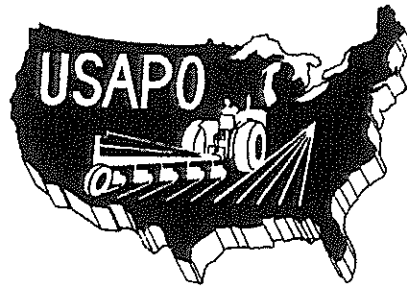


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NEWSLETTER JULY 2010

The 2010 National Plowing matches will be held at Williams Grove, PA in conjunction with the **Williams Grove Historical Steam Engine Assn.** on Wed. Sept. 1st, Thurs. Sept. 2nd, and Fri. Sept. 3rd. The site is located about 10 miles southwest of Harrisburg, PA.

Rooms have been reserved at the following motel:

Sleep Inn Motel
Ph. # 717-249-8863

Cost of rooms \$69.00 plus tax. **Room reservations must be made by Aug. 1st.** When making your reservations tell them you are with the USA National Plowing Matches. For those wanting to camp I'm told camping is available at the site.

The Plowmen's Banquet will be Thursday evening, Sept. 2nd, 7:00 PM north of the plow site. The meal will be family style with turkey and beef plus all the trimmings. Cost of the meal will be \$15.00 and you must call Jay Stoner at 717-579-1777 or 717-697-5473. **Get your reservation per person in before August 26th if you plan to attend.** No reservation, no meal.

The PA State Plowing Organization will be selling the IH 450 diesel western standard model tractor as a money maker for their club. There will be a limited number of them so if you are interested in owning one call Bob Miller at 717-692-2443.

Following are the time and date of events:

Wednesday Sept. 1st: 10am Penn. State Small Plow
1pm Penn. State Open Class
National practice all day

Thursday Sept. 2nd. Penn State Antique and reversible classes
National practice
7pm Plowmen's Banquet

Friday Sept. 3rd. 9:00am Open Class
Antique Class
12:30pm Small plow
Reversible Class

Presentation of awards as soon as possible after last contest.

For all those interested in antiques and antique machinery there will be a very large auction Saturday Sept. 4th at 8:00am on the site next to the plowing area.

Directions to motel: Take PA turnpike 76 to Interstate 81 turn south on 81 and go to exit 47 which is route 34. Go south about a half block and Sleep Inn is located right behind the Cracker Barrel.

Direction to Plow Site: Leave motel and get back on interstate 81 north to exit 48 which will be Rte 74 or York road and go southeast about 8 or 10 miles to Williams Grove road. Turn left (north) and go about ½ mile to entrance of Williams Grove show grounds on your left.

Direction to Banquet: Leave plow site and head north on Williams Grove Rd about 5 miles to Mechanicsburg. Turn left on York Street and go 3 blocks to Citizens Fire Co. fire hall

Jay Stoner will be the person in charge of locating equipment for those that may need a tractor or plow . Contact Jay as soon as possible if you need either at 717-579-1777 or 717-697-5473.

Each state director will need to have at least two (2) judges, also anyone planning on plowing in the National matches please get your name into your state director so he can get it to the sec.treas. by August 23rd . If you want to plow and don't have a state director just call me at 419-203-2093 and I will get you name entered.

The 57th World Ploughing Contest was held April 15th- 18th at Methven, New Zealand with 30 countries represented. The USA had a very nice group attending this year with 20 people, if I counted correctly. Gene Gruber, small plow contestant and wife Eva and two daughters. Roger Fourman, reversible plow contestant and wife Leslie. Kevin Albrecht

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coach. Mike Rhoades, coach and wife Linda. Dick Pedersen, WPO board member and wife Marilyn. Roger Neate, judge and wife Pat. Werner Gruber, wife Marilyn and granddaughter Emily. Charlie Heimes and wife Deb. Jim Goettmoeller and wife Carol. New Zealand is a beautiful country and the NZ ploughing committee did an outstanding job of organizing the show. I'm sure that all of us that attended can say that it was a very memorable event. Gene's plowing was outstanding both days and he finished in 9th place overall. Roger had his problems with the plowing, but made two very nice finishes that put him in 28th place overall. Thanks to Kevin (small plow coach) and Mike Rhoades (reversible plow coach) for all their outstanding work.

The results of the 57th World Contest are;

Conventional Class

1st Bruce Redmond, New Zealand
2nd Andrew Mitichell, Jr., Scotland
3rd Samuel Gill, North Ireland
9th Gene Gruber, USA

Reversible Class

1st Fabien Landre, France
2nd Thomas Cochrane, Northern Ireland
3rd Paul Henson, New Zealand
28th Roger Fourman, USA

The 58th World Ploughing Competition will be held May 13th-14th, 2011 near the town of Vadstena, Sweden. The winners of this year's National contest will only have 8 months to prepare for Sweden.

Wilfred A. (Willie) Marthaler passed away March 17th, 2010. He was a member of the Stearns County Plowmen, Minnesota State Plowing Association and USA Plowing Organization. He will be missed by family, friends and fellow plowmen.

There are about 150 members in the organization and 25 still owe for 2009 and 100 owe for 2010. The treasury has about \$3000.00 in it now, but if all dues were current the balance would be \$5500.00. **Please support your organization and pay your dues now!!!!!!** On the last page above the membership form, the years will be circled in red that owed as of now. If you think I'm incorrect please give a call at 419-203-0293 and we will get it corrected.

Respectfully submitted by

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