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KNOTT'S BERRY FARM 2011

WAPA is once again participating at Knott's Berry Farm, after a long hiatus. The show ran from April 16 through April 24, with members displaying their equipment, grinding corn, and educating the public for twelve hours each day.

Knott's does not only allow our club to showcase our hobby to the public, but it is a revenue generator as well. The money we make from this show allows us to pay bills and do fun things for our members.

We all owe a debt of gratitude to all the members who brought out their engines and put in long hours at the show.

Pictures provided by Kelley Garcia.



CALIFORNIA ANTIQUE FARM EQUIPMENT SHOW – TULARE

Tulare is in the middle of California, an excellent location for attracting collectors from both ends of the state, as well as the Western U.S. I couldn't begin to estimate how many engines and tractors were on display, but the tractor parade must have lasted a couple hours.

It seems that more BIG tractors are coming out, from manufacturers such as Best, Holt, Rumely, Avery, and Aultman & Taylor.

WAPA's was one of the better club displays, and we completely filled up our space. Hopefully we can grab a little more real estate for next year.

This year, the show was officially a three day event: Friday through Sunday. It seemed to work out well, as people always start arriving on Thursday anyway.

In the 10+ years that WAPA has been displaying at Tulare, the surrounding area has really grown, and there are plenty of nice hotels and restaurants to make the show an enjoyable experience.



Pictures, clockwise from top:

Bill Baldwin's 6 hp Stover, shipped on April 19, 1911, to Livingston & Lee, in Los Angeles.

Craig Mathews with his St. Mary's engine.

110 hp Best steam traction engine.

Bud Melvin's 5 hp Aermotor engine



Clarification!

After last month's issue, I received a call from Merle Morse, former machine shop instructor and machinist extraordinaire.

Merle suggested that I clarify the advise to "close" the regulators when stopping a welding project.

"Closing" a regulator means "turning the knob counterclockwise" until no tension is felt on the knob.

Turning the knob too far clockwise will damage the regulator diaphragm and perhaps allow gas pressures to rise to dangerous levels.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD APRIL 8, 2011

Board Members Present: Dan Kato, Tom Millett, Bob Smith, Jack Johnson, Craig Maxwell, Bob Swan, Jim Davis, Joe Siddons, Kelley Garcia & Leroy Overstreet.

Board Members excused: None.

Members present: Cody Johnson, Don Hunter, Dave Ruhland & Gus Lukrofka.

Visitors: None.

President Dan Kato called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Flag Salute led by Dave Ruhland.

REPORTS:

President: Dan Kato welcomed everyone to the meeting. He reported that WAPA Charter Member Jarvis Williams passed away. He was 97 years old.

Vice President: Bob Swan mentioned that the club insurance renewal premium has come due. The price and coverage has not changed and is \$1335.75. The special events coverage has changed in that they have to have an application for any additional insured.

Secretary: On a motion by Tom Millett and seconded by Jim Davis, the minutes of the March 11, 2011 were approved.

Treasurer: Treasurer Kelley Garcia presented the treasurer's summary report from 1-1-11 through 4-8-11. Expenses were \$1,556.26 and income was \$7,851.22. Also, presented was the accounts totals. Three CDs are at \$3,150.58, 18,254.57 & 3,164.78. Checking \$13,867.24. Morgan Stanley Savings \$14,084.21 and Smith

Barney Museum \$129,201.61. Vote to receive and file on motion by Millett and seconded by Smith.

Membership: Jim Davis requested that board approve membership for Jose Carillo, Sue Kiyomorua, Robert Tallent and Jeff Holmes. On motion by Millett and seconded by Siddons, all were approved. Membership now stands at 99 paying members, 23 lifers, 1 charter member & 1 Honorary Members with total at 124. Jim reported that Phil Verzani is now recorded as an Honorary Life Member.

A \$50 Memorial donation was made to the WAPA Museum Fund in the name of Elise Miller, Beverly Helm's mother.

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Purchasing: Leroy Overstreet has ordered more badge coupons for membership badges.

Millet reported that all three WAPA tractors are now in working order. All gas tanks have been cleaned and sealed. They are ready for any WAPA member to use for parades or show.

Shows: The Highland Citrus Festival was a huge success. Everyone was very impressed with all the new members who came and showed their engines. The Santa Fe Heritage Park Children's Day is on April 16. It is a hands-on event. No engines required. Millett, Siddons and Swan will display. Tulare Show is April 15, 16 and 17 in Tulare, CA. Knott's Berry Farm show runs from April 16 through April 24.

Library: Jack Johnson had nothing to report.

Safety: Joe Siddons reminded everyone to get ropes set up at shows before starting any engines.

Museum: Craig Maxwell had no report.

Glendora Castle: No report.

Cal Poly Restoration Project: Bob Smith reported that since he is now back at work, he has asked Millett to assist as coordinator for the projects. The John Deere D is now running and awaiting tires. We are now working on a Farmall B, a TD6 International and an 8N Ford.

Editor Report: Rob Skinner absent.

Property Disposition Committee: Dave Ruhland has offered to buy the propane powered generator on a trailer for \$200. The Disposition Committee recommended approval of the sale and it received board approval. It is unknown who donated the unit to WAPA. It showed up at Haskell's yard.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Announcements: None

Adjournment: 7:45 p.m.

Tom Millett, Secretary

The Western Antique Power Associates is a 501(c)3 organization comprised of individuals who are dedicated to the preservation of antique engines, agricultural equipment, industrial tools, and other machinery that is part of our heritage.

For more information, please visit us at www.wapa.us.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Board of Directors Meeting
May 13, 2nd Friday of the Month
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

The WAPA Board of Directors meeting is held at Heritage Park in Santa Fe Springs. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have ideas on how WAPA can become a better club, or if you just want to come and join in the festivities, please join us.

Heritage Park Rd. is located just south of Telegraph Road just west of Norwalk Boulevard. The meeting is held in the train depot next to the steam locomotive.

May 7, Saturday
Cal Poly Pomona
5th Annual Tractor and Car Show
Setup: 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Show: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This is big event for the Farm Store at Cal Poly, and it gets bigger every year. WAPA always has a prime location to show, and the event is very well attended. You don't want to miss this one.

This year, strawberries are the theme. You can PICK strawberries, EAT chocolate dipped strawberries, GET a funnel cake with strawberries, SIP a strawberry snow cone, and TAKE home a strawberry pie.

For the kids, there are horse rides, tractor rides, face painting, and a petting zoo.

Directions: From the 57, exit Temple and go west. Pass Valley. On Campus Drive, go south.

Regarding setup, DO NOT arrive before 7:00 a.m.

June 5, Sunday
Brentwood Science Magnet School
Science Fair
Setup 9:00 to 10:30
Show 11:00 to 4:00

The Science Fair is an annual event for the school that is educational for the kids, and a fundraiser, as well.

The kids here are polite, inquisitive, and smarter than you might think. This school seems to be doing a good job. Let's all come out and lend a hand by showing our engines.

Directions: From the 405, exit Wilshire and go west. Turn right on Bundy. Pass Montana and the entrance is on the left of the playing field.

For the very latest in show details, engine discussions, and club news, join the WAPA Members Email List by sending a request to editor@wapa.us. You can also view the WAPA calendar online, by visiting us on the web at www.wapa.us.