Newsletter 132 Spring-2025



EDGE & TA Branch 256



Hello Members!
Ahhhhh....spring is finally here!

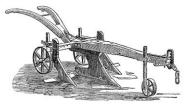
And now a message from our President:

Hi to all Members,

Well, spring is finally here. I feel that Tractor & Truck events are just around the corner. We had our elections on March 15th and the current officers were all re-elected. The directors had one change as Eric Perry was elected to the position that Dave Auclair held, as Dave stepped down. Thank you Dave for your contribution. On March 22nd, we had our Roast Beef dinner. That was well attended with good food and many raffle items to be won. I would like to thank all the people that helped out with the food and prep work to make this a success. There was one tractor event on March 16th, the Hebron CT Maple Festival Tractor Parade, that a member Randy Rusk and I attended. There were 117 Tractors at the event, breaking their previous number of attended tractors. We will be having three Plow Days this spring. If you plan on attending please contact the "contact person". Also, if you haven't plowed and need help, there will be people there to help you with the plow setup. Doing a good job plowing can help us plow again at these same events. We will also be attending the Bristol Aggie Spring Fest and many parades around Memorial Day weekend. There will be a Tractor & Truck Show at the Angers-Conway Farm in Lakeville, MA. NEATTA will be attending again this year, as last year turned out to be a great event. There will also be a flea market and tractor pulls. Make sure that you bring your NEATTA Membership card if you plan on exhibiting for a free entry. Looks like another event filled year with a few new ones. Check out our website as it is filling up with events and info. Try to take advantage and come to an event. There are some members I have not met yet and it would be nice to see you.

Be safe and I hope to see all of you soon.

Steve



They left their farms and plows "to be ready in a minute's notice"

Events listed in Bold are NEATTA Sponsored or Endorsed Events. Regular typeface is an event of interest to the club.

April 20th, Happy Easter to Everyone!

April 26th, EDGE & TA Youth Safety Certificate Test, 10 am, Silverbrook Farm, 934 Main Street, Acushnet, MA 02743. This is for youths ages 12-16 who would like to participate in NEATTA, EDGE & TA Branch 256 events. You must bring your own tractor for this test. *RSVP by April 19th* to Bob Phillips 508-245-9661, or email Phillips.RA@outlook.com

April 27th (Sunday) Araujo Farm Plow Day -9 am start. Rain Date May 10th or May 17th, 1996 Elm Street, Dighton, MA. Contact Jerry Baker 508-269-8304 if you plan on attending or for more information. <u>You must be a NEATTA member to participate.</u>

MAY 3rd (Saturday) Bristol Aggie Spring EXPO – 135 Center Street, Dighton, MA, Bristol County Agricultural High School, setup 9 am, EXPO starts at 10 am, Contact Jerry Baker if you plan on attending 508-269-8304

MAY – TBA – Bristol Aggie Plow Day - date to be determined, it will be in May when the fields are ready. Contact Jerry Baker to be put on a contact list to be informed of the event date and time. Must be a member to participate. Jerry Baker 508-269-8304 legend9@comcast.net

MAY 4th, (Sunday) Plow, Harrow or Show Day at Sauchuk's – 200 Center Street, Plympton, MA 2367 Start time 9 am, rain date May 10th, Food for participants. You must be a NEATTA member to participate. Contact Steve Dors 774-766-8542 if you plan on attending. We need a head count for the food.

May 10th (Saturday) we have been invited to attend the Bristol Aggie Alumni 1st Annual Car, Truck and Tractor Show, 135 Center Street, Dighton, MA. Set up starts at 10 am. The event runs from 11 to 2 pm. Sponsored by All Wheels Association.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1715608145544627

or contact Scott Rose 774-248-4106

May 11th SUNDAY – Happy Mother's Day to all our Moms.

May 11th (Sunday) Water's Farm Preservation, 53 Waters Road, West Sutton, MA, tractor pull, https://watersfarm.org/events/list Bring your Mom to a tractor pull and visit historic Water's Farm!

May 18th (Sunday) 17th Annual Hillside Tractor Ride, 97 Fairgrounds Road, Cummington, MA 01026 9:30 am start. https://www.farmcollectorshowdirectory.com/17th-annual May 23, 24, 25 – Bernardston Engine show. Pratt Field, 257 South Street, Bernardston, MA https://www.unitedchurchofBernardston.org/gas-engine-show

May 24th (Saturday) Raynham Memorial Day Parade, 10 am start. Parking for trucks and trailers at the LaLiberte Elementary School at 777 Pleasant Street, Raynham, MA Set up by 9 am. Contact Steve Dors for more information 774-766-8542



May 24th (Saturday) Seekonk Memorial Day Parade – 10 am start from Seekonk High School, 261 Arcade Ave, Seekonk, 02771. Drop off your tractor at the High School by 8:30 am and proceed with your truck and trailer to the Water Department, 54 Water Lane. We will shuttle you from the Water Department back to the High School in time for the start of the parade. Contact Bev Baker 774-254-4748 or Jerry Baker 508-269-8304 if you have questions, Rain or shine.

May 26th (Monday) Rehoboth Memorial Day Parade- 9 am meet up at the old Anawan School- 53 Bay State Road, Rehoboth, MA rain or shine! The parade starts at 10 am. https://www.rehobothma.gov/veteran-services Contact Bev or Jerry Baker.

May 26th (Monday) Plympton Memorial Day Parade, 11 am parade starts. For more information https://town.plympton.ma.us/veterans/pages/memorial-day

May 31st – (Saturday) Angers Conway Farm Tractor & Truck Show, 11 am-6 pm. There will be tractor pulling, agricultural/craft vendors, live music, kid's activities, food and drink trucks, and so much more! https://www.angersconwayfarm.com/ 33 Southworth Street, Lakeville, MA 02347 **NEATTA members exhibiting: bring your NEATTA membership card to receive free admission.

June 7th **(Saturday)** Foxborough Founders Day Parade and field activities. 9 am unload at the Church of Emmanuel parking lot, 103 Central Street, Foxborough, MA 02035. Leave the church parking lot at 9:15 to assemble for 10 am kickoff. The Parade ends at Booth field where NEATTA will have a table set up. We will display our tractors along the edge of Booth Field like we have done before. Note: this is a very large and busy parade. The police close off the road at 9:45 so don't be late!

Https://www.foxboroughfoundersday.com/parade

For more events visit the club website <u>www.neatta.org</u> Looks like it's going to be another busy year folks! Don't be shy, come on out and enjoy your club!

NEATTA News along the way...

The club received a very generous donation of a Minneapolis Moline tractor, Model #UTS Special from member Gordon Albright a few months ago. This partially restored tractor now has a new home in Windham, Maine. The new owner is Ron Winship who will be completing the restoration. The tractor brought in \$2500 which will be used to help fund our annual scholarships. Once again this year, Dave Auclair is asking Bristol County and Norfolk County Agricultural High Schools to each choose a student to receive a NEATTA scholarship. We will keep you informed as to whom the recipients will be for this year.



Our main show this year will be focused on the event in Rehoboth on September 13th which is put on by the Rehoboth Historical Commission. This year in conjunction with the Tractor show, Rehoboth is planning on having a small Agricultural Fair. The idea of a Rehoboth Fair is very popular with locals and promises to be a very well-attended event. Get your stuff ready and plan to come on down! Rain date is September 14th. More information to come as the summer goes on.

Congratulations are in order for all our re-elected officers and new board member Eric Perry of Dartmouth, MA. With special thanks to Dave Auclair for his years of service on the Board of Directors and for continuing his work with the NEATTA Scholarships.

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