MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

With our MATC year coming to a close, I would like to say “thank you” to the members of our club for all your support. I have learned a lot this past year, but more importantly, I made some very good friends and had some great laughs. MATC is a work in progress, and it takes us all working together to get it done. Please keep this in mind as our club transitions to new people stepping up into officer positions, the continued work on the land, and meeting new safety requirements. We are in it for the fun and a positive outlook will take us where we need to be. Please feel free to contact me with your ideas on keeping our club moving in the right direction. Enjoy the upcoming holiday season with your family and friends while the old tractor is snugged away for the winter. —Pam

Highlights of the November Meeting

The meeting was held at Joe & Irene Landry’s home in Lewiston with President Pam Vaillancourt presiding. A note was read from the Monmouth Museum thanking us for the loan of the barrel train for the 2015 AppleFest. A letter was read from KVCC for our $5,563.50 Eben Quimby Memorial Contribution. The money will be used for the Alford Campus orchard and brick oven shelter. The tractor and lawn & garden tractor pulling committees will meet Wednesday, December 9 at the clubhouse - 3:00pm. One of the topics for discussion will be any rule changes that need to be made. Five more trusses have been bought. Wesley Jordan will draw up the plans for the pulling arena. The Fall Fun Day was a success. The income for the day was $1,137.32. This doesn’t include the cost of 2 porta potty rentals. Three bags of canned goods were donated to the local food pantry. Starting in February, the land & building and festival committees will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Having a car-truck show on our land was discussed. It was voted to check into this further for more details. It was voted to reimburse Harry Higgins for the 2014 & 2015 entry fees for the Bath 4th-of-July parades. From now on, if an entry fee is required, it must be approved by the president. We also need a receipt after the payment. We have the permit for the Angel Building. Now we have a year to find a permanent location and use for it. The rest of the dolls and stuffed animals were donated to charity. The Maine Agricultural Trades Show will be January 12, 13, & 14, 2016. It was voted to rent one space for $225. The locations of our 2016 meetings were discussed. If you would like to host a meeting, let President Pam Vaillancourt know. Officers nominated for 2016 were:

- President - Pam Vaillancourt
- Vice President - Matthew Hunter
- Secretary - Emily Folsom
- Treasurer - Evelyn Twist
- Board of Director - Robert Hamlin

Nominations will also be taken at the December meeting. $62.50 was donated to the Land & Building Fund. Several members won door prizes.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Respectfully submitted by Harriet Spencer, Secretary

NEXT MEETING:
Sunday, December 13, 2015
Jeff’s Catering — East/West Industrial Park, 15 Littlefield Way, Brewer, ME — 800-980-9222
Social Hour – 12:00 pm, Buffet – 1:00 pm, Meeting & Election – 2:00 pm

Treasurer’s Report
(as of 10/31/2015)

Balance in Checking...............................$13,286.85
Balance in Savings ....................................$7,967.69
Balance in CD’s ........................................$10,306.92
Total Balance in Bank ...............................$31,561.46
Balance on loan .......................................... $18,406.01

Submitted by Terry V. Spencer, Treasurer

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The December Meeting and Banquet will be held at Jeff’s Catering in Brewer on Sunday, December 13, 2015.

**Highlights of the Banquet are:** Social time from 12:30 PM, buffet meal begins at 1 PM with a salad, chicken, fish and pork, vegetables, rolls along with other food items and desserts. Price is $20 per person. The meeting begins at 2 PM and the election of officers, following the meeting are the presentations of awards and an auction. Make checks out to Jeff’s Catering and pay the day of the banquet. It would be helpful to have a people count so if you plan to attend, it would be appreciated if you would contact Jay Fowler @ 667-5147 with your name and how many in your party planning to attend. But feel free to attend even if you have not contacted Jay. Thanks to Jay for scheduling this banquet for us and to Jeff at Jeff’s Catering for serving us such good food and providing a great place for us to go to.

**Directions to Jeff’s Catering:** East West Industrial Park, 15 Littlefield Way, Brewer, ME.

From I-95 North or South, take Exit 182-A onto 395 East. Travel to Exit #5 (Parkway South) and turn left at end of exit. Go 1/10 of a mile over railroad tracks and take the very next right into the East West Industrial Park (Robertson Blvd). Jeff’s Catering is about 200 yards on the left.

From Ellsworth, take 395. Travel to Exit #5, then follow the above directions.

*For more information, visit www.jeffscatering.com.*

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**NOTE:** The question was asked at the November MATC Meeting if a Member of EDGETA drives a tractor in a parade, are they covered by insurance? The answer is yes. See the below article from the EDGETA website. I would recommend that all members of EDGETA take a look at their website at edgeta.com, as there is a lot of excellent information available.

**#20 Question:** When EDGETA Members go to a non-sponsored event, do they have EDGETA Insurance Coverage?

**Answer:** Yes, they have coverage by the EDGETA Insurance. Members are afforded insurance anywhere they go provided they follow EDGETA Safety requirements. Members should take their yellow membership cards with them to be able to show proof of insurance.

(Last updated 02/25/2015, http://edgeta.com/)

Submitted by Dale Fairbanks, Safety Officer

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**MATC thanks you...**

Terry and Harriet Spencer have been members and involved in all aspects of MATC since the very first meeting in 1994. The amount of work, time and energy they have dedicated to our club is immeasurable. It is time now for both to spend more time with their family, relaxing and camping.

*We thank you and appreciate you for all that you have done and we know you will continue to be active with many events.*

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**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

What a surprise! At this meeting there was a banner hanging on the wall. It read “Thank you, Terry and Harriet, for your years of service. Maine Antique Tractor Club.” Thank you, Pam, for making the banner. After lunch, we were presented with a delicious decorated cake. Terry says I can have the fence, horses, and men. The tractors are his. Thank you, Marie, for making and decorating the cake. We were also presented a gift, a beautiful tractor quilt. Thank you, Rita, for making the quilt. This was our special day. We’re retiring from being secretary & treasurer, not from the club. We cherish all the friends and memories we have made over the years and look forward to making more.

MANY THANKS AGAIN!

—Terry & Harriet
L&G FARM TRACTOR PULL RESULTS – POINTS PULL AT THE LAND
OCTOBER 10, 2015

YOUTH 750 CLASS
1. Drake Knox  Wheel horse  74.9ft
2. Austin Dillingham  Wheel Horse  73.3ft

MEN 900 CLASS
1. Josiah Dillingham  Wheel Horse  52.8ft
2. Mike Rivard  Wheel Horse  51.9ft
3. Bob Hamlin  John Deere 110  45.9ft
4. Bob Hamlin  Wheel Horse  49.8ft
5. Mel Nickerson  Wheel Horse  48.7ft
6. Josiah Dillingham  Massey Ferguson  47.5ft

MEN 1100 CLASS
1. Armand Paradis 75 Roper  74.5ft
2. Mike Rivard  Wheel Horse  64.11ft
3. Bob Hamlin  John Deere 110  55ft
4. Bob Hamlin  Wheel Horse  49.8ft
5. Mel Nickerson  Wheel Horse  48.7ft
6. Josiah Dillingham  Massey Ferguson  47.5ft

MEN 1500 12in WHEELS CLASS
1. Armand Paradis 73 Sears  99.9ft
2. Josiah Dillingham 75 Roper  92.3ft
3. Armand Paradis 75 Roper  67.4ft
4. Bob Hamlin  Wheel Horse  46.6ft

MEN 1500 16in WHEELS CLASS
1. Bob Clark  Power King  135.10ft
2. Mel Nickerson  Power King  113.11ft
3. Mike Rivard  Power King  107ft
4. Armand Paradis 73 Sears  91.10ft
5. Josiah Dillingham  Power King  90.10ft

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO SHOWED UP TO THE PULL

FALL FUN DAY REPORT

Our Fall Fun Day was a successful event even with the cool weather and lower than expect number of guests. A big thank you to Skip Woodworth, John Hilton, and Bob Clark for all the grounds work leading up to this event The Lawn & Garden Tractors and Doodlebugs started off the day with pulling followed by the big tractors. Another great pulling event lead by Mike Rivard and Bob Hamlin, and those who helped make this pull happen, thank you all. Thank you Arthur Child and John Blaisdell for helping to smooth out the pulling track. Thank you to Keith Malancon for doing the announcing. The pumpkins catapult was fun to watch as well as the kids riding in the barrel train. Congratulations to Dory Clark for her pumpkin that was catapulted through the air the furthest. To Tommy Krebs and Krebs Organic Farm in Starks for loaning our club the catapult. Thank you to club members Chuck and Sherri Dews and Moores Vegetable stand in Madison for the donation of pumpkins used for the contest and decorating the grounds Thank you to Bob Gilcott and Bob Grandville for taking good care of the kids while they enjoyed their ride on the barrel train. The pie contest had 7 pies entered in two categories, “apple” and “other”, with the winners being Donna Clark and Austin Dillingham. Barbara Jordan did an exceptional job hosting this contest and we thank her immensely. Thank you to the judges, Gloria Elkholm and Donna Nickerson for their help. Eunice Michaud kept our club house hopping with free hot coffee, donuts, popcorn, and selling club t-shirts, hats, and jackets. A big hug and thank you goes out to her. Deb Rivard opened up the Angel building for a flea market which netted the club a bit more profit from the donated items from Leon Barton and Betty Kensington. Thank you to these people for their continued efforts with these items. The kids pedal tractor pull was fun to watch and thank you to Gary Clark for making this happen. Thank you to Harriet Clark and Joyce Nelson for selling raffle tickets for the tractor raffle. Thank you to Crazy Spuds for serving up some good food and their donation to our club of $40.00, and to the two crafters who showed up, despite the cold start to the day, to sell their items and for their donations to the auction, and to Firehouse Bakery for their donation of $20.00. Our club made a profit of $912.00, which was mostly due to the auction. Thank you Leon Berton for being the auctioneer and Barbara Jordan and Tatum Jordan for keeping track of the donations and money. We thank all those who supported our Fall Fun Day!
Plow Day
at Gorham, Maine