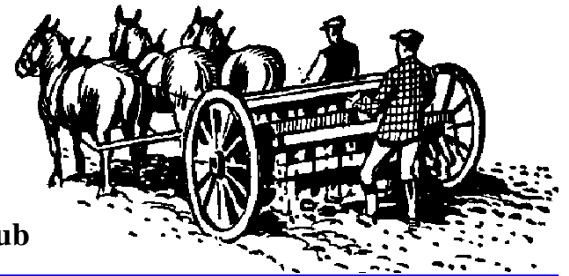


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# HORIZON



A newsletter for the members of Hope Agricultural Heritage Club

2023 Edition

## Hello Fellow Members and Friends,

Winter is in the air as we try to get our summer toys and equipment put away and to bed for the winter months. Take out the batteries, drain the fuel or put in some stabilizer and put some boards under the tires and throw a blanket over the old girl [tractor]!

Or maybe some of you don't have an old tractor. Don't lose hope, someone will be the winner of our tractor raffle on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December. You may be the lucky one!

Your Club has had a very busy year in 2023. With Covid behind us [?] the Club could concentrate on our open house dates, buffet dinner, our Antique Show and tractor raffle without the world shutting down.

We have had a tremendous year in tractor raffle ticket sales, virtually sold out. Thanks John Bickle, plus many more members, and local businesses who spent time and effort to sell tickets throughout the year. Thank you to everyone that purchased a ticket thereby supporting the HAHClub and Antique Machinery Centre.

As you read the newsletter, you will see the many, many things that are happening at the AMC and with the Club. New [I mean old] are some very interesting items that have been donated this year and are on display. Every year more people tour the AMC and are amazed by what the HAHClub does and what it tries to do to preserve for future generations to see.

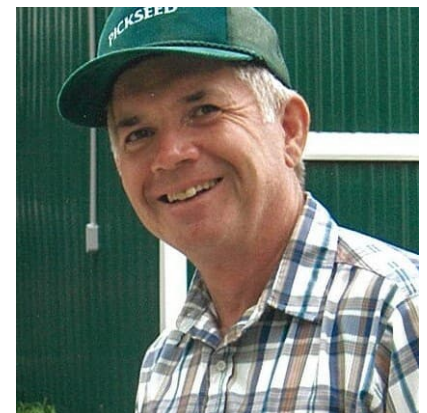
In closing, I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and Thank You again from the Hope Agricultural Heritage Club for your support.

President,  
Earl Ashby



## In Passing

It was with a sad heart that the Club reported the passing of Roland Bowman this past October. Roland was a founding member of our club and spent countless hours setting up the building blocks for the Antique Machinery Centre. As the Centre grew, Roland used his electrician skills to help wire the place and let us be able to see all the treasures we had. At our Annual Antique



Machinery Show, he helped participate in demonstrations that used our antique machinery. His farming knowledge he quickly shared with anyone who was watching. In the past few years, his health did not allow him to participate anymore. When he was able, he would show up and his eyes would light up with all the beautiful, restored antiques we now have.



**R**oland liked Green, but Oliver Green only, and he was a great collector and champion for his Oliver tractors. He was extremely pleased to see we were restoring a bulldozer from the Oliver family.

**F**arewell Roland, your HAHClub family will think of you every time we see an Oliver tractor.

**R**oland's two sons set up a very nice tribute to their father in front of the church that was used for the service.

### Other news ...

**T**he annual Club tractor draw returned once again in 2023 and ticket sales were very good indeed. The Grand Prize will be the 1949 Ford Model 8N, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> prize of a Ford Children's Pedal Tractor and a 3<sup>rd</sup> prize of a Ford Toy Replica Tractor. As in the past, the Grand Prize winner will be able to choose between the tractor, or \$2500 cash. The draw will be held at the Annual Christmas Party on December 13<sup>th</sup>.



**T**ickets were sold at many shows, events, and locations, including Burnham Family Farm Market, just west of Cobourg. At left, Walter Stapleton is set up at his campground back in July, on the way to selling 5 books! Way to go Walter!

**T**icket sales were in fact so good, that by the end of October, so few remained that the club had to stop displaying and attending functions late in the year. Hopefully none of you were left out! Thank you to everyone for selling and purchasing tickets and supporting the HAHClub and Antique Machinery Centre.

**P**lease review the attached 2024 dates of your HAHClub activities: Meetings, Open House(s), Fundraiser Supper [BBQ], and Antique Show. Get the dates marked 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.



**H**ere's hoping that you all enjoy a Happy Holiday and New Year. We are looking forward to a great year ahead in 2024.



## Club Events and Happenings

**W**ell, with the pandemic mostly behind us, we all tried to get back to a more normal life, seeing old friends and getting out and about. Here are some of the event and goings on that kept the Club busy this year.

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### Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny

**O**ne of the first events to get us back into the swing of things was the annual Port Hope Ganny Race, held in April on the 8<sup>th</sup>. The weather was ideal and the participants enthusiastic. With the club set up with the draw tractor, ticket sales got off to a great start, thanks to the crowds drawn to this popular spectacle.

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### Tractor Drive to Tractor Fest

**O**n Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup>, the Szalawiga's hosted a Tractor Drive, this time to the Tractorfest show in Kendal. The usual safety precautions applied, such as having a slow-moving vehicle sign, a full tank of gas and being able to maintain a road speed of 10mph. Departure was from the Zsalawiga's at 9:15am with arrival at the Kendal Community Centre a 10.

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### Canada Day Parade

**T**he annual Canada Day Parade (or the Callithumpian Parade) in Port Hope once again asked members to participate on July 1<sup>st</sup>. We always add a lot of colour and life to the parade and have done this for years, and with a larger showing of orange last year, the challenge was put out to the red machines. The set up and parade route were the same as last year, but with an earlier start time of 11am. Not changing was the reserved parking at the end of the parade by the Town Hall and next to the food and beer garden to show off your pride and joy. John Bickle was also set up there to sell raffle tickets on the Draw Tractor.





## The Third Annual HAH Club Tractor Cruise

Another Drive event taking place this year was organized by the Club for Saturday July 8<sup>th</sup>, and we were blessed with a beautiful summer day without the extreme heat and humidity from a few days earlier. With the usual safety and equipment requirements, a total of 13 participants were asked to congregate at 4223 Szalawiga Road, where some orange tractors could be admired before starting out at 10:15am. While many seasoned cruisers took part, it was great to have several first timers eager to explore Northumberland County at a more relaxing, casual pace. The group was happy to make a slight detour to drive by one of the participants houses where his young son and wife were in the front yard to smile and wave as the group drove by. After that, the cruise reached the highlight of the drive: rumbling through downtown Bewdley for no particular reason. Being a warm and sunny Saturday afternoon, there was not enough parking spots available for 13 tractors, however, their presence did capture the attention of pretty much everyone within eyesight. It did not matter if they were busy preparing their boats for the water or enjoying a cold beverage on Rhino's patio, everyone stopped what they were doing to smile, wave, take pictures and give a thumbs up.



People absolutely love seeing all of the old tractors in action. Every year we seem to encounter different forms of appreciation and this year was no exception. New for this year: drivers blocking crossroads with their vehicles, stopping traffic so we could pass through without waiting for traffic to clear. Oddly enough, this was not a onetime thing. It actually happened THREE times through our journey! If you are one of those people who did this for us, we thank you graciously! One boom truck from R. Brooking Tree Service on County Road 9 helped stop traffic so we could safely cross. I am not here to promote one's business, but they definitely scored some points with me!

Eventually, we worked our way south through Port Hope and concluded our trip at the lakeside house of Barry Adamson (perhaps you have heard of him).

We would like to express our thanks to him and his family (also support from

John Bickle) for helping stuff our bellies with delicious BBQ'd meat and cold beverages.

A great way to end off a peaceful cruise through the local countryside. It was a good opportunity to review things we had seen in





the last 4+ hours and get feedback from the new drivers who had joined us. The most frequent comment mentioned was that you notice a lot more things going down the road on a tractor, rather than flying by at 80 kilometers per hour. They also like how we avoid the high traffic roads where possible – it makes the ride that much more enjoyable. Will they join us for another one next year? Absolutely! Some said they would bring a friend or family member as well. That's what we like to hear!

Your tractor does not need to be a restored museum piece to ride with us. As long as it starts, runs, and stops, that's all that matters! Even if it is fresh out of the field or barn yard, come on out!

This year's cruise by the numbers ...

- Distance travelled: 30 miles.
- Average speed: 10.7 miles per hour
- Temperature: 75 degrees Fahrenheit
- Tractor brands: 4 Allis Chalmers, 3 John Deere, 3 Oliver, 1 Cockshutt, 1 Ford, 1 Case

**W**e have already started planning next year's route. Where will it take us? Join us to find out! Many thanks to everyone who came out to ride with us. Thanks again to Barry and his family for their hospitality.

**T**hanks to Doug Millson as well for shooting a video as we drove by.



### 2023 HAHC Machinery Show:

**T**he show was on the weekend of August 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> this year and, even though we didn't see much, we were very much affected by rain. Somehow, we made it through. Numbers of people attending were quite low on Saturday, and anybody that did attend the show said that they had been in absolute downpours. Not us, we pushed the rain north of us, till supper time, then we had half an hour downpour and got on with the evening corn roast.



**T**he rain really did keep a lot of people from coming, as we were down about 150 folks on Saturday compared to last year. But on Sunday our numbers were up a little and everybody that was there had a great time. We had more vendors in the flea market area and over 150 sleds in the antique snowmobile area. Also, a new group called Canadian Vintage Chainsaw Hoarders joined us and they had plenty of chainsaws to see. They told us they had a great time. Camping at the show is getting more and more popular.





## Private Museum Tour

One of the Club's members, Ivan Elford, is also a big Classic Car "Nut". He arranged for a private tour of a local antique collector, located near Little Britain. It was at the farm of Graeme and Audrey Little, and they lived on a wonderful working dairy farm of over 100 head of cattle being milked. They had over three buildings to see, which contained everything from hundreds of bikes, classic cars, tractors etc. Everywhere you looked you saw something different and unique. Ivan indicated that his wife also enjoys this tour, so ladies were invited as well. After the tour, lunch was booked at a local restaurant in Lindsay, followed by a visit to Ivan's MANCAVE, a wonderful shop with his antique Cadillac and other memorabilia that he has collected. The tour was free, except for lunch, and left from the AMC by carpool on Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks, Ivan, for arranging this outing for the members. It was a great day and well worth the time.



A small sample of the variety of artifacts on display.



A complete 1945 Case S-O (Orchard) was one highlight on the tour.



Bicycles of all shapes hung from the wall.



## THE PORT HOPE FALL FAIR 2023

The Hope Agricultural Heritage Club was asked to do a display with an educational agricultural theme for local grade 3 school children. The late Niel Hannah [Sunhill Farms] left a fund for the continuation of agricultural education of the school children to the fair board for future generations.



The club members, Art Marvin, John Tufford and myself

decided to do a talk regarding the Ganaraska Watershed and its problems of 200 years ago when the trees were all cut down and that created erosion and flooding of the Town of Port Hope. Why were they cut? and what were the uses of the tree? Also discussed, what was done to try and correct the problem in later years, along with the different trees that were grown and management of the forest up to present day. In our display we had several different trees, pictures and many logging hand tools and our clubs tree planter [late 1940 to 1950s] that was used to plant most of the Ganaraska Forest. On the front of the planter was John's John Deere M tractor.



hopefully some of the children will gain some knowledge of their local forest, Ganaraska river and watershed.

Thank you to Art and John  
Earl Ashby, President HAHClub



## Honey Harvest Festival

The club was invited to be a part of this festival by demonstrating some of our harvesting machinery. The festival took place on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> and was organized by the Dancing Bee, located at 5029 County Road 2 in Welcome. The Dancing Bee business is Canada's foremost supplier of anything to do with bees and honey. They are great supporters of our organization, so the club showed up with the thrashing mill and many smaller harvesting machines like the corn shucker. Inside the building was everything to do with bees and outside were real bees and beehives. It was nice to participate in the community and educate people on some of the old farming ways. Drop by the Dancing Bee anytime for great honey products from the gift shop.







## 2023 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.



### 2023 Off to a Great Start

The Bare started the year off by sending some good news.

The Hope Agricultural Heritage Club received a very generous donation of \$1000, from the Bewdley Lions Club. The attached note said that we may need the money to work on a tractor that Gord Wilson was going to donate to us. The next day President Earl picked up the tractor and by the pictures below you can see the boys rolling it into our workshop.



It's hard to tell but I believe it is an international model B. Besides lots of work to bring this tractor back to life, it needs parts. So, Earl and Doug have been out looking for parts. Happily, the good news kept coming and our fellow member Malcolm Carruthers said that he had an international A&B to donate to the club. So now we are going to have lots of international parts and tractors in our possession.





**A**dditionally, our former council member from ward 2, John Bickle, has joined the Tuesday night team of warriors to work on all our antiques. Not only has he brought his brawn and brains, but he has also donated many models for our museum, all in the box like new.

**T**hanks to John Bickle, Gord Wilson, and Malcolm Carruthers for your donations.

**H**ere is a bit of the note we sent to Thank the Bewdley Lions Club, as you all should note how much of a part of us, they are.

*August 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> is the 30th year of our HAHC Antique Machinery Show. For most of those years, Bewdley Lions Club has been there to feed “the boys”. Yes, you feed all the people also, but the volunteers of our club know you keep them fed and working, and for this, we also thank you.*

*From the volunteers in our Club to the volunteers in your Club THANK YOU. I feel we're always so busy “doing”, we sometimes forget to say thanks to the folks who support us. I'm sorry for this, but know, we feel you are an integral part of our club.*

*We look forward to seeing you in the field across from Burnham Market on Highway #2 this summer. The good news is we are working on adding more organizations, like the snowmobile club, to our event. Hopefully this means more attendees and more hamburgers being sold.*

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### **Restored International Model B makes its debut.**

**T**he International Model B discussed above and donated by Gordon Wilson, with the help of a generous donation from the Bewdley and District Lions Club, was restored by the club. As reported by Earl Ashby, many parts from several other tractors were used to complete the restoration, and it was painted just 5 days before the Open House at the Antique Machinery Centre in Canton on June 3 and 4th. Gordon is pictured having the first look at the newly restored tractor. More photos can be found on the Club's website.

**T**hank You to everyone for the Donations and Restoration of another piece of local history that is now on display at the Antique Machinery Centre in Canton.





## Parts Requested.

Occasionally, for a restoration to be completed, the call is made for certain parts. Such a request was made by Earl back in July, for an Allis Chalmers Model B front wheel. The club needed both the tire and the rim, the kind that is riveted together. If you think you might have one “out back”, please check with Earl to see if it is still needed.

Also, the Club has a threshing machine, as many of you know, and we use it every summer at our Antique Machinery Show. The tires are 7.00x16 and are getting weathered and one is low on tread, so if anyone has rims and or tires please let our club know. If we had rims, we could keep the originals for spares. And if rims are available, we could find some truck tires to install.



## Apple Peeler

With a local history that includes apple orchards, this 1888 Apple Peeler, donated by Len Bray, is a very nice addition to the club's collection of smaller tools. With lots of oil and some loving care, it was made to work once again. Yes, it still peels apples.



## Gravity Bin

Malcolm Carruthers donated this gravity bin with running gear to the HAHClub in August. The Club was having an issue at our outdoor farm shows to find a bin low enough for the smaller combines to unload into. The club is going to clean it up and give it a fresh coat of paint. Thank you, Malcolm.





## Cockshutt 60

**T**his wonderful tractor recently arrived at the AMC. It's a 1942 to '48 Cockshutt 60 18 horsepower and was donated by Paul Van Eyk. As you can see, it is a very unique addition to our collection as it has all of the planters and things used by Paul on his small crop farm.

Thanks Paul!



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## Hit and Miss

**O**n Tuesday Oct 17, Doug, Greg, and Earl made a trip to Upper Rideau Lakes, North of Kingston, to pick up 6, 3 and a 1.1/2 hp engines. Glenn Wilcox donated the engines, which had belonged to his father, Mr. J Dougal Wilcox, previously of Beaver Vale Farms in Beeton. Douglas had restored these engines, and each were running this summer. Thanks to the Wilcox family for their donation to the HAHClub and Antique Machinery Centre.



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## Shed

**T**he club is always looking for additional storage space, and when a shed was located at George Hamilton School it was eagerly accepted. The shed is located in Welcome but will be relocated to the AMC. In October, some 18' cedar beams were delivered to the shed and stored inside for the eventual move. It was decided to take one day to prepare the building, November 18<sup>th</sup>, and another to move it.





## Batteries

We all know that an engine without a good battery to start it can be pretty frustrating. The club would like to thank Alex Parker of Carquest Cobourg for the donation of a much needed 6-volt and a 12-volt battery to the HAHClub for the Antique Machinery Centre.



## Facebook (by the Bare)

Yes, we are on Facebook. We have worked very hard at trying to join the social media society, and with the help of a nice lady a Facebook page was set up for the club. We are trying to reach the public with information about our show and Club, so please SHARE, LIKE, and all the right things to get our information out to your “friends”. Yes, I know most of you do not use Facebook. I also did not use it, but kicking and screaming I am trying to learn how to promote our show. Please help on your end as this OLD guy needs your help. But we are looking for someone to do Facebook for the HAHC. Although most of the members likely aren’t big Facebook users, but maybe you have a granddaughter, daughter, son, grandson, some relative or friend that could us (Bare) some time to “post/forward”, “Like”, “Share” or



whatever it is you do on Facebook. It would be a great tool to get our events out to the real world. Let the Bare know if you or someone you know can lend a hand.



### Member Recruitment:

As you are aware, like any club, new members are the only way we can survive, even when things seem to be going well. Some members pass away, move on, 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, like 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 2024:

As soon as we are able, we will announce any upcoming meetings, 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 2024

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

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

January 29<sup>th</sup>, March 25<sup>th</sup>, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, and October 21<sup>st</sup>.

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

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

February 5 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	7:30 pm
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	7:30 pm
April 7 <sup>th</sup> or 14 <sup>th</sup>	Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny, Port Hope	
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Car Tour of the AMC (afternoon)	
May 4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	Stirling Flea Market	
May 25 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	Lindsay Flea Market	
June 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Open House</b> at the Antique Machinery Centre	
June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Buffet Dinner</b> at the AMC	
July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at the <b>AMC</b>	7:30 pm
August 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Antique Machinery Show &amp; Antique Snowmobile Show</b>	
September 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Open House</b> at the Antique Machinery Centre	
Sept. 30 to Oct. 1	Roseneath Fall Fair	
October 1 <sup>st</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup>	International Plowing Match & Rural Expo, Lindsay Fair Grounds	
October 28 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	7:30 pm
December 17 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	7:30 pm
	<b>Christmas Party and Tractor Draw</b>	



**2024 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)

<b>NAME</b>	
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<b>FAX</b>	

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!



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John Tufford       905-885-9351





## 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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