



JANUARY 2025

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## **Wisconsin Antique Power Reunion 2024 Year in Review**

2024 was a year of change, with many activities and considerations for our club's future. We continue to operate with the club's purpose to promote the public's interest and educate future generations in preserving and restoring antique tractors, machinery, accessories, lore, and literature.

- We started the year with a new President, Ken Albinger, and we celebrated the contributions of our Past President, Bill Hinckley.
- We celebrated the donation of three (3) people mover wagons from Dale Schreiber's estate. These wagons received refreshing, safety updates, and donation acknowledgment plaques.
- We finalized and signed an agreement with the Washington County Fair Park to store our people mover wagons at no cost to the club.
- The annual Toy Show was held in February. This is a fun event for many families in our communities. You can tell by the excited look on every kid's (kids from 2 – 92) face when they see the toy they have dreamed of.
- Many of us completed the Membership Survey, which asked for member feedback on our monthly meetings. Our leadership has collected much good input, which they use to envision the club's future.
- We had the opportunity to support the Washington County Tractor Safety Course testing. It was great to see some of our future machinery operators learning to operate equipment safely and responsibly.
- Three (3) scholarships were awarded again at the higher funding level we approved of last year. We will continue to support our youth's education in agricultural endeavors.
- Tom Steinbach volunteered to coordinate our speakers this year. He even started the ball rolling by sharing his background and restoration projects. The club enjoyed members sharing their backgrounds, life experiences, and projects they have been involved in. This is a great way to get to know each other and learn more about the club's expertise.

## Wisconsin Antique Power Reunion 2024 Year in Review (continued)

- Ron Strauss recommended and challenged the club to continue our annual raffle. He suggested a cash raffle to simplify the ticket-selling process, which the club took on. Throughout the year, Ron challenged everyone to sell, sell, sell. Keep in mind that 10% of the sales we make from the raffle goes to support our scholarship program.
- We supported the Washington County Dairy Breakfast by pulling our people mover wagons between the parking lots and the farm activities. The weather was not very cooperative, but those who did attend appreciated our support.
- Throughout the summer and fall, we participated in various shows and events, such as the Slinger Historical Society, Richfield Historical Society, Wayne's Drive Inn Fundraiser, Autumn at the Village, and Honey Creek Orchard Display.
- We supported the Washington County Fair by pulling our people mover wagons between the parking lots and the fair activities. Thanks to Larry Brushaber for coordinating drivers and riders for the fair week.
- Ron Strauss put together a Brat Fry as a fundraiser for our scholarship fund.
- We came together for our, now annual, members' potluck at Pioneer Village. This family event brought together the club members for a relaxing evening of socialization over a shared meal.
- One of our bigger events for the year was the show at the Cedarburg Creek Pumpkin Farm. We displayed several tractors, demonstrated grain threshing and log cutting, and provided the opportunity to "Drive My First Tractor." A few weeks later, the club had the chance to host plow days at the Cedarburg Creek Pumpkin Farm.
- During the Fall, we collected winter clothing items for children in foster care across our service area as a Community Service Project.
- Our annual banquet, which included Al Bucholz's presentation on US Military Cemeteries and the cash raffle drawing, was enjoyed by all. It was another chance for our members to socialize over a hearty meal.

We are looking forward to 2025 as a year filled with fun and educational opportunities for all of us to share our passions for tractors and farm machinery. Be on the lookout for coming events and step up to help share your knowledge with those attending them.

One of the most significant events this year will be the Classic Green Reunion held on June 12-14, 2025, at the Washington County Fair Park in West Bend. This is one of the biggest John Deere equipment only shows held every other year around the US. Do not miss this show while it is right here in our backyard. Information on the show and registrations is available at: <https://classicgreen.org/Reunion>

Thank you to Dan Benning for putting this summary together.

I'm leaving the BOD after serving an appointed two year term. Just wanted to encourage everyone to think about serving on the Board in the future. It has been a good experience for me and I'm sure it would be for you too. Being on the Board, you get to be involved in important discussion about current events and meetings, and what our club will be doing in the future to keep it healthy and make it grow. It is a small time commitment – only one meeting per month.

Please consider serving on the Board in the future. Thanks to all of our Board for your time and talents.

Tom Steinbach

Do you no longer have a land line phone?? Moved recently? Want to get club emails? Now is the perfect time to make sure that we have up-dated contact information for you. We will not give out your information, but may need to reach you for meeting cancellations, events, updates, etc.

You can see Lila at a meeting or contact her at 262-377-5861 to make sure your information is up to date.

## CLASSIC GREEN REUNION

**JUNE 12-14, WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR PARK**

**Anything and everything John Deere or Deere related is welcome!!**

Feature Models for 2025:

- John Deere Model B
- Waterloo Boy gas engines
- Industrial wheeled tractors
- Van Brunt equipment
- 00 series Lawn and Garden tractors (100, 200, 300 and 400)

The following event registrations open up January 2025:

- Exhibitor registration
- Banquet registration
- Trivia Night registration
- Camping registration
- Golf Cart rentals
- Vendor registration
- Registration for Tours
- Volunteer registration

You can register online at:  
[www.classicgreen.org](http://www.classicgreen.org)

If you look at what you have in life, you will always have more. If you look at what you don't have in life, you will never have enough. —Oprah Winfrey

In October 2024 at 18 months of age, Wade Muth was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML). He is currently receiving chemotherapy at Children's Hospital in Milwaukee. This form of leukemia is very rare in kids and extremely aggressive. Wade is the son of Gina and Peter Muth, and little brother to Josie. They all reside in Fillmore. Peter works at the family dairy farm, Cedar Lawn Farm, with his Dad, George (former WAPR member). Peter is also a volunteer firefighter. Gina is a stay-at-home Mom and helps keep things in order at the farm. The current plan is for Wade to be in the hospital for a month for treatment, then home for 2 weeks, and back to the hospital, repeating for at least 5 months. Any love, prayers, and support is appreciated.

If you are interested in donating to Wade, donations are being accepted by Fillmore Fire Department. Make checks payable to Fillmore Fire Department and write "Wade" in the memo line. Watch for local fundraisers for the family. If you cannot support financially, please keep the family in your thoughts as they go through this challenge. #LoveforWade

Fillmore Fire Department  
Attention: Wade Muth  
8485 Trading Post Trail  
West Bend, WI 53090

Membership Meetings – Let's make them the BEST - Be a speaker!

We are currently putting together our speaker schedule for our membership meetings for the year. We have several speakers lined up but could always use more. We would like to hear from you.

Maybe you have a unique story about your farming background or your career. Or maybe you would like to give us a "tour" of your tractor collection. We like to have a variety of subjects so almost any topic will be welcome. And, if you need help putting your story together, or you would like help in the presenting of it, we can help you with that too.

If you are interested, please contact Tom Steinbach at our meetings or call 262-302-1466.

Thanks in advance for bringing  
**YOUR STORY!**

## WAPR Classifieds

Mitch Ziesemer is looking to  
buy an Allis-Chalmers  
WD-45 Wide Front.  
Please email him at  
[mkziesemer@gmail.com](mailto:mkziesemer@gmail.com)

HOW DID THE FARMER  
FIND HIS WIFE ?

HE TRACTOR DOWN.

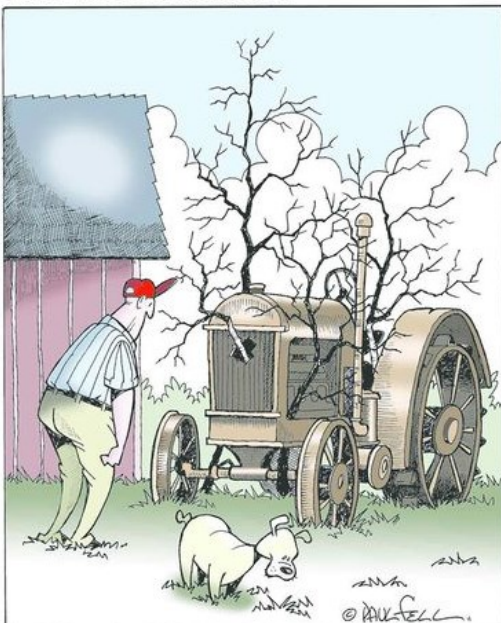
Pair of 1937 Allis WC 24 " rims. One is  
rusted through and has some very  
rusted spokes. The other is good. The  
center hubs are in great condition.  
\$50 or make an offer

Tom Steinbach 262-302-1466

Peter Feider is looking for an  
older model manure spreader .  
Contact Peter at 262-689-3635

The Club needs some running gear to upgrade our people movers. We are looking for 8 ton  
easy turn gear for 2 wagons. If you have any to sell, or know where we can find some,  
please contact Larry Brushaber or Steve Gettelman.

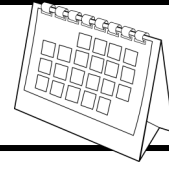
### AGELESS IRON ANTICS



SOMETIMES THE FIRST STEP IN RESTORING AN OLD  
TRACTOR IS TO LOCATE YOUR CHAIN SAW.

Kathy Lubner, Waubeka, is  
looking to sell a Simplicity Hit  
or Miss engine. It belonged to  
her father, Al Lubner, and ran  
before he passed away.  
Contact Kathy at  
[rz350ypvs@yahoo.com](mailto:rz350ypvs@yahoo.com)

# IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER 2025



**Tuesday, January 28**—7 pm -General Meeting at Circle B, Cedarburg

**Sunday, February 16**-Annual Toy Show, Circle B Cedarburg, 10 am-4 pm Contact Peter Feider at 262-689-3635 to reserve a booth.

**Help is needed early Sunday to assist vendors with set up.  
Donuts and coffee will be provided. Bring a dolly or cart.**

**Tuesday, February 25**- 7 pm -General Meeting at Circle B, Cedarburg

**Saturday, March 1**— Deadline to pay dues for 2025 membership

**Tuesday, March 25**-7 pm -General Meeting at Circle B, Cedarburg

**Tuesday, April 1**— Scholarship applications must be received or postmarked by this date

**Thursday, April 22**-7 pm -General Meeting at Circle B, Cedarburg

**Thursday, May 27**— 7 pm-General Meeting at Circle B, Cedarburg

**June 12-14**- Classic Green Reunion, Washington County Fair Park (see details in this newsletter)

**June 26-28**-Tomah Tractor Pull

**June 27-28**— Cheese Curd Festival, Antique Tractor Show— Ellsworth, WI

**June 28**-Slinger Historical Society— Antique Tractor Show

**Friday, July 4**-Cedarburg parade— Line up starts at 8:30 am at Fireman's Park, Parade starts at 10 am

**Tuesday, July 22**-3rd Annual Potluck and Social Event-Details coming soon.

**\*\*Champion needed to coordinate\*\*\***

**September 20-21**— Richfield Historical Society Thresheree

Do you know of any events coming up that we could include on our calendar??? Please notify any officer or director to have your event included.

*Where can you find a tractor with no wheels??*

*The same place you left it*

What kind of tractor costs you lots of money, but you can never own??

**A con-tractor**

Do you have an event coming up that you want to use Club owned equipment??? We have the people movers, pedal pull equipment, sound system, etc. That you can use with board approval. To make the equipment request, please contact any officer or board member at least 45 days prior to the event so we can discuss at the meeting. Board approval is needed in order for our club insurance to

Thank you to everyone that donated cold weather gear. The agencies that the items were given to were very excited to receive them and get them out to their needy clients. This just goes to show you that we can all do a little bit to help others. We collected: 90 pair of socks, 45 pairs of gloves or mittens, 60 hats, and 15 other items like scarves, face masks, etc.

**Your Greatest  
accomplishment  
is not what you have.**



**It's what you have  
to give.**

**A friend asked me  
if I had seen the  
new movie called  
“Tractors”.  
“No”, I replied,  
“but I’ve seen the  
trailer”.**

## **CLUB WEBSITE**

[www.waprtractorclub.com](http://www.waprtractorclub.com)

## **CLUB EMAIL**

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## **CLUB DIRECTORY**

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Position Vacant— It could be you!!!!

### **MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR**

Vacant

### **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Larry Brushaber  
Chris Gordon  
Jeff Bublit

Wisconsin Antique  
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**Reminder!!**

**Annual dues are to be paid by March 1 in  
order to keep your membership current.  
Please mail dues to the PO box or pay at  
any monthly meeting.**