

Newsletter #117

Is it spring yet???




EDGE & TA Branch 256

Late Winter 2022



Hello Members!

The few warm days we had here were such a tease! Spring is coming though, so take heart!  Get your tractors ready, it's going to be a great year!

We had a great turn out for our last meeting on February 6th with about 30 members in attendance. One important thing we talked about was the need to ammend a By-law which has to do with the dates for our NEATTA membership year. The Board of Directors would like our membership year to correspond with the EDGE & TA membership year, which goes from April 15th for one year (ours starts at April 1st) The By-Law change would be for Article V, Section 1: "Dues not paid by **April 15th** of each year will void your membership and all rights reserved. Said member may be renewed by contacting the membership secretary" Our membership year would be the same as EDGE & TA so that there will be no gaps in insurance coverage for new members.

A big shout out to Boyd Fulton for donating his 50/50 winnings back to club, \$131 total.

Elections: Nominations are going well. Steve Dors, Lynda Ellis, Jerry Baker, and Bev Baker have submitted their nomination papers for their current officer positions. Brad Wills, Bob Phillips, Dave Auclair, Bob Walter, and Kevin Benson have submitted nomination forms for the Board of Directors. There is still time to nominate yourself! Nominations remain open until we meet on March 20th when we will also have our elections. We still need a Safety Officer.

Memberships: Membership renewals are trickling in. Please send your dues with a completed form directly to Lynda Ellis at PO Box 250, Middleboro, MA 02346. If you need a form, you may download and print one from the website www.neatta.org or call Lynda to have one sent to you. Lynda Ellis 774-260-1117.

President's Message: The days are getting longer, and the events are getting stronger. I wanted to thank the people that got out to our first meeting. It was nice to see some faces that I hadn't seen in a while. We have events starting up soon and it is looking like things are getting back more to the normal we used to know. Hope to see a lot of the members at the next meeting and the Ham & Bean Supper.

Steve Dors

Upcoming Events:

February 27th: The Cranberry Flywheelers will have an Icebreaker show on Feb 27th, at the Sunoco Station, 527 Liberty Street in Hanson, MA

February all month and until March 23rd – tickets are on sale for our Ham & Bean Supper to be held on Saturday, March 26th. See the attached poster for details.

Call Bev or Jerry 508-222-7109



March 13th – Daylight Savings Time begins! Woo! Hoo!

March 20th - Member's meeting, 1 pm. Acushnet Grange Hall, 1121 Main Street, Acushnet, MA. We will be holding elections and deciding on a By-Law change and selling H & B supper tickets. Also, the club is looking for donations for the raffle table at the Ham & Bean Supper.

Spring Begins!

March 26th - Saturday, our Ham & Bean Supper Spring Social – South Foxboro Community Center, see attached poster for more information.

April – Membership meeting TBD,

April 9th (rain date April 10th)- 9 am, Plough Day in Rochester MA, across from 71 Rounseville Road (Route 105) Rochester, MA JJ Pereira is the contact person 617-435-6557

April 23 & 24th : Edaville Railroad Show to celebrate their 75th Anniversary. Members who bring a tractor can get a free train ride (\$50 dollar value) Call Steve Dors to sign up 508-947-9624

April 30th (rain date May 1st) 9 am -Plow, Harrow and Show Day, Holly Hill Farm in Tiverton, RI

May 7th – Retired Iron Show in Greenfield, MA (maybe get Mom a tractor for Mother's Day which is on May 8th?)

May 14th, (rain date 15th)– NEATTA & EDGE & TA Branch 256 Spring Show and Swap Meet. This will be held at beautiful Silverbrook Farm in Acushnet just up the road from the Grange Hall. More information will be coming in the next few months. Start saving your old stuff for the swap meet! SAVE THE DATE!

More events will be listed in the months to come!

Here are a few photos of a 1959 Farmall Cub that Richie Lemieux is working on. The steps are a great idea!



The platform painted black....



...the easy up steps

Show us what you are working on! Send an email to Bev Baker bgbake@comcast.net

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Cold Winter: The Indians asked their Chief in Autumn if the Winter was going to be cold or not. Not really knowing an answer, the chief replies that the Winter was going to be cold and that the members of the village were to collect wood to be prepared. Being a good leader, he then went to the next phone booth and called the National Weather Service and asked, "Is this winter to be cold?" The man on the phone responded, "This Winter is going to be quite cold indeed." so the Chief went back to speed up his people to collect even more wood to be prepared. A week later he called the National Weather Service again, "Is it going to be a very cold winter?" "Yes", the man replied, "it's going to be a very cold Winter." so the Chief goes back to his people and orders them to go and find every scrap of wood they can find. Two weeks later he calls the National Weather Service again: "Are you absolutely sure that the Winter is going to be very cold?" "Absolutely," the man replies, "the Indians are collecting wood like crazy!"

source: <http://www.jokes4us.com/miscellaneousjokes/weatherjokes/winterjokes.html>

As always, check out our website [www.neatta.org](http://www.neatta.org) or the EDGE & TA website for new information. Check out the EDGE & TA website to review the safety rules [www.edgeta.com](http://www.edgeta.com)

If anyone needs a printed copy of the EDGE & TA safety rules, call me, Bev Baker and I will print them out for you. 😊 508-222-7109 Contact Steve Dors if you have any questions 508-947-9624.

