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NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2018

The 65TH World Ploughing contest was held at the Einsiedel Estate in Kichentellunfurt just a few miles from Stuttgart, Germany. The dates for the event were September 1st and 2nd, 2018. The USAPO team consisting of Hailey Gruber, conventional plow lady, Dale Dircksen, reversible plowman, Gene Gruber, coach and Richard Pedersen WPO board member. Roger Neate was judge, Kevin Albrecht was reserve judge and Joel Wagner reserve coach. The team arrived early to prepare for the contests. The container and boxes all arrived on time, but we had trouble getting a tractor for Dale's reversible plow. After Dale received a tractor they got some pre-practice in before the start of regular scheduled program started. At the start of the program we all went on a tour of a Castle or a large dairy farm and finished up at a State Stud farm with a horse show at the arena. The evening consisted of a social evening with a barbecue. It was very relaxing and the food was very good with plenty of it!! The rest of the event was pretty much according to the schedule with a very nice opening and closing ceremony of the flag raising and lowering. The USA team did an outstanding job!! After the contests we spent all day Monday packing the boxes and container with the tractor and plows.

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Overall results for this year are:

Conventional Class:

1 st	Eamonn Tracey	Republic of Ireland
2 nd	Thomas Debes	France
3 rd	Ian Woolley	New Zealand
6 th	Hailey Gruber	USA

Reversible Class:

1 st	Thomas Cochrane	Northern Ireland
2 nd	John Whelan	Republic of Ireland
3 rd	Marco Angst	Switzerland
16 th	Dale Dircksen	USA

Henry Gruber gave an excellent presentation in Germany for the 66th World Ploughing contest that is going to be held at Lake of the Woods in northern Minnesota August 30th and 31st, 2019. The web site is; LakeofthewoodsMN.com. Henry and the group of visitors from the USA all received many compliments on his presentation.

We had one of the largest groups of supportive visitors attending this year's matches that we have ever had. THANK YOU!!!

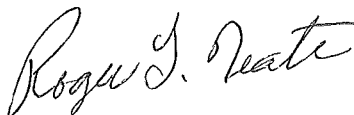
Germany did an outstanding job of hosting the matches this year, good accommodations, good food and plentiful plus they were helpful in ever thing asked of them.

Our financial situation is in very good condition with \$14,000.00 in checking and savings. No outstanding bills at this time, but will need to pay the shipping bill for moving our boxes from York, England to Kichentellunfurt, Germany then back to Eichelhardt, Germany to the Schumacher Company for storage until needed.

There are 148 members on my address list at the present time. For the year 2017 there are 27 members that owe dues and 48 members that still owe for 2018. If those dues were all paid up to date there would be another \$3000.00 in the checking account. We need your support both financially and physically for the up coming 2019 World Ploughing Matches. **Please fill out the membership form at bottom of this page and show your support for your organization. IF THERE IS A YEAR(2017) FOLLOWING YOUR NAME ON THE ADDRESS ON THE ENEVLOP YOU RECEIVED THIS LETTER IN YOU OWE DUE FOR THAT YEAR OR YEARS.**

Charles Noonan, 89, of York, PA. passed away August 14,2018 at his home. He was a dedicated member of the PA. plowing Assn. and the USAPO. He had won 4 state and 4 National championships. He will be missed by family, friends and everyone that knew him.

Sec. and Trea.



Roger L. Neate

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