Greater Kansas City Two-Cyl inder Club March-April 2018 Volume 2018, Issue 2





SHAWNEE ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 2018

From the Desk of the Club President:

Following a cool and persistent winter, it is time to bring the "Johnnie Poppers" (and other colored tractors) to life for the spring and summer activities. The second meeting of the year will take place on Sunday, April 8, 2018, at Joe Meyer's business (Overland Tow) in Merriam, KS starting at 1:00 p.m. This is definitely a meeting you don't want to miss because of the delicious barbecue that follows. We want to thank Joe and Lori Meyer for their hospitality.

We are presently working to get ready for the Ag. Hall of Fame Tractor Cruise that will take place on Saturday, May 5 in Bonner Springs, KS. We all need to be involved in it, so send in your registration and ride with us. I look forward to seeing each of you throughout the year at our events and at the membership meetings.



Justin Read

2018 Club Officers

Listed below is the current elected officers for 2018:

President:Justin Read1st Vice President:Jon Pirie2nd Vice President:Joe Meyer3rd Vice President:Lloyd MesmerTreasurer:Jay PruettSecretary:Justin Mooney

Historian: Wes Storm

Note: Wes Storm is our new historian. If you have pictures of any club activities please send them to him at 1808 SW Bird Ct., Blue Springs, MO 64015-5314 or waleye01@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 2018

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 2017" or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2018 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 P.O. Box 14071 Lenexa, Kansas 66285

Trivia: Where did John Deere (the man) start as a blacksmith? 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 14,300 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 Mooney at 2401 Queen Ridge Dr. Independence, MO 64055, 816-868-2318 email: GKCTCC@outlook.com"

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/GKCTCC

Upcoming Event News

April GKCTCC Meeting, Silent Auction, and BBQ -- April 8th, 2018, 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: 2018 Schedule of Events (approval), Barnyard Babies Festival (April 21), Ag Hall of Fame Tractor Cruise (May 5), and the June 3th 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.

Directions: Exit I-635 onto Merriam Dr/Ln and head east 1/4 mile to 3505 Merriam Ln.



Ag Hall Tractor Cruise -- May 5th, 2018, 8:30 AM

At our February meeting the club discussed the Ag Hall Tractor Cruise scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2018 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: GKCTCC.com/tractorcruise

June GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic -- June 3th, 2018, 1 PM

The third scheduled meeting (and picnic) for the year will take place on Sunday, June 3, 2018, 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 13th year the A to M last names should bring a side dish (example - potato salad, beans, chips, desserts, etc.) and the N to Z last names bring a main dish (example -fried chicken, meatballs, sandwiches, 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.

February GKCTCC Meeting -- Feb. 11

The first club meeting of the year took place on February 11, 2018 (1:00 p.m.) at the KCMO Police Department South Patrol Station in Kansas City, MO. Treasurer Jay Pruett presented a 2018 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 5, 2018. The scholarship fund committee was reorganized 2 years ago with the VPs heading it up. A scholarship meeting (after the regular meeting) was held to discuss 2018 scholarship goals. Following the installation of 2018 club officers, service gifts were presented.

Western Farm Show -- Feb. 23-25, 2018

The actual Western Farm Show went off without a "hitch" on Feb. 23-25, 2018 at the American Royal Complex in KCMO. The weather didn't cooperate to get everything in on Tuesday, but it didn't keep us from making other arrangements to setup for another successful event. The club display consisted of three tractors: 1937 JD A (Dave Mooney), 1950 JD MT (Kensi & Braelynn Reed) and a 1960 JD 630 (George McPherson), video, pictures, toys (Richard Thompson), and tractor cruise quilts. Many ladies "admired" the quilts 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 5, 2018 at the Ag Hall. Thanks to everyone for helping with the display, set up, working the display, and then removing the display

Shawnee St Patrick's Parade -- March 11

The Shawnee Saint Patrick's Parade was held on March 11th starting at 1 PM. It was a bit blustery on the ride to and from the parade, but there was plenty of smiles and green along the route. There were 10 tractors and 1 golf cart to brave the chilly day. Leading the parade was Dusty & Farrah Meyer - 37 JD A, Joe & Brandon Meyer - 37 D, Justin & Dalamar Read - 41 JD H, Troy Mooney & Melanie Dye - 49 JD A, Jon Pirie - 49 JD MT, Chris & Calvin Meyer - 51 JD R, Jay Pruett - 57 JD 620, Don Hrabik - 59 JD 430W, Jon McPherson - 60 JD 730, Marvin Halvorsen - 83 JD 420 LGT, and Megan Pruett, Avery Pruett, Amanda Pruett, & Cameron Seever on the Pruett "BLING" Golf Cart. After the parade several of us parked our tractor across from the Hero's Pull for a display. Those of us that stayed for the Hero's Pull got to watch grown men and women pull a 24,000 lb. Bear Cat and a 32,000 lb. Fire Truck to raise money and awareness for Special Olympics Kansas. The Club was a sponsor of the Heroes Pull and the Club's name is on the event t-shirt. Put it on your calendar for next year. Visit www.heroespull.org for more info on the event.

Past Event News



February Meeting—KCMO PD



Western Farm Show—KCMO



Shawnee St Patrick's Day Parade

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Wanted / For Sale Ads: Club Members \$1/issue or \$5/year, Non-Members \$10/issue or \$50/year. (Save some money and become a member) Contact Justin Read to place an ad, 22715 W 50th St., Shawnee, KS 66226 (816) 547-8608 or email to:

Club Shirts: Interested in ordering a club shirt? Call Don Hrabik at 913-262-5904 (Tax included.) Shirt w/o pocket:

 \hat{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 Mooney to place an ad, 2401 Queen Ridge Dr., Independence, MO 64055 (816) 868-2318 or email to: **GKCTCC@outlook.com**

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GKTCC Meeting Minutes February 11, 2018 — 1 PM KCMOPD South Patrol, Kansas City, MO

President Read opened the meeting with the flag salute

Dale Larson was introduced as a new member. He has a rainbow of colored tractors as others do. Please welcome Dale to the club.

Wes Storm moved to approve the Nov. 2017 minutes as shown in the newsletter and Don Hrabik seconded. Motion passed.

Financial report was presented by Treasurer Jay Pruett and the 2018 budget was passed out. He presented expenditures, revenues and scholarship donations as of the Nov. report. End of year account (\$10,546.96) with \$3,100 designated for the scholarship fund which left around \$7,400.00 for the club account. The 2018 budget meeting was held at Bill Eagleburger's home in January to outline club activities for the year. He gave a general breakdown of expenditures for the \$25 dues. Don Hrabik moved to approve the 2017 financial report and Lloyd Mesmer seconded. Motion passed. Dalamar Read moved to accept the 2018 budget and George Reed seconded. Motion passed.

The 2018 Schedule of Events was discussed in general. President Read mentioned that he verified the schedule through the June meeting and asked for any additional items or changes for 2018.

The Western Farm Show is scheduled for Feb. 23-25, 2018 at the American Royal Building. Booth space is No. 3000A on the top floor, setup will move in on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 around 3:00 p.m. or sooner. Featured tractors will include: 1950 MT (Steve Reed, Kensi and Braelynn), 630 (George McPherson), 1937 Model A (David Mooney). Toys, pictures and blankets along with a video will be a part of the display. President Read will make signs for tractors. Show badges will be available on Tuesday for members working the booth.

Jon Pirie along with Joe Meyer talked about the St. Patrick's Parade, Tractor Show and Heroes Pull for the Special Olympics in Shawnee on March 11, 2018. A part of the day's activities will include a Heroes Pull as a fundraiser for the Special Olympics (teams pay \$250 to pull a fire truck or police combat vehicle for a timed distance). This is a great way to give back to the community.

Don Hrabik talked about Barn Yard Babies at the Ag Hall to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018. It will be the first day that the Ag. Hall will be officially opened for the year. A variety of activities will take place during the day (9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.). Club members will help with activities along with bringing tractors for petting zoo.

Frank Van Fleet, Joe Steineger and Don Hrabik discussed the Ag. Hall Tractor Cruise scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2018. They outlined the 38 mile route for the cruise starting at the Ag. Hall (8:30 a.m.) and then returning about 4:00 p.m. for dinner/awards program. Drivers need to arrive around 7:00 a.m.

President Read asked the three vice presidents and other interested people as a committee to meet after the meeting to discuss a formal format for the Glenn Ratzlaff Scholarship Fund. Funds this year could provide two scholarships since one was not provided last year.

President Read mentioned the April meeting date change from April 1 to April 8 because Easter this year being on April 1. The meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. with a barbecue following. The meeting will include a silent auction again this year.

Wes Storm acknowledged a certificate of appreciation from the Ag. Hall for volunteering on different occasions.

Club buttons for 2018 were discussed. Three buttons will be made this year -- (50) Barn Yard Babies on April 21, 2018 -- (60) Ag. Hall Tractor Cruise on May 5, 2018 and (75) Western Farm Show on Feb. 22-24, 2019. Don Hrabik moved to approve the three buttons for 2018 and Lloyd Mesmer seconded. Motion passed.

Installation of 2018 club officers was made with the following: President (Justin Read), 1st Vice President (Jon Pirie), 2nd Vice President (Joe Meyer), 3rd Vice President (Lloyd Mesmer), Secretary (Justin Mooney) and Treasurer (Jay Pruett). Congratulations!

Treasurer Jay Pruett discussed the raffle again for 2018. Money made goes to the scholarship fund. Raffle payout includes: (1) \$250 and (5) \$50 prizes for a total of \$500. We will kick off in April and sell tickets during the summer, then have drawing at the November meeting. Jon Pirie mentioned changing the marketing strategies to bring in more funds. Wes Storm moved to have the raffle and Don Hrabik seconded. Motion passed.

President Read presented 2017 service awards to the following individuals: Bryce York, Justin Read, Jay Pruett, Lloyd Mesmer, G. A. Salmon, Joe Steineger, Don Hrabik, Francis Brenner, Frank Van Fleet, Joe Meyer, Bill Eagleburger and Wes Storm.

Door prizes were won by Steve Reed and Dave Mooney. Wes Storm moved to close meeting and Don Hrabik seconded. Motion passed.

2018 Schedule of Events - To be approved at the April 8th, 2018 meeting.

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

Location Event Contact#

K.C., MO. GKCTCC Meeting (KCPD South Patrol) 9701 Marrion Park Dr. 816-228-2660 1 PM Feb. 11

Feb. 23-25 K.C., MO. Western Farm Show, Governors Building, (Setup Day Feb. 20) 913-262-5904 Shawnee, KS. Shawnee St. Patrick's Day Parade 1 PM (Joe Meyer)

March 11 April 8 Merriam, KS. GKCTCC Meeting & BBQ, Joe Meyer (Overland Tow)

Bonner Springs, KS. Barnyard Babies Festival at the Ag Hall of Fame (10 AM-4PM) 913-262-5904 April 21

April 27-29 Pleasant Hill, MO. Railroad Days. 816-987-2595

April 28 Paola, KS. Garden Tractor Pull and Show. Jan 913-485-4222

May 4-5 Lathrop, MO. Swap Meet, (8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.). J. Plowman 816-528-3511

May 5 Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Tractor Cruise. 913-262-5904

May 11-12 Fort Scott, KS., Pioneer Harvest Fiesta Swap Meet (8 a.m.). A. Warren 620-224-7761 June 1-3 Louisburg, KS. Antique Tractor & Gas Engine Show, Lewis & Young Park. Jan 913-485-4222

June 1-3 Lee's Summit, MO. Downtown Days

June 2 Shawnee, KS. Old Shawnee Days Parade. (10 AM) Jay Pruett 913-302-1273 June 3 GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic, 1:00 p.m., Ag Hall Red Barn 816-228-2660

June 14 Lathrop, MO. Tractor Cruise, (8:30 a.m.). J. Plowman 816-528-3511 June 14-17 Lathrop, MO. Antique Car, Tractor & Engine Show. 816-528-3511 June 21-23 Oskaloosa, KS. Old Settlers Parade. Matt Miller 785-233-8200 x4208

June 22-24 Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show. Bob Surber 816-797-4243

June 23-24 Rockville, IN. Parke County Covered Bridge Tractor Ride. 765-569-1619 July 1 Heart of America Tractor Cruise. Kathy Roach 816-244-1785 July 1 Pilot Grover, MO. Antique Tractor Pull. Miles Wolf 660-834-5133 July 4 Lenexa KS. Community Days Parade. (10:00 a.m.) Jay Pruett 913-302-1273 July 4 Sugar Creek, MO. Sugar Creek Parade. (9:00 a.m.) Francis Brenner 816-804-5271

July 10-15 P. Hill, MO. Cass County Fair. (Parade Saturday) 816-540-2622

July 13-15 Meriden, KS. Threshing Show. 785-876-3030 Hardin MO Antique Tractor Pull 660-398-4508 July 14

July 14 Dearborn, MO. MO Farm Bureau Tractor Cruise. (8 am) https://www.mofb.org/FoundationforAg.aspx

July 24 Tonganoxie, KS. Leavenworth County Fair Parade. Ron Brittain 816-804-2673

July 26-29 Macon, MO. 34th Antique Tractor Show. Danny Primm 660-385-3639 Aug. 4 Eudora, KS. Tractor Show. (2-5 p.m.) and Parade (6:30 p.m.) 785-542-1606 or 785-760-7878

Aug. 4 Kingsville MO. Tractor Cruise. 816-258-2373

Atchison, KS. Atchison County Fair Parade. 816-229-9998 Aug. 4

Aug. 4 Gardner, KS. Johnson County Fair & Parade. (10:30)

Aug. 8-11 Overbrook, KS. Fair Parade. (Aug. 10 @ 6:30 p.m.) (Aug. 11 @ 6:00 p.m.) Wes 816-228-2660

Aug. 9-12 Hamilton, MO. Antique Tractor Pull and Show. 816-583-4823 Aug. 10-12 Tracy, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam & Gas Engine Show. 816-858-5826

Aug. 11-12 Lamar, MO. Parade and Show.

Sedalia, MO. Missouri State Fair Tractor Show and Parade. (Fair runs Aug. 11-21) Aug. 15

Aug. 18 Cole Camp, MO. Antique Tractor Pull. 660-723-6241, 316-201-8620

Aug. 18-19 Bethany, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-439-2485

Aug. 24-26 Fort Scott, KS. Pioneer Harvest Fiesta 60th Annual Show. Parade 25th @ 6 p.m.

Sept. 1-2 Louisburg, KS. Truck and Tractor Pull. 816-694-0267

Sept. 6-9 Boonville, MO. Antique Tractor Show. (Cruise on 9th) 847-526-7318 Sept. 6-9 Shelbina, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-676-0256 and 573-439-5583

Sept. 7-9 Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show, 785-418-2190 Sept. 8 Olathe, KS. Old Settlers Day Parade. Don 913-262-5904

Sept. 14-16 Princeton, MO. Calamity Jane Weekend-Tractor Cruise. (Fri.) Parade and Tractor Show. (Sat.) Car Show. (Sun.) 660-748-4438

Sept. 14-16 McLouth, KS. Threshing Bee. 913-683-9234

Sept. 14-16 Harrisonville, MO. Living History Festival Parade. (Sat) 816-887-2393

Sept. 15 Archie, MO. Fall Festival and Parade. (10 AM)

Sept. 15 Blue Springs Parade, Blue Springs, MO. Wes 816-228-2660

Sept. 21-23 Cole Camp, MO. Fall Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24. 660-438-0928 Sept. 20-23 Fredonia, KS. Antique Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24. 660-378-3307

Sept. 21-22 Marshall, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-837-3422 Sept. 21-23 Chilhowee, MO. Antique Tractor Show. 660-647-5876

Sept. 22 Buckner, MO. Parade, 816-650-6507 Sept. 22-23 Meriden, KS. Fall Show. 785-876-3030

Abilene, KS. Tractor Show w/Parade of Power. 913-381-5661 Oct. 1 Oct. 5-7 Lathrop, MO. Living History Show. 816-528-3511 and 816-896-5546

Oct. 5-6 Adrian, MO. Swap Meet. Bob Surber 816-797-4243

Oct. 8-9 Lake JaCoMo, 1855 Missouri Town - Tractor Display. Wes 816-228-2660 Oct. 13 Baldwin City, KS. Maple Leaf Festival and Parade. 913-486-5534 Oct. 19-20 Powell Gardens Glow Night. 816-524-6783 http://www.powellgardens.org Oct. 25-28 Wichita, KS. Antique Tractor Pull & Swap Meet. 316-541-2570 Oct. 27 Independence, MO. Halloween Parade. Francis Brenner 816-804-5271 Nov. 3 Bonner Springs, Fall Plow Day. Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180

Richmond, KS. GKCTCC Meeting (Hosted by Kenny Read) 816-547-8608 Justin Nov. 4

Oak Grove, MO. Christmas Parade. Wes 816-228-2660

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



Shawnee, KS-St Pat's Day Parade

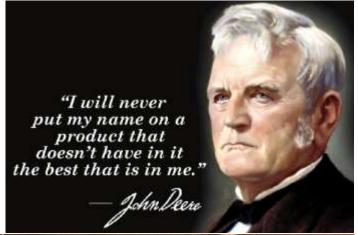


2018 Western Farm Show

2018 (mini) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: (All dates and events are subject to change. Contact the President for verification).

Date	Event	More Info
April 8, 2018,	GKCTCC Meeting/Ba	rbecue, Joe Meyer (Overland Tow), Merriam, KS. 1:00 p.m.
May 5, 2018,	Ag Hall Tractor Cruise	, National Ag Hall of Fame, Bonner Springs, KS 913-262-5904
June 3, 2018,	GKCTCC Meeting, Ag	Hall Red Barn, Bonner Springs, KS. 1:00 p.m.

Trivia Answer: John Deere started as a young journeyman blacksmith in Middlebury, Vermont. John Deere soon gained fame for his considerable workmanship and ingenuity. It was a golden age of the burgeoning pioneer and John headed west to join the adventure. It took him many weeks by canal boat, lake boat, and stagecoach to reach Grand Detour, Illinois - a journey of more than a thousand miles that could easily be accomplished in 16 hours by car today.





2018 Western Farm Show

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