



NIAGARA ANTIQUE POWER
ASSOCIATION INC.



ANTIQUÉ POWER NEWS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

With this being our first newsletter since our show. I would like to thank everyone who participated in any way to make it a success. The weather was just right this year, attendance was up and we had good comments.

With the elections over, many thanks to members who let their name stand for office. Congratulations to the members who were elected to serve on the executive committee.

Christmas is fast approaching with the cooler weather and the changing of the leaves. So let Marie Henry know if you are able to attend our Christmas (Dinner) Party. As in the past it will be held at Betty's. In preparing for the Christmas Party, let's all think over the past year, of all the members we have lost, and loved ones. Let's not forget the reason for the season, it's not all parties and gifts, but the love of "God" that guides us every day of our lives.

Niagara Antique Power Association is now making plans for our 2010 Annual Show. Let's all put on our thinking hats as to what we can do for changes so that our visitors will see something different that will keep them coming back. Remember our show has become a family affair. So let's not disappoint them, Let's make the show bigger and better.

In closing I would like to wish all members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
Reg Tufford

ELECTION RESULTS:

President - Reg Tufford Vice President - Ed Geyer Secretary - Barbara Mittlestead
Treasurer - Mary Geyer Directors: (2 year) Dan Roscoe - Clayton Jarvis - Geof Thompson

ANNUAL SHOW REPORTS:

Antique And Classic Trucks Feature: With the weather not looking good; there was still 30 or more mostly small trucks coming and going on Saturday and Sunday. A few big ones would have been nice to complete the feature. The Fort Erie Antique Fire Trucks were a big attraction as always.

The highlight of special feature was: Dan Roscoe (a director and long time member of N.A.P.A.) was given a big surprise. His father's truck, a 1955 International R130, last used in 1978 which had been stored in his barn for 31 years was dug out, cleaned up and floated to the show, unbeknownst to him by his family and friends.

I would like to thank Myron Roseman and Reg Tufford for their help; and may this club be successful in the coming year.

Bill Robbins

Trading Post 2009:

The Trading Post was run by Karl Fretz, Derrick Fretz and Bob Trendel We collected \$3,343 from 28 vendors and at 10 % the club made \$334.30. Items donated to the club and items that vendors forgot to put their vendor # on came to \$111.17. One member of the club gave up his \$2.00 asking price and donated his profit to the club. Total profit from the Trading Post was \$466.00. One vendor had 143 items and took home \$1008.00.

Bob Trendel

Entertainment for our 37th Show:

I am very pleased to report that in my opinion, our entertainment was well received. I would like to thank many people for their co-operation and assistance at and prior to the show. Without help and co-ordination, it could very well fail.

I would like to thank the Stonebridge Country Band, the Ole Tyme Fiddlers and the Krazy Kanuck Cloggers for their performances.

There are a number of names that I could mention that helped me in this event. I would like to thank Bruno Ventura for setting up the sound system and cuing me in on the process. Barbara Mittlestead for her assistance and advertising, Roger Robert and family for co-ordination and co-operation prior to and during the show. Mary and Ed Geyer for all their help and for square dancing with us the Saturday night. Maybe next year, we can convince others to try it, it is a lot of fun! Thanks also to Wayne Lowden from Cookstown Club for calling the square dance, he did a great job. I know I've left out someone. My wife who is always there for me, and all the members of the club, it was a pleasure to work with all of you.

If there are any complaints or constructive ideas for the future, please write them down so we could work on them for our next show. There is one thing I observed as I sat outside at the Church Service, it was a sunny beautiful morning, and I think maybe we could have our minister on the stage and the congregation on the bleachers and we could have used our sound system and it may have been easier to hear the message, of course if it rained, we would have to go inside.

Many thanks to Debbie Grimes for all her talent as preacher, singer, pianist and clown. She may not realize it but she is also part of the entertainment!

Well done everyone. Thanks a lot.

Bud Speck

Engine Rows:

This year we combined Lawn & Garden equipment with the Engine Rows going back to the years when we use to do this. We had a total of 38 displayers, which filled the rows in the display area. I would like to thank all those who brought their equipment this year and hope to see all of you again for 2010. All in all we had a good display.

Ron Baer

Camping Report 2009:

19 at \$15.00 – 3 at \$20.00 – 2 at \$25.00 – 1 at \$10.00 – 1 at \$5.00 Total \$405.00

Reasons for amounts:

\$20.00 (4 Nights Hydro)

\$15.00 (3 Nights Hydro)

\$10.00 (2 Nights Hydro)

\$ 5.00 (Tent for One Night Non Member)

Clayton and Corona Jarvis will be returning to camping next year. Spaces will be marked out like the flea market spaces were this year. Thanks Clayton and Corona for returning to Camping!

Scott & Barbara Mittlestead

Quick Summery of 2009 Show:

The Pie Shop (Bake Shop): Did very well, the pies were excellent and there was a wide variety. Corona has some changes planned for next year, watch for further up dates.

The Craft : All spots were full with happy crafters and Barbara Dobmeir reports that she has crafters that want to come back next year.

The Loonie Store: Te Loonie store was where the ice cream shop use to be this year and they did well, around \$100.00 reported Mary Geyer.

The Ice Cream Shop: Heavenly Dream Ice Cream didn't work out for our show this year, but Angie Marco and Annette Bidoski, with Nancy Schatzline's help have volunteered to run the Ice Cream Shop as in previous years. So look for the Ice Cream Shop back in its usual spot.

The Log Cabin: The log cabin was all dressed up for the Christmas in July theme. A live Christmas Tree was decorated with decorations from the past. Many happy children received candy and a gift to take home. Many stuffed toys found a new home over the three days. The Weavers and Spinners were demonstrating their talents at the log cabin this year it was a great addition.

The Flea Market: The flea market did very well this year and Bob Climenhaga has many vendors signed up with their spots paid for, for next year's show.

The Souvenir Shop: The souvenir shop did very well this year. Lynn Raymond and Linda Kirton sold a lot of the newly designed tee-shirts, and the new pens and pins were a good addition.

The Models: The Model display tables were full again this year with a variety of displays. A good addition to the display this year was Wayne Lowden's display of Raymond Martin's Steam Models that he had built. Ray was a member of N.A.P.A and displayed these steam models at our show for many years.

The Tractor Pull: The tractor pulls were a success again this year and a lot of fun. There was a change this year, we charged a hook up fee, which everyone seemed to accept and it helped us pay some of the expenses of having the tractor pull.

The Horse Pull: The horse pulls were fun and because of the cooler weather the horses were able to pull greater weights than in the past years. We had a large turn out to watch this event.

The Saw Mill: The saw mill ran their demonstration with no problems and were enjoyed by all who stopped to watch. There was a change in running the saw mill this year, they alternated from tractor to steamer. The Steam Traction Engine running the sawmill is owned by Jim Bucknall.

The Blacksmith Shop: Jacquie Otis was our blacksmith again this year and everyone who visited the Blacksmith Shop enjoyed watching her perform her skills.

Captain John's Military Band Organ: The wonderful music coming from the Military Band Organ greeted everyone entering the show grounds. Many thanks to Pauline Leonard and John Ashworth for sharing this unique experience with use every year.

Membership and Registration: Many thanks to Jean Robert and her committee for registering all displayers and reregistering members for 2010. A job well done year after year!

Sunshine the Clown: Sunshine the clown and her 2 clown friends were a great addition to our Show this year. Sunshine and her clown friends are a big help with the “Smiley The Mighty Peddle Tractor Pulls” held for the kids every year. The Face Painting and Balloon Creations were a fun things for all ages to participate in this year.

The Kiddy Cart Rides: The Kiddy Cart Rides were running as usual but a mistake was made and a \$2.00 fee was charged. Next year we will go back to no charge for riding but donations accepted. Geof Thompson is in charge of the Kiddy Cart Rides and hopefully will continue next year.

Our Church Service: Debbie Grimes held a very moving service as she does every year. She leaves everyone with food for thought and everyone walks away with a bounce in their step.

The Photo Display:

Jason Shoup and Jake Elliott had a great display of show pictures in our Memorial Building again this year, They were taking pictures this year during all 3 days and will have them on display next year. You can purchase a copy of any picture by contacting Jason Shoup.

Attendance Gate and displayers Gate and Parking:

Mary Geyer and Ann Roscoe were greeting visitors again this year with big smiles and a cheery greeting. The Port Colborne Cadets were in charge of parking the vehicles again this year, which they did like experts. Ed and Sharon Horton and John Speck monitored the displayer gate this year. There will be some changes at the displayers gate next year, watch for an update about the change.

The Birds of Prey: The birds of Prey were well received again this year. Dave and Kim Gibson and their two daughters put on a good display and are very knowledgeable about birds of prey and share their knowledge with all our visitors. We hope to see them again next year.

The Canadian Horse: Rose Cook brought her Canadian Horse for display and shared her knowledge of their history of “Canada’s National Horse” with our visitors. We hope to see them next year.

The Lakeside Wood Cravers: The Lakeside Wood Carvers were demonstrating their carving skills and teaching the children who attended the show to do a craft. They are a great addition to our show every year.

The Canadian Vintage Motorcycle Group: The Canadian Vintage Motorcycle Group displayed a large selection of Vintage Motorcycles enjoyed by all.

Antique Cars: We had a variety of Antique Cars throughout the 3 days. Hope to see more next year.

Food Vendors:

White Meadows Farms Kettle Corn, Port Colborne Volunteer Firefighter’s Food Trailer, Lakeland Meats and the Chip Wagon were our sources for curbing our appetite.

Club News:

We are applying for a grant from Port Colborne Hydro again this year to fix the Blacksmith shop and we are applying for a grant from Vale Inco of Port Colborne for them to sponsor some of our major events at the show and will be applying for a Trillium Grant as well.

Our Special Feature for 2010 is “**Anything Canadian Built**”.

Our Christmas Party will be held at Betty's Restaurant December 8th. at 6:00PM. The cost is \$18.95 per person. You need to contact Marie Henry at 905-295-2264 and arrange to pay her on or before December 1st. Hurray, on the agenda again this year there will be Silent Auction, Door Prizes and Christmas caroling.

We were notified by the City of Port Colborne that our Log Cabin and Blacksmith Shop do not meet the criteria for being designated as Historical Buildings.

Our web site is up and running we will have pictures on in, the near future. Jason has to write a program before pictures can be uploaded to the site.

Directors are already making plans for the 2010 show. If you have any suggestions or ideas to make the show better or run smoother please call any executive and share your ideas.

Membership Report:

Time to renew your membership for 2010 remember the deadline for renewals is March 1st, 2010. Thanks to all who have already renewed it makes my job easier.

Jean Robert

Niagara Regional Exhibition: Tea Room Report

I did not call anyone for help this year. Thanks to Barbara Dobmeier who offered to help out. Mary Geyer and I setup the Tea room and Loonie store together which made it easier for the two of us to look after both areas.

Jean Robert

Sunshine Corner: Bereavements & Health Watch Report:

Bereavements: We extend our deepest sympathy to the following families:

Ruth Green & son Donald for the loss of a Husband & Father (Rick Green)

Debbie Grimes & stepson Rob Ventura for the loss of a Husband & Father and Robert & Marian Grimes for the loss of Son-In-Law (Bruno Ventura)

Larry & Mikell Bering for the loss of Daughter & Stepdaughter (Patricia Spratt)

Larry Sammut for the lost of his Brother (Charles Sammut)

We also extend our deepest sympathy to any other members who have loss someone recently that we were not aware of. The members we have lost will greatly be missed.

Members who had surgery recently:

Ron Baer June 18th

Roger Robert July 6th

Corona Jarvis July 9th & and again in August.

We wish all these members a speedy recovery. We also extend a speedy recovery to any other members who have had surgery or have been under the weather.

Jean Robert

It was voted to have 3 Newsletters a year (Feb–June–Nov), the newsletter is always available at the General meeting of that month and the newsletters not picked up at the meeting are mailed the next day. The deadlines for putting information in the 2010 newsletters are Feb 1–May 31–Nov 1. Please, help save me some time by getting the information in by the due dates so I don't have to call to remind you. Mark it on your calendar!!!

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MEETING DATES FOR 2010

Executive (Willoughby Hall)

Jan – 6
Feb – 3
Mar – 3
Apr – 7
May – 5
June – 2
July – 7
Aug – (No Meeting)
Sept – 8
Oct – 6
Nov – 3
Dec – 8

General Meeting (Willoughby Hall)

Jan – 12
Feb – 9
Mar – 9 (March Dinner)
Apr – 13
May – 11
June – 8
July – 13 (Review of Show)
Aug – (No Meeting)
Sept – 14
Oct – 12 (Elections)
Nov – 9
Dec – 14 (Christmas Dinner)

SECURITY AT 2010 SHOW:

We need members to sign up to do security at the show for 2010. If members don't volunteer to cover the three nights we will have to hire some security agency and that could cost a lot of money. If you don't want to hold office or head a committee maybe you would consider volunteering for a shift of security!? You can sign up by contacting any executive.

For Sale:

M.E. Milwaukee Equipment Rotor Tiller 1948 Steel Wheel with Clinton Engine Ford Flathead Fire Pump with 10" Water Pump mounted on Cast Iron Base Engine has Marine Heads for cooling. 9HP Wisconsin Engine mounted to a Friend Pump-with crank & Rebuilt Magneto.
Call Ron Baer 905-835-1951

We have just started keeping a scrap book of newspaper articles about the club and would like to ask if any of you, see any articles, in your local papers, if you would get an extra copy to share with us. Also if you would let us borrow any old articles that you have held on to over the years, just long enough to make a copy and return them to you, it would make a great addition to our scrapbook.



Merry Christmas

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Happy New Year

