



International Harvester Collectors • Chapter #23

ALABAMA

Spring 2019

The 2019 Show Season Gets Underway



(L-R) Randy Bodine, Jana Bodine, Sherman Roberts, Jayne Roberts, Michael Coburn, Royce Colvin, Tim Hill, Johnnie Watts, Guy Nix, Conrad Bell, Buddy Banks, Gary Bell, and "Forklift" Charlie Stewart. These Alabama Chapter #23 members got together for a photo with LA president Tim Hill, who made them and other members feel welcome to the show at Franklinton, LA on May 3-4.



Glen Sanders and Sherman Roberts displayed these rare red late-1970's model Cubs at the show at Snead.



(L-R) Gary Bell's Super W-4, Dennis Johnson's Super C with loader and his good looking Cub at the Southland Flywheelers show at Hartselle.

Randy's Ramblings

• President's Letter from Randy Bodine •

I know some of you have a hard time explaining "going to a tractor show" to some of your more cultured and sophisticated friends. Jana has tried to describe it to some people and the best way has been to compare it to a vintage car show, because most people have actually heard of those shows and understand collecting and showing vehicles.

As of this writing, this week is "Decoration" at the Bodine family cemetery, as well as at other cemeteries in the area. Once again, we have the same dilemma of describing this event. In

Alabama, especially North Alabama, when you say you are "going to Decoration" most people know exactly what you mean. For those of you who may be unfamiliar, "Decoration Day" is an annual observance at mostly privately owned Southern graveyards. The family members gather to clean up the graveyard, reconnect with family, and honor the memories of

their ancestors by placing flowers on the graves. "Decoration Day" is most often associated with church cemeteries and family cemeteries on old farmsteads, like ours. Traditionally, everyone would come together to clean up the cemetery, have "dinner-on-the-grounds" and see family on Mother's Day. The timing of when this occurred was based on the agricultural calendar. The period from the middle of May to the middle of June, when "Decorations" are held, is the slower period between planting and harvest. This gave more people the opportunity to help with the cemetery maintenance and to visit with family. This tradition has carried over and we still get together at the same time, even though in today's society, many don't have to plan their schedule around planting and harvesting. Also, unfortunately, many of the younger people no longer see the point of keeping this tradition and supporting their heritage, so in the future, fewer and fewer people may be familiar with this distinctly Southern custom. The same may become true of tractor shows,

unless we make an effort to include the younger generation or add components to the events that the younger generation enjoys.

It was a cold, wet, "raw" (as my dad would say) day for our first club meeting at Snead Equipment in Snead, Alabama on April 20th. In spite of the weather, we had a wonderful turn out – we even had perfect attendance from our board members. This just goes to prove that we are a hardy bunch to want to come to a tractor show on such a day. I'm sure some of the wives might use adjectives other



than hardy (like "crazy" or "nuts", etc.) but we are making memories. Thanks to Joe Criswell for being such a great host.

Our next club meeting will be in Summerdale, in Baldwin County, on June 1 at 11:00 am. The South Alabama Antique Tractor and Engine Club is looking forward to us joining them for demonstrations, food, music, vendors, and especially showing off those IH tractors and engines.

Although this may say too much about our age, a few weeks ago, Jana and I were driving down the road and an old song came on the radio. Jana told me that she had that song on a record as a teenager, and the record had a skip in it. Every time she hears that song, she can still hear the skip in her head repeating the words over and over. So, now I'm going to be like that broken record. I'm going to say over and over how our State Show should be the biggest and best show of the year, regardless of where or when it is being held. That will take commitment from each one of our members to plan to attend

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**Minutes of AL Chapter #23
International Harvester Collectors
Meeting at Snead, AL
11:00 a.m., April 20, 2019**

9 Directors present

Steve Allen
Conrad Bell
Robert Bodine
Joe Criswell
Hal Hoaglin
Ronnie Lott
Clay Nordan
Sherman Roberts
Donnie Wedgworth

2 Advisors present

Buck Brown
Charlie Grimmitt

4 Visitors present

Logan Bodine
Will Bodine
Todd Hoaglin
Jim Silver

16 Members present

Luvern Adam
Sharon K. Allen
Gary Bell
Brad Bodine
Jana Bodine
Randy Bodine
Carson Cook
Rubin Haga
Wiley Johnson
Dennis Johnson
John Jones
Jason Moore
Luther Phillips
Russell Pinyan
Carl Pletcher
Glen Sanders

Our first meeting of 2019 was called to order by president Randy Bodine and he began with an invocation.

His first comment was to acknowledge that all nine of our directors were present for today's meeting along with two of our three advisors. He congratulated everyone for making the effort to come out on such a cool, blustery day following overnight rain storms.

The initial agenda item was Clay's report. He had no additions to the minutes as published in the recent newsletter and said that the chapter balance was now \$10,288 following the completion of 2019 dues collection and payment for the Early Spring newsletter. He made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. There was a second, and the motion passed.

With regard to membership, he reported that our active member number currently stands at 321. This total includes two new out-of-state members added since the newsletter

came out as well as the recent death of Lamar Stewart (#279), a long-time member from Louisiana.

Randy then welcomed three new directors, Steve Allen, Conrad Bell, and Hal Hoaglin, whose terms began on January 1. He thanked new advisors, Buck Brown, Charlie Grimmitt, and Dean Higgins for their service as directors following the expiration of their three year terms at the end of 2018.

Randy then called on vice-president Gary Bell to give a report on the national Winter Convention that was held this year in Kalamazoo, Michigan at the end of February. Gary reported that despite the 5° temperatures and that snow made the trip home a little rough, the convention was good and well attended. He said that we received a lot of positive feedback from other national members about RPRU 2018 and that many on the national level feel that we set the bar for future RPRU show books. People coming by our chapter table often suggested that we should play host to another Red Power Round Up in the near future.

Randy said that we were flattered by this praise, but hosting a Winter Convention might be something we would be more likely to do in the next few years.

The next agenda item was a report by Clay on the status of Show Book sales. He said that we have gotten some orders from the various ads that have run in *Harvester Highlights* and *Red Power* magazine, but we still have plenty of copies available and he urged all Chapter #23 members who have not ordered a copy to go ahead and send in their orders. Copies are available for sale along with other RPRU 2018 and chapter merchandise at today's meeting and order forms can be found in the recent newsletter as well as at the chapter website, www.alabamaihcc.org.

Randy then reminded everyone that our next meeting would be June 1, 2019 at the show at Underwood Farms in

Financial Report

Net Assets, Apr. 2019 \$11,542.59

Income

Dues Collected..... 95.00

Subtotal 95.00

Expenses

National Dues Paid 30.00

Newsletter 1299.22

Subtotal 1329.22

Net Assets, May 2019.... \$10,308.37

Summerdale in Baldwin County, which is near Gulf Shores on the Alabama Gulf coast. Our other meetings for 2019 will be at Piney Chapel near Athens on August 3, and the final meeting of the year will be at the Alabama IH State Show on October 26 hosted by the Southland Flywheelers at their farm park near Hartselle in north Alabama.

Randy then asked if anyone wanted to make an announcement about upcoming shows for the rest of the year. Various members spoke up to promote shows at Guntersville, Wetumpka, Hanceville, Jean's on the River, and an auction at Coker near Tuscaloosa.

Next on the agenda, Randy reminded everyone about upcoming national IH events as well as State Shows that we know are set through 2021.

He also announced that bids are now open for hosting the Alabama IH State Show for 2021. Hanceville will be the host in 2020, but any show that has not hosted for three years is eligible to submit a bid for 2021. Contact Randy Bodine or Clay Nordan if you can speak for a show that wants to be the 2021 host.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

*Respectfully submitted,
Clay Nordan – Secretary Treasurer*

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and bring something fun to share – a tractor, truck, Scout, Cub Cadet, engine or special piece of IH memorabilia. The 2019 Alabama IH State Show will be held on October 26 in Hartselle at Southland Flywheelers Park. They have big plans so you plan to be there!

We will have our final chapter meeting of the year that day at 11:00 am.

We always enjoy visiting with and supporting the shows in our neighboring states. We had a good turnout of our members at the Louisiana State Show in

Franklinton, Louisiana on May 3-4.

I also want to share with you about a new event in the South that you may want to put on your calendar and try to support. After many years of talk and hard work, a Mississippi IHC chapter – Chapter #44 – was chartered by the national club in 2018. A good friend and member of Chapter #23, Guy Nix of Brookhaven, MS, was elected as their president. The first Chapter #44 State Show will be in Jackson, Mississippi, on August 16-17, 2019, at the wonderful

Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum. If you have never been to the museum, you should consider going to see it and support the new Mississippi Chapter at their inaugural state show.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Summerdale – under the shade of pecan trees!

Happy Tractoring!

Randy

321 Active Members

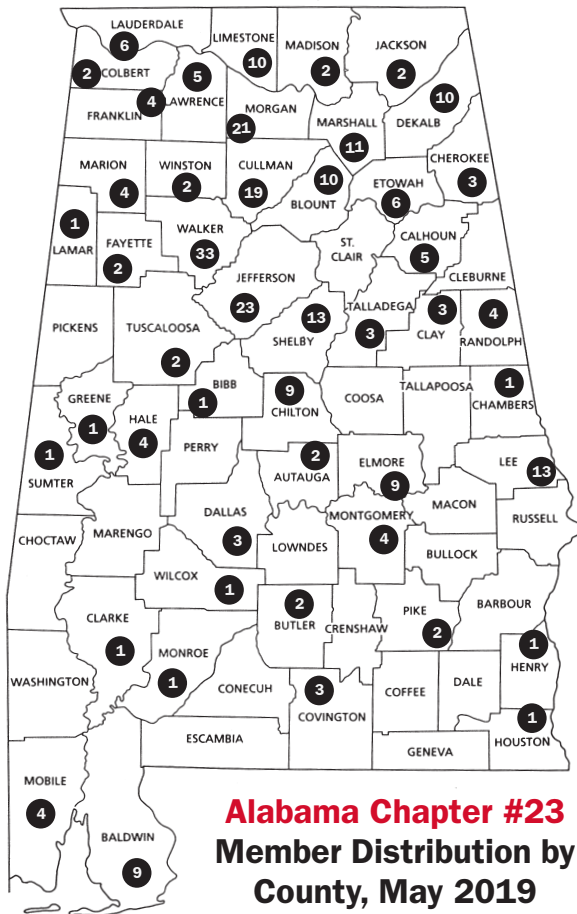
2 New Members Added Since Last Newsletter
1 Member Deceased Since Last Newsletter

Johnnie Watts, Jr. #682/NEW
Livingston, LA

John Moon #683/NEW
Burlington, NC

42 Out of State Members

Florida	6	North Carolina	1
Georgia	11	Pennsylvania	2
Indiana	2	Tennessee	5
Louisiana	7	Texas	2
Mississippi	6		



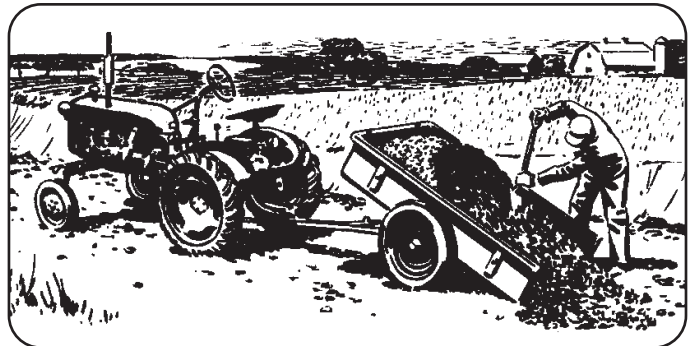
2019 Tractor Show Schedule

Decatur -- Point Mallard	May 25
McCalla -- Tannehill State Park	May 24-25
** Summerdale	June 1
Haleyville	June 1
Hanceville	June 8
Cotaco -- Soggy Bottom	June 15
Gadsden -- Goodyear Plant	June 22
Guntersville	July 20
Bloomsburg, PA Red Power Roundup	June 27-29
Speake	July 27
Sevier, TN -- TN State Show	August 2-3
** Athens -- Piney Chapel	August 3
Jackson, MS -- MS State Show	August 16-17
Lawrenceburg, TN	August 16-17
Russellville -- Watermelon Festival	August 17
Fyffe	August 24
Fairview (Labor Day)	Sept. 2
Eagleville, TN	Sept. 6-7
Town Creek	Sept. 14
Paducah, KY -- KY IH State Show	Sept. 20-21
Inman, Georgia -- IH State Show	Sept. 20-22
Hartselle Depot Days	Sept. 21
Winfield Mule Day	Sept. 28
Eva	Sept. 28
Centre Fall Fest	Oct. 5
St. Florian	Oct. 5
Gadsden -- Noccalula Falls "G" Roundup ...	Oct. 11-12
Cordova -- Jean's On the River	Oct. 12
Falkville Festival	Oct. 12
Shelby -- Iron Works	Oct. 12
Dothan - Landmark Park	Oct. 19
Jasper Heritage Festival	Oct. 19
Wedowee	Oct. 19
** Hartselle -- Southland Flywheelers	Oct. 26
Greenville	Oct. 26
Jasper Veterans Day	Nov. 2
Orrville	Nov. 9
Perry GA, National Antique Ag Show	Nov. 14-16

**** Alabama Chapter 23 Meeting at 11:00 a.m.**

Next Meeting Summerdale Show

11:00 am • June 1, 2019



Serial Numbers for Farmall Cub Tractor – Prefix Letters FCUB

501 to 11347	Built in 1947
11348 to 57830	Built in 1948
57831 to 99535	Built in 1949
99536 to 121453	Built in 1950
121454 to 144454	Built in 1951
144455 to 162283	Built in 1952
162284 to 179411	Built in 1953
179412 to 186440	Built in 1954
186441 to 193657	Built in 1955
193658 to 198230	Built in 1956
198231 to 204388	Built in 1957
204389 to 211440	Built in 1958
211441 to 214973	Built in 1959
214974 to 217381	Built in 1960
217382 to 220037	Built in 1961
220038 to 221382	Built in 1962
221383 to 223452	Built in 1963
223453 to 224703	Built in 1964

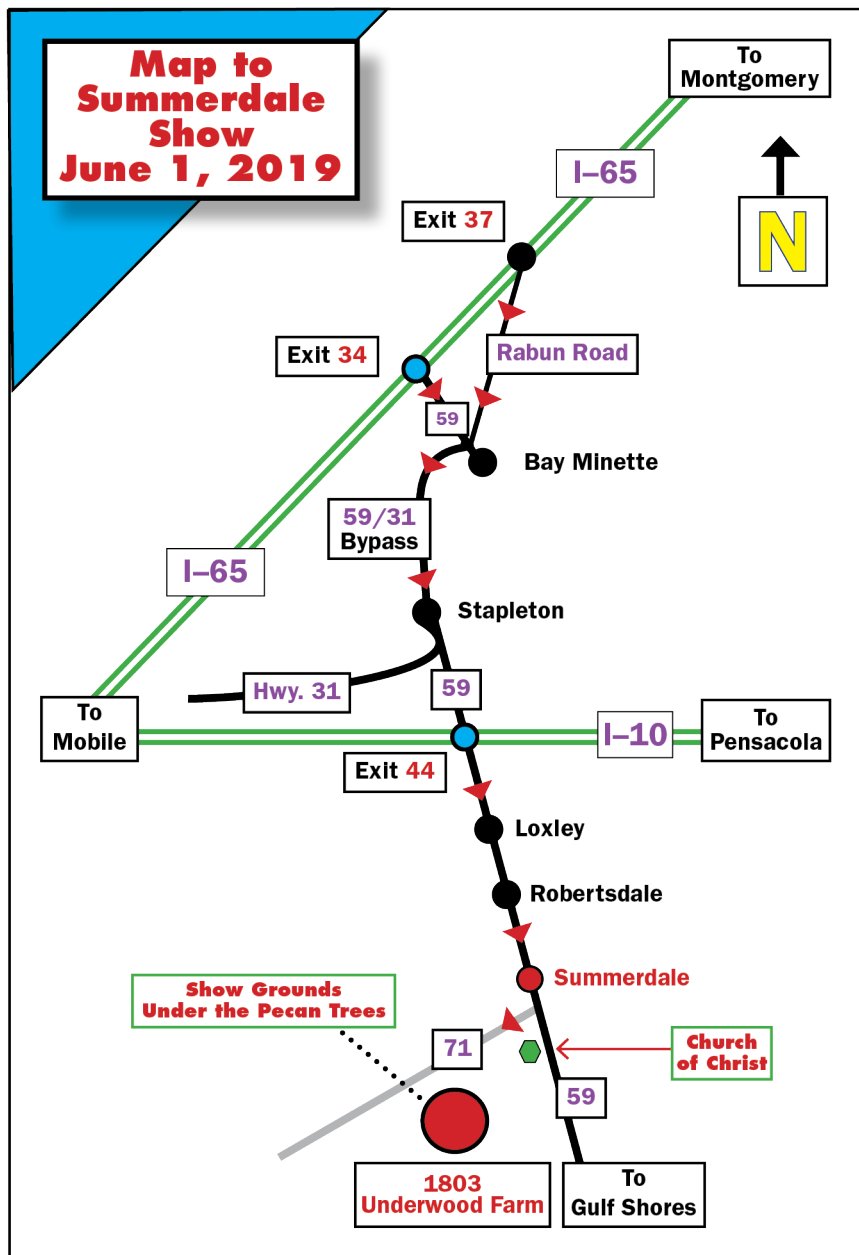
Serial Numbers for Farmall and International Cub Lo-Boy Tractor

501 to 2554	Built in 1955
2555 to 3928	Built in 1956
3929 to 6581	Built in 1957
6582 to 10566	Built in 1958
10567 to 12370	Built in 1959
12371 to 13903	Built in 1960
13904 to 15505	Built in 1961
15506 to 16439	Built in 1962
16440 to 17927	Built in 1963
17928 to 19405	Built in 1964
19406 to 21175	Built in 1965
21176 to 23114	Built in 1966
23115 to 24480	Built in 1967
24481 to 26007	Built in 1968

Serial Numbers for New International Cub Tractor (with increased horsepower)

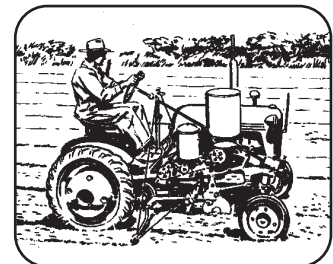
248125 to 248617	Built in 1975
248618 to 250831	Built in 1976
250832 to 252108	Built in 1977
252109 to 253135	Built in 1978
253136 to 253685	Built in 1979

Map to Summerdale Show June 1, 2019



Serial Numbers for International Cub Tractor

224704 to 225109	Built in 1964
225110 to 227208	Built in 1965
227209 to 229224	Built in 1966
229225 to 231004	Built in 1967
231005 to 232980	Built in 1968
232981 to 234867	Built in 1969
234868 to 236826	Built in 1970
236827 to 238505	Built in 1971
238506 to 240580	Built in 1972
240581 to 242745	Built in 1973
242746 to 245650	Built in 1974
245651 to 248124	Built in 1975



Information Source:

***Farmall Cub
& Cub Cadet***

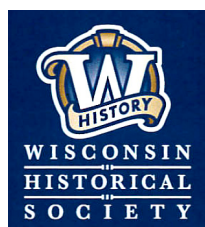
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MBI Publishing Co.
2002



Chapter #23 president Randy Bodine in front of the Library and Archives Division building of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where the Wisconsin Historical Society is based.

Randy and Sally digging through IHC archived materials.

A Visit to the McCormick – IHC Archives



When the 2019 SEC Champion Auburn (Basketball) Tigers locked in a berth in the Final Four tournament (to be played in Minneapolis, MN) that would ultimately decide this year's national champion, Alabama Chapter #23 president Randy Bodine, who lives in Auburn, started

making plans to attend this “once-in-a-lifetime” opportunity for Auburn University sports fans.

Anyone who knows Randy would not be surprised to learn that he was also cooking up a tractor-related component to his trip “up-north”.

Since he knew that the McCormick-IHC Archives is within driving distance of Minneapolis, he decided to fly into Madison, Wisconsin, pay a visit to the Archives for a little research, and then drive a rental car on to

the big round-ball tournament about 200 miles up the road.

Randy had been to the Archives a few years back when the Red Power Round Up was held in Madison, the state capitol, and Chapter #23 has made numerous financial contributions in memory of deceased members to the Wisconsin Historical Society where the Archives are housed and maintained.

The McCormick-IHC Archives employs a full-time archivist, Sally Jacobs, who oversees and makes available to the public the 30,000+ original documents and publications in their holdings that chronicle the history of Cyrus Hall McCormick and the International Harvester Company.

Sally and her staff welcomed Randy and gave him complete access to all the original materials he wanted to see in order to complete his exploration.



Randy Bodine with Sally Jacobs, the McCormick-IHC Archivist



Randy pauses for a moment for a photo with Sally and her assistant, Alec Thicke.



Randy and Sally exploring bound volumes of IHC records.



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A regular exhibitor at Red Power Round Up, no matter where it is held, is Max "Ole Max" Favourite and his rolling tractor toy museum. Max is originally from Indiana but spends most of his time these days in Florida. He is vice-president of FL Chapter #27.

Tractor Toys on Display

These two pages show a feature that was not included in the Red Power Round Up 2018 show book due to limited space. We're including it in this issue of the Alabama Chapter #23 newsletter, *Super A*, to make use of this good material and to also demonstrate to members who have not purchased a show book just what they are missing by not having one.

Show books are still available and can be ordered using the form on this page or you can save \$5 on shipping charges by picking up a copy at one of the three meetings we have left in 2019. Those meetings will be at Summerdale in Baldwin County, Piney Chapel near Athens, and the Southland Flywheelers hosting the Alabama IH State Show just outside of Hartselle in Morgan County (see show schedule on page 4). The show book is well worth the price and is a great souvenir and memento of the big Montgomery, AL national show in 2018.

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Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi IHC members promote the new Mississippi Chapter #44 at the Houston, MS show in April. (Left to Right) Robert Alman (MS), Gary Bell (AL), Conrad Bell (AL), Glen Sanders (AL), Buddy Banks (LA, AL), Guy Nix (MS, AL), Sherman Roberts (AL), Kevin Kennedy (LA), Franklin Jones (AL), Harry Collins (MS), Jess Moore (MS).



Chapter #23 members gather on a cold Saturday in April for the 11:00 am meeting at the Snead Equipment show hosted by director Joe Criswell at his dealership.



Tractor buddies enjoying some Louisiana cuisine during their stay in Franklinton, LA for the 2019 Chapter #31 IH State Show over the first weekend in May.

(Right) Three IHC Chapter presidents at the Louisiana State Show. (L-R) Guy Nix (MS), Randy Bodine (AL), Tim Hill (LA)



(Far Right) An unusual display at the Snead show in April. An International tractor once used by the City of New York Department of Sanitation. The front mounted blade suggests that the tractor might have been a snow plow.





The Alabama Farmers and Consumers Bulletin used an “all-Farmall” background for the front page of their May 2019 issue. There is a strong possibility that the photo was shot inside “Harvester Hall” at the Alabama National Fair in October 2018. Chapter #23 members have brought tractor and ag displays to the fair for the past three years where they are displayed in a special building.



Beth Evans' Cub Lo-Boys looking good at the Flywheelers show.



Farmalls big and small in line at the Louisiana State Show.



In spite of the rainy, cold, and blustery Spring day, some IH tractor owners managed to bring displays to Snead on April 20.

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