GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

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2017 WESTERN FARM SHOW, KANSAS CITY, MO

From the Desk of the Club President:

The Winter has come and gone without much snow. Its been pretty dry, but we have gotten a little rain lately. We had a good turnout for the February meeting. A big thank you to those who made last year a success. I would ask for your help to make 2017 a better than ever year. Talk with the Club Officers and make your needs, concerns, and ideas known. Speaking of Club Officers, we are still looking for a volunteer to be the Secretary. As you can see from my desk, I need the help!

The April meeting will be held at Overland Tow, see map for driving instructions. Please bring side dishes and deserts. Joe will be smoking some great BBQ. See you there.



The Ag Hall Tractor Cruise will be the first Saturday in May (6th). You should have received your application in the mail and made your plans to participate. We will be accepting applications at the April meeting, so bring yours along. We need to know who is attending the cruise so we know how many supplies to order. The cruise will be taking a different route this year and will stay in Wyandotte County for the 30+ miles. See the schedule of events on page 7 for other upcoming events.

Justin Read

2017 Club Officers

Listed below is the current elected officers for 2017:

President:Justin Read2nd Vice President:Joe MeyerTreasurer:Jay Pruett

1st Vice President: 3rd Vice President: Secretary:

Bryce York Lloyd Mesmer OPEN

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 2017

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 2016" or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2017 dues soon to not miss anything (the cut-off date is the May-June Newsletter mailing). If the mailing label is not correct please let the Treasurer know (913-302-1273 or jay70nc@ yahoo.com). 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 GKCTCC member was recently featured on the front page of a major publication? See Page 8 for the answer.

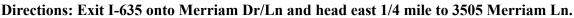
Club Website and Newsletter

The club website http://www.gkctcc.com/ counter was reset in July of 2012 (it currently reads around 12,500 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 President Justin Read at 22715 W 50th St, Shawnee, KS 66226, 816-547-8608 email: **onsitetech@mac.com**

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

April GKCTCC Meeting, Silent Auction, and BBQ -- April 2nd, 2017, 1 PM

The second GKCTCC meeting of the year will be held at Joe Meyer's business (Overland Tow), near I-635 on Merriam Lane, Overland Park, KS. The meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. with a barbecue dinner to follow. Potluck such as salads and desserts are welcome to compliment the delicious barbecue and beans. Topics for the meeting will include the following: 2017 Schedule of Events (approval), Barnyard Babies Festival (April 22), Ag Hall of Fame Tractor Cruise (May 6), and the June 4th meeting and picnic. There will be a silent auction again this year, so bring your unwanted and good items for the auction. Also, bring your checkbook or cash to buy items up for bids.





Ag Hall Tractor Cruise -- May 6th, 2017, 8:30 AM

At our February meeting the club discussed the Ag Hall Tractor Cruise scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2017 that will take place starting and ending in Bonner Springs, KS. Joe, Frank, and Don, have been working on the details to make it happen. The goal this year is \$15,000. A letter with flyer, registration, and pledge sheet were sent out earlier. It is important for everyone who is going to be driving a tractor on the cruise to get the registration filled out and sent in to the designated place. It is a little difficult to plan when the number of tractors is not known. If you need more information please call Joe Steineger (913)287-7530 or Don Hrabik (913)262-5904. Information is also on the website: <u>GKCTCC.com/tractorcruise</u>

GKCTCC Officer Openings for 2017 - Secretary

Justin Read has stepped down as Secretary and is now the President. The Secretary position includes communicating with the membership electronically and via USPS mail. While Justin will still be around to help out, it's time to let someone else be in charge of membership communications. Please contact a current board member if you or someone you know is interested in filling the position. Remember it requires everyone to help out where they can to make this Club great.

June GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic -- June 4th, 2017, 1 PM

The third scheduled meeting (and picnic) for the year will take place on Sunday, June 4, 2017, 1:00 p.m. at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. Eleven 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 A to M would bring a main dish and everyone who comes with the last name starting with N to Z would bring a side dish. Since this is the 12th year the A to M last names should bring a main dish (example-fried chicken, meatballs, sandwiches, etc.) and the N to Z last names bring a side dish (example- potato salad, beans, chips, desserts, etc.). Every year we rotate the assignments. Everyone should bring his or her own drink. Paper goods will be provided. The activity will be held in the air-conditioned Red Barn or Poultry Museum at the Ag Hall so everyone can enjoy the day.

Feb. GKCTCC Meeting -- February 5, 2017

The first club meeting of the year took place on February 5, 2017 (1:00 p.m.) at the Trailside Center in Kansas City, MO. Treasurer Jay Pruett presented a 2017 budget report along with a financial report. The Western Farm Show and club display were discussed. Frank and Don discussed the Ag Hall Tractor Cruise scheduled for May 6, 2017. The scholarship fund committee was reorganized last year with the VPs heading it up. Bryce give a presentation on the recent recipient of the scholarships. Following the installation of 2017 club officers, service gifts were presented.

Western Farm Show -- February 24-26, 2017

The Western Farm Show went off without a "hitch" on Feb. 24-26, 2017 at the American Royal Complex in KCMO. The weather was great along with the crowd, but some people thought the attendance was down a little from last year. The club display consisted of two tractors: JD LI with mower (G.A. Salmon) and a JD 830 (Ron Brittain), video, pictures, toys (Richard Thompson), and a tractor cruise blanket. The tractors in this year's display represented the "largest" and the "smallest" JD two-cylinder tractors. Many ladies "admired" the quilt while many children "eyed" the toys. The tractors and plowing video attracted many of the older generation. During slack time the group prepared a mailing for the Tractor Cruise scheduled for May 6, 2017 at the Ag Hall. Thanks to everyone for helping with the display, set up, working the display, and then removing the display.







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Club Shirts: Interested in ordering a club shirt?

Call Don Hrabik at 913-262-5904 (Tax included.) Shirt w/o pocket:

S-XL = \$15.00, XXL = \$17.00, XXXL = \$18.00 Sweatshirt with hood (without name): S-XL = \$23.00, XXL = \$24.00 Sweatshirt with hood and name: S-XL = \$28.00, XXL = \$29.00

Display Ads - Business Cards: Club Members \$10/issue or \$50/ year, Non-Members \$20/issue or \$100/year (save some \$ and become a member). Contact Justin Read to place an ad, 22715 W 50th St., Shawnee, KS 66226 (816) 547-8608 or email to: onsitetech@mac.com

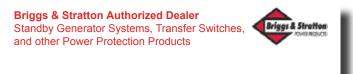
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GKCTCC Meeting Minutes Feb. 5, 2017 at 1 PM Trailside Center--99th and Holmes

President Wes Storm opened the meeting with Marietta Rogers singing the Star Spangled Banner in absentia at 1:03 p.m..



New members were introduced. Brothers: Justin Mooney and Troy Mooney.

New officers for 2017 were introduced – Justin Read (President), Bryce York (1st Vice President), Joe Meyer (2nd Vice President), Lloyd Mesmer (3rd Vice President), Jay Pruett (Treasurer), open (Secretary), and Francis Brenner (Historian).

President Storm passed out service gifts for 2016 to Bryce York, Joe Meyer, Lloyd Mesmer, Frances Brenner, Jay Pruett, Don Hrabik, Frank Van Fleet, Joe Steinger, Bill Eagleburger, and Bob Antes.

New members asked about tractor games. Past President Wes Storm discussed the possible different games we have had at events in the past.

President Read started the New Year with the financial report. Treasurer Jay Pruett passed out a mini budget (2017). Ended up great for the 2016 year with a good plan for 2017. Went through income and expenses for the 2016 year with estimated budget (\$8,000) for 2017. Bryce moved to accept as presented and Wes seconded. Motion passed.

Don Hrabik discussed the Western Farm Show display on Feb. 24-26, 2017. Booth will be 3000A upstairs. Will move in on Tues. Feb. 21 around 2:00 p.m. Theme this year will be the BIGGEST and the SMALLEST tractors (JD 830 being the largest and the smallest being a JD LA Industrial). Other items on display will include toys, pictures, video and flowers. We will be stuffing envelopes for the tractor cruise during this time.

Don Hrabik and Frank Van Fleet discussed the Tractor Cruise that will take place on May 6, 2017 at the National Ag Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs. The route (30 miles) will be from the Ag Hall to the Marble Days Parade (Bonner Springs), break at Nuts and Bolts Hardware, lunch at Wyandotte County Lake, a break at Cabela's, then back to the Ag Hall for a barbecue dinner (5:30). Hopefully the scenic route will allow more people to view the cruise. Any color of tractor that can go around 10 mph is welcome. Tractors should have SMV safety sign. Last year the club raised around \$4,000 in donations for the Ag Hall. Tractor cruise information will be prepared for mailing during the Farm Show and then sent out.

Don Hrabik discussed Barn Yard Babies Festival at the Ag Hall on April 22, 2017. This will take the place of Tractor Daze/Touch-A-Truck held last year on June 4, 2016. Festival this year will include many kid type activities to generate a larger audience. Tractors will need to be in abundance for a variety of activities along with small animals, pedal tractor pulls, displays, etc. Tractors will need to be in place on Friday.

The 2017 Schedule of Events was discussed. President Read ask for corrections and/or additions. The Shawnee St. Patrick's Parade will be added (March 12,, 2017 1:00 p.m.). There will be a mailing of some sort (letter or newsletter) for the membership, because no one wants to miss the delicious barbecue on April 2nd. Let Justin know if there are any more subtractions or additions for the 2017 Schedule of Events so that it can be approved at the April meeting for our liability insurance.

Bryce York talked about the Glenn Ratzlaff Scholarship Award (2016) that was presented to a young man who is going to McPherson College. President Read mentioned the scholarship fund raffle will be kicked off at the April meeting. Frank Van Fleet moved the club continue the raffle. Lloyd Mesmer seconded. Motion passed. As in the past, each member will get 20 tickets to sell or buy for \$1 each for the scholarship fund. In no way is it a requirement, but by working together we can help a young person be successful in life. Bryce asked if anyone knows of someone who would be a prospective candidate to let the committee (3 Vice Presidents) know.

Other items discussed included: Silent auction at the April 2nd meeting, using less club buttons, June 4, 2017 club meeting at Ag Hall will include a picnic, a tractor picture needed for the 2017 button and Bryce York mentioned his on-line-auction in April. A thank you card from the Addison family was read to the members in appreciation of the club support and friendship.

Door prize (2016 tractor cruise hat) was won by Don Hrabik but said to draw again. Eugene Rogers won the redrawing. Motion to dismiss was made by Bryce, and Dalamar seconded. Motion passed. 2:11 p.m.

2017 Schedule of Events - To be approved at the April 2nd, 2017 meeting.

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



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

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2017 (mini) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

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

Date	Event Location
April 2, 2017	GKCTCC Meeting and Barbecue
May 6, 2017	Ag Hall of Fame Tractor Cruise
June 4, 2017	GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic

1:00 p.m., Joe Meyer (Overland Tow), Merriam, KS.8:30 a.m., Bonner Springs, KS.1:00 p.m., Ag Hall of Fame - Red Barn, Bonner Springs, KS

Trivia Answer:

Jack Purinton was feature on the cover of the December 2016 issue of the High Plains Journal. The article is titled: Tractor collection put together one trade at a time. An electronic copy can be viewed at: http://www.hpj.com/ag_news/tractor-collection-put-together-one-trade-at-a-time/article_eb41b9bc-33b9-508a-9aa1-ca0d182dcb3d.html

More Info

The article gives a great history of the family, dealership, and the collection of John Deere tractors.





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