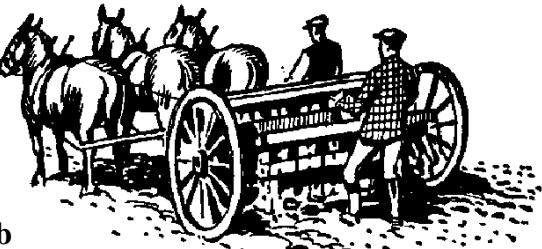


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# HORIZON

A newsletter for the members of Hope Agricultural Heritage Club



**2025 Edition**

## Season's Greetings Members and Friends,

As we near the end of 2025, it's clear that it has been a turbulent year—both in world affairs and in record-breaking weather issues, from heat and fires to heavy rains and now, locally, an early winter.

Christmas is a time to celebrate with family and friends, to reflect on the past year, and to look forward to what 2026 will bring.

The Hope Agricultural Heritage Club and the Antique Machinery Centre have been busy with several changes this past year. The club has updated our membership records to keep emails and addresses current, and Kelsey has kindly taken on the job of keeping members informed about what's happening at both the AMC and the HAHC.

With the announcement of discontinuing the outdoor Antique Machinery Show, many have asked me "Why?" and expressed disappointment. Once explained that our members are aging and volunteers have become scarce, most understood. People loved the show, but it required a great deal of work from only a few willing and able helpers. This summer's extreme heat would have made it even more challenging. The Antique and Classic Snowmobile Club was very disappointed, and our friends in Sudbury had always looked forward to our event.

On the bright side, our club held a two-day open house in June, followed by the annual Sunday evening Beef and Pork Buffet. Public attendance at the open house was light, but the buffet was well attended. Our second open house in September was a terrific success, thanks largely to new and increased advertising online, on Facebook, radio, signage, and word of mouth. Many visitors stopped in after driving by and were very impressed with our collection. Over the weekend, we welcomed several new (and younger!) members who are eager to help, get their hands dirty, and take an interest in the club. Great news for the future of the HAHC—we hope to keep them engaged and active.

"The Bare," along with Art and other helpers, installed underground cables to the outbuildings, followed by new lighting. Visitors can now view our equipment day or night with the flick of a switch. Thank you, Barry, Art, and everyone involved. Ivan is always busy cleaning, painting, sweeping floors, and doing endless tasks to make the AMC more attractive and presentable to visitors. Thank you, Ivan—there's lots to do, and we appreciate your efforts.



## Donations Received:

- The Antique and Classic Snowmobile Club of Canada donated **\$500.00** to the HAHC this summer, for the previous 2024 year.
- The Orono Tractor Club has donated **\$1,000.00** to the HAHC. This was mentioned at the last meeting and will be announced again at the Christmas Party.
- The Bewdley and District Lions Club has donated **\$1,500.00** to the HAHC and will also be announced at the Christmas Party.

**Thank you!**

## The 2025 Tractor Draw – Ford 8N

The tractor has been busy this year, travelling to the Stirling Flea Market, Lindsay Flea Market, Orono Fall Fair, Hastings County Plowing Show, and appearing at Burnham's Family Market, the Garden Hill Vegetable Market, and Peter Vanderwint's store on Highway 28. Thank you to all who sold tickets, displayed the tractor, and transported it to various events. Final ticket numbers and profits will be reported at our February meeting.

In closing, I would like to thank all our members and Directors for their help throughout the year. Many have dedicated countless hours to keeping the club and the AMC functioning—whether through physical labour, computer skills, woodworking, painting, sanding, communication, advertising, or cooking. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for helping the HAHC continue to operate so that the AMC collections can be enjoyed by current and future generations.

**Happy Holidays!**

*Earl Ashby*

President



## In Passing (the Bare)

Folks, it was with a sad heart that I shared this with you.

Our long-time member **Ron Cowan** passed away on Monday October 13, in his home. His son Brook told me he had a rough time in the last few months and is now resting peacefully. You may not know that Ron lived on the south side of Hwy 2 between Cobourg and Port Hope. Ron's house has two antique tractors on the front lawn with flags flying from the tractors. These were put there so Ron could sit in his easy chair and look at them. Well, Ron and family, I enjoyed looking at them also. It was nice of him to share such beautiful tractors with us local passersby.

The club will remember Ron for his time and enthusiasm in running tractor games at our Antique shows. Games like Pole Race, Slow race, the Can Race, Barrel Race and my favorite, the Blind Man race. He made a lot of tractors work hard and everyone would watch and cheer. He also organized many Poker Runs over the years.



Ron was remembered at a viewing on Monday October 20 at the Newcastle Funeral Home., 386 Mill St S, Newcastle.



Some sad news in September as our neighbour to the North of the museum, **John Arnold**, passed away Monday September 1<sup>st</sup>. John was our next-door neighbour who always cut our grass and checked on who

was in our yard. John joined the Ontario Provincial Police on July 22, 1963, and was a former OPP Motorcycle guy who rode with the Golden Helmets. He retired in 1993 following 30 years of service.

**J**ohn was always good to us, and we send our condolences to his family. Thanks, John, for being such a great Neighbour to the club. We will miss you. John was 85.



**O**ne mention that was missed in 2024 was the passing of a club friend, **Arthur Pier Rienstra**, on August 13<sup>th</sup>. Lillie (Arts wife) called because she read our newsletter, and Art was not mentioned and asked if we could mention it.

**W**e are very sorry that we did not get this information till now. A lot of you will know that Art owned Central East Farm supplies in Newtonville for many years and then a parts store in Hastings. Art was always willing to supply merchandise for our many events. We understand Arts business is still being run by his daughter Barb. Many thanks for Arts years of support, and we share your loss, from the Hope Agricultural Heritage Club.



### **2025 Club Events and Happenings:**

**W**ell, it's been another busy year with lots to cover, so let's get started.



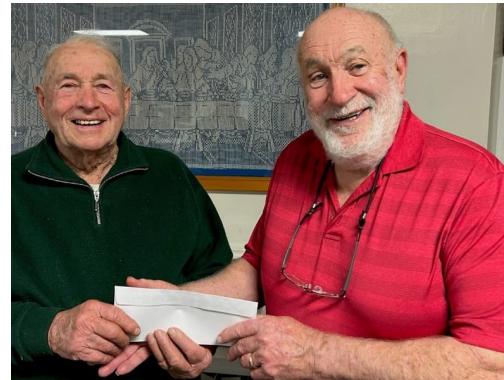
#### **2024 Christmas Party (The Bare)**

**F**irst event to discuss is last year's Christmas Party which was held on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and saw about 34 folks show up to visit with Santa. Yes, the old and young at heart still like to sit on Santa's knee and have a hug.



**P**resents were exchanged and laughter was everywhere. President Earl Thanked everyone for a great year, but Gord Wilson interrupted him and wanted to talk. OK Gord now what? Well, he wanted to present the club with a \$1000 cheque from our good friends, the Bewdley Lions Club. Yes, I guess you can buy your way to be up front with Earl any time Gord. Kidding aside, what a great surprise and wonderful Christmas present for our club.

**T**HANK YOU BEWDLEY LIONS CLUB for this gift and support at our Antique Machinery shows for over 30 years.



**I** got the cheque because I got all the money and Earl got to talk.



**T**hen we had the big draw.

**F**irst draw for the Tractor John Deere Model 40 S was won by **JIM WILSON**. Jim answered his phone and was extremely happy, see where he lives:

Jim Wilson, Iqaluit, Nunavut, Canada

**F**or those who don't know we are located same distance from Ottawa north as Miami Florida is south of Ottawa. About 1350 miles (2173 kms).

**J**im showed up in person, with a huge smile, to receive the tractor at the AMC. We will get to see it around sometimes as it is stored in Gord Wilson barn, who is Jim's Dad.

**S**econd Prize, a John Deere pedal tractor, was won by Mark Shelley of Cobourg. Mark was in the room to receive his prize.

**T**hird prize was for a diecast model tractor and was won by Terry Hopkinson.

**F**ollowing the draw, Brenda and Suzzane rolled out the food. The meatballs were gone in a flash and the sweet tray that Cathy Carruthers had donated took a heavy hit. Santa was seen with a handful of chocolate goodies, as he pranced out the door. (Had to keep his tummy filled he said) HO. HO. HO.

**M**ost of the group took this opportunity to pay for their membership. Look at the photo of our oldest member Gord Wilson and our new and youngest members.

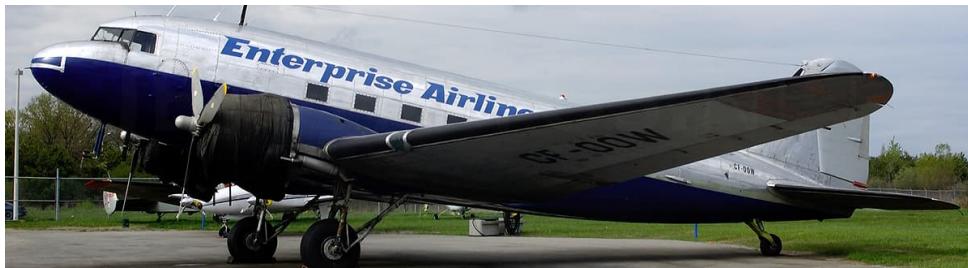


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### February Annual General HAHC Meeting:

**T**he first meeting of the year was held on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Guest Speaker for the evening was Lorne McElroy, an aircraft mechanic with Enterprise Aviation Group. Enterprise, based at the Oshawa Executive Airport, was founded in 1994 to support the automotive industry through expedited air cargo flights, and today they operate worldwide.

**L**orne is a local Port Hope boy who travels the world and uses his skills to keep Enterprise Airlines' airplanes flying. Members found out the differences between a tractor mechanic and an aircraft mechanic. Lorne happens to be both, so his insight was both interesting and informative.



## March HAHC Meeting:

The second general meeting of 2025 was held on March 31<sup>st</sup> at the New Hope United Church in Welcome. The Guest Speaker was Rob Hilbitch, or Rob the Oil Guy. Rob has been an Amsoil dealer for over 30 years and is from Bowmanville. Rob is an automobile enthusiast and enjoys working on anything with a motor. They all need oil, and Rob knows what kind of oil they need. Members were encouraged to bring their questions and up their game on what oil to use in what engine. Held during the big ice storm of 2025, Rob also brought coffee and donuts and lots of door prizes, so it was an exciting evening not to be missed.



## A Good News Item:

The club was informed about a 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday party for Bob Tinney. It was just a drop-in at the Cobourg Legion on March 23, 2025, from 1 – 4pm. It was to be a surprise, so hush was the word as members were invited to stop by and give Bob their best.

## Open House No. 1:

The first of two Open Houses was held on June 7<sup>th</sup> between 9:30 and 3pm. New this year was a “show n shine”, with members encouraged to drive there shined up “Prize Antique” to the AMC. There was a spot for them to be shown off to all who visited and there was even trophies and dash plaques for the Judge’s Favourite. The prizes and trophies were given out at 3pm.

## Port Hope Canada Day Parade:

July 1<sup>st</sup> found our “People Wagon” full of kids waving flags as we wondered down Port Hopes parade route. We were followed by Myron Szalawiga, Mike Szalawiga, John Tufford, Jack Malfait, and Malcom Caruthers. We were in a lot of pictures taken. Thank You guys for putting the HAHClub out in front of the community.



## Annual Szalawiga Tractor Drive:

Saturday July 19 was the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Szalawiga tractor drive. Once again, we were blessed with a beautiful summer day without all the excessive heat and humidity we had in the days leading up to the event. Eager participants gathered at Michael Szalawiga’s farm, including one who brought his tractor down from

Belleville! That's dedication! We appreciate everyone who came out for another peaceful cruise through Northumberland's countryside.



Every year so far, we select a different direction to travel – Michael and Myron are the only ones who know the route ahead of time. While socializing before we hit the road one gentleman inquired where would be going, the only answer given was “EAST”. It probably didn’t answer his question completely, but that was the answer he got. We like to keep an element of surprise. Rides in previous years covered areas west, northwest and northeast, so we have pretty much covered everything around us. Going south is not really an option until someone can make tractors float! Don’t worry, we will still have lots of undiscovered roads to see. Stay tuned for next year’s event.



At 10:15 am, everyone fired up their engines, and the journey began. We made our way east on the 4<sup>th</sup> line, north to the 5<sup>th</sup> line and east of County Road 28. Things really opened up at that point. As The Who sang “I can see for miles”, they weren’t lying! With some of the hills in that area, you really can see for miles. We had lots of comments from several saying they had never been in the area and the beautiful scenery it provided. Very impressive to say the least! However, as we continued on Bickle Hill Road, we realized what goes up, must come down. With some tractors having to down shift to make it up some of those hills, pretty much all of them had to use their brakes going down! Honestly, they did not feel that steep in the car when we scouted this location! Fortunately, everyone’s brakes proved effective, and everything smoothed out on Theatre Road, where we stopped for a break at Dale Road. There was a sign showing a tractor along the road, so someone must have known we would be traveling along there! Curious motorists, homeowners and others were quick to snap pictures and talk to some of us. Everyone wanted to know the same thing: What were we doing with our tractors? Just out for a cruise!

In reality, it’s good for everyone: We enjoy taking our tractors out for some exercise, and spectators enjoy seeing old tractors out and about. People waving, giving thumbs up, shooting videos and stopping their cars to watch us pass are all forms of acceptance that we have seen every year.

As the cruise continued, the distinct sounds of gasoline and diesel engines, as well as some 2-cylinder Johny Poppers rumbled up Centennial Drive in Port Hope. Not very often do you see 13 tractors in a row making their way through that quiet residential neighborhood! I don’t think anyone minded, the police were nowhere to be found. Around 2:30 pm,



we had reached our destination: Barry Adamson's lakefront home for some much needed shade, delicious hot burgers, and ice cold refreshments. While Barry can always be found in front of the BBQ, Ivan Elford was quick to point us to the coolers and chairs. Both were curious to hear the events of the day. Everyone loved the experience, even though we did have a couple hiccups along the way. A certain John Deere tractor showed its displeasure by leaking oil and not wanting to start while the first half of the convoy continued on their way without the rest of us. On top of that, our lead driver became so enamored with the scenery that he had missed the turn onto Bickle Hill Road! Nothing major. We got to see a few hundred feet extra of Williamson Road before having to turn around.

While at Barry's house, Myron Szalawiga spent a fair amount of time talking with Ivan Elford. Even though he had recently been appointed to the HAH Club's board of directors, Ivan is not a farmer or tractor enthusiast, but rather a car guy. He was genuinely very inquisitive and eager to learn more. He also came out to the farm before the drive to meet with us and see us off – very impressive (and unexpected) to have someone come out and show support like that. We discussed the parallels in organizing car cruises and tractor drives, as well as their respective challenges. However, we both came to the same conclusion: With no more shows in the area, the public cannot see these tractors in action. Tractors end up sitting in the barn where no one can see them. With our drives, we are bringing a tractor show to the people. Who knows, maybe we will have Ivan on a tractor for next year's drive! Many thanks again to Barry and Ivan for hosting us. Their hospitality was greatly appreciated.



By the numbers:

Distance traveled: 47.6 km

Average speed: unknown – I forgot to turn on the app on my phone!

Number of tractors: 13

Number of tractor brands represented: 8

Allis Chalmers: 4

Cockshutt: 1

Case: 1

David Brown: 1

Deutz: 1

John Deere: 3

Massey Ferguson: 1

Oliver: 1

Thanks for Hosting a great event, Mike, Myron & Michael Szalawiga. Plan on attending next year!



## 2025 HAHC Machinery Show:

As you all know by now, the Hope Agricultural Club Directors made the difficult decision to cancel the Annual Outdoor Antique Machinery Show after a run of 31 years. Also, the Antique Classic Snowmobile Association of Canada Show is cancelled after 6 years.

There were two main reasons given for the HAHC show coming to an end:

1. Over the past 5 years the number of pieces of equipment being displayed has significantly declined from 150 to 80. Our aging members are no longer able to transport their antiques pieces let alone transverse the fields to enjoy the activities.

2. The age of the organizers, 70 - 80+ years, find it very physically demanding. This, along with the lack of volunteers to ensure the show functions as it should, has led the Board of Directors to make this very difficult decision. This was not an easy decision, but the time has come.

The Club will continue to host Open Houses and the Annual Fund Raiser Buffet Dinners at the Centre in Canton this year and into the future. Also, we are looking at options for new and exciting activities we can host at the Centre.

The HAHC Directors would like to thank all our members, sponsors, families, and friends for their support over the past 31 years. We look forward to seeing you all at the AMC in the future, beginning with the Open House and Buffet Dinner June 7 - 8th.

### Orono Fall Fair:

Our presence at the Orono Fall Fair on September 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> was another highlight of the season. The club's booth was located in the vintage tractor area, surrounded by over 100 restored tractors. Sales of our tractor raffle draw tickets went very well, bringing in over \$1000 across the weekend! Visitors enjoyed sharing stories about farm equipment, old and new, in the great weather. Special thanks to Bob Barrie, Terry Essery, Jack Malfait, Ivan Elford and daughter Wendy Elford, and Earl Ashby for transporting equipment and representing the club with such enthusiasm.



### Port Hope Fall Fair:

At this year's fair, held September 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>, members presented an educational display to more than 200 local school children, focused on the importance of tree planting and environmental stewardship. Using a forester planter pulled by a John Deere, the team demonstrated how tree planting has evolved from shovel work to mechanized planting. Students also learned that the Eastern White Pine is Ontario's official tree, while the Maple is Canada's! Many thanks to Earl and Susanne Ashby, Art Marvin, Jack Malfait, and John Tufford for organizing and hosting this experience.



### Open House No. 2:

With no show this year it was decided to make the September Open House a two-day event, and it was held on September 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. It was well advertised and well attended. And what a beautiful weekend it was! Several hundred visitors toured the Agricultural Machinery Centre (AMC) and admired the collection of antique equipment; many taking the opportunity to chat with club members and learn stories behind the machines.



▲ big thank you to all who attended and helped make the event a great success—you may have even met me at the gate!

▲ lot of behind-the-scenes work goes into our open house, so if you can help out don't be shy. Tasks include removing covers from tractors, sweeping floors and general clean up. Then when the gates open, we need folks to direct parking, sell stuff, greet folks etc. Any little bit helps, so if you can be available at the next event, please talk to Ivan.



## 2025 Donations, Acquisitions and Restorations:

One way that the club grows is through the donations received and various acquisitions by the club's 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.



### Maple Leaf Truck:

Many of you will know about the club's 1929 Maple Leaf truck that is an ongoing restoration. Well, thanks to our own Greg St. Amand, the truck sports new deck boards and side rails. Greg spent many hours in his shop manufacturing the boards, rails, and staining them to perfection. Great job Greg!



### Shiny Chrome:

Meanwhile, Ivan Elford has been busy working away on anything chrome and making it sparkle. If you want to learn how to polish and shine anything, talk to Ivan – he has the products and skills to bring old metals back to life. Do not worry, everything Ivan cleans for the truck is boxed away and kept away from the floor action.



### New Additions to the HAHC Collection:

We've recently received several generous donations of equipment to the club, including:

•**An antique icebox.** These were packed with insulation, such as straw, sawdust, cork, or seaweed. A large block of ice, typically lasting 5 to 7 days, was placed in a compartment in the top of the icebox. As the ice slowly melted, cool air circulated down to the shelves below, to keep produce and dairy cool.



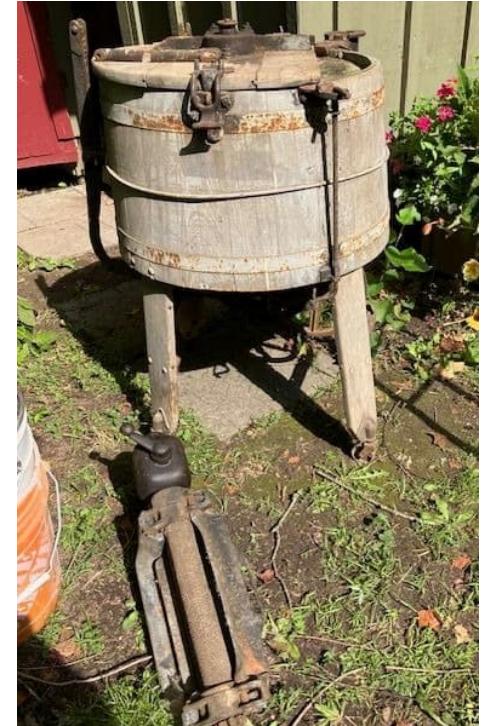


•**Cigar and tobacco plug cutter.** This would be used to cut cigars and chewing tobacco to length for sale. Tobacco production was a major industry in the Durham/Northumberland areas for decades before its decline in the 1980s.

•**An I.H.C. Farmall Model A tractor**



•**Horse-drawn plow** donated by the Dickinson family. New member Ken Towles added a fresh coat of paint to the plow, making it ready for display.



•**An antique wooden washing machine with a copper tub**, accompanied by this story from its donor, Judy Bacon:

*"This machine was gifted to my dad, Al Coker, about 60-65 years ago. He ran 'Coker's Fix-It Shop' on Marsh Street in Port Hope, with the motto 'We can fix anything – but a broken heart.'*

*"As a kid, I remember it in his workshop, and after he passed in 1979, I became the keeper of this treasure. My Dad would be so pleased to know that his treasure will now be cared for by the kind folks at the Hope Agricultural Heritage Club."*

## Milk Bottling Machine

**A** couple of years ago, we received a milk bottling machine and capper. This wonderful machine is to the left of the door in our new building. Great! Everyone heads right because that's where the big stuff is, Ha Ha. But really, this is an amazing machine. Along with it came this story, which I never had time to put into a letter to send to you. But today's the day you get a bit of history from our milk industry.

# Farny and the Bottle Capper

By Ailyno Van Dyke

**R**ecently, our NVDHS Member Farncomb "Farny" LeGresley was cleaning out one of his large sheds on his property on Metcalf Street and George Manners in Bond Head. He had an old Milwaukee Milk Bottle Filler and Capper from his family's "Newcastle Dairy" business many years ago.

**F**arny advised that when he was about 10 years old, he would use this machine to fill (with fresh milk) and then cap the milk bottles at the dairy. He said that he would probably do about 300 bottles in a day and it was tiring work for a young fellow.

**H**e wondered if NVDHS would be interested in having the item so gave me a call. I went down with my friend, Greg St. Amand and we decided that it was a large, heavy item and not suited for display at our Historical Roam in Newcastle. Greg and I are also both members of the Hope Agricultural Heritage Club, and after checking with Earl, it turns out they do not have one of those at their Museum. They were glad to receive it and also indicated that if NVDHS ever wants it for a display, they would be pleased to loan it to us at any time.

**I**n 1928 they and a few other associated and affiliated companies merged to create the Cherry-Burrell Corporation. At the onset of World War II, four out of every five milk bottles in the country were filled by Cherry-Burrell equipment. After the war, the company expanded its dairy product line to include homogenizers, freezers, and other equipment, along with its filler machines. Since then, Cherry-Burrell equipment has been placed in factories in more than 70 countries.

**T**his Antique Milk Bottle Filler & Capper was made by the Cherry Burrell Dairy Corporation, who actually patented the first the first centrifugal cream separator in the United States in 1881. The machine was used to bottle and cap quart and pint bottles of milk and milk products, with the capping mechanism using the last patent date of November 30, 1920, and the filler using the last patent date of June 11, 1929. This appears to be a smaller Model "BB" machine serial number "5938". This particular unit would only fill and cap 2 bottles at a time. The larger units could fill up to 30 bottles a minute. I am sure Farny would have preferred the larger model.

**S**o, the next time you are at the AMC, look for this.



## No Big Projects This Summer:

**I**t was too hot—but behind-the-scenes work has been going on. Ivan has led a charge to clean up the view from the road: trees trimmed, the sign painted, and other things to try and make the Antique Machinery Centre look more professional. Inside, there are lots of changes to the building and cleanup. Bare was busy wrangling the guys to help put in permanent wiring to all our buildings. This is a major undertaking as the



cables had to be buried and boxes for plugs added. Our hope was that at the open house we will not have any extension cords running to the buildings. Just a small thing as most people won't see it, but a big thing as it makes our area so much safer.

▲ big thank you to Steve and his backhoe, Art for his electrical skills, and everyone who pitched in with shovels, flashlights, good humour, and the effort in making this happen.

On-going work includes planning the installation of new eavestroughs next year and continued sorting and cataloguing of supplies, tools and equipment.

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### Before and After Feature (The Bare):

One of the true joys of this club is watching a piece of history come back to life. This November, I wanted to highlight the transformation of an **unstyled John Deere AR** donated by the Don Miedema family.

#### BEFORE:

Pictured here is the tractor as it arrived - weathered paint, years of honest wear, and all the hallmarks of a machine that had lived a full working life! The signature John Deere green was faded, the metal showed a little age, but it was clear this tractor had been earning its keep long before it rolled into the AMC.



#### AFTER:

And here it is now, fully restored! From the fresh coat of classic John Deere green and yellow to the detailed finishing touches across the engine and frame, club members have brought this tractor back to showpiece condition. It now stands as a proud example of the preservation work done by HAH Club members and a testament to their skill, dedication, and teamwork. Well done to everyone involved!



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### 2026 Draw Tractor:

Board Members have selected a **Farmall Super A** for the 2026 raffle tractor. Members (including John Tufford, pictured beneath the tractor in the second photo) have already been busy sourcing new parts and giving it the attention it needs.

▼ We'll share an updated photo soon, but for now, here's a look at it in its "before" condition:



## Note from Barry (by the Bare):

Well, HELLO everybody.

Haven't we had a wonderful hot summer and a wonderful early fall! In fact, it's been so wonderful, I have not taken the time to communicate with you, but I'm back.

First thing I'd like to share with you is that I've been fired. OK, that's harsh. I have been replaced as editor of the monthly bulletins. No more bad English grammar spelling mistakes and all that other stuff that I was famous for and ashamed of. But I tried and created many laughs. It was hard work.

A young lady has come forward to act as our editor. Now I would like to introduce Kelsey Jibb. The Board of Directors is very lucky that she has volunteered to better communicate with you, our supporters. Kelsey was one of the ladies manning the gate at our September open house, so she got to meet and talk to a lot of you folks. Here I'll stop writing and let Kelsey jump in and tell you a bit about her background and her experience with social media and communicating with folks. Kelsey is going to edit and all that stuff, BUT I must dream up and write the stories, so you are still going to hear from me.



## A Note from the New "Editor"

Hello! My name is **Kelsey**, and I'm happy to introduce myself as the new editor of the HAH Club monthly news bulletin. I'm a fifth-generation farmer who grew up surrounded by *green* tractors. I can already hear the friendly ribbing from our "red" fans! I spend my days growing cut flowers for local floristry production, but historically, my family was involved in the beef cattle industry (my father, Ralph Jibb, raised Herefords and Charolais). I'm honoured to be stepping into this role, and I look forward to keeping everyone up to date on all the things happening within the club!



## 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



Ole Red and 8 Tiny Deere

## General Meetings and Important Dates in 2026:

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 2026

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

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

February 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	7:30 pm
March 30 <sup>th</sup> t	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	7:30 pm
April 11 <sup>th</sup> or 18 <sup>th</sup>	Float Your Fanny Down the Ganny, Port Hope	
May 2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup>	Stirling Flea Market	
May 23 <sup>rd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup>	Lindsay Flea Market	
June 6 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Open House</b> at the Antique Machinery Centre	
June 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Buffet Dinner</b> at the AMC	
July 27 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at the <b>AMC</b>	7:30 pm
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Open House</b> at the Antique Machinery Centre	
Oct. 3 <sup>rd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup>	Roseneath Fall Fair	
October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	7:30 pm
December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Members Meeting at New Hope United Church, Welcome	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!

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### 2026 Membership Form. Fee - \$30/year.

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Well, that's all for this year's installment of your newsletter. Take care, stay safe and be healthy. Enjoy the rest of the winter months and see you again when the good weather returns.



## 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 barbecue, 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:*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_

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

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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