Well, the USAPO BOD met in April to discuss the World Meet and the 2023 National Plowing Contest in PA. This newsletter is to remind everyone to mark their calendars, start making your plans and make sure you get a room. The USAPO National meet to be held August 31st through September 1st, 2023 in **Williams Grove PA (at Williams Crove Historical Steep Engine Accession in Mechanics PA)**

Grove Historical Steam Engine Association Inc in Mechanicsburg, PA). More

information to come below.

In CT we didn't have much snow this winter but have had a lot of rain this spring. Too wet too spread manure, chop corn stalks from last fall, and plow fields for oats and corn. I've been investing a lot of time at Kevin Albrecht's in SD since the beginning of the year to get the tractor and plow ready for the year. Finally, on a trip back to CT I was

able to plow and get my oats in, albeit late. Too late to get corn planted so planted oats everywhere. So, like most of you, I have been working on my plow getting ready to do some practice plowing getting ready for this year.

Please see USAPO National information below followed by the meeting minutes of the USAPO BOD.

USAPO National Plow Site Address and Written Directions: Williams Grove in Mechanicsville, PA.

Williams Grove Historical Steam Engine Association Inc in Mechanicsburg, PA Physical Address: 1 Steam Engine Hill, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Directions from Sleep Inn in Carlisle, PA:

I-81 to exit 48 (Rt 74 South) to Williams Grove Road.

Short distance to left on Shaffer Rd, across railroad tracks to the site on the right. Camping available on the grounds for a fee **Contact Jaci-** <u>camping@wghsea.org</u>. No

hook-ups.

Accommodations for the 2023 USAPO National Meet:

Sleep Inn

5 E. Garland Drive Carlisle, PA 17013

(717)249-8863

Sleepinn055@gmail.com

\$89 plus taxes

Hot breakfast at motel

A block of rooms will be held through August 1, 2023 Please call early to reserve your room.

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Mention the name - USA Plowing Organization

There are other hotels in Carlisle as well which you can find on the internet. For equipment, call Jay Wickard – (717)266-8408.

Banquet scheduled for Wednesday evening, August 30, 2023 at the plow site. For Banquet reservations, call (717)692-2443 (Bob and Marian Miller).

All state USAPO Directors need to get the list of plow persons representing their state to Joel Wagner (jwagsfarm@aol.com) 860-882-9731 or Bob Miller, 717-692-

2443.

The Schedule of Events:

8/30/2023 8:00am – 5:00pm PA State Practice and Contest and Awards 8/30/2023 6:00pm – 9:00pm USAPO Banquet, membership meeting, and Drawing of Plots 8/31/2023 9:00am – 12:00pm USAPO Small Plow, Vintage Small Plow, and Reversible 8/31/2023 2:00pm – 4:00pm USAPO Antique Class - Seniors and Juniors 9/1/2023 9:00am – 12:00pm USAPO Small Plow, Vintage Small Plow, and Reversible 9/1/2023 1:00pm – 3:00pm USAPO Open Class - Seniors and Juniors 9/1/2023 5:00pm – 6:00pm USAPO Awards 9/2/2023 Rain Date Joel Wagner, Sec-Treasurer 860 721 8209 home 860 882 9731 cell jwagsfarm@aol.com