

GREATER KANSAS CITY TWO-CYLINDER CLUB

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Ag Hall Tractor Cruise
May 7, 2022

From the Desk of the Club President:

Thank you to Lloyd Mesmer for taking charge of the Tractor Cruise, once again. It was a beautiful day. We only had 2 minor tractor breakdowns that we were able to fix enroute and they were able to continue the cruise. We were fortunate not to have lost any wheels from tractors this time! Had a tasty meal in Tongie thanks to Farmhouse Catering (Hilltop/Easton). It appears all the participants enjoyed the cruise. Thanks to all who attended.

Our meeting is coming up In June at the Ag Hall. We hope to see you all there! The rest of the summer will hopefully be busy with shows, parades, and cruises. Please plan to attend as many events as possible; this helps to promote our Club. We have 2 potential new members from the Tractor Cruise! See the schedule of events for our Club approved events. Be sure to call the contact listed for the event before loading the tractor.

Herman Sachse, 913-775-3353

2022 Club Officers

Listed below is the officers for 2022:

President:	Herman Sachse	1st Vice President:	Jon Pirie
2nd Vice President:	Justin Read	3rd Vice President:	Lloyd Mesmer
Treasurer:	Jay Pruet	Secretary:	Michelle Pirie
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 2022

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 2021" or earlier at the top, then you will want to pay your 2022 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). If you can't be at a meeting you can send your dues to:

Jay Pruet– Treasurer
GKC-Two-Cylinder Club
P.O. Box 14071
Lenexa, KS 66285

Club Website and Newsletter

The Club website <http://www.gkctcc.com/> gives our Club world wide recognition along with reaching prospective members. If you have any club related information or pictures for the newsletter, please contact Secretary Michelle Pirie at 913-634-1389 email: secretary@GKCTCC.com

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

GKCTCC Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2022 – 1 PM
Ag Hall of Fame, Bonner Springs, KS

Following a barbecue dinner, the meeting was called to order by President Herman Sachse at 2:08 PM. New members and guests were introduced including: Marshall Patterson, Larry Henak, Chris Meyer, and Stacy Spieker.

President Sachse asked for approval of the November 7, 2021 meeting minutes as published in the newsletter. Justin Read moved to accept and Bryce York seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jay Pruett provided a financial report including a spreadsheet detailing 2021 transactions relative to the current budget. Total club funds \$12,540.28 with \$8,290.28 in the general fund, \$1,847.50 in the scholarship fund, and \$2,402.50 in donations from the Joe Meyer family. Jon Pirie moved to accept the financial report and Wes Storm seconded, motion carried.

3rd Vice-President Lloyd Mesmer provided details regarding the upcoming Barnyard Babies scheduled for April 23, 2022 from 10 AM- 4 PM.

Lloyd Mesmer discussed the upcoming Ag Hall Tractor Cruise set for May 7, 2022. Lloyd provided details surrounding the 42-mile route, break and lunch locations.

The next tractor club set for June 5, 2022 at 1 PM– Ag Hall (building to be determined day of) was announced. Attendees are welcome to bring a picnic/sack lunch with the meeting to follow.

Lloyd Mesmer was asked about the Ag Hall Tractor Show with tentative dates set for either July 23 or July 30, 2022. Lloyd advised a date for the tractor show has not been set and more information will be provided later.

2nd Vice-President Justin Read provided a review on the tractor club insurance with the cost being approximately \$869.00 per year. Insurance cost is derived from the base price plus \$25 per event and \$1.75 per member. Other options are being considered.

President Sachse sought approval of the 2022 Schedule of Events, as published in the previous newsletter. Justin Read moved to accept the schedule and Bryce York seconded. Motion passed.

1st Vice-President Jon Pirie was asked for details on the pending Scholarship Fundraiser and date raffle tickets will be available for sale. Jon advised it is premature to start selling raffle tickets since the drawing will be held in November.

Jon Pirie was asked for and provided a summary of the Shawnee ST. Pat's Parade.

Jay Pruett announced 2022 will be the last year he will serve as treasurer. The announcement was made in hopes that a successor will be identified so familiarization can occur creating a smooth transition.

President Sachse concluded the formal meeting at 2:43 PM.

Upcoming Events

JUNE GKCTCC MEETING AND PICNIC -- JUNE 5TH, 2022, 1 PM.

The next scheduled meeting for the year will take place on Sunday, June 5th, 2022, at the National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, KS. The picnic will be at 1pm followed by the meeting at 2pm. This year you will need to bring your own sack lunch. We hope to be in the air-conditioned Red Barn at the Ag Hall, however, if they can book it for an event, then we will not have access and will be in one of the other buildings.

Old Shawnee Days Parade – June 4, 2022

The 54th Old Shawnee Days Parade will occur June 4, 2022 at 10:00 AM. The parade route runs north on Nieman Rd from Shawnee Mission Parkway then west on Johnson Dr to Cody St. Staging areas for the parade route run west on the north frontage road of Shawnee Mission Pkwy (west of Nieman) to Quivira. The tractor club has received permission to park and unload tractors at KCAS (NE corner of SMPKWY and Long Ave). Participating tractors will move to the staging area at 9:00 AM utilizing 62 Tr to the rear parking lot/alleyway of the Westlake Hardware and Price Chopper to Quivira Rd. Questions can be directed to Jay Pruett.



July 4th Parade – Sugar Creek – July 4, 2022

The tractor club will be participating in the Sugar Creek Days Parade. Lineup for the parade begins on Sterling at 10:00 AM. The parade begins at 11:00 AM. Questions can be directed to Wes Storm.

SAVE THE DATE!

Our November GKCTCC Meeting and White Elephant Auction will be held on **November 6, 2022, at 2 pm.** We are planning to hold our meeting at the G. A. Salmon farm, north of Crieghton, MO. You don't want to miss seeing his collection! More information to come!

Past Events

Ag Hall Barnyard Babies – April 23, 2022

Barnyard Babies returned Saturday, April 23 after a 2-year absence due to COVID. Approximately 3,800 people attended the event enjoying baby farm animals, milking demonstrations, honey making exhibitions, train rides and tractors. At least eight tractors were on display with club members Jeff/Charlie Gast (JD B), Lloyd Mesmer (Ford and JD 620) and Wes Storm (JD D and JD BR) providing a majority of them. The event was a success with an estimated \$18,000 raised for the Ag Hall and a great time had by all.



Past Events

Ag Hall Tractor Cruise – May 7, 2022

The Ag Hall Tractor Cruise, sponsored by the GKCTCC, was held on Saturday, May 7, 2022 and included 22 tractors. The weather was absolutely perfect with sunny skies and temperatures in the mid-70s. The cruise was completed with only two tractors having minor issues that were quickly remedied. At one point, some of the tractors bringing up the rear got separated but took a shortcut on the route catching up with the lead group for the remainder of the cruise. Special recognition is due Lloyd Mesmer for once again taking the lead on organizing this successful event which raised nearly \$2,200 for the Ag Hall.



Items Wanted / For Sale:



1940 Early Styled B. Hand start. Restored 9 years ago. Automotive paint. Family tractor with full Kansas history. \$5000 Contact Jay Pruett 913-302-1273



For Sale: 1950 Styled AR, Serial Number 273481. Earlier Restoration, primed and repainted, Powertrol, recently rebuilt carburetor, wheel weights, new tires and tubes. Asking \$5000 O.B.O. - Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180

For Sale: 4 Throwaway Plow Shears for 14" Plow - Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180

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 Michelle Pirie to place an ad,



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secretary@GKCTCC.com

2022 Schedule of Events - To be approved at the April, 2022 membership 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. 13	K.C., MO. GKCTCC Meeting (Trailside Center) 9901 Holmes Rd. 816-547-8608 1 PM	
	CANCELLED	
Feb. 25-27	K.C., MO. Western Farm Show, Governors Building, (Setup Feb. 21-22). Justin Read 816-6547-8608 & Tina Neu 913-396-1455	
March 13	Shawnee, KS. Shawnee St. Patrick's Day Parade 1 PM. Jon Pirie 913-238-2505	
April 10	GKCTCC Meeting & BBQ, Ag Hall Red Barn 1 PM eat, 2 PM meeting. Herman 913-775-3353	
April 23	Bonner Springs, KS. Barn Yard Babies Tractor Show. Lloyd Mesmer 913-904-8186	
May 7	Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Tractor Cruise. Lloyd Mesmer 913-904-8186	
June 4	Shawnee, KS. Old Shawnee Days Parade. (10 AM). Jay Pruett 913-302-1273	
June 5	GKCTCC Meeting and Picnic, 1:00 p.m., Ag Hall Red Barn. 913-775-3353	
June 24-26	Adrian, MO. Antique Tractor, Steam and Engine Show. Bob Surber 816-797-4243	
July 4	Sugar Creek, MO. Sugar Creek Parade. (11:00 a.m.). Wes 816-228-2660	
July 16	Buchanan County, MO. MO Farm Bureau Tractor Cruise. (8 am). 816-279-2985	
July 26	Tonganoxie, KS. Leavenworth County Fair Parade. Jeff Gast 913-704-9788	
July 30	Bonner Springs, KS. Ag Hall Tractor Daze Show. Lloyd Mesmer 913-904-8186	
Aug 6	Adrian MO Tractor Cruise. Bob Surber 816-797-4243 CRUISE ONLY	
Aug 11	Tracy, MO. Platte Co Tractor Cruise. Alan Goodwin – (816) 550-0481 or Jim McClung	
Aug. 12-14	Tracy, MO. Platte County Antique Tractor, Steam & Gas Engine Show. 816-858-5826	
Aug. 16-17	Sedalia, MO. Missouri State Fair "Old & Wow" Tractor Show and Parade. (Fair runs Aug. 11-21)	
Sept. 3	Olathe, KS. Old Settlers Day Parade. Jon Pirie 913-238-2505	
Sept. 9-12	Boonville, MO. Antique Tractor Show. (Cruise on 10th). 847-526-7318	
Sept. 9-11	Ottawa, KS. Antique Tractor & Engine Show. 785-418-2190 featuring IHC Tractor & Engines	
Sept. 17	Blue Springs Parade, Blue Springs, MO. Wes 816-228-2660	
Sept. 16-18	Princeton, MO. Calamity Jane Weekend-Tractor Cruise. (Fri.) Parade and Tractor Show. (Sat.) Car Show. (Sun.). 660-748-4438	
Oct. 1-2	Lake JaCoMo, 1855 Missouri Town - Tractor Display. Wes 816-228-2660	
Oct. 15	Baldwin City, KS. Maple Leaf Festival and Parade. Jon Pirie 913-238-2505	
Oct. 29	Independence, MO. Halloween Parade. Wes 816-228-2660	
Nov. 6	GKCTCC Meeting and White Elephant Auction (2 PM). Herman 913-775-3353	
Nov. 12	Bonner Springs, Fall Plow Day. Lloyd Mesmer 913-441-1180	
Dec. 3	Oak Grove, MO. Christmas Parade. Wes 816-228-2660	

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Member Profile: Who was Duane Spieker?



Duane “Spike” Spieker was born to Lawrence and Viola Spieker July 13, 1932 in Carroll, Iowa. Duane was the oldest of twelve children; 6 boys and 6 girls. The Spieker family were crop and livestock farmers and farmed in various locations in Carroll County, Iowa. Tractors on the farm included a 1942 John Deere model B and Farmall model M. While on the farm, Duane developed a knack for diagnosing and repairing vehicles and farm machinery, skills he continued to build upon throughout his life.

Duane graduated from Sacred Heart High School in Templeton, Iowa in May, 1949. Following graduation, Duane worked on the family and neighbor farms. Duane briefly worked as a mason for the city, and later as a truck driver for Don Fuchs Trucking in Templeton, Iowa.

Duane was inducted into the Army on December 2, 1952, and completed basic training at Camp Crowder (southwest Missouri). Duane then transferred to Ft. Sill (Oklahoma) where he trained and was assigned to a field artillery unit before being deployed to Korea. While serving in Korea, Duane utilized his skills as a mechanic distinguishing himself during missions repairing military vehicles when Army-trained mechanics were unavailable. Duane credits his rapid promotions on his ability to repair vehicles under difficult circumstances. Duane was honorably discharged as a Sgt 1st Class on December 1, 1954.



Duane returned to Iowa where he worked as a mechanic until November, 1955 when he took advantage of the GI Bill moving to Kansas City, MO to study electronics at the Central Technical Institute (CTI). Duane met Audrey Taylor of Jefferson, Iowa in 1955. Audrey was from a farm family of 11 children and she and Duane found they had much in common and married December 29, 1956.

In April, 1957, Duane put his electronics training to work at Bendix Aviation Corporation, in Kansas City, as an electronics inspector. Duane enjoyed a successful 40-year career at Bendix serving in several management positions and becoming known for his technical acumen, work ethic, honesty and fairness.

Duane had many interests including spending time with family and friends. Duane enjoyed motorcycles and motorcycling as a member of the ROMEO (Retired Old Motorcyclists Eating Out) club putting an estimated 100,000 miles on his street bikes over a 20-year period. Duane also enjoyed driving John Deere tractors, belonging to him or his son-in-law Joe Meyer, in local parades as a member of the Greater KC Two-Cylinder Club. Duane owned and restored a 1951 John Deere model R which was later inherited by Joe Meyer and then passed down to Joes’ son, Chris Meyer.



Duane and Audrey were blessed to have seven children and twenty grandchildren. Audrey died of cancer October 5, 2007 and Duane died of cancer June 24, 2013. Based on Spike’s passion for early John Deere tractors and the tractor club, Duane’s family made the initial donation to the GKCTCC to start a memorial scholarship in Duane’s honor.