

Antique Farm Day News



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SVAPF Mission

The Mission of the Southwest Virginia Antique Farm Days organization is to restore and preserve farm machinery and implements that were used in the agriculture based society of early Southwest Virginia. These efforts are directed toward educating the public and future generations, through displays and demonstrations, about the importance that early farm machinery played in shaping life in Franklin County and surrounding areas.

Upcoming Meeting:

The next meeting is to be held on 1/18/2018 at the Essig Center in Rocky Mount. Board and Officers will be meeting at 6 PM with the General Membership meeting to follow at 7 PM.

Getting Involved,

Project and Committee Opportunities listed on p. 2

Fifteen years of Antique Farm Days, 2018

When you look out the window and think about how cold it is, don't lose site of the fact that Antique Farm Days is right around the corner. Each of us has a chance to carry the load and make this the best show to date.



January Discussion Items

- Survey follow up, I am certain some of us still have some work to do
- Project updates
- Committee assignments
- Spring swap meet (April 20 and 21), less than 90 days out
- Schedule adjustments for 2018, show
- Volunteers for newsletters / committees
- Band recommendations for Sunday afternoon
- How can we get news and notes for this document?
- Where do we need volunteers at the show (golf cart schedules, announcing, permits, contact for camping....)

Club News and Notes

A few highlights from our December meeting:

- Antique Farm Days News chosen as the official name of this newsletter
- Review of early survey results, and planning to call additional stakeholders in our survey
- Review of opportunities to enhance advertising
- Charles Hudson and Jonathon Custer were prize winners in this month's meeting

Volunteer Opportunities: Your help is needed.

Newsletter	We are looking for a volunteer writer and some folks who may be willing to help create the monthly newsletter. The newsletter represents a big opportunity to involve and inform our club members, but is also a big ask to add to the responsibilities of the Secretary.
Walking Tour	It is our goal to create some signage, links to website, audio that will allow us to have a permanent tour at the Recreation Park. Bob Stout has agreed to help with the work and we are looking for others who may be willing to help.
Committee volunteers	As we approach 2018, the club seeks to refocus on the idea of committee assignments, where at least 2 people are involved in several activities
Antique Farm Days Assignments	If you are able to assist, please reach out prior to the show. There are items that we can always use support with during the show. (operating club equipment, shuttles (golf cart and tractor), set up, clean up, announcements)
Licenses / permits	We require a few permits to operate the show, we could use assistance in helping to obtain those. A volunteer may work with some of the group who has gotten those permits together in the past.
Meeting Programs	As we seek to make our meetings more interactive, we are always seeking someone who would like to share a tip, trick, or highlight recent experiences with equipment or with other shows. Please let us know if you are willing to
Upcoming projects	<p>A couple of active projects that we are looking to work in the coming year are listed here. While we don't know details at this point, we will share as they become available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blacksmith shed • Corliss engine Project • Line shaft for Fairbanks engine

Note from Charles

It has been a couple months since our recent election, and as we look forward to the upcoming year, I wanted to let you know that I am honored to be serving as the President of your club. I also want you to know that I believe our past officers and board have set our club up for much success.

Our goal will be to continue creating an environment for the growth of YOUR

club and of our show. As such, the Board Members, Officers, are consistently looking for your feedback, input, and support. Continued success is dependent upon it.

Please be active in providing your input during meetings and between so that we are able to continue building upon the success of our past. We have many opportunities and needs for your active support through all types of activities. I look forward to being a part of achieving

the goals all of you help to set for the future of the club. Please reach out to your board members and officer team, so we are able to enhance your experience as members of SVAPF. Hopefully, this Newsletter will serve as a reminder of the opportunities for enjoyment available. We need your input here as well, particularly as it relates to "feature" articles.

Charles Brubaker

More Volunteer Opportunities: Your help is needed.

During our November meeting, the following list of old committees was distributed. As we move forward, we are looking to involve more people in some of these activities. In many cases, one or two of the former committee members have simply been doing the job. We want to make sure everyone has help and that we have two or more people assigned to all required committees. Please share your feedback during our meeting or contact our Board and Officers for two things. First, we would love to know which committee(s) you would like to serve on. Secondly, we want to ensure we have the right ones. If you would like to see changes to these committees, please be certain to let that be known as well.

<u>Committee Name</u>	<u>Role</u>
Admission Gate	Set up, scheduling, manning, and collection of funds at the main gate
Antique Tractor Show	Assisting all tractor exhibitors in unloading, loading, lining up, and displaying their equipment in a safe and orderly manner
Auction	Setting the rates and fees for conducting the auction
Commercial exhibitors	Registration, collections of funds from the location of the commercial vendors
Demonstrations (not threshing)	Responsible for procuring, setting up, and operating any new equipment obtained by the organization
Entertainment	Responsible for scheduling and assisting all entertainment
Engine	Assisting all engine exhibitors in unloading, loading, lining up, and displaying their equipment in an orderly manner
Exhibitor registration	Finding exhibitors, preparing the layout of all exhibitors areas and assisting all exhibitors in finding their proper areas
Flea market and non food vendors	Obtaining flea market and non-food vendors, the layout of all vendor areas and assisting all vendors in finding their proper areas
Food vendor	Responsible for the layout of food vendor area and assisting food vendors in getting re-
Grounds Keeping	Responsible for coordinating with trustees in making sure litter and trash is picked up and emptied in a timely fashion
Grounds layout and assignment	Responsible for laying out the entire show grounds and assigning each exhibitor, vendor, or activity to its proper location
Information	Responsible for making available all information staff members may need to carry out their
Parade	Responsible for laying out the route, lining up, and the safety of each day's parade
Parking	Responsible for the coordination with trustees, law enforcement officers, and the highway department for the layout, safety, and parking during the show
Shuttle	Responsible for obtaining, routing, and scheduling of the operations of the shuttle (including golf carts)
Sound	Responsible for providing and assisting in the operation of the sound equipment
Steam Power	Responsible for the set up and operation of steam exhibits
Threshing	Responsible for the set up and operation of steam and threshing exhibits
Tractor and Lawn Mower pull	Responsible for coordination, operation, and safety of all activities in the tractor and lawn mower pull area

2017 Show Schedule: What changes are needed?

TIME	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8:00	GATE OPENS	GATE OPENS	GATE OPENS
8:30	FAIRBANKS ENGINE RUNS	VENDOR & EXHIBITOR CHECK IN	FAIRBANKS ENGINE RUNS
9:00	OPENING CEREMONIES	OPENING CEREMONIES	CHURCH SERVICE & MUSIC
9:30	VENDOR & EXHIBITOR CHECK IN	FAIRBANKS ENGINE RUNS	-
10:00	SAWMILLING	AUCTION STARTS - KIDS ACTIVITIES -	-
10:30	FAIRBANKS ENGINE	FAIRBANKS ENGINE	FAIRBANKS ENGINE
11:00	THRESHING & BALING	TRACTOR PULL	LAWN MOWER PULL
11:30	ROCK CRUSHING	ROCK CRUSHING	ROCK CRUSHING
12:00			THRESHING & BALING
12:30	FAIRBANKS ENGINE RUNS	FAIRBANKS ENGINE RUNS	FAIRBANKS ENGINE RUNS
1:00	SAWMILLING	SAWMILLING	SAWMILLING
1:30	SHINGLE MILL	SHINGLE MILL	ROCK CRUSHING - SHINGLE MILL
2:00	ROCK CRUSHING		BLUEGRASS MUSIC by CROSSROADS & FRIENDS
2:30	FAIRBANKS ENGINE	THRESHING & BALING - FAIRBANKS ENGINE	FAIRBANKS ENGINE RUNS
3:00	THRESHING & BALING	ROCK CRUSHING	THRESHING & BALING - BLUEGRASS MUSIC
3:30	PARADE		
4:00	HORSE PULL	PARADE	PARADE
4:30	FAIRBANKS ENGINE	FAIRBANKS ENGINE	CROSSROADS & WE CARE LAWN MOWER DRAWING
5:00			FAIRBANKS ENGINE
8:00	PARK CLOSES	PARK CLOSES	PARK CLOSES

Future of the Newsletter

Newsletter: This newsletter is being introduced based upon the recommendation of members seeking to ensure the larger membership is able to be more informed of club activities when they are unable to attend meetings. We will be distributing via email on a monthly basis. If you know someone who would not have access to the newsletter on email, please print a copy and share with them. We are looking for your help in forming a committee to help put the monthly version together. We are also looking for your help in choosing / recommending a name for the newsletter. You can see the 2 current suggestions at the top. Please send all of your feedback to cebrubaker@gmail.com for the short term. Club member news and information must be provided in order to be included in future editions. Over the longer term, that will be provided to the chair of the committee

Future sections to include:

- Club Member News
- Virtual Swap Meet
- Highlights of meeting minutes
- Upcoming meeting topics
- Notes from officers

DRAWING: Those of you who print this and bring it to the December 21st meeting will be entered into a drawing for a door prize