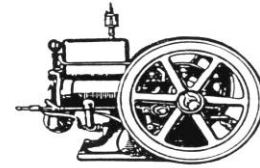




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PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

On behalf of my family and myself I like to wish everyone a Happy New Year 2019. I wish to welcome all our new members and encourage you to add your name to our membership volunteer list by contacting me at 905-892-8357. We begin our work parties in the spring as soon as we can get back on the grounds and continue well into the fall. Once your name is added to our volunteer list you will receive a call to help when we are having a work party and if you are available at that time to help, we thank you in advance. If you are not available when we call hopefully you will be next time around. Remember what makes this club successful are the many volunteers coming out to work together which also helps get the tasks done quicker. Show time will be here before we know it. We are looking for a new Show Chairperson or Persons to be in charge of overseeing that all positions are filled for every department from now till show time and to make sure that all runs well during the show. There is a list of committee heads that have been contacted already, the Person or Persons that take on this position will just have to verify if the committee heads wish to continue in their position. Please phone me at 905 892 8357 if you are interested in taking on this position. I encourage everyone to attend our general meetings to help in the planning of this year's show. If you have any ideas to make our show better please feel free to let us know. In order to remain SUCCESSFUL and to be able to have our show continue we are asking all our members to try to recruit one new sponsor. Don't forget this year's feature is Cockshutt, Oliver & Hart Parr and equipment. Tell all your friends, so they can bring out some special feature item to display and let's make this show one of the largest. On behalf of all your executives we thank you for YOUR CONTINUED INTEREST, SUPPORT AND HELP. I look forward to seeing more of our new and long-time members out to our general meetings.

Sincerely:

Your President Roger Robert.

ATTENTION: ATTENTION: ATTENTION:

Our Newsletter is now posted on our website www.niagaraantiquepower.org and if you want to read it on line and not receive a copy in the mail please notify Barbara Mittlestead at 905-835-8902 so she can take your name off the mailing list. This would cut the cost of printing, envelope and mailing and help the club save some money that could be used to pay our annual costs.



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

2018 has been a year of loss for Niagara Antique Power. We lost Carl Kirton, Glenn Scott, Pat Miller, Phyllis Carver, Loren McKenney, Gordon Hoyle, Ted Sitarski, Tim Monroe, Tom Putman, Jean Adams and Joyce Breitenbach. Our deepest condolences to all the families and friends.



(Please call Barbara Mittlestead at 905-835-8902 if you know about a member who needs the club to reach out to them and support them in their time of need by sending a card or If you wish to be notified when a member passes to have your name placed on the call list call Barbara Mittlestead (no one else). If you do not call and place your name on the list you will not be notified. Thank You in advance.)

FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Happy 2019 to all of you, I wish to thank everyone who renewed their memberships on time. Unfortunately, our total registered members for 2019 is down. There are **22** members who failed to renew their memberships. For those of you who let your **“MEMBERSHIP EXPIRE”** PLEASE NOTE that this is your **“LAST NEWSLETTER”** and also NOTE as stated last year **I WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO COLLECT MEMBERHIIP RENEWALS in person, EFFECTIVE from JANUARY 1ST to JUNE 1st 2019.** However, if you wish to renew your membership please mail a cheque payable to **“NIAGARA ANTIQUE POWER ASSOCIATTION”** along with a **“STAMPED, SELF ADDRESSED ENVELOPE”** to Jean Robert 755 Church St Box 98, Fenwick, ON L0S 1C0. Membership fees are: Single \$15.00, Couples \$25.00 and Students (13-17) \$5.00. As always, we GREATLY APPRECIATE your continued INTEREST, SUPPORT AND VOLUNTEERISM. Remember it is ALL OF OUR MEMBERS that make our ORGANIZATION AS GREAT AS IT IS. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season, and will continue to have a healthy and safe winter and spring.

Sincerely:

Jean Robert (Membership Chairperson)

APRIL DINNER:

It was voted to have the (March Dinner) in April from now forward, because of the weather. The usual Turkey Dinner with all the fixings and Homemade Pie for dessert is scheduled for April 9 at 6 PM Sharp at the St. Joseph's Hall in Snyder. Tickets are \$15.00. There are only 80 tickets to be sold on a first come first served basis. All tickets must be purchased by cash or check. Checks need to be made out to NIAGARA ANTIQUE POWER ASSOCIATION with APRIL DINNER written in the Memo line on the CHECK. Contact BARBARA MITTLESTEAD at (905-835-8902) to purchase your tickets. They can be picked up at her home or at a General Meeting before April 5th. NO PAYING OR PICKING UP TICKETS AT THE DOOR. NO EXCEPTIONS!!! Please help make it easier for the Ladies on the April Dinner Committee. They want to say Thank you in advance. Plan to come at 5PM and place your bids on the silent auction and pick out some great free items to take home and have some good old-fashioned fellowship.

BETHEL DINNERS:

The Bethel Church Dinners for 2019 starts with a Roast Beef Dinner on Wednesday April 10th. There are 2 sittings one at 5PM and one at 6PM. The cost is \$18.00 per person. If you want to go as part of the N.A.P.A. group give Barbara Mittlestead a call at 905-835-8902.

N.A.P.A. RAFFLE:

Tickets will be ready to start selling and you can pick some up at the April 9th Annual Spring Dinner. Mary Geyer is the Chairperson and can be reached at 905-834-3013 if you want tickets, or you can pick them up at the general meetings. We need to sell, sell, sell to help raise money. If every member could sell or buy 1 book of tickets it would help tremendously. Our ticket sales were low last year.

PREPARING FOR THE SHOW:

Tri-folds and posters for our 2019 Heritage Show will be available at our March 12th General Meeting.

SPONSORS:

We would like to challenge every member to get 1 sponsor this year! Ask any of the merchants you support locally by shopping at their business and approach the corporate businesses in the area. The worst thing that could happen to you is they could say no.

47th ANNUAL HERITAGE DISPLAY INFO:

The Lean-to will be complete and displays will be set up, hopefully with the History of the item attached. Sid Birdsey's daughter donated her father's tool display to the show and we are planning to place it on the walls of the lean-to. The special feature area will be displaying Oliver, Cockshutt and Hart Par tractors and equipment. The members chose to place on the plaque the Oliver Cletrac HG which has a history in this area and with Niagara Antique Power members. The 1947 Oliver was first used by the Erie Peat Co., working on a large peat bog and peat processing operation in Wainfleet, Ontario. This Oliver was one of the 12 Cletrac crawlers used to extract peat from the bog. In 1966 the tractor was sold by Erie Peat to John and Bruce Mittlestead (members of Niagara Antique Power Association) of nearby Bethel, Ontario. The Mittlestead brothers ran the Bethel Sawmill and were contracted to clear local bush lots (small wooded lands). This Oliver was used for skidding the logs out to the road where the logs were loaded and taken to the Bethel Sawmill. The HG Oliver because of its light weight and maneuverability was a great as set in working the muddy bush lots without destroying the forest floor. The Mittlestead brothers retired the Oliver Cletrac from working at the sawmill in the early 70ties and was housed at John Mittlestead's farm at 1903 Miller Rd Port Colborne. They started taking it to the Niagara Antique Power Association Heritage Display in Sherkston and displayed it for many years. In 2008 Brian Minor (member of Niagara Antique Power Association purchased it from Jim Mittlestead who inherited it from his father John Mittlestead. Brian Minor sold it to Ria and Jack Fyke known as the Fyke Team who worked hard to restore the Oliver to its original appearance. Everyone should be asking anyone they know to bring a special feature item to the show.

SUNSHINE THE CLOWN:



After 15 years of handing out Smiley face stickers, blowing millions of bubbles, catching hundreds of fish, riding in the barrels around the show grounds dozens of times and waving almost non-stop, Sunshine sends a huge thank you for all the love and support and our willingness in letting sunshine embrace the inner child (that we all have). It is time to hang up the Red Nose and Colourful Wig and retire the role of Sunshine the Clown. Sunshine thanks N.A.P.A. for 15 years of memories that have been enjoyed immensely.



FOOD VENDORS:



We have a new food vendor coming to the show this year. Wood Oven Pizza will be something to try. Riverview Berry Farm will be there with Breakfast & Hamburg, Hot Dogs and Sausage the rest of the day N.A.P.A. Ice Cream Shop and N.A.P.A. Bake Shop will be open too.



ENTERTAINMENT:



On Saturday Big John T-Bone Little and Tim Hebert & Borderline will be entertaining.



On Sunday the Niagara Ole Tyme Fiddlers and



a Gospel Group consisting of Big John T-Bone Little, Tim Hebert & Borderline, Kayrn Bower & Jackson Flats & Marv Sims will do a Gospel Concert.

On Monday Kayrn Bower & Jackson Flats & Marv Sims will entertain & This Time Around will also entertain.

