection Ed Down	1963 Allis Chalmers Gleaner E Herb Hunter	1959 Gravely LI Brent Adamson
<b>Judges Favourite</b>	1972 Massey Ferguson 14 Doug Tinney	1949 Massey Harris 22 Robert Tinney	1952 John Deere M John Tufford





## 2022 Donations, Acquisitions and Restorations:

One way that the club grows is through the donations received and various acquisitions by the clubs' directors or through members. Not all of these are items to display as part of the collection as items are often needed to store, display or transport various equipment. Here are some highlights from the past year.



### Overflow Storage

In our July update we asked for help to store some equipment and now 3 of our little tractors are tucked away in Bob Sanderson's shed. These were recently donated due to the great success of the Open House. The roof is a green cover, so everything looks green. Thanks, Bob, for the needed space.



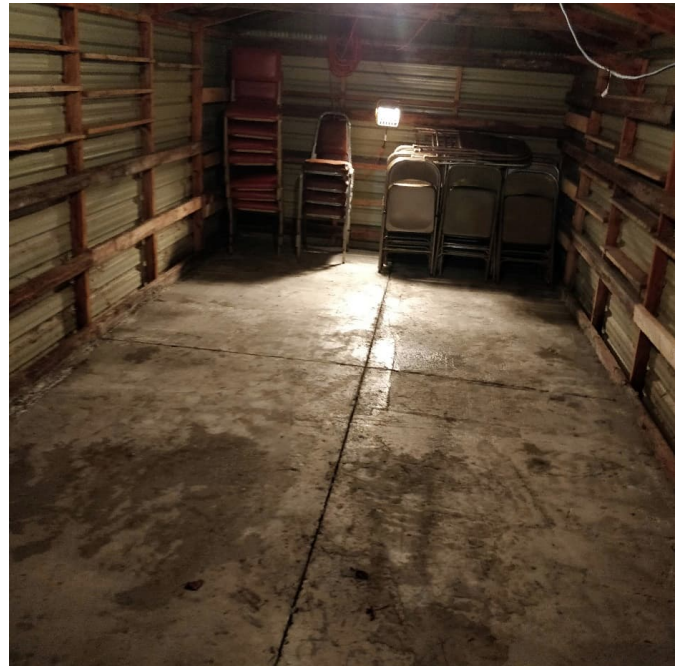
### Storage Shed at the AMC

You may remember from last year's newsletter that a storage shed was donated to the club by member David Ashby and after a suitable production was relocated and set up. At that time, it still needed a concrete floor before being used to store all the non-antique support equipment in our main building. Well...

#### Stop the press by Barry Adamson.

The AMC received an early Christmas present. Our shining cement Angel, Mark Shelley, showed up with a truckload of cement for our new steel shed. You might remember the shed was delivered about 14 months ago and sat empty waiting for a cement floor to be poured. Well, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, in came the cement.

Dufferin Concrete management team of Joe Thompson, Kevin Stewart, Kyle M, Peter G and Stephenie loaded Mark's truck and sent him on his way to us. John Tufford met him at the AMC and they went to work giving us a great new floor. Thank you all for this wonderful gift and donation. For us it was a Christmas Miracle.







As you can see in the pictures, the following Tuesday night, the guys went to work and moved “Stuff” from our main building. For a long time, we have wanted to get rid of the non-antique items from our museum so that we have a much cleaner display space. Tables, chairs, gas cans now all live in its new home. We can hardly wait to see what Earl puts in this new space.

**YES.....** *We Believe in Santa Claus!*



### Trailer

We are lucky enough to have Art Marvin in our club and he donated and operates our Grain Binder. This is a very good thing but brings with it a big problem. How do we move it to our show sites? It does not fit on normal trailers.

In preparation for the last two Antique Machinery Shows we have had to take the grain binder to the show sites ahead of the shows to do the binding due to forecasted rain on the weekend and this year, one of our main operators of the binder was going to be

away during the show. We found moving the binder was an issue, especially the width, steel wheels and the low ground clearance in trying to load on a trailer capable holding it. A normal trailer wouldn't work.

So, Earl goes looking and finds a suitable trailer. Of course, it is inexpensive (I said Earl found it) so it needed some love. But it was low and the proper width, making it easy to move the binder when needed in the future. We managed to use it to get it to the show and back, but now came the repairs.

One major problem was a bent axle. Earls' solution, turn it upside down and bend it back..... with the front-end loader.





Using blocks in the right place and with lots of pressure it worked. Then some welding, painting and board replacement, the Club now has a very good flatbed trailer.

**G**ood Job team.



### Horse Trailer

The club purchased a horse trailer this summer [for very little\$\$] to replace the wooden wagon we were using to carry all of our stakes, wood, and items used at the Antique Machinery Show. The wooden wagon was not road worthy and was not easy to load onto a separate trailer to get to the show site. The horse trailer was modified inside to hold all the sign stakes, signs, tarps, and some wood and all of it would be out of the weather year-round. With a Slow-Moving Vehicle sign on the back, it can be towed with a tractor to the show. It is in need of paint, possibly green would be a nice colour? If anybody has some cans of paint kicking around that you aren't using, please ask to see if it would be suitable.



### Cocksutt Plow

A donation that was made this spring to the Antique Machinery Centre is a horse drawn Cocksutt Plow made in Brantford Ontario. The plow is in excellent condition, with original paint, lettering and with even the factory pinstriping. It was donated by Jeanne Nelhams [ nee. Lang] of Knoxville Road, Port Hope approximately 2 weeks before she was killed during the storm on May 21,2022 when a tree fell on her as she was going to the house.





### Marine Boat Motor

Another interesting item donated to the club is this marine boat motor and appears to be early 1900's. It was found at a location on Rice Lake and was reclaimed out of a boat or barge. More info to follow.



## Member Recruitment:

As you are aware, like any club, new members are the only way we can survive, especially in times like these. 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. But once again, this year we couldn't do this. 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 functions. See the "Would You Like to be a Member?" form that is attached. Please take a look (it's the last page) and get back to Earl or The Bare with any thoughts or comments. And if you know someone who may be interested, it doesn't hurt to ask them. They can only say "no", or "I will think about it".

Thanks, Earl



## General Meetings and Important Dates in 2023:

As soon as we are able, we will announce any upcoming meeting, so please stay tuned and in touch. Don't be afraid to reach out and talk to any one of us! You don't want to miss any of the excitement! In the meantime, stay safe and stay well!

### Hope Agricultural Heritage Club Meetings and Event Dates for 2023

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

#### **Directors Meetings** (located at the AMC):

February 2<sup>nd</sup>, March 28<sup>th</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, and November 28<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

February 6 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at Canton Hub	7:30 pm
April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Members Meeting at Canton Hub	7:30 pm
April 8 <sup>th</sup> or 15 <sup>th</sup>	Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny	
June 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Open House</b> at the Antique Machinery Centre	
August 8 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at the <b>AMC</b> – speaker Horse Fairier	7:30 pm
August 12 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Antique Machinery Show &amp; Antique Snowmobile Show</b>	
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Open House</b> at the Antique Machinery Centre	
Sept. 30 to Oct. 1	Roseneath Fall Fair	
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Members Meeting at Canton Hub	
December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at Canton Hub	7:30 pm
	<b>Christmas Party and Tractor Draw</b>	

Note: All meetings are subject to change. Please view website for any updates or changes and watch your emails. All meetings are open at 7pm and start at 7:30. **Everyone** is invited to all Meetings and Events!

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!





## 2023 Membership Form. Fee - \$30/year.

Mail To: Membership Chairman Barry Adamson  
1020 Port Britain Rd., Port Hope Ont., L1A 3V7 – 905-885-2760 [Bare@AProd.com](mailto:Bare@AProd.com)

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Jack Malfait 905-372-6308  
John Tufford 905-885-9351

### Closing Remarks:

**Although** 2022 was again quite a year, it was considerably better than the two previous years. And hopefully, 2023 will continue this trend and we will get more chances to gather and share our love and knowledge of all things in vintage agriculture. But, once again, we are well into the winter months and looking forward to a more normal year ahead. With luck you have had the chance already to get those fall chores done before winter had a chance to settle in and have some projects to keep you busy over the cold months ahead. And remember, you can always reach out to other members and chat or help out with one of the projects from the AMC. There are always small tasks that you can take home to complete. 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 (even a virtual tour) that you think fellow members might be interested in also, take some photos and pass them along (or the link). Don't forget that we have a Facebook Page where you can post things you'd like to share. You can phone Earl or the Bare with your story or email it to them. 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. You might even consider giving a talk or presentation at an upcoming member meeting.

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



## 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 \$30.00 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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E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to make a financial donation to the Antique Machinery Centre to help continue its future operations.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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