



Waterloo Boys Two Cylinder Club of Southeast Pennsylvania Newsletter  
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# Tractor Tread

## Threshermen's Reunion

The 69<sup>th</sup> annual Threshermen's Reunion was held on the grounds of Rough and Tumble from Wednesday, August 15 through Saturday, August 19. The theme for 2017 was a Construction Extravaganza, featuring various pieces of equipment used for construction throughout the years. The Waterloo Boys were well represented with a large display in the usual area by the pulling track.

Thank you to all the Waterloo Boys and Girls who came out to help setup, tear down, and display tractors. An especially big thank you to the volunteers who came out during the four days of the show to help sell raffle tickets. Finally, an acknowledgement to John Johnson from Rough and Tumble for providing photographs of the show.



**Mission**

Dedicated to the preservation and education of our country's rich farm heritage, particularly the antique John Deere® two-cylinder tractors, implements, accessories, memorabilia, and literature.



**President's Message**

Greetings,

The Waterloo Boys had a good year in 2017. I want to say a big "thank you" to all the volunteers who make our club so successful.

We have a lot of projects going on in the shop for tech nights which are held the second and fourth Monday nights of the month. If you can and want to learn what is happening on tech nights, come out and help and learn in the shop.

To start the new 2018 year off, we will be at the Pennsylvania Farm Show, January 6th thru 13th.

Enjoy the winter months and I'll see you next spring at the start of the show season.

Respectfully Submitted

*Harvey Bashore*, President



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**Newsletter Information:**

The newsletter is published four times a year. Please send classifieds and special events of interest for newsletter publication to editor Katie Knaub at: 254 Old Leacock Road, Gordonville, PA 17529/ 717-471-3828 or email: tractorstories@gmail.com.

## 2017 Raffle Tractor: The H Found a Good Home

Congratulations to Andrew Rose of New Castle, Delaware for holding the winning ticket for the 1941 John Deere Model H. We hope to have it come back to visit at shows for years to come.



## Every Tractor has a Story: A Boy Grows Up Loving John Deere

Many of us John Deere lovers caught the bug at a young age. This is true for Earl Stauffer. Shortly before his parents married in the 1980s, Earl's father purchased a 1955 John Deere Model 70 Diesel. The tractor was purchased as a Roll-o-Matic, but was later converted to be a wide front and 730-style fenders were added. Earl's father also decided to remove the pony motor in favor of a 12V direct start conversion.

Two years after the tractor was purchased, Earl was born. He can remember being very young and seeing his dad on the 70, chopping corn using a 38 harvester with a two-row head. His first memory of driving the "big tractor" on the farm (the other tractor was a 2010 Diesel) was at the age of 9 when he used it for disking. At one point, he looked back to check his work and the disk was no longer behind the tractor because the pin had jumped out.

During it's time in the Stauffer family, the 70 has mowed and bailed hay, cultivated and chopped corn, disked, and spread manure. It had also cultivated a love for John Deere tractors in a young boy and as he has grown into a man the love and the memories are as strong as ever. Now that he's old enough, Earl has purchased a 4020 as the first John Deere of his own. While the story is just beginning for the new 4020, his father's 70 Diesel was the first John Deere in his life and Earl knows that it is to never leave the family.



**Pictured above is the 70 Diesel (right) and Earl's 4020 (left)**

This is the story of one tractor. Every tractor has its own. For the next year, the Waterloo Boys wants to collect as many stories as possible, even for tractors that aren't green or yellow. Stories can be submitted to [tractorstories@gmail.com](mailto:tractorstories@gmail.com). Alternatively, they can be mailed to: Jesse Knaub, 254 Old Leacock Rd., Gordonville, PA 17529. Please include pictures if you have them



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are several upcoming events that the 2018 Raffle Tractor will be traveling to. If you are interested in volunteering to help with selling tickets, contact Harriet Clark at 610-399-5334 or Steve Hill at 717-529-64228.

There will be many volunteer opportunities at the 2018 John Deere Days. Contact Jesse Knaub at jak414@msn.com or 717-580-4094.

# Upcoming Meetings and Events

Date	Time	Event	Location
November 11	5:00 pm	Christmas Banquet	Fairmont Homes
November 13	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
November 20	7:30 pm	Board Meeting	Rough and Tumble
November 27	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
December 4	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
December 11	7:30 pm	Membership Meeting	Rough and Tumble
December 18	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
January 2	7:30 pm	Membership Meeting	Rough and Tumble
January 6 thru 13	various	102 <sup>nd</sup> Pennsylvania Farm Show	Farm Show Complex
January 15	7:30 pm	Board Meeting	Rough and Tumble
January 22	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
February 5	7:30 pm	Membership Meeting	Rough and Tumble
February 12	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
February 19	7:30 pm	Board Meeting	Rough and Tumble
February 26	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
March 5	7:30 pm	Membership Meeting	Rough and Tumble
March 10	5:00 pm	Spring Banquet	Fairmont Homes
March 12	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble
March 19	7:30 pm	Board Meeting	Rough and Tumble
March 26	6:00 pm*	Tech Night	Rough and Tumble

**\*Confirm Tech Night meeting dates and times with Steve Koser at 717-598-3849**



# T ractor Trivia

What was the first turbocharged Diesel tractor that John Deere built?  
(look for the answer on page 8)

## Concours d'Elegance: The Waterloo Boy Rubs Elbows

On September 10, our Waterloo Boy made an appearance at the 2017 Radnor Hunt Concours d'Elegance as an exhibit in the Vintage Tractor class. This show was a unique opportunity for a rare tractor to spend time with brands such as Rolls Royce, Porsche (cars and tractors), Packard, and Ferrari, among many others. Our tractor drew much attention and was one of the oldest pieces at the show.



## New Holland Parade: A Long Night but a Fun Ride

Once again, the Waterloo Boys participated in the New Holland Parade. In all, sixteen tractors came out for a late evening. Leading off the group was C. Ivan Stoltzfus with Johnabilt (pictured on page 2). Together they have logged over 12,000 miles across and around the country. There was enough pressure in Johnabilt's air tank to get a few good blasts from the horn!



# A Summer of Deere: From America's Heartland

By: Jim Olsen

I did miss coming to John Deere Days this year and I heard it was hot! There are hot July tractor shows out here as well. One Sunday early in January while at worship at First Baptist Dixon, a man who knew that I collected John Deere tractor handed me a flyer with a page full of tractor shows starting in the chilly days of early March and lasting well into the Fall. What a cornucopia of yellow and green to fill every weekend for eight months. Sometimes there were two shows on the same weekend, causing the need to make a choice of which to attend.

Arden and I did manage to attend ten shows this year. One was held in March at a local high school with toys and tractors were on display. Another show was largely for lawn and garden tractors. This was a unique one because I had no idea that there once were many brands of lawn and garden tractors manufactured in this great land. Two shows in particular were near and Deere to us.

One was within five miles of our home! Billed as "Green Iron Days" it was held at the John Deere historic homestead in Grand Detour. I hauled two tractors to this show. It began on Friday and went through Sunday.

On Saturday there was a tractor parade through the charming and tiny town of Grand Detour. And as we drove through town people sitting in lounge chairs, on their porch or standing on the street waved, gave a thumb up, and clapped. For me it was an emotional moment to drive on the grounds where blacksmith Deere hammered out his plow. By the way a little trivia. The name Grand Detour it is alleged from the Blackhawk Indians who when seeing the huge bend, the only bend, in the Rock River, said "God love that river that He created the bend so He could look at it twice. Truth is no one knows for sure how Grand Detour got its name. There is a bend in the river, and it was the John Deere journey began.



The second show that held meaning was the John Deere Heritage Days held at the John Deere pavilion in Moline. It was our fiftieth wedding anniversary and it tells how blessed I am to have Arden, because when I mentioned going to Moline, she did not punch me in the mouth! This show displayed a unique collection of tractors that graced the grounds around the pavilion. One collection in particular caught my attention. A retired farmer had a John Deere Y, 62, and un--stlyed L.

I immediately pulled out my smart phone (which I am not so smart in operating), and took several pictures. I then introduced myself to the owner. In a short, succinct and simple manner he warmly shared the evolution and history of the L, from the Y, 62 to the L. He knew what model engines were used (apparently, they were not all Hercules?!) and showed me how to tell a 62 from an unstlyed L. "It is in the grill!" he said. "A lot of people don't know the difference." Well for sure I was one and to this day I am not sure I can tell the difference!

Arden and I miss you all. Waterloo Boys is a very special club. We thank God for all the wonderful ways you folks blessed us. We hope to make our way back east in the near future and invite any of the Waterloo Boys or Girls to stop by if they ever find themselves traveling through Dixon, Illinois.

Blessings and Peace



# 101<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania Farm Show: Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help at the 101<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania Farm Show in Harrisburg. The show runs for eight days starting on January 6 and ending on January 13, 2018. Like past years, The Waterloo Boys will have a display setup in the Weis Expo Hall. This year's display will highlight the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of John Deere entering the tractor business and will include examples of the first tractors to be released.

In addition to our display, we will once again be selling raffle tickets for the 2018 raffle tractor, a John Deere 520. There is a need of at least five volunteers for each day of the show to help sell tickets. The stand will be open from approximately 7:00 AM until roughly 7:00 or 8:00 PM (depending upon the crowd). Please sign up for all or part of any of the days of the show.

On Wednesday, January 10, The Waterloo Boys will be putting on a pedal pull for the Farm Show. A minimum of six volunteers are needed in addition to those selling raffle tickets to assist with setting up and running the pull. We will meet at the stand in the Weis Expo Hall at approximately 11:00 AM.

If you are interested in volunteering or have more questions about the Farm Show or our stand, please contact Harvey Bashore at 717-397-8880. We hope to see you there



Jesse Knaub



PA Farm Show



PA Farm Show



PA Farm Show

## Tractor Trivia Answer:

### The Model 4520



## Mecum Auction: Waterloo Boys Brought the Skills

In August, the Waterloo Boys were invited to the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg once again to help out with the Mecum tractor auction. Twenty volunteers aided in starting, organizing, driving, and sometimes pulling tractors through the auction lane. In all, there were approximately 130 pieces up for sale and with the help of the Waterloo Boys, Mecum was able to keep everything moving without a hitch.

The auction was a chance for members to test their skills out on many different brands, ages, and conditions of tractors and all drivers passed the test with flying colors. There were several drivers who commented that spending some time on different color tractors made them appreciate green and yellow even more! A donation of \$500 was given to the Waterloo Boys by Mecum in appreciation for all the hard work.





## 2018 Elections: Come out and Vote

Elections for the 2018 officers and two seats on the Board of Directors will be held at the meeting on December 11. Nominations will be taken prior to the election. Please contact Vice President, Jesse Knaub if you have any questions regarding the election.

### Meeting Minutes: August 2017

The August meeting of the Waterloo Boys was held on the grounds of R&T on August 7th, 2017. President Harvey Bashore called the meeting to order. Harvey asked if there were any members that needed to be remembered. He then asked Chaplain Steve Koser to lead the club with a scripture reading and prayer. After the prayer we saluted the flag.

The secretary's report was read and approved with a motion by Ted Casey and seconded by George Harris.

The treasurer's report was then given and it too was approved with a motion by Steve Hill and seconded by Dick Clark. After the treasurer's report John Gouge made a motion that we reimburse the Life Members savings account by \$5000.00. This was seconded by Steve Hill and approved by the membership.

Correspondence; George will send a Thank you note to Dennis Wolgemuth for his contribution to the club for the printing of the raffle tickets

Newsletter; It will come out before the end of the month.

Membership; No report

Current raffle tractor; Next time out will be Becker's tractor pulls, then Wolgemuth auction on the 15th and then the Threshermen's reunion here at R&T on the 16th 17th, 18th and 19th. We will need help hauling the tractor this year and also help selling tickets. A Thank you to all who helped with the "H" this past year. It was a success.

The Threshermen's reunion is coming up and we need to get the museum cleared out and the tents set up. This will be on Thursday the 10th.

Web site; We will soon have the ability to read the minutes from our past meetings thanks to Evan. He is working on this now.

Pedal Pulls. We went to Kimberton Fair last week. A good turn out and the pay was great (donuts).

Trip across America: C Ivan is home he arrived Sunday. He was tired and glad to be home. He has traveled 12,341 miles and his "A" is still going strong. He will be at the reunion next week.

Old Business; The Waterloo Boy has been accepted to show at the Radnor Hunt Car Show on Sept 10 2017. Steve Hill will take it down. Solanco Fair Parade will be Sept. 20, 2017. The Morgan Foose family will have a float with the Waterloo Boy. The New Holland Parade will be October 4th. Any members interested see Harvey Bashore for info.

New Business: Steve Koser has the correct magneto for the 1939 John Deere "B" we have in the museum it needs a condenser, points and a coil. He will donate it if the club will get it working. A motion by Harvey Bashore and seconded by Dick Clark and approved by the members. This will be taken care of.

**Minutes continue on pages 10 and 11**

## Fall Time of Harvest

Fall time of harvest was held on the grounds of Rough and Tumble on October 13 and 14. The Waterloo Boys put out a small display, organized a garden tractor pull (pictured), a pedal pull, as well as selling raffle tickets. Thanks to all members who came out and volunteered!



## Minutes: September 2017

The September 2017 was held on Sept.4th on the grounds of R & T. The meeting was called to order by Pres. Harvey Bashore. Harvey asked if there were any members that needed to be remembered in our thoughts and prayers. Chaplain Steve Koser led the members in scripture reading and prayer. This was followed by the salute to the flag.

The secretary's report was read and approved with a motion by Jim Montague and seconded by Joe Neuman.

The treasurer's report was read and also approved with a motion by Steve Hill and seconded by Irvin Martin.

The final figure for the 2017 raffle tractor was \$11,196.20.

Corresponding Secretary: Thank you notes to Mr. Becker, Dennis Wolgemuth.

Newsletter; It is out. The reservation form for the winter banquet was enclosed.

Membership; If your newsletter came with a red label it means that your dues are due;

New regular members are: Daniel Weick, Andrew T Rose, Leon Stotlzfus, Carl Horst, Josh Blatt, Mark Twarozek, Joshua Frantz, Jesse Frantz, Michael Burkholder, Joe Wirell, Dale Martin, Jeffrey Barbour, Todd Piper, Ronald Sheffer, Tyler Blatt, Pat Pantano, Chuck Freese, Andrew Petersheim, Dennis Martin.

New life members; Drew Discount, Jeffrey Martin, Jeffery A Frantz.

Tech night; Steve Koser stated that the intent of the tech night is to help active members with their tractors. We have plenty of projects that will keep the club busy for several months.

Trip across America; C Ivan will be in the New Holland Parade.

Old Business; The Waterloo Boy will be in the Solanco Parade on September 20th and the New Holland Parade will be October 4th also. For the New Holland parade in case of cancellation listen to WIOV. The Waterloo Boy is also going to be at the Radnor Hunt antique car show on Sunday the 10th.

New Business; Steve Koser stated there was a problem with the electronic box on the pulling sleds. Seth did some research and found the parts needed and repaired it for the club. Steve asked that the club pay for his dinner ticket as a Thank You. This was approved with a motion by Steve Hill and seconded by Dick Clark. Motion approved. Steve also suggested that we get an alarm that would sound for speeding on the garden tractor pulling sled. This was made into a motion by George and seconded by Steve Hill it to was approved. Steve will also get a price on a new display for the garden tractor pulling sled.

Meeting adjourned.



# Classifieds

Classified listings are free for all members. Please send classified listings to Katie Knaub at: 254 Old Leacock Rd., Gordonville, PA 17529 or email to jak414@msn.com.  
(Classifieds must be re-submitted for each edition of the newsletter)

The Gathering of the Green will be held in Davenport, Iowa on March 21 through March 24, 2018. Charlie Wickard is arranging a bus trip to visit the show. The trip will include transportation and lodging. For more information, contact Charlie at 610-806-6092.



## Meeting Minutes: October 2017

The October 2017 meeting of the Waterloo Boys was held on October 2nd on the grounds of R & T. The meeting was called to order by Pres. Harvey Bashore. Harvey asked if there were any members in need of prayer. Dave Payeur's son is recovering from his motorcycle accident and also for the people of Las Vegas. Chaplain Steve Koser read scripture and led the members in prayer. This was followed by the salute to the flag.

The secretary's report was read and approved with a motion from Dean Gross and seconded by Dave Burk.

The treasurer's report was read it to was approved with a motion by Steve Hill and seconded by Jay Schaffer.

Newsletter: Next issue will be out before the end of the year.

Membership: 285 members 36 have not paid their dues for 2017.

Raffle Tractor; next time out Delaware Harvest Festival, then Time of Harvest, and McConnellsburg.

Future raffle tractor: It was being worked on.

Annual Show; Meeting Sept 28th revisited last year's show. Most important is a good working sound system. Rough & Tumble says that it will be ready for the John Deere Show. The committee is looking for a skeleton JD tractor for display out on Rt. 30 during our JD show.

Tech night; Anyone interested in coming to help please let Steve Koser know.

Building; Rent for tractors in the museum is now due.

Artifacts; Dave Burk asked if the room should be open for Time of Harvest. It was decided that it should be open on Saturday from 12 noon to 2 PM. Volunteers are needed see Dave Burk.

Trailer; Mark & Ted are working on Specs for a new trailer. Mark McNally met with Samuel Zook at Gap Hill Aluminum Shop. Samuel will build 3 ramps for the club at no charge.

Old Business: The New Holland Parade is Oct 4th we will meet a 6PM and the block factory. We will be in Division 4 #10.

Charlie Wickard has info on the bus trip to the Gathering of the Green.

## 2018 Raffle Tractor: 1956 John Deere 520

**Introducing the 2018 Waterloo Boys Raffle Tractor. This 1956 John Deere Model 520 (S/N: 520046) has been completely gone over by members of the club and is in excellent working order. Tickets for this tractor will be on sale from now until the drawing on Saturday, July 28, 2018. Contact Steve Hill or Harriet Clark if you are interested in purchasing tickets. Two books of tickets will also be included with the next issue of the newsletter for purchase.**



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