



International Harvester Collectors • Chapter #23

ALABAMA

Fall 2014



(Below) Ray Brown (#164) at Jean's on the River with a nice Cub restoration. (Right) Sherman Roberts was awarded the plaque for most tractors brought to the State Show at Eva. He's pictured with 6 Cubs that represent the evolution of the model from the late 1940's to the late 1970's.



(Left) president Randy Bodine presents a book entitled "Red Tractors" to Byron Aycock from Tuscumbia, AL. The book was donated to Chapter #23 for a mini-fundraiser by Octane Press and Byron's name was drawn at the show. (Above) new member Frankie Shaw (#525) with his nice Super C at the Fyffe show in August.

Randy's Ramblings

• President's Letter from Randy Bodine •

I love FALL – Harvest time, the change of color on the trees, lots of tractor shows to attend, and cooler temperatures. If only it could last. Old man winter is around the corner. You better check the anti-freeze in everything. I can't believe I just used the word "winter". That brings to mind "winter tractor projects". Have you had a project on your mind? Now is the time to get started on it and have it ready for the next show season. We have been working on next year's show schedule and it is shaping up to be a good one.

November is dues month for Alabama. Clay Nordan, our secretary/treasurer has been hailed by the national membership secretary as the leader in how the dues collection and reporting system should work. He has done an outstanding job at keeping excellent records and making sure everything gets sent correctly to the national organization. If you haven't already, members who joined prior to June 1, 2014 will be receiving your yearly dues notice with return envelope and a ballot to decide the location of the 2017 Alabama State Show. Please return those to Clay as soon as you can to keep things running smoothly.

Also, continue to invite your friends and neighbors to join Chapter #23. We have membership forms available at each chapter meeting or they can be printed off from our website at www.alabamaihbc.org and sent directly to Clay. We continue to get new members each month, thanks to our great members, and the excitement they have about International Harvester and Chapter #23.

Our State Show at Eva was a wonderful success with lots of tractors and displays. We signed up some new members and got to visit with both old and new friends. We had attendees from at least four states. Thanks to the North Alabama Antique Tractor and Equipment Club and the town of Eva for hosting Alabama IHC Chapter #23.

I also want to thank everyone who participated by bringing tractors and displays. The club and town always extends great hospitality, provides plenty of space to display tractors, as well as ample truck and trailer parking and they even share their tent with us. They set a great example of what it takes to make a successful state show.

I am definitely looking forward to our next meeting (and last official meeting) of the year. It will be at 11:00 a.m. at Orrville on November 8. Orrville, AL is a few miles west of



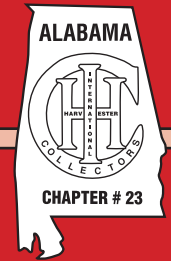
Robert Bodine (#170) watches Matt Bodine (#311) take a turn running Robert's latest project – a 234 IH two row corn picker mounted on an M Farmall.

Selma, Alabama at the old Orrville High School site – 1 block off Hwy 22. The meeting will be held during the West Dallas Antique Tractor Show and you can learn more about this event at www.orrvilletractorshow.com. As always, we will have several special items of business to handle. We will be adding three new directors, setting the dates of the club meetings for next year, and updating the show schedules for the coming year. I hope you will make plans to join us.

Start looking toward our bid to hold the 2018 Red Power Roundup in Montgomery, Alabama. Final details for our trip to Sedalia, Missouri, are still to come, but I hope you have already marked your calendar to attend RPRU 2015 in Sedalia on June 10-13, 2015. We have your transportation and your hotel room already secured, so come go with us.

Together we have accomplished much this past year. We have increased membership, completed a fundraiser to help our chapter be more financially sound, we have established a more organized and informational show calendar and set show dates well into the future which allows for better planning. However, I am even more excited about the possibilities for Alabama Chapter #23 in the next several years. Great things can be accomplished when we all work together. I look forward to seeing you at a show soon!

Randy



Officers

Randy L. Bodine – President
1798 Lauren Lane
Auburn, AL 36830-7562
(334) 887-8867
randy@bodines.com

Ray Best – Vice-President
1319 Heflin Ave.
Birmingham, AL 35214-2921
(205) 798-2972
lbest1319@charter.net

Clay Nordan – Sec/Treas.
2907 Virginia Road
Birmingham, AL 35223-1253
(205) 870-1535
cnordan@me.com

Directors

Joe Criswell '14
P.O. Box 538
Snead, AL 35952-0538
(205) 466-3500
sneadequip@yahoo.com

Hal Hoaglin '14
P.O. Box 429
Cleveland, AL 35049-0429
(205) 706-5569

Sherman Roberts '14
10766 Hwy 78
Jasper, AL 35501-8243
(205) 483-6508
Shermanihc@yahoo.com

Gary Bell '15
58 N. Johnson Chapel Rd.
Danville, AL 35619-6504
(256) 773-4922
(256) 303-9525
gbell4922@charter.net

Brad Bodine '15
2322 Crockett Cr.
Guntersville, AL 35976-7533
(256) 582-8593
farmallone@hotmail.com

Larry Lemmond '15
1358 Community Lane
Hartselle, AL 35640-6804
(256) 773-2692
larrylemmond@aol.com

Roger Heath '16
3448 Creek Circle
Guntersville, AL 35976-2704
(256) 582-4334
idlehour332@gmail.com

Clay Nordan '16
Donnie Wedgworth '16
782 AL Highway 61
Greensboro, AL 36744-5490
(334) 352-1038
donniewedgworth@gmail.com

Advisors

Charles Allen
Conrad Bell
Dwight Vanderford

An Alabama 501 (c)(7)
Non-Profit Corporation

**Minutes of AL Chapter #23
International Harvester Collectors
Directors Meeting at Eva Show &
2014 Alabama IH State Show
11:00 a.m., Sept. 27, 2014**

8 Directors present

Gary Bell
Brad Bodine
Joe Criswell
Roger Heath
Hal Hoaglin
Clay Nordan
Sherman Roberts
Donnie Wedgworth

2 Advisors present

Charles Allen
Conrad Bell

2 Visitors present

Ray Kilgore
Perry Thompson

31 Members present

Sharon Allen
Luvern Adams
Wayne Ashley
Vincent Baham
Ray Best
Faye Bodine
Jessica Bodine
Kasey Bodine
Randy Bodine
Robert Bodine
Edward Bottoms
Carson Cook
Mike Gallahar
Ricky Gregory
Charlie Grimmitt

Rubin Haga
Dean Higgins
Jimmy Hill
Preston Jones
Flora Kilgore
Jimmy Kilgore
Ronnie Lott
Lareus Mayo
Gary Moore
Jerry Rice
Jane Roberts
Tom Summerford
Carey Thompson
Jack Weeks
Roger Whitesides
Chloe Willis

The meeting was called to order by president Randy Bodine and he began the meeting with an invocation. A sign-up sheet was sent around with a request that email addresses also be listed.

The first 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 is currently \$20,403. He reported that our membership currently stands at 274 including 3 new members who joined today. To conclude this report, Randy mentioned that one of today's new members is Jack Weeks, a former IH dealer from Winfield. Randy thanked Jack for coming to Eva and our meeting instead of attending Mule Day in Winfield today. The minutes were approved without objection.

The next agenda item was a reminder that the tractor book fundraiser would be drawn for at the end of today's meeting.

Randy moved on to a summary of future shows and events: The IH Winter Convention will be in Michigan City, Indiana March 5-7, 2015. The 2015 Red Power Roundup will be in Sedalia, MO June 10-13. The Alabama State Show for 2015 will be in Russellville on August 15. The Red Power Roundup for 2016 will be held in Union Grove, WI, June 16-18. The Alabama State IH Show for 2016 will



be held at Piney Chapel near Athens on August 5-6. And to conclude, the Red Power Roundup for 2017 will be in Des Moines, IA June 14-17 of that year.

Randy then reminded everyone that bids for the Alabama State IH Show for 2017 remain open. We currently have bids from Boaz and Moulton. He asked that any shows that have hosted in the last two years or are already scheduled to host in the future wait to submit a new bid.

Bidding will end at the Orrville meeting. A ballot for voting on the 2017 host will be sent to each member with dues notices in November. Members will have until December 31, 2014 to submit their marked ballots along with their dues payments. The winner will be announced at the conclusion of voting.

Randy then reminded everyone of our intentions to submit a bid to the national club to host the 2018 Red Power Roundup at the Garrett Coliseum grounds in Montgomery. The bid will be made next June at the RPRU in Sedalia, MO.

Next on the agenda was the show schedule for 2015. Randy said that the master schedule is being finalized and asked that anyone with an update please mark the change on the sheet he has at the chapter table today. He said that Preston Jones and Sherman Roberts head this committee and that they would find it helpful to know the annual scheduling pattern for each show (1st Saturday of the month, etc.).

The next agenda item was to go around the circle and hear any promotions or announcements for upcoming shows. Plugs were heard for shows at Greenville, Jean's on the River, Falkville, St. Florian, Jasper, Peinhardt, and Hartselle.

When Hartselle was mentioned, Randy made a shout out to Director Larry Lemmond who could not be with us today due to injuries recently suffered in a fall at home.

The next agenda item was the presentation of this year's State Show plaques:

Winner of *Oldest Running Tractor* was Joe Criswell for his 1935 F-12.

Winner of *Oldest Engine* was not awarded because of Larry Lemmond's absence.

Winner of *Tractor Brought the*

Greatest Distance was Donnie Wedgworth who brought his Farmall 656 from Greensboro.

Winner of *Most Tractors Brought to the Show* was Sherman Roberts who had 6 Cubs at today's show.

The meeting came to a conclusion when young Logan Bodine drew the name of Byron Aycock as the winner of the fundraiser tractor book. Byron is a vendor at today's show at Eva.

Randy's final comments were to thank Edward Bottoms (#432) from Concord, GA and Vincent Baham (#401) from Folsom, LA for coming from their home states to Alabama to be with us at today's meeting.

To end the meeting, Preston Jones offered sugar cookies he made with his homemade IH cookie cutter to anyone who wanted one.

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

*Respectfully submitted,
Clay Nordan
Secretary/Treasurer*



Financial Report

Net Assets, Sept. 2014 \$21,090.45

Income

Dues Collected..... 125.00

Interest..... 52.37

Subtotal..... 177.37

Expenses

National Dues Paid 60.00

Newsletter 682.03

Subtotal..... 742.03

Net Assets, Sept. 2014 \$20,525.79

Next Meeting

Orrville Show

Nov. 8

11:00 a.m.

To keep your tractor on the go, this is the place to go.



You'll find it at your IH dealer. He's ready to help you perform routine and seasonal get-ready service yourself with a complete range of parts and accessories, and experienced advice if you need it. And, if more extensive service is required, your dealer is also the man to see. He has knowledgeable, factory trained personnel who can diagnose the problem and get your equipment back on its wheels quickly. If your dealer doesn't have a needed part in his hands today, our computerized parts and delivery system can have it on a plane tonight.



**5th ANNUAL HARVEST OF THE VALLEY
FARM TOY SALE
A.W.TODD COLISEUM
143 College St
MOULTON AL 35650**

**November 7 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
November 8 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

SALE
NEW THIS YEAR!!!
Antiques, Crafts, Household Items, Etc.
10x10 Spaces available at \$10*

TOY VENDORS SET UP FEE \$10 per Table*
Bring Tables – Some Will Be Available
Building will be secured each day

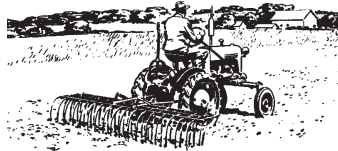


FOR INFORMATION CONTACT
Dwight Vanderford 1-256-974-6960 (Leave a Message)
or 256-565-9563

****Setup available beginning November 7 at 9:00 a.m.**

275 Active Members

**4 new members added
since last newsletter.**



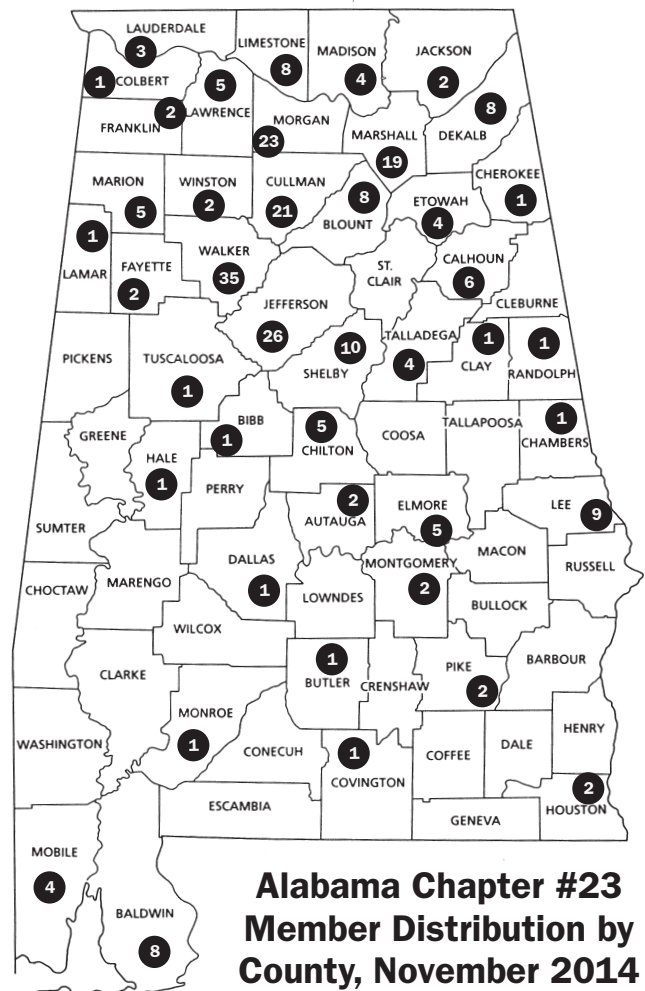
Out of State Members

Florida 2
Georgia 6
Indiana 2
Kentucky 1
Louisiana 7
Mississippi 4
Nebraska 1
Tennessee 2

Deceased Members

Wynell Keeton #5, 2009
Hershel Needham #40, 2007
Lloyd Gilreath #49, 2006
Billy Sparks #51, 2011
J.R. Hamrick #66, 2010
Carey Ayers #68, 2002
James T. Ballard #80, 2013
Jessie German #90, 2002
Don McGough #93, 2006
Bob Banks #136, 2010
A.Q. Maze #144, 2011
James Williams #150, 2005

Bobby Brown #162, 2012
Jack Neal #169, 2009
Waymon Pesnell #175, 2006
Joe Willis #181, 2010
James H. Turner #188, 2013
Lavern Parker #198, 2011
Garland Dodd #261, 2011
Bill Brock #280, 2009
Rudy Cole #336, 2010
Gene Young #389, 2013
Richard Greer #443, 2013



**Alabama Chapter #23
Member Distribution by
County, November 2014**



TALLADEGA TRACTOR COMPANY

Kubota eXmark STIHL®

RONNIE LOTT, President 
205-365-1629 • rlott@talladegainternational.com

What Else Can We Do For YOU?

256-362-6113 • 800-593-6113 • Fax: 256-362-6551
35450 AL Hwy 21 N • Talladega, AL 35160
www.talladegainternational.com



BUSH HOG

CASE IH



MOULTON IMPLEMENT CO., INC.

13511 ALABAMA HWY. 157

P.O. Box 548

MOULTON, ALABAMA 35650

KENT GILLEY

256-974-5021

Paquette's Historical Farmall Museum J Stewart Paquette

Restorer



Collector

www.stewsihstuff.com

stewsstuff@gmail.com

Cell 352-267-4448 Phone 352-728-3588

**FOR PROFESSIONAL RESULTS,
TRUST A SEASONED HAND.**



B&R

TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT

PROFESSIONAL TRACTOR RESTORATION

RAYFORD JOHNSON

HWY. 9 N.
LINEVILLE, AL 36266

1-800-396-0345
256-396-0343

The 13 Annual WEST DALLAS Antique Tractor, Car, Gas Engine & Craft Show



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2014

9:00 to 4:00

At the Old Orrville High School Site- 1 block off Hwy 22

Orrville, Alabama

Sponsored by

The Orrville Volunteer Fire Department

Vintage Tractors ~ Antique and Classic Cars ~ Gas Engines

~ Black Smith ~ Pottery ~ Quilting ~

Pedal Tractor Race ~ Cake Walks ~ Cake Sale

Petting Zoo ~ Music ~ Arts & Crafts ~ Food Vendors

~ Children's Art ~



****Tractor & Car Parade****
****Antique and Classic Cars will be judged****
*****Registration for the car show closes at 10:00*****



Emcee- James "Big Daddy" Lawler



For Information call
Bill Grimes...334-996-8970 - Tractors & Cars
Mark Verhoff...334-875-9545 - Tractors
Huck Morgan...334-225-4684 - Gas Engines
Email - orrvillefire@yahoo.com
Orrvilletractorshow.com



SNEAD EQUIPMENT SALES & SERVICE, INC.

88043 Hwy 278 East
P.O. Box 538
Snead, AL 35952

Ph: 205-466-3500
205-466-7168
Fax: 205-466-7169

www.sneadequip.com
Joe Criswell

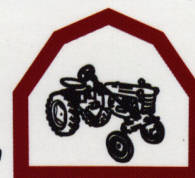
Vermeer

MCCORMICK

NEW IDEA

*Rescuing Cubs of any condition out of the hedgerows and barns,
preserving a piece of our American history*

**Farmall
Cub
Rescue.com**



Jan and Dale Shaw
6808 Hwy 127 N
Crossville, TN 38571

farmallcubrescue@gmail.com
(931) 787-4497
(931) 787-4285

How "HONEST ABE" Got His Name

*According to Chapter #23 Member
Thomas Grzyb*

Editor's note: the following story is a bit of oral history as told by Thomas Grzyb (#212) at the chapter Christmas party in December of 2013. We will leave it to our readers to either believe his story or do the work to find out if it's really true.

"How did Abraham Lincoln get the nickname, 'Honest Abe'? Many years ago when Cyrus McCormick designed and developed the reaper, there was another company who copied the reaper and Cyrus McCormick hired some attorneys – I believe they went to Chicago – and they sued this other company for patent infringement.

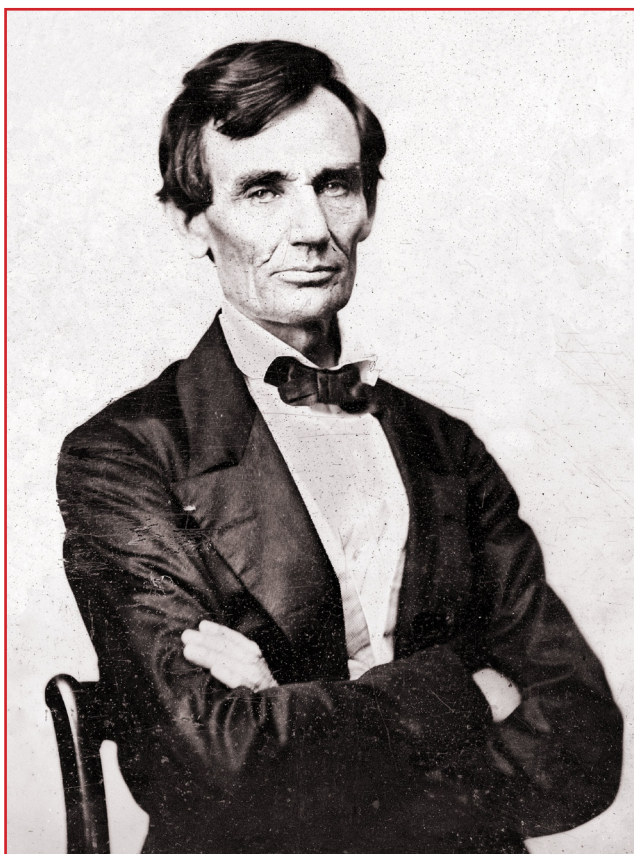
"Cyrus hired Abraham Lincoln as co-attorney for the trial. Obviously, Cyrus won the patent infringement suit, and Abraham Lincoln was never used as an attorney. When Abraham got back to his home he got a check in the mail for \$100 from Cyrus McCormick for his legal advice. Abraham Lincoln mailed the \$100 back to Cyrus

and said, 'I never did any work for you'. Cyrus was a little upset and he mailed it back to Abraham Lincoln and told him, 'no, you were there if I needed you – so don't send me that money back'.

"Thus, the nickname, 'Honest Abe'. I read this story in some kind of International Harvester magazine years and years ago."

When asked about his connection to International Harvester, Thomas Grzyb said that his father had a Farmall A and that's how he got started with IH. They had a black Belgian horse named "King" that they worked in the woods and on their farm in upper Michigan and when King got old and he couldn't farm any more, his dad bought a Farmall A from the local IH dealer.

Also, Thomas said that his uncle was employed at TractorWorks in Chicago and he was employed by International



Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865) was a young lawyer from Illinois. He served one term as a member of Congress and later was elected President of the United States.



Harvester in TractorWorks in California back in the 1960's.

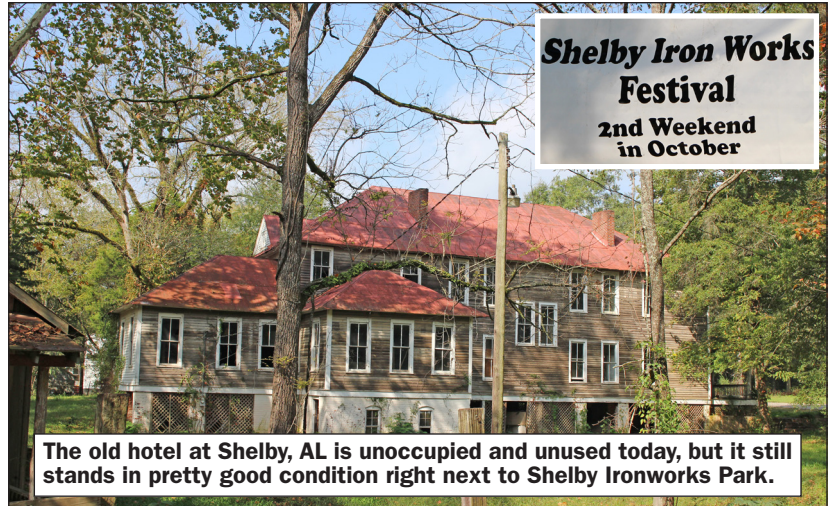
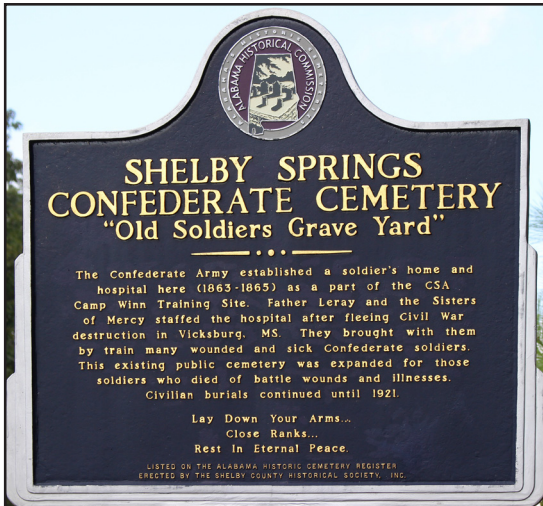
When he worked for IH, Thomas was a machinist on a tractor line in a division where they made crawlers, the TD-25 and TD-30 crawlers. He worked there for three years and then resigned to go to college to get a degree in engineering.

After college, Thomas had a good career in upper management at various manufacturing companies including Ford Motor Co. When he retired he moved to Alabama and has never looked back.

Thomas currently has a Super A that is partially restored that he uses for cutting wood, hauling trees, and that sort of thing.

When asked why he ended up in Alabama he replied, "The temperature, the weather." My late wife was from Natural Bridge, Alabama. I met her in the Chicago area and we were married for 40 years before she passed away. I have been here in Alabama for 20 years and live in the Jasper area.

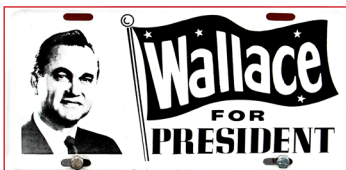
Cyrus Hall McCormick (1809 - 1884), is credited as having invented the mechanical reaper. He was founder of the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company which became part of International Harvester Co. in 1902.



State Show at Eva, September 27, 2014



A cool, overcast day greeted visitors to the Chapter #23 Alabama IH State Show held at Eva Frontier Days in September. Even so, there was a good turnout for this always fun and entertaining event.



(Above) a good looking Farmall F-30 returns from the parade at Eva.
(Right) One of the many vendors at Eva displays a trailer load of implements and tractor parts for sale.

There are many more color photos to view from these recent shows at www.alabamaihc.org under "Tractor Show Photos."



Jimmy and Flora Kilgore (#262 & #398) on their special tricycle Cub.



You don't see too many red AND yellow Cubs.



An immaculate Farmall 1466 at Eva. Looks like they can fry anything these days. A great looking IHC stationary engine at Eva.



Donnie Wedgworth's 656 won the plaque for tractor brought the greatest distance.



Peinhardt Farm day attracts big crowds to the living history farm to see examples of how things were done to raise crops and livestock in the old days. The variety of crafts and ag demonstrations was impressive, and there was also a nice turnout of antique tractors.



Joe Criswell (#357) and his friend Larry Aldredge with Larry's original condition Meadows belt powered grist mill. You'll see Larry and Joe demonstrate old-time corn grinding at shows through out the season. Kids love seeing how grits, cornmeal, and chicken feed used to be made. Until recently, they used a hand-crank Farmall F-12 for power. At Peinhardt, they brought an electric start CASE tractor to make the work a little easier.



A hay raking demonstration at Peinhardt Farm Day in Cullman in October. The rake is raised and lowered with a hand lever and the tractor pulling the rake is a 1926 McCormick Deering 10 – 20 on steel that ran like it was brand new.



Baling hay at Peinhardt using a stationary engine powered baler. The seated men are tying each bale by hand with wire.



Conrad Bell (#366) finishes the parade at Peinhardt on his impressive 1979 International Farmall 140.



Pressing sugar cane at the Greenville, AL show.



A good looking line of tractors at Greenville.



THE AWARDS PALACE

Awards fit for a King or Queen

425 2nd Avenue SW

Cullman, Alabama 35055

256-737-8787

256-737-8796 FAX

Melba Palys

awardspalace@gmail.com

Royal Treatment For Every Customer



We Buy & Sell Used
Farm Equipment



CAMPBELL'S USED PARTS TRACTORS & IMPLEMENTS

4351 Pulaski Highway
Lawrenceburg, TN 38464

JAMES W. CAMPBELL

(931) 762-7185

(931) 242-5211

Little Red Tractor Co. LLC

Parts For Old IH Tractors

Manuals For Most Brands

Phone/Fax: (402) 986-1352

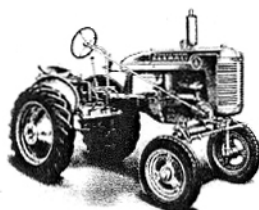
e-mail: glen@littleredtractor.net

www.littleredtractorco.com

Glen Mlnarik

124 Marion Street

Howells, Nebr. 68641



Jean's On The River Restaurant

Open Thursday thru Sunday
11:00 AM to 8:30 PM

Phone:
(205) 483-0024

Phone:
(205) 648-7171

International Harvester Collectors
Chapter #23
2907 Virginia Road
Birmingham, AL 35223