

9/21/19 Tractor Club General Meeting Minutes

Kitt Keagy, President, called the meeting to order @ 8:09 am. 19 members were present. The **minutes** of the 8/17/19 general meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report given by Bill Johnson. Balance as of 9/13/19 was \$1961.00. Treasurer's report approved.

Safety report given by Bob Sacks: "We're Safe". No problems occurred at the Fair other than 3 tractors without wheel chocks. Chocks were provided by the Club (there are 6 sets of chocks kept in the Club trailer). Bob will be gone now until next April and just reminds everyone to stay safe. Safety report was approved.

Past events:

There were some issues at the fair; unable to set up on Wednesday as planned and the area was too small. 15 tractors were there for the 2 day event. One new member (Sam Loehr from Chino Valley) joined and we now have 49-50 members. The silent auction was not held. Overall, the fair was a success. The tentative plan for next year is to come in on Friday and too work on getting a larger area; remembering that the club is invited as guests; so we have not had to pay as exhibitors. Ron Jakola and Kitt will look into getting on the fair planning committee.

Future events:

Christmas party: after discussion it was decided to have a Christmas party with the regular morning meeting in December which will be on 12/21/19. There will be a gift exchange; everyone wanting to participate bring a gift- for either a man or a woman to put under the tree.

Harvest Festival: 10/12/19 at Yavapai College Chino Valley Agribusiness Center: There will be a tractor pull as well as a static event and a hay ride. Workers are needed for the set up and the tractor ride (a driver to relieve George and a club member to ride on the trailer itself). The work day will be on Friday, 10/11/2019; starting time at 9:00 am. Steve will bring the gannon. Tractors can be brought in any time that week; the site is secure.

There will be a Farmer's Market there as well. The College is providing insurance for the hay ride. The club will provide event insurance for the tractor pull and static show. The pull will be held in the area along the entrance road south of the building. The strip down will occur after the event on the same day.

Foster Child event to be held in Prescott Valley: The date for this event is pending. The plan at this time is to have a static show; and possibly a trailer for a tractor ride. Event planning is continuing and further details will follow. Insurance will be provided by the foster child organization. Bob or George are planning to provide a trailer for the wagon ride.

Kitt presented a tentative list for 2020 events to consider; keeping in mind the importance to avoid club 'burnout' from planning too many events:

May: Static show and pull at Prescott Tractor Supply and the Prescott Valley Days Parade.

June: Groom Creek tractor ride and potluck picnic.

July: Prescott Frontier Days parade

August: Tractor ride, pull, and family potluck at Ron Jakola's.

September: Yavapai County Fair.

October: Yavapai College static show and tractor pull.

Questions were asked about having future events at Mortimer Farms or Arizona Downs. Events have been held at Mortimer Farms in the past and there were difficulties. Arizona Downs is currently closed; both these locations are open for discussion and exploration in the future.

After discussion, the club approved the tentative event list.

Other news: Bill Johnson shared his wife's obituary. 4

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am.