

GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

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**2019 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER COLE AND FAMILY
AT THE 2020 WESTERN FARM SHOW**

From the Desk of the Club President:

Following a unseasonal winter, it is time to bring the “Johnnie Poppers” (and other colored tractors) to life for the late spring and summer activities. The second meeting of the year has been postponed until Sunday, May 17, 2020, at Joe Meyer’s business (Overland Tow) in Merriam, KS starting at 1:00 p.m. This event is of course postponed due to the federal, state, and county restrictions outlined in containing the novel coronavirus.

A member called recently to discuss some of the events being cancelled and advised he was going to have his own parade with his family of tractors. This made me think that we can still find ways to enjoy the equipment that brings us together, and have stories to tell once it is safe for us to meet again. It also gives us the opportunity to work on those issues we have been ignoring the rest of the year. I know there is always some little thing that I forget about fixing over the winter. That is until I get ready to go to the first parade or show of the year, and realize it has to be fixed the night beforehand. I know I’m not the only one that does this, not naming any names though.

I look forward to seeing each of you throughout the year at our events and at the membership meetings later in the year. Until then, Putt-Putt on and stay safe.

Justin Read

2020 Club Officers

Listed below is the current elected officers for 2020:

President:	Justin Read	1st Vice President:	Jon Pirie
2nd Vice President:	Joe Meyer	3rd Vice President:	Lloyd Mesmer
Treasurer:	Jay Pruett	Secretary:	Justin Mooney
Historian:	Wes Storm		

Note : Wes Storm is our historian (and Trustee). 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 2020

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 2019” or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2020 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: What was the distinction of the John Deere Model 420 Phase I, II, or III Two-Cylinder tractors? What are the statistics (Engine specs, numbers, and power)? 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 17,800 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

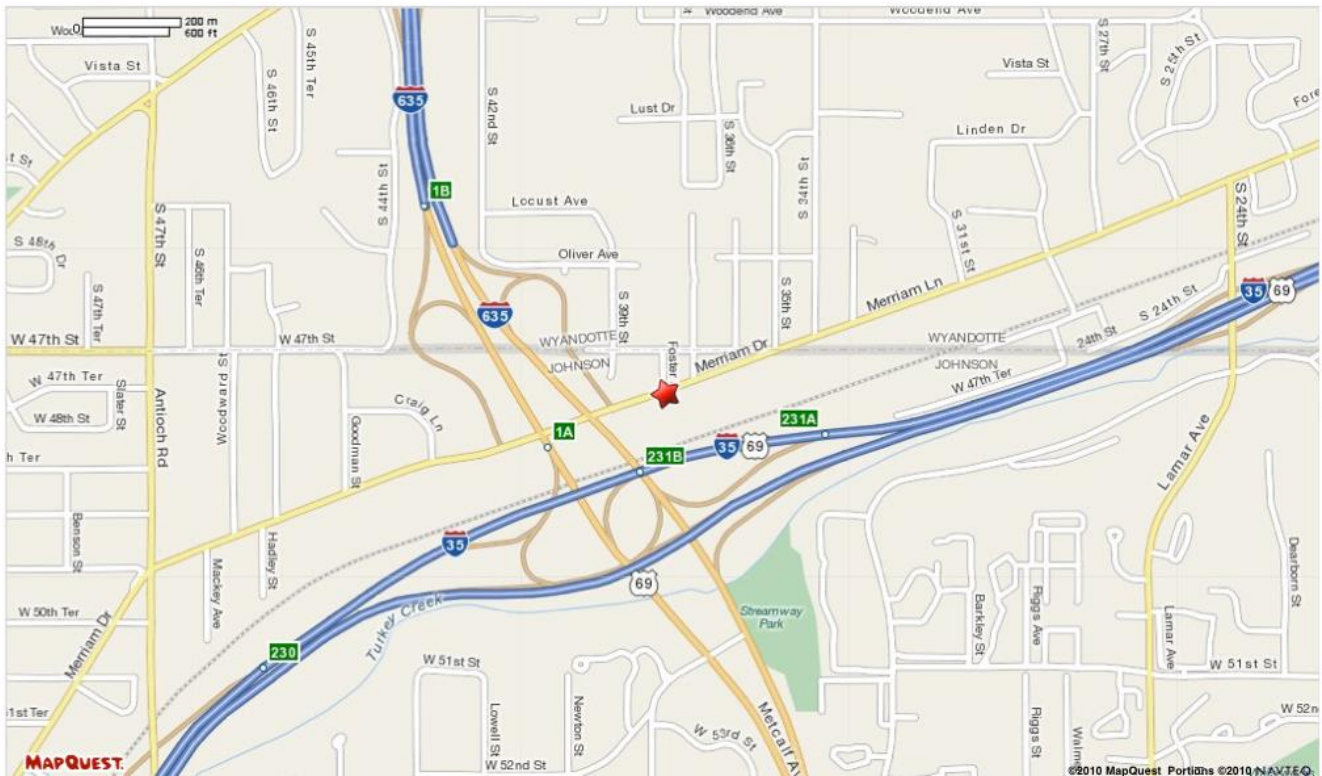
2020 Ag Hall Tractor Cruise -- CANCELED

The 2020 Ag Hall Tractor Cruise has been canceled. We hope to have a team together in time to plan a 2021 tractor cruise. In the mean time, the board has suggested we help promote the Platte County Tractor Cruise August 13, 2020. Also, members can have folks donate to the Ag Hall Barnyard Babies event (download the BYB pledge form at www.GKCTCC.com). Please see the February meeting minutes on page 6 for more details.

GKCTCC Meeting, Silent Auction, and BBQ -- May 17th, 2020, 1 PM

The second GKCTCC meeting of the year is to be held at Joe Meyer's business (Overland Tow), near I-635 on Merriam Lane, Overland Park, KS. The tentative rescheduled date is Sunday, May 17th, 2020. 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: 2020 Schedule of Events (approval), Barnyard Babies Festival (May 30), and the June 7th 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 Barnyard Babies -- May 30th, 2020, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Ag Hall Barnyard Babies event has been tentatively rescheduled for Saturday, May 30, 2020 and will take place at the National Ag Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. More information is available on their website: www.aghalloffame.com

June GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic -- June 7th, 2020, 1 PM

The third scheduled meeting (and picnic) for the year will take place on Sunday, June 7, 2020, 1:00 p.m. at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. Fifteen 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 side dish (example — potato salad, beans, chips, desserts, etc.) and everyone who comes with the last name starting with N to Z would 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. 9

The first club meeting of the year took place on February 9, 2020 (1:00 p.m.) at the Trailside Center in Kansas City, MO. The Western Farm Show and club display were discussed. Justin and Don discussed the Ag Hall Tractor Cruise has been canceled for 2020. Following the installation of 2020 club officers, other business was discussed, and a raffle drawing was held. Full details of the meeting are available in the meeting minutes on page 6 of this newsletter.

Western Farm Show -- Feb. 21-23, 2020

The Western Farm Show was held on Feb. 21-23, 2020 in Kansas City, MO. The Greater KC Two-Cylinder Club participated in the show (booth 3000A) by displaying three unstyled JD tractors: (Model A Dave Mooney), (Model B Tina Neu), (Model G Joe Meyer) along with a variety of toys (Richard Thompson), two homemade quilts (Wes Storm and Don Hrabik) and a plowing video. The Club shared their booth with the National Ag Center and Hall of Fame this year and next year they will have their own booth. Many people were in attendance all three days because of the nice weather or just maybe wanting to get out of the house. As in the past a number of club members helped set up on Tuesday, work the booth and tear down on Sunday. Thanks for all the help as usual in making it a fun weekend.

Farewell to John Didde

I got a call from a friend, John Didde died today. He had heart and lung problems and was turned down for a lung transplant. So, you see he was not a well man. There are many true stories I could tell about John, but some people would not believe them anyway. Probably the best story was when we were on a tractor cruise. As we were going through a town, a spectator pointed to an object on the road as I was passing by. I stopped to pick it up and it was John's billfold. When we stopped for lunch at the city park I asked him if he was going to buy my lunch. He mentioned he couldn't even buy his own lunch because he had lost his billfold and was making calls to cancel credit cards. I asked him what he would do if someone found it. He said that he would give a kiss to anyone who came up with it. I handed it to him and you know the rest of the story. I have a picture to prove it. Hopefully when it is my time to go I will pass his way because friendship lasts forever.

Don Hrabik

Past Event News



February Meeting—Trailside Center



2020 Western Farm Show—KCMO (FFA Students)



2020 Western Farm Show—KCMO (FFA Students)

Items Wanted / For Sale:

Items from the Western Farm Show **FOR SALE**
Year Make Model Price Name
 Contact info

Early Deere 40U Orchard \$4500 Bryce York
913-449-2629 Leave A Message

? Deere R \$3500
 620-364-9194 Kerry Trostle (Leroy, KS)

? Deere Convert Roll-A-Matic to Solid Front End
 660-425-5765 Jerry Luther

1958 Deere 420T ?
 913-328-2584 Sam Coffman

? Deere 4010 ?
 816-304-2095 Roger Wilson (Liberty)

Items from the Western Farm Show **WANTED**
Year Make Model Contact
41-45 Deere B - Hand Start
785-608-2704 Terry Wolford

? Deere Model A - Need Help with Restoration
 816-263-1446 Wayne Hoofer

? Deere 830 - Mechanic for Restoration
 620-857-4133 Jerry Valentine (Ft. Scott)

? Deere 3 Point Pull Bars for 4000 - Right or Left
 417-682-1903 Jack Purinton

Currently No Other Items are Listed For Sale.

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:
GKCTCC@outlook.com

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

Display Ads - Business Cards: Club Members \$10/issue or
 \$50/year, Non-Members \$20/issue or \$100/year (save some \$
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GKTCC Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2020 — 1 PM
Trailside Center, Kansas City, MO

President Read opened the meeting with the Flag Salute. No new members or guests were present.

Started with the installation of 2020 club officers: (1st Vice President-Jon Pirie), (2nd Vice President-Joe Meyer), (3rd Vice President – Lloyd Mesmer), (Treasurer-Jay Pruett), (Secretary-Justin Mooney) and (President-Justin Read). The President offered his position to any interested party but no one spoke up.

November 9, 2019 meeting minutes as written in the newsletter was asked for approval. Don Hrabik moved to accept the minutes, Wes Storm seconded, motion passed.

Financial and budget reports were delayed until the March meeting because the treasurer was not available. He will give a full snap shot at that time, but it does appear the Club is on budget.

The 2020 Schedule of Events was discussed as presented in the newsletter. President Read asked for any corrections or additions. The schedule of Events will be on the agenda at the next meeting for approval.

Don Hrabik discussed the Western Farm Show scheduled for Feb. 21-23, 2020 in Kansas City, MO. The plan is to set up on Tues. Feb. 18 around 3:00 p.m. because of our location at the show. As agreed to earlier in the year our display will include three unstyled tractors: (JD Model A-Dave Mooney), (JD Model B-Tina Neu) and (JD Model G- Joe Meyer). The display will also include: two cabinets of (toys-Richard Thompson), (two handmade quilts - Don Hrabik and Wes Storm), and a plowing video. The club booth is to be shared with the National Ag Center and Hall of Fame to give it more recognition. Next year the plan is they have their own booth.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 15 in Shawnee was discussed. Jon Pirie and Joe Meyer will help organize our activities.

Next meeting with barbecue is scheduled for May 17, 2020 and is hosted by Joe and Lorie Meyer (Overland Tow). Sides, salads, and desserts are welcome. Silent auction items will also be a part of the meeting.

Don Hrabik talked about Barnyard Babies at the Ag Hall on May 30, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. Since the club is not sponsoring a tractor cruise this year it is suggested donations from a cruise go to Barnyard Babies. In addition the Club will provide more activities during the day such as a Parade of Power, a larger tractor petting zoo and a tent display. The Ag Hall will have many displays and activities which should make an exciting day for the old and young alike.

The future of the Ag Hall tractor cruise was discussed. President Read suggested a committee be established to develop a successful tractor cruise. No one stepped forward to be the chairman. Don Hrabik stated that he would help because of his past seven years of experience. In lieu of a cruise this year the club has asked to be a part of the Platte County Tractor Cruise on Aug. 16, 2020. Our club could help market the cruise through the newsletter and website. President Read will develop a cover letter along with the Platte County Tractor Cruise entry form for another future mailing to our club members and past cruise participants.

It was asked if there was ever going to be a time when another Ag Hall Tractor Cruise could be considered. President mentioned when someone steps up to be the committee chairman. He did state that he would check with the Red Barn in Gardner, KS as one source because they expressed an interest earlier. Bryce York moved to study a future cruise, Justin Mooney seconded. Motion passed.

Scholarship award was going to be discussed but the chairman, Jon Pirie, was not present. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

President Read discussed several up coming tractor shows that sounded exciting.

It was pointed out that Lloyd Mesmer's tractor (JD 620 propane) will be on the club button for Barnyard Babies (2020) and the Western Farm Show (2021).

It was suggested that the club send get-well or sympathy-cards rather than flowers for memorials starting this year.

Wes Storm moved the club donate \$50 to the Trailside Center for the use of the building. Bryce York seconded, motion passed. Treasurer will send check.

Bryce York moved to close the meeting, Secretary Justin Mooney seconded, and the motion passed.

Drawing winners: Joe Meyer, Don Hrabik, and George Reed (Service Awards will be presented at the next meeting.)

2020 Schedule of Events - To be approved at the May 17th, 2020 meeting.

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

Date	Location	Event Contact#
Feb. 9	K.C., MO. GKCTCC Meeting (Trailside Center) 9901 Holmes Rd.	816-547-8608 1 PM
Feb. 21-23	K.C., MO. Western Farm Show, Governors Building, (Setup Day Feb. 19)	913-262-5904
March 15	Shawnee, KS. Shawnee St. Patrick's Day Parade 1 PM (Joe Meyer)	CANCELED
March 27-28	Adrian Spring Swap Meet (Nixon Auctioneers Consignment Auction March 28).	Bob 816-797-4243
April 24-26	Pleasant Hill, MO. Railroad Days.	816-987-2595
April 26	Shawnee, KS. Heroes Pull. Weigh in at 1:30, Pull at 2:30.	Jon 913-238-2505
May 1-2	Lathrop, MO. Swap Meet, (8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.).	J. Plowman 816-528-3511
May 8-9	Fort Scott, KS., Pioneer Harvest Fiesta Swap Meet (8 a.m.).	A. Warren 620-224-7761
May 17	Merriam, KS. GKCTCC Meeting & BBQ, Joe Meyer (Overland Tow)	
May 30	Bonner Springs, KS. Barnyard Babies Festival at the Ag Hall of Fame (10 AM-4PM)	913-262-5904
June 7	GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic, 1:00 p.m., Ag Hall Red Barn	816-547-8608
June 5-7	Lee's Summit, MO. Downtown Days	
June 6	Shawnee, KS. Old Shawnee Days Parade. (10 AM)	Jay Pruett 913-302-1273
June 18	Lathrop, MO. Tractor Cruise, (8:30 a.m.).	Heath Hise 816-812-0858
June 18-21	Lathrop, MO. Antique Car, Tractor & Engine Show.	Jim Plowman 816-528-3511
June 25-27	Oskaloosa, KS. Old Settlers Parade.	Matt Miller 785-233-8200 x4208
June 26-28	Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show.	Bob Surber 816-797-4243
June 27-29	Rockville, IN. Parke County Covered Bridge Tractor Ride.	765-569-1619
June 27	Stanberry, MO. Heart of America Tractor Cruise.	Marty From - (660) 582-1453 or Kathy Roach 816-244-1785
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 4	Basehor, KS. Independence Day Celebration Parade (Line-up 6:45).	Melissa Bosley 816-868-3931
July 6	Harrisonville, MO. Tractor Show on the Square.	Scott Beck 816-645-8480
July 7-11	Wyandotte Co Fair Tractor Show	
July 17-19	Meriden, KS. Threshing Show.	785-876-3030
July 14-18	P. Hill, MO. Cass County Fair. (Parade Saturday)	816-540-2622
July 18	Buchanan County, MO. MO Farm Bureau Tractor Cruise. (8 am)	816-279-2985
July 23-26	Macon, MO. 40th Antique Tractor Show.	Danny Primm 660-385-3639
July 25	Savannah, MO. Tractor Cruise.	Kathy Roach 816-244-1785 or Nancy Wilson (816) 324-5634
July 28	Tonganoxie, KS. Leavenworth County Fair Parade.	
Aug. 1	Eudora, KS. Tractor Show. (2-5 p.m.) and Parade (6:30 p.m.)	785-542-1606 or 785-760-7878
Aug. 1	Kingsville MO. Tractor Cruise.	816-258-2373
Aug. 1	Adrian MO Tractor Cruise.	Bob Surber 816-797-4243
Aug. 1	Gardner, KS. Johnson County Fair & Parade. (10:30)	
Aug. 5-8	Overbrook, KS. Fair Parade. (Aug. 7 @ 6:30 p.m.) (Aug. 8 @ 6:00 p.m.)	Wes 816-228-2660
Aug. 7	Atchison, KS. Atchison County Fair Parade.	816-229-9998
Aug. 8-9	Lamar, MO. Parade and Show.	
Aug. 13	Tracy, MO. Platte Co Tractor Cruise.	Alan Goodwin - (816) 550-0481 or Jim McClung
Aug. 14-16	Tracy, MO. Platte County Antique Tractor, Steam & Gas Engine Show.	816-858-5826
Aug. 15	Cole Camp, MO. Antique Tractor Pull.	660-723-6241, 316-201-8620
Aug. 15-16	Bethany, MO. Antique Tractor Show.	660-439-2485
Aug. 15-17	Hamilton, MO. Antique Tractor Pull and Show.	816-583-4823
Aug. 18-19	Sedalia, MO. Missouri State Fair Tractor Show and Parade. (Fair runs Aug. 13-23)	
Sept. 3-6	Shelbina, MO. Antique Tractor Show.	660-676-0256 and 573-439-5583
Sept. 5	Olathe, KS. Old Settlers Day Parade.	Don 913-262-5904 (2020 Feature Massey)
Sept. 7	Everest, KS. Everest Tractor Drive.	Keith Olsen - (785) 741-0208
Sept. 10-13	Boonville, MO. Antique Tractor Show. (Cruise on 9th)	847-526-7318
Sept. 11-13	Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show.	785-418-2190
Sept. 12	Archie, MO. Fall Festival and Parade. (10 AM)	
Sept. 12	Blue Springs Parade, Blue Springs, MO.	Wes 816-228-2660
Sept. 12	Troy, KS. Doniphan County 4-H Club Tractor Cruise.	Megan Jensen - (785) 741-0999
Sept. 18-20	McLouth, KS. Threshing Bee.	Austin 785-691-6749, Darin 816-803-8500, or Chris 785-393-0524
Sept. 18-20	Princeton, MO. Calamity Jane Weekend-Tractor Cruise. (Fri.)	
	Parade and Tractor Show. (Sat.) Car Show. (Sun.)	660-748-4438
Sept. 17-20	Cole Camp, MO. Fall Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24.	660-438-0928
Sept. 17-20	Fredonia, KS. Antique Tractor Show. Tractor Pull Sept. 24.	660-378-3307
Sept. 18-20	Marshall, MO. Antique Tractor Show.	660-837-3422
Sept. 18-20	Chilhowee, MO. Antique Tractor Show.	660-647-5876
Sep 25-26	Adrian, MO. Swap Meet.	Bob Surber 816-797-4243
Sept. 28-29	Meriden, KS. Fall Show.	785-876-3030
Oct. 3	Harrisonville, MO Burnt District Festival Parade (Sat).	Bob 816-797-4243
Oct. 3	Abilene, KS. Tractor Show w/Parade of Power.	913-381-5661
Oct. 2-4	Lathrop, MO. Living History Show.	816-528-3511 and 816-896-5546
Oct. 3-4	Lake JaCoMo, 1855 Missouri Town - Tractor Display.	Wes 816-228-2660
Oct. 15-18	Fort Scott, KS. Pioneer Harvest Fiesta Annual Show.	Parade 25th @ 6p.m.
Oct. 17	Baldwin City, KS. Maple Leaf Festival and Parade.	913-486-5534
Oct. 31	Independence, MO. Halloween Parade.	Wes 816-228-2660
Nov. 1	GKCTCC Meeting and White Elephant Auction (Hosted by G.A. Salmon)	
Nov. 8	Bonner Springs, Fall Plow Day.	Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180
Dec. 6	Oak Grove, MO. Christmas Parade	Wes 816-228-2660

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Jack's Tractors - Western Farm Show



2020 Western Farm Show

2020 (mini) SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: (All dates and events are subject to change. Contact the President for verification).

Date	Event	More Info
May 17	GKCTCC Meeting/Barbecue, Joe Meyer (Overland Tow), Merriam, KS.	1:00 p.m.
May 30	Barnyard Babies, Ag Hall, Bonner Springs, KS.	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
June 7	GKCTCC Meeting, Ag Hall Red Barn, Bonner Springs, KS.	1:00 p.m.

Trivia Answer: The John Deere Model 420 tractor was designated Phase I, II, or III by the year it was built (1956, 1957, or 1958). Each phase was very distinct in their look. The Phase I models had an all green hood / nose, and the name plate on the front was cast with "John Deere". The Phase II models had a rounded medallion on the front (with logo), duo tone hood / nose (yellow and green), and the steering wheel was straight up and down (as was the Phase I steering wheel). The Phase III models also had a rounded medallion and duo tone paint, but the steering wheel was mounted at an angle for operator comfort (except LP and Hi-Crop models). Note: The Crawler model does not have a steering wheel so it is hard to tell Phase II from III. Total Built: 46,450 (approx.), Engine Displacement, 4.25"x4.00" Engine: 113ci, Speed:1850 RPM. Horsepower: (Gas) 26.15 drawbar / 28.31 PTO. In July 1958 a basic 420 Standard cost \$1976.50 new w/o options, while a 420 U-3T Forklift cost \$5663.75 new. The 420 was made in the following 9 versions: 420 S (standard), 420 U (utility), 420 C (crawler, 4/5 roller), 420 T (tricycle), 420 H (hi crop), 420 V (special), 420 I (special utility industrial), 420 U-3T (forklift), and the 420 W (row crop utility), pictured on the right.



2020 Western Farm Show

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