

The Tractor Times

October 2022



"Restoring the past for the future"

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Please Note...

There will be no meeting in October.

Message from the President

Hello fellow GLATC members!

Ahhhhh! The crisp October air is here. The colors, the smell of fall foliage, the bright gold corn fields. I love this time of the year! The 2022 season is winding down now after a very busy spring and summer full of events and club meetings!

As most of you should know, we held our last club meeting for 2022 on September 24th. I am going to share the highlights of that meeting with you now.

Our first important matter of business was to decide on the charitable organizations our club plans to donate to. We voted to donate to the Mid-Michigan Honor Flight, The Reining Liberty Ranch, and Safe Harbor. There is more on this later in the newsletter.

The second order of business was to hold our annual elections for the Board of Directors, club officers, and appointed positions within the club. Steve Larson, Dave Snyder, and Dale Hassett were all re-elected to serve another 3 years on the board. Congratulations!! There is a complete rundown on the elections later in this newsletter.

The third order of business was to plan out the sponsor ad renewals for 2023. Sandy and I will be visiting most of the sponsors in person. I would like to thank all of our sponsors very much for helping to support our club!!

Dave Snyder gave us a post bridge crossing report at the club meeting. Our club had over twenty members signed up to cross, which most of them did. There was a total of 1105 tractors that crossed for 2022!!

Another note I am excited to share with you is our membership has grown from 47 to 58!! That is outstanding!! There will be more details in the membership corner section of this newsletter.

Over the winter months, we will be busy working on more updates to the club website- adding more content, pictures, etc. We will also be working on getting a Facebook page created for our club. Stay tuned...

We have now begun collecting membership dues for 2023. Please see the complete details on this in the membership corner section of the newsletter. Remember- dues must be received by January 1st, 2023.

Finally, I hope everyone enjoys their fall season! We have no further meetings scheduled for this year, and one event left (as I write this, Samels Farm is tomorrow Oct 9th). There will be a recap of this event in the November newsletter. November's newsletter will be the last one for the season, and will pick up again in April 2023. Everyone be safe out there!!

Mike Polega
President
Great Lakes Antique Tractor Club

Membership Corner

Hello fellow club members!

It is that time of year again! Time to renew your club dues for 2023! We started collecting the dues at the September 24th, 2022, membership meeting. Members can also send their 2023 dues (20.00) to the following:

Make checks payable to Great Lakes Antique Tractor Club or "GLATC" and mail to:
Mike Polega, Membership Director
11895 E M 55
Cadillac, MI 49601

For those members currently receiving a paper copy of the newsletter, please include an additional 10.00 with your membership dues (total 30.00) if you wish to continue receiving the paper newsletters. This helps cover the cost of printing and postage. If you wish to switch to receiving your newsletter by email, please send us a valid email address.

Remember, per the club by-laws all membership dues must be received by January 1st, 2023. Reminder emails and letters will go out to those that have yet to send in their dues around mid-December. PLEASE- save me some time and send in your dues as early as possible. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.
THANK YOU!!

Our membership has grown from 47 to 58 members this year! I would like to once again welcome and congratulate the following new members for 2022:

Lewis Whims, Michael/Diane Mix, Brandon Vanthof, Mike/Kristy Vollmer, Lee/Jen Hunt, Tony Aderman, Jason/Jessica Harding, Pat Braman/Mary Jo Crumpton, Michael/Laura Finsterwald, David Mitchell/Heidi Kluster, Scott/Arine Delancey, and Justin Polega.

Election Results

Here are the annual election results from the September 24th, 2022 membership meeting, which includes a recap of before and after elections:

Board seats up for election-

Steve Larson
Dave Snyder
Dale Hassett (interim for AJ Shannon)

Board seats election results:

Steve Larson
Dave Snyder
Dale Hassett

Club Officers (before election):

President- Mike Polega
Vice President- Steve Larson
Secretary- Steve Larson
Treasurer- Sandy Boals
Membership Director- Mike Polega
Club Officers (after election)

President- Mike Polega
Vice-President- Steve Larson
Secretary- Steve Larson
Treasurer- Sandy Boals
Membership Director- Mike Polega

Appointed Positions:

Historian- Greg Hansmeier
Newsletter- Jean Springberg
Website Manager- Justin Polega
Activities Coordinator- Greg Hansmeier
Advertising Managers- Mike Polega, Sandy Boals
Bridge Crossing Reps- Dave Snyder, Steve Larson
Memorial Board- Sandy Boals
Door Prize Coordinator- Sandy Boals
Door Prize Helpers- Shannon Polega, Justin Polega

Raffle/Drawing Results

It's unfortunate that more members weren't present for our last meeting of the year. There were many prizes offered.

Congratulations to prize winners for our September 24, 2022 drawing.

- 1 - JD lamp (donated by Jerry Russell) - won by Dan & Karen Polega
- 2 - JD Soft-sided box w/lid - (donated by Jerry Russell) - won by Steve Larsen
- 3 - JD X-large soup cup - (donated by Jerry Russell) - won by Dan & Karen Polega
- 4 - Assortment of bungee cords - won by Dawson Snyder
- 5 - 2022 Mackinaw Bridge Crossing pair of can cozies - won by Ted & Sandy Boals
- 6 - 2022 Mackinaw Bridge Crossing pair of can cozies shared between Jerry & Shirley Russell and Dale & Betty Hassett
- 7 - 2022 Mackinaw Bridge Crossing shot glass - won by Ted & Sandy Boals
- 8 - 2022 Mackinaw Bridge Crossing coffee mug - won by Dawson Snyder
- 9 - 2022 Mackinaw Bridge Crossing Christmas ornament - won by Mike & Shannon Polega
- 10 - 3 pairs of Nitrile gloves - won by Greg Hansmeier
- 11 - GLATC Club T-shirt - won by Justin Polega

\$48.00 in ticket sales went to the Club coffers

Thank you to Justin Polega for selling tickets, and Shannon Polega for separating tickets.

Respectively submitted,
Sandy Boals
Treasurer and Prize Drawing Coordinator



Charitable Donations 2022

Report for 2022 Charitable Donations:

In thanks to everyone who pays Club dues, and the great companies who buy Sponsor Ads to support our good works, checks to the following charities were mailed on September 27, 2022.

Club members at the September meeting voted on the following charitable donations:

\$100 to Safe Harbor Grand Traverse, Inc. that cares for the area homeless from November 1st through April 30th.

\$100 to Mid-Michigan Honor Flight that sends veterans to Washington D.C. to see their memorials.

\$100 to Reining Liberty Ranch that gears programs to veterans who need physical or mental healing.

For more information on these fine charities, please Google their Web sites.

Respectively submitted,
Sandy Boals
Treasurer

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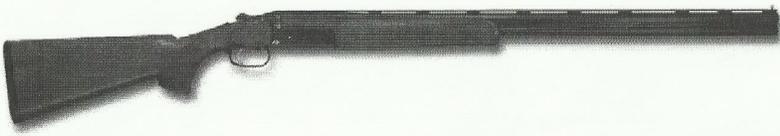
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