



International Harvester Collectors • Chapter #23

# ALABAMA

Spring 2013

## Show Season is Well Underway

The turnout for our State Show at Snead in April was truly impressive. This photo shows just a part of the large display of tractors and demonstrations. Joe Criswell (#357), owner of Snead Equipment, put on an event to remember.



(L-R) Wiley Johnson (#295) and Gene Jones (#297) at the Elmore show in May.



Chapter #23 members and friends with the fundraiser Cub at the Louisiana state show in May. (L-R) Buddy Banks, Hope Banks, Preston Jones, Wade Cook, Stanley Jones, Kaleb Goodwin, Gary Couey, Kim Couey, Gary Bell, Sherman Roberts, Conrad Bell, Ray Best, Dawson Lindsey, Randy Bodine, Jana Bodine, Jane Roberts.



# Randy's Ramblings

• President's Letter from Randy Bodine •

I hope this newsletter finds that most of you have had a pretty good winter this spring. Yes, it seemed more like winter than spring, but guess what—summer and the heat & humidity have arrived! We have dodged rain at so many shows. It has rained the day before, the morning of, and late in the afternoon, but so far, most of the shows have gone on without a hitch.

Farm Day at the Birmingham Zoo on April 6 was a great success. There were more than 5,700 visitors that day and this looks to be a great venue for future shows. Our first chapter meeting of the year and our State Show was held at the Snead CASE/IH dealership in Snead, Alabama. Thanks to Joe Criswell and his crew for all their hard work in hosting this event. There was a great crowd and we had visitors from at least six states looking at the wonderful display of tractors and engines!

Please remember that our next chapter meeting will be June 8, 2013 at 11:00 am in Hanceville, Alabama on the campus of Wallace State Community College. Cubs and Cub Cadets will be the featured tractors at this show, but all models are certainly welcome. We will have two more chapter meetings after Hanceville – one at Piney Chapel on August 3 and the final chapter meeting of the year will be at Eva on September 23.

After the Snead Show, we had an opportunity to visit the Houston, Mississippi Show and the Louisiana State Show. There were several Alabama Chapter #23 members at the Mississippi show and a really nice turnout of Alabama members at the Louisiana State Show. Many members of the Louisiana Chapter also came to our State Show at Snead. It is great to see chapters working together closely to build strong organizations.

The Red Power Roundup is June 19-22 in Lima, OH. This event gets bigger every year and is a great way to meet IH collectors and tractor enthusiasts from all over the country!

Our fundraiser Cub has been traveling the show circuit and we are constantly working to improve ticket sales. Many of you returned your ticket money and stubs soon after you received your tickets in the mail. For those of you who did so, THANK YOU! We really appreciate you supporting our fundraising efforts either by purchasing them yourself or selling them to someone else. However, several of you stuck your tickets back and said you would "take care of them soon". Now is the time to go locate your tickets! If this fundraiser is to be successful, we need every chapter member to participate.



Jane Roberts (#3) collects donations for the fundraiser Cub at the Houston, MS show.

You can bring the money and stubs with you to the Hanceville show and turn them in. If you have already sold your tickets but would like to purchase more), please let us know. We will have tickets available for you to pick up at all the shows. We are counting on this single fundraiser to provide us with the finances we need to get us through the next several years.

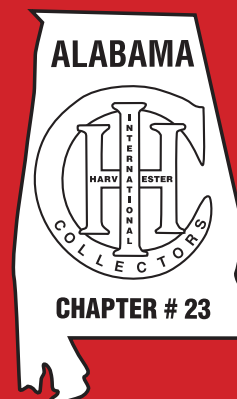
Please put on your calendar that our Chapter #23 Christmas party will be at Bodine Farms, in Guntersville, Alabama, on December 14. We will give the fundraiser tractor away at that time. We will get together at lunchtime so that everyone has time to drive in, have lunch, visit, look at some "rusty iron" and get back home before too late. More details to come later. What fun it would be for the winner to be with us and what a great Christmas present it is going to make for someone!

Keep your show schedules handy and plan to attend as many tractor shows as possible. Your support keeps these shows going each year. Hope to see you along the way!

Happy Tractoring!

*Randy*

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**Minutes of AL Chapter #23  
International Harvester Collectors  
Directors Meeting at  
Snead Equipment Show  
11:00 a.m., April 20, 2013**

8 Directors present

Charles Allen  
Conrad Bell  
Gary Bell  
Brad Bodine  
Joe Criswell  
Hal Hoaglin  
Larry Lemmond  
Sherman Roberts

7 Visitors present

Kim Couey  
Ray Kilgore  
Leon Jones  
Lucy Davis  
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Dawson Lindsey

3 Advisors present

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52 Members present

Larry Allen	Fred Hamby
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Mary Haga	Leonard Summerford
Rubin Haga	Donnie Wedgeworth

The meeting was called to order by president Randy Bodine and he began the meeting with an invocation.

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 \$4128.65. He reported that our membership currently stands at 254 with the addition of three new members today.

Randy asked for approval of the minutes as shown in the last newsletter. There was a motion, second, and approval without objection.

Before getting into the agenda, Randy asked Joe Criswell to say a few words of welcome to today's show. Joe said that he appreciates everyone coming today and that he likes the looks of all the tractors brought to

the show grounds. He said that he is already planning for next year's show and hopes that everyone here today will come back in 2014.

Randy's first agenda item was an update on the chapter fundraiser. He said that it is going very well and reminded everyone to step inside the dealership today to have a look at the 1948 Farmall Cub that will be given away in December. He said that anyone who has money for the fundraiser can turn it in today. He said that the Cub will go all around the state during the show season this year and then the drawing will be held in December at Bodine Farms at our Christmas party. He said that in addition to serving lunch at the party, tours will be available of the Bodine's IH collection. Randy asked that anyone not interested in selling or buying their tickets to return their allotment so that they can be passed on to someone else.

The next agenda item was a report on Chapter #23's participation in the Birmingham Zoo's annual Farm Day on April, 6, 2013. Randy said that 5712 visitors passed by the chapter displays on the zoo grounds and that it was a great educational opportunity for our chapter to provide urban and suburban children hands-on exposure to Alabama's agricultural heritage.

The next agenda item was a reminder about the Red Power Roundup in Lima, OH, June 19-22, 2013.

Randy then offered a summary of our state show hosts for the next couple of years. Eva will be the host in 2014 and Russellville will host in 2015. Bids for the 2016 state show host are now open and will be accepted as the season progresses. Bids will close following our final meeting of the year at Eva in September. If there is more than one bid, we will hold a vote to choose the winner in conjunction with 2014 dues collection mailings.

Randy then reminded everyone that our next meeting will be at Hanceville on June 8. Remaining meetings will be at Piney Chapel on Aug. 3 and Eva on Sept. 28.

With no additional business to discuss, Randy made presentations of 2013 State Show awards. The winner of Oldest Running Tractor went to Joe Mims. The award for tractor brought the farthest distance went to Bob DeHoff, who came from Canton, GA. which is north of Atlanta and just east of Rome. The award for most tractors brought to the show went to Joe Criswell. Larry Lemmond swept the two awards for engines, the Oldest IH Engine and Engine Brought the Farthest Distance.

The meeting ended with Randy going around the circle and asking anyone

wanting to promote a show to do so. The shows mentioned were Weaver on Sept. 28, the Louisiana State Show on May 3-4, Fyffe on August 24, Point Mallard on May 25th, Hanceville on June 8, Elmore on May 18 and Piney Chapel on August 3. Everyone was encouraged to attend these fine shows.

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

*Respectfully submitted,  
Clay Nordan  
Secretary/Treasurer*

## Financial Report

**Net Assets, March 2013..... \$4703.94**

**Income**

**Dues Collected..... 375.00**

**Caps, T-Shirts, etc. .... 272.00**

**Interest..... 12.61**

**Subtotal..... 659.61**

**Expenses**

**Newsletter..... 602.90**

**National Dues Paid..... 225.00**

**State Show Plaques ..... 71.94**

**Subtotal..... 899.84**

**Net Assets, June 2013 ..... \$4463.71**

## *Thank You!*

Dear Mr. Bodine:

I wanted to make sure that you and your club are aware of the great success that was Farm Day 2013 at the Birmingham Zoo last Saturday. The total number of visitors was 5,712. I am so thankful to all those with displays and who assisted in any way. Without you and the tractors the event would not have been as successful.

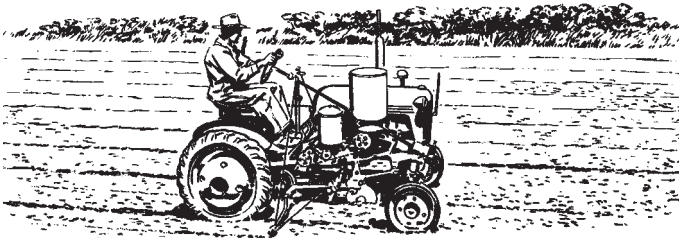
So many of our zoo staff have mentioned many times since Saturday about how great things were for Farm Day and how much they learned from your members' displays and knowledge.

Thank you again and I look forward to working with you for many years down the road to make this event better.

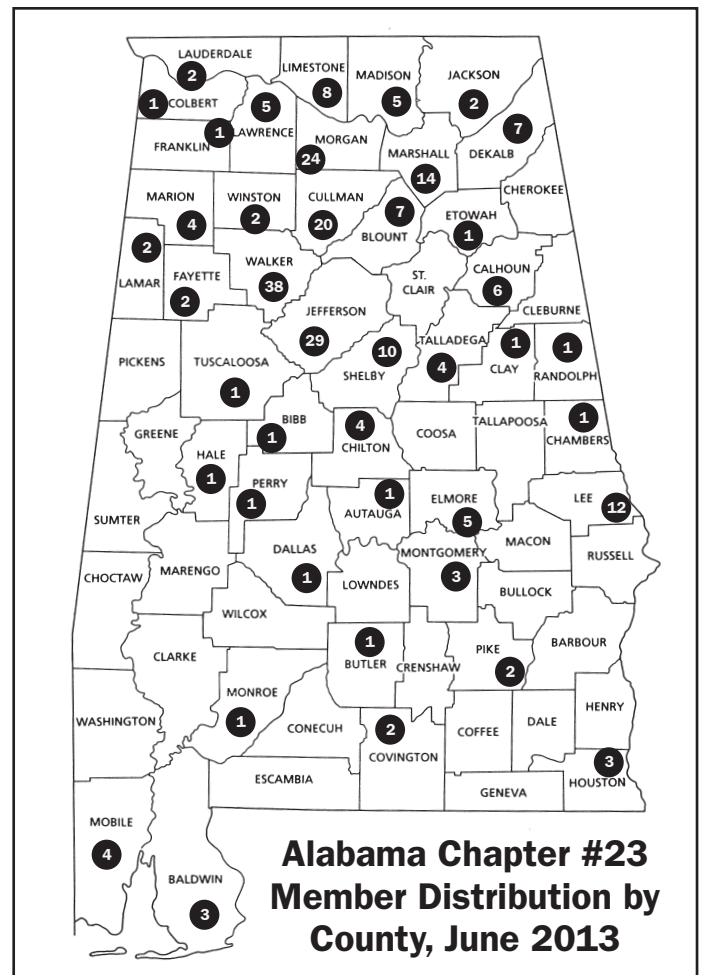
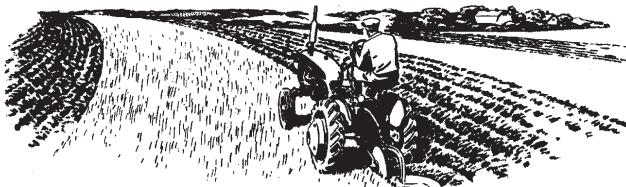
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Children's Zoo and Alabama Wilds  
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June 8 • 11:00 a.m.**





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## 1948 Farmall Cub!

Chapter #23 Fundraiser

\$5 Donation per Ticket

Tractor to be given away  
December 2013 at  
Chapter #23  
Christmas Party

Ticket holder does not  
have to be present



Tickets available at tractor shows  
throughout 2013 show season, or  
contact Randy Bodine or Clay Nordan



## 2013 Tractor Show Schedule

\*\*Hanceville ..... June 8  
Moulton Tractor Supply ..... June 15  
Soggy Bottom ..... June 15  
Lima, Ohio Red Power Roundup ..... June 19-22  
Fayetteville, TN ..... June 22  
Gadsden Goodyear Plant ..... June 29  
Tannehill State Park ..... July 13  
Speake ..... July 13  
Boaz ..... July 20  
\*\*Piney Chapel ..... August 2, 3  
Russellville ..... August 17  
Lawrenceburg, TN ..... August 16, 17  
Fyffe ..... August 24  
Wedowee ..... August 24  
Eagleville, TN (26th Show) ..... Sept. 6, 7  
Leesburg Day ..... Sept. 7  
Inman, GA IH State Show ..... Sept. 13, 14  
Hartselle Depot Days ..... Sept. 14

Winfield Mule Day ..... Sept. 28  
\*\*Eva ..... Sept. 28  
Centre Fall Fest ..... Oct. 5  
St. Florian (Old Brooks High School) ..... Oct. 5  
Southland Flywheelers Farm ..... Oct. 5  
Waverly, TN State Show ..... Oct. 4, 5  
Noccalula Falls G Roundup ..... Oct. 11, 12  
Jean's On the River ..... Oct. 12  
Shelby Iron Works ..... Oct. 12  
Jasper Heritage Festival ..... Oct. 19  
Peinhardt Farm Days ..... Oct. 26  
Morgantown, KY State Show ..... Oct. 25, 26  
Dothan ..... Oct. 26  
Falkville Festival ..... Oct. 12  
Greenville, AL ..... Oct. 26  
Jasper Veterans Day ..... Nov. 9  
Orrville ..... Nov. 9

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





Joe Mims (#324) with his McCormick Deering restorations at the Montevallo FFA show in March.



Bill Hare (#48) in the parade at Montevallo.



Mike Gallahar (#434) driving his '41 Farmall A at Montevallo.



In Memory of "Pappy"



Donnie Wedgeworth (#444) from Greensboro on his Farmall H in the 2013 Montevallo FFA parade.



Larry Lemmond (#25) demonstrates for a young Farm Day visitor how to saw up stove wood using a bandsaw powered by an IH stationary engine.



The animated dinosaur trail is a favorite attraction for visitors to the Birmingham Zoo.



Mom had a lot of trouble getting these two young tractor enthusiasts off Buck Phillips' '55 Farmall 100 at Farm Day.





It's all two trains can do to keep up with the demand for rides from visitors to the Birmingham Zoo.



Jane Roberts (#3) shows this young family how a manual IH corn sheller was used in the old days to remove kernels from the cob.



Alan (#476) Eisenberg's '53 Cub was a favorite for pretend driving at the Zoo.



Farm animals were a big attraction for visitors to Farm Day.



Randy Bodine said that he wishes he had a nickel for every picture that was shot of a kid on a tractor at Farm Day.



These Farm Day visitors make themselves to home on Joe Mims' McCormick-Deering 10-20.





## 2013 State Show at Snead



Jane Roberts and Lucy Davis share a blanket waiting for the chapter meeting to start on a cool Saturday morning in April.



The red and white stripe tent is always the focal point of chapter activities at our annual state show.



A partial view of the more than 50 members and directors who were present for the meeting at Snead.



Randy Bodine presents Bob DeHoff (#465) the award for the tractor brought the farthest distance to the state show. Bob is from Canton, GA and also is a member of the Georgia chapter.





A good look at the fine display of IH and other brands of tractors at Snead in April.



New member Alan Eisenberg (#476) of Montevallo brought his 1953 Farmall Cub to Snead. It is rigged with a lift for the scooter that Alan used to get around the show grounds.



Larry Alldredge had his gristmill, powered by Joe Criswell's F-12, set up grinding grits. He and his wife prepared traditional country dishes on the wood stove they brought to the show.



Jimmy and Flora Kilgore on a work in progress. The tractor is a custom tricycle style Cub set up for two seats.





**Chapter #23 visitors to the Louisiana State Show in May enjoy some of the good food that the state is known for.**



**Some of the IH tractors on display at the LA State Show in Franklinton, LA on May 4.**



**This rare IH model 274 diesel was on display at the Louisiana show. This tractor was International's last effort at an "offset" tractor and replaced the "Cultivision" model 140. They were manufactured and imported from Japan.**

(Information source: International Harvester Farm Equipment Product History 1831-1985 by Ralph Baumheckel & Kent Borghoff.)



**This IH model 244 was part of IH's effort to break into the "small tractor" market in the early 1980's. This tractor has 18 hp and a 3 cylinder diesel engine. IH partnered with the Mitsubishi company in Japan for the model 254, 244, and 234.**



**A good looking Farmall 300 LP Gas on display at the Houston, Mississippi show in May.**



**A John Blue cotton duster attached to a tractor at Houston, MS. The apparatus was manufactured in Huntsville, Alabama.**





Visitors to the Houston, Mississippi show had a shady, park-like setting for enjoying the pleasant weather and tractor events.



Sherman (#2) Roberts' collection of IH shellers at Elmore.



Donnie Wedgeworth with his display at Elmore.



Jane Roberts, Joe Criswell, Matt Bodine, and Sherman Roberts work to attract attention to the fundraiser Cub at Elmore.



Some of Gene Jones' pedal tractors at Elmore.



Farmall powered grist mill at the Elmore show. (Right) Joe Mims shows off the special plaque he was awarded at our state show at Elmore in 2012 for his 9 hand crank tractors.







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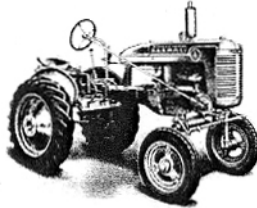
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