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2016 AG HALL TRACTOR CRUISE

## From the Desk of the Club President:

Spring is here and the weather has been pretty nice, several have their corn planted and you can row most of it. The Tractor Cruise was a success; what a beautiful day with some great scenery and good food. I had a chance to visit with a lot of people with the same hobby, along with some good stories about their tractors, projects, and family. Those of you that were not able to attend missed a good time. A special thanks to Frank, Don, and Joe for all they did to make it a success. The Wyandotte Sheriff and his Deputies were fantastic handling the traffic along the route. The check-in crew, lunch, and supper cooks did an outstanding job to make the event a complete success.

The Tractor Daze and Touch-A-Truck show is coming up pretty quick, June 4th at the Ag Hall. This will be one-day only event. We need your help to make it a success. The more tractors and equipment the better. We need your help with the show and tent setup on June 3rd, then the next day with tractor games, pedal pull, hayride, and manning our tent. The June meeting will be on June 5th in the Red Barn at the Ag Hall.

The rest of the summer will be busy with shows, parades, and cruises; Lathrop, Louisburg, Ottawa, Sugarcreek, Shawnee, Booneville, Adrian, State Fair, and Powell Gardens to name a few. Note: Bill says there will not be an American Royal parade this year. Plan to attend as many events as possible; this helps to promote our Club.

Talk with your officers and share your ideas.

*Wes Storm*

## 2016 Club Officers

Listed below is the current elected officers for 2016:

President:	Wes Storm	1st Vice President:	Bryce York
2nd Vice President:	Joe Meyer	3rd Vice President:	Lloyd Mesmer
Treasurer:	Jay Pruett	Secretary:	Justin Read

Note : Francis Brenner is our historian. If you have pictures of any club activities please send them to him at 3413 South Arrowhead Ct., Independence, MO 64057 or 66fbren3010@att.net. It is important to put specifics regarding the event in with the pictures (Event, Date, People Present, and a Short Description).

## Dues for 2016

Speaking of club dues, they are \$25 a year and worth every penny. The award winning newsletter every two months and the great activities make it a real value. Please check the mailing label on your newsletter. If the label says "Paid Member 2015" or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2016 dues soon to not miss anything (this years cut-off date will be the May-June Newsletter mailing). If the mailing label is not correct please let the Treasurer know (913-302-1273 or jay70nc@yahoo.com). A number of members who attended the April meeting paid their 2016 dues. We will be collecting dues throughout the year. If you can't be at the meeting you can send your dues (\$25) to Jay Pruett as listed below.:

Jay Pruett - Treasurer  
GKC Two-Cylinder Club  
5334 Bond St.  
Shawnee, Kansas 66203

**Trivia:** What was the first John Deere Tractor with a lift system? What are the statistics? (Engine specs, production numbers, and horsepower). See Page 8 for the answer.

## Club Website and Newsletter

The club website <http://www.gkctcc.com/> counter was reset in July of 2012 (it currently reads around 11,000 visits). The Webmaster(s) continue to do a great job of putting it together and keeping it up to date. The web site gives our club world wide recognition along with reaching prospective members. Checkout the articles, pictures, and more. We are looking for member stories for future issues of the newsletter. If you have any, please contact Secretary Justin Read at 22715 W 50th St, Shawnee, KS 66226, 816-547-8608 email: [onsitetechn@mac.com](mailto:onsitetechn@mac.com)

**Facebook Page:** <http://www.facebook.com/GKCTCC>

### Ag Hall Tractor Daze and Touch-A-Truck -- June 4th, 2016

Tractor Daze / Touch-A-Truck is scheduled for Saturday, June 4, 2015 (10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.) at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. Everything should be set up by Friday evening. All the activities will be built around tractors in hopes of generating more interest. Our club plans to have a tractor display, parade of power, a garden tractor pull, two pedal tractor pulls, and tractor games. The Garden Tractor Pull this year will need a pull back tractor along with extra help. Many other activities are being scheduled by the Ag Hall so it should be fun for all ages. Hopefully with everyone working together we will have a successful day. This year's theme is "Technology from Past to Present"

### June GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic -- June 5th, 2016, 1 PM

The next scheduled meeting (and picnic) for the year will take place on Sunday, June 5, 2016, 1:00 p.m. at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. Ten years ago it was decided we should have a picnic starting at 1:00 p.m. with the formal meeting beginning at 2:00 p.m. In order for the picnic not to cost the club the following guidelines were established -- Everyone who comes with the last name beginning with N to Z would bring a main dish and everyone who comes with the last name starting with A to M would bring a side dish. Since this is the 11th year the N to Z last names should bring a main dish (example-fried chicken, meatballs, sandwiches, etc.) and the A to M last names bring a side dish (example- potato salad, beans, chips, desserts, etc.). Every year we rotate the alphabet. Everyone should bring his or her own drink. Paper goods will be provided. The activity will be held in the air-conditioned Red Barn at the Ag Hall so everyone can enjoy the day. Meeting agenda items will include: Tractor Daze / Touch A Truck postmortem, Ag. Hall Tractor Cruise results, and the lack of the American Royal Parade this year. You can also pick up your raffle tickets at the meeting if you were not at the April meeting.

More Ag Hall Tractor Cruise Photos: [https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B-\\_LnUXGCj43TzVxMFBLX3k4MXM](https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B-_LnUXGCj43TzVxMFBLX3k4MXM)





### April GKCTCC Meeting -- April 3rd, 2016

The GKCTCC met on Sunday, April 3, 2015 at Overland Tow in Merriam, KS for the 2nd meeting of the year, which included a barbecue. Thanks to Joe and Lori Meyer for hosting the meeting. Following the approval of the February minutes and a financial report the following topics were discussed: Ag Hall Tractor Cruise, Tractor Daze / Touch-A-Truck, Jack Stevenson and Glenn Ratzlaff Memorial Scholarship funds and the 2016 raffle. Around 40 people attended the meeting on a beautiful day. Following the meeting a delicious barbecue with all of the fixings was enjoyed by all.

### Ag Hall Tractor Cruise -- May 7th, 2016

The Ag Hall Tractor cruise was held on Saturday, May 7, 2016 under a beautiful sky. The rainbow of colors (tractors) made a pleasant sight as 38 tractors made their way on a 36 mile voyage. The cruise started out at the Ag Hall (8:45 p.m.) and began its journey to the Bonner Springs Marble Days Parade. Following the parade, the cruise began its journey to Tonganoxie with a break at a church on the way. A delicious ham and beans lunch was served at the Leavenworth Fair Grounds. On the return route (Hwy 24) the cruise stopped at the Nuts and Bolts Hardware in Bonner Springs for an afternoon break. Upon returning to the Ag Hall a barbecue dinner was served to the travelers plus spouses who attended the occasion. Some members were lucky enough to win a gift certificate. The Ag Hall benefited around \$4,000 from the cruise with donations still coming in. Thanks to the Wyandotte Sheriff's Department for providing security, Overland Tow, helpers, and to everyone who brought a tractor for the cruise.





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**GKCTCC Meeting Minutes**  
**April 3, 2016, 1:00 p.m.**  
**Overland Tow, Merriam, KS**

President Wes Storm opened the meeting with Marietta Rogers singing the Star Spangled Banner. He thanked everyone for being here. Jon Pirie was introduced as a new member.

Justin Read moved to accept the February meeting minutes as written in the newsletter. Bryce seconded. Motion passed.

The 2016 Western Farm Show was very successful this year with the weather helping a lot. Tractors being displayed were Bob Antes (JD 430 w/planter) Don Hrabik (JD 430 w/plow) and Bill Eagleburger (JD M w/cultivator). Richard Thompson had a nice toy display with Bary Porter supplying the cabinets. The crowd was great and the club picked up 2 or 3 new members. The Western Farm Show next year will be Feb. 24-26, 2017. The Club will determine next year's display at the November meeting.

Treasurer Jay Pruett provided a financial report. Only activity was deposit from dues and tractor cruise. Justin Read moved to accept the report as read. Bary Porter seconded. Motion passed.

The 2016 Schedule of Events as published in the newsletter was discussed. Bob Surber has taken over for the contact at Adrian events. Changes were made by a variety of members. Dan Hanna moved to accept changes. Justin Read seconded. Motion passed.

Frank Van Fleet and Don Hrabik discussed the Tractor Cruise. Due to the fact there will be a big NASCAR race in town that weekend the cruise route was changed to the west. The route was revised with the noon meal at the Leavenworth Fair Grounds in Tonganoxie. Thanks to Joe Meyer there will be a cap this year rather than a t-shirt. Joe Steineger is under the weather but he is helping where he can. This year the slow tractors will be in the back with the lead tractor going slower so they can stay closer together.

Tractor Daze/Touch a Truck on June 3-4 was discussed. Don Hrabik mentioned everything is on and there will be a garden tractor pull again. What we will need are drivers for the people movers. Drivers need to fill out Ag Hall paper work for their insurance. Details for the event were discussed.

A Scholarship Committee report was made by Bryce York. Joe Meyer, Lloyd Mesmer and Bryce talked about scholarship as being two parts: The Glenn Ratzlaff Scholarship and one-time Scholarships (Jack Stevenson, etc). If funds are available for the same scholarship each year it can continue. If funds are available for only one year, it will not continue. Moneys coming in from different sources for fund would be from year to year. Scholarships mentioned included Glenn Ratzlaff and Jack Stevenson. No scholarships have been given out yet for 2016.

It was discussed that silent auction items were to be sold after the meeting. People need to bid while lunch is served and afterwards the buyers will be determined. Money at the silent auction goes to the club.

The raffle ticket kick off was discussed by Jay Pruett. This is the 6th Raffle and the money goes to the Glen Ratzlaff Memorial Scholarship Fund. It was discussed that we decided to have the kick off at the April meeting rather than the June Meeting. First prize (\$250) with 5 (\$50) prizes as second place. Drawing will be at the Nov. meeting along with the white elephant auction at the G. A. Salmon home (1026 NW 1801, Creighton, MO. 64739).

New topics discussed. Bill Eagleburger and Justin Read discussed funeral service for Jack Stevenson who was the first president of the club. Bob Surber moved the club send flowers. Lloyd Mesmer seconded. Motion passed.

Lloyd Mesmer talked about a plow day at Bonner Springs. Also talked about a tech meeting. If the vice presidents are interested they can talk about it while eating and report later. Can be put on our website for your information or in the upcoming newsletter.

Joe Meyer mentioned the group won a prize at the St. Patrick's Day Parade. The group won a plaque and \$100.

Door prizes were won by Phil Addison (clock) and Sandy Hanna (salt and pepper shakers).

Bryce York moved to close the meeting. Herman Sachse seconded. Motion passed.

Following the meeting the club enjoyed a delicious barbecue dinner prepared by Joe and Lori Meyer. Many salads and desserts were brought by club members. The silent auction continued during the feast and ended at 2:30 p.m. The club gained about \$400 from the auction. Thanks to Joe for the auction idea.

Thanks to Joe and Lori Meyer again for hosting the April meeting with a delicious barbecue.



## 2016 Schedule of Events - Approved at the April 3, 2016 meeting.

(All dates and events are subject to change. Call contact for verification if necessary.) (Club Meetings are in Bold)

Date	Location	Event Contact#
<b>April 3</b>	<b>Merriam, KS. GKCTCC Meeting &amp; BBQ, Joe Meyer (Overland Tow)</b>	
April 29 - May 1	Pleasant Hill, MO. Railroad Days. 816-987-2595	
April 30	Paola, KS. Garden Tractor Pull and Show. Jan 913-485-4222	
May 6-7	Lathrop, MO. Swap Meet, (8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.). J. Plowman 816-528-3511	
May 7	Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Tractor Cruise. 913-262-5904	
May 13-14	Fort Scott, KS., Pioneer Harvest Fiesta Swap Meet (8 a.m.). A. Warren 620-224-7761	
May 11-14	Boonville, MO. Show & Swap Meet (11-14) Tractor Pull (14th). 660-248-2578	
June 3-5	Louisburg, KS. Antique Tractor & Gas Engine Show, Lewis & Young Park. Jan 913-485-4222	
June 3-5	Lee's Summit, MO. Downtown Days	
June 4	Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Tractor Show GKCTCC, "Tractor Daze" & Touch-A-Truck. 913-262-5904	
June 4	Shawnee, KS. Old Shawnee Days Parade. (10 AM) Jay Pruett 913-302-1273	
<b>June 5</b>	<b>GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic, 1:00 p.m., Ag Hall Red Barn 816-228-2660</b>	
June 16	Lathrop, MO. Tractor Cruise, (8:30 a.m.). J. Plowman 816-528-3511	
June 16-19	Lathrop, MO. Antique Car, Tractor & Engine Show. 816-528-3511	
June 23-25	Oskaloosa, KS. Old Settlers Parade. Matt Miller 785-233-8200 x4208	
June 24-26	Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show. Bob Surber 816-797-4243	
July 2	Heart of America Tractor Cruise. Kathy Roach 816-244-1785	
July 2	Pilot Grover, MO. Antique Tractor Pull. Miles Wolf 660-834-5133	
July 4	Lenexa KS. Lenexa Parade. (Contact TBD)	
July 4	Sugar Creek, MO. Sugar Creek Parade. Wes 816-228-2660	
July 12-17	P. Hill, MO. Cass County Fair. (Parade Saturday) 816-540-2622	
July 15-17	Meriden, KS. Threshing Show. 785-876-3030	
July 16	Hardin, MO. Antique Tractor Pull. 660-398-4508	
July 16	Dearborn, MO. MO Farm Bureau Tractor Cruise. (8 am) <a href="https://www.mofb.org/FoundationforAg.aspx">https://www.mofb.org/FoundationforAg.aspx</a>	
July 26	Tonganoxie, KS. Leavenworth County Fair Parade. Ron Brittain 816-804-2673	
July 28-31	Macon, MO. 34th Antique Tractor Show. Danny Primm 660-385-3639	
Aug. 5-7	Overbrook, KS. Fair Parade. (Aug. 5 @ 6:30 p.m.) (Aug. 6 @ 6:00 p.m.) 816-228-2660	
Aug. 6	Eudora, KS. Tractor Show. (2-5 p.m.) and Parade (6:30 p.m.) 785-542-1606 or 785-760-7878	
Aug. 6	Kingsville MO. Tractor Cruise. 816-258-2373	
Aug. 6	Atchison, KS. Atchison County Fair Parade. 816-229-9998	
Aug. 6	Gardner, KS. Johnson County Fair & Parade. (10:30)	
Aug. 11-14	Hamilton, MO. Antique Tractor Pull and Show. 816-583-4823	
Aug. 12-14	Tracy, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam & Gas Engine Show. 816-858-5826	
Aug. 13-14	Lamar, MO. Parade and Show.	
Aug. 17	Sedalia, MO. Missouri State Fair Tractor Show and Parade. (Fair runs Aug 11-21)	
Aug. 20	Cole Camp, MO. Antique Tractor Pull. 660-723-6241, 316-201-8620	
Aug. 20-21	Bethany, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-439-2485	
Aug. 27	Lake JaCoMo, 1855 Missouri Town - Tractor Display. Wes 816-228-2660	
Sept 2-3	Louisburg, KS. Truck and Tractor Pull. 816-694-0267	
Sept. 8-11	Booneville, MO. Antique Tractor Show. (Cruise on 9th) 847-526-7318	
Sept. 8-11	Shelbina, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-676-0256 and 573-439-5583	
Sept. 9-11	Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show. 785-418-2190	
Sept. 10	Olathe, KS. Old Settlers Day Parade. 913-262-5904	
Sept. 16-18	Princeton, MO. Calamity Jane Weekend-Tractor Cruise. (Fri.) Parade and Tractor Show. (Sat.) Car Show. (Sun.) 660-748-4438	
Sept. 16-18	Chilhowee, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-647-5876	
Sept. 16-18	McLouth, KS. Threshing Bee. 913-683-9234	
Sept. 16-18	Harrisonville, MO. Living History Festival Parade. (Sat) 816-887-2393	
Sept. 17	Archie, MO. Fall Festival and Parade. (10 AM)	
Sept. 17	Blue Springs Parade, Blue Springs, MO. Wes 816-228-2660	
Sept. 22-24	Cole Camp, MO. Fall Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24. 660-438-0928	
Sept. 22-25	Fredonia, KS. Antique Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24. 660-378-3307	
Sept. 23-24	Marshall, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-837-3422	
Sept. 24	Buckner, MO. Parade. 816-650-6507	
Sept. 24-25	Meriden, KS. Fall Show. 785-876-3030	
Sept. 26-28	Fort Scott, KS. Pioneer Harvest Fiesta 60th Annual Show. Parade 25th @ 6p.m. 620-529-2708	
Sept. 30 - Oct. 2	Powell Gardens Tractor Show. 816-524-6783 <a href="http://www.powellgardens.org">http://www.powellgardens.org</a>	
Oct.	CANCELLED. American Royal Parade. Bill 816-322-2546	
Oct. 1	Abilene, KS. Tractor Show w/Parade of Power. 913-381-5661	
Oct. 7-8	Salina, KS. Antique Tractor Show. 785-825-8473	
Oct. 7-9	Lathrop, MO. Living History Show. 816-528-3511 and 816-896-5546	
Oct. 14-15	Adrian, MO. Swap Meet. Bob Surber 816-797-4243	
Oct. 14-15	Powell Gardens Glow Night. 816-524-6783 <a href="http://www.powellgardens.org">http://www.powellgardens.org</a>	
Oct. 15	Baldwin City, KS. Maple Leaf Festival and Parade. 913-486-5534	
Oct. 27-30	Wichita, KS. Antique Tractor Pull & Swap Meet. 316-541-2570	
Oct. 29	Independence, MO. Halloween Parade. Francis Brenner 816-804-5271	
<b>Nov. 6</b>	<b>Creighton, MO. GKCTCC Meeting (Hosted by G.A. Salmon) 816-228-2660</b>	

Note: All dates are subject to change. Please check with a contact person to confirm date.



**2016 AG HALL CRUISE**



## 2016 (mini) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

(All dates and events are subject to change. Contact the President for verification.)

Date	Event	More Info
June 4, 2016	Tractor Daze / Touch-A-Truck	Ag Hall of Fame, Bonner Springs, KS. 913-262-5904
June 5, 2016	GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic	1:00 p.m., Ag Hall of Fame - Red Barn, Bonner Springs, KS
June 24-26	Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show.	Adrian, MO. Bob Surber 816-797-4243

### Trivia Answer:

The 1928 Model GP had an exclusive industry first feature.... a mechanical lift operated by a foot pedal. The mechanical lift was a John Deere first and quickly became copied by other tractor manufacturers. The original GP had a bore and stroke of 5.75" by 6", and running at 900 rpm it was rated at 10 hp at the drawbar and 20 hp at the belt. In 1930 the bore was increased to 6 inches. The water injection system was also dropped as many farmers reported plugging. Modifications to the Model GP raised these ratings to 15.5 drawbar hp and 24.3 belt hp (950 rpm) as tested at Nebraska in 1931. Total built: 30,535 GP Standard, 5,103 GP Wide Tread, 717 GPO (Orchard). Original price: \$1,200 (1931)



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