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President's Letter by Gary Covert

Seems like this has been a hotter than usual summer and definitely the driest we have had in a long time. There were a couple of shows earlier this summer, a tractor ride, and there will be two more shows coming up this fall. See the events section in the newsletter for more details. Our past-president, Jim Mager fell and broke his hip, and has been in rehab since then and will be for at least a couple of more weeks. When he is discharged on Sept. 12th, he will be leaving to go to Texas to be near his daughter. Jim felt it was time to be near one of his kids and take up residence in a facility that will meet his needs. Jim has donated his 1946 LA John Deere tractor to the Arizona Flywheelers. It has a flat head John Deere engine with new tires that have very little wear. The Flywheelers club really appreciates his donation and the many years he served as our club president. We all realize that when the time comes these health decisions have to be made., and he will be missed. Jim Mager's positive attitude has been an inspiration to the club members and leaders.

TELL TALES, Watson Lake Show, as usual was a great success. There was a good turn out of engines, old cars and trucks, plus other displays of old iron. Saturday we had a great many spectators which is the makings for a good show. About 2 o'clock a rain storm developed, luckily no wind and or close lightning. Of course people without coats and good shelter got wet but it didn't seem to cause any harm. I know this first hand. Sunday there were fewer spectators but we could relax and continue telling tale tales and talk about various events we have experienced since the last show. Gary Covert

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Meeting Schedule October 2, 2019 November 6, 2019 December 4, 2019

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Slide Rock Fall Festival October 5, 29th
- V. V. Festival , Cottonwood, Oct. 26, 2019
- Christmas Party December 8, 2019

WHAT IS IT ?

Company: Enterprise Machine Co., Busy Bee Engine

Enterprise Machine Co.

Emil Westman began making patents to Enterprise Machine Co., in 1901, the first year Westman engines appeared, according to C. H. Wendel in American Gasoline Engines Since 1872. "At this time, production was confined to a series of heavy duty Marine engines. The 1907 model ... was available in one, two, and four-cylinder sizes ranging from 3 to 70 hp. The wet crankcase and fourcycle system was a mark of genuine quality compared to a good many cheap engines then on the market." Wendel says that Westman stationary engines first appeared around 1912.



"In the Westman the gasoline is always in plain sight, consequently there can be no tiresome turning of the crankshaft when the gasoline cup is empty. The gasoline is pumped from the tank into the glass cup and supplied to the engine through a needlepoint valve. This makes it possible to regulate the feed to a nicety, doing away with the vaporizer, consequently the engine is less susceptible to atmospheric conditions. "There are no check valves to leak or springs to get out of order, and it is impossible to flood the engine with gasoline, as each charge is admitted to the combustion chamber by the action of the piston. The device for admitting the starting charge is original with the Westman and is only found on these engines.

"Their electric igniter is said to be one of the most perfect and up-to-date igniters on the market today. It produces the same size spark when the engine is running slow or fast. It is so constructed that a person can change the lead and increase the power of the engine while in operation. There engine is not only well-equipped for supplying marine, stationary and portable gasoline engines, but they have quite a number of gasoline launches now on hand, besides several auto-boats. They also made marine engines, which commonly had forward and reverse.

References: Smokstack; and Gas Engine Magazine.

LITTLE KNOWN TRACTOR FACTS from Clint Hall

Allis Chalmers pioneered Rubber tires.

John Deere first color scheme was Black and Red.

In 1906, 1/3 of all tractors working were Hart Parr.

Ford had the largest dealer network.

Minneapolis Moline pioneered LP fuel.

MINUTES OF MEETING

AUGUST 7, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 am by President Gary Covert. The Treasurer took the Minutes for the August meeting. The balance in the bank account was \$8 124.67, unchanged from July.

At the Flag show, we plowed the entire field, but hit a rock. Jim bruised his ribs. Gary also took an engine. There were not many spectators at the show.

Jim Mager is doing well but will probably not be home for another week or so. He is planning to move to Texas. He donated his John Deere tractor to the club. Joe Nightingale is also doing well.

The Watson Lake Show was good, but it rained. The Slide Rock show is scheduled for October 5. The Fall Festival at the Fairgrounds will be on October 26. There will be a Scarecrow contest. Colleen wants us to be there with our engines and tractors. We received thank you notes for our donation to the Pine Strawberry Food Bank and for Operation Graduation.

Gary signed the contract with the fairgrounds for 2020 and it was actually a little cheaper than it has been in the past. We have to think about what we are going to do for Security at the show. This year it cost us \$400 to have outsiders provide security.

Gary and Kelly were at the Sedona Heritage Museum to provide some assistance with their D2 tractor. Told SHM that they needed to drain and put in new fuel. Will be going back to Sedona in a couple of weeks.

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Members assist Heritage Museum

Aug 22, 2019

The club was contacted by the Sedona Heritage Museum for help on getting a D2 Caterpillar that had set for 20 plus years running. Kelly Somers, Steve Rench and myself went up to the museum.

The D2 had always been under cover so it was in pretty good shape cosmetically.

The first day we got the rope start pony engine running as one of the museum volunteers, Jeff, had some experience with diesel engines and Kelly Somers grew up around D8's and other heavy equipment which really helped.

After we got the pony going we tried the diesel without properly draining and bleeding system. The second day after they cleaned the fuel filters we bled off and primed everything we could and tried to start it.

The engine fired right up like it had been running the day before. Kelly drove it out of the shed and luckily all the clutches worked for the steering and shifting.

We were happily surprised that it took right off and ran as it did.

By Gary Covert

See Picture Below

Upcoming events: Slide Rock Oct 5th 2019 Fall Festival at the Verde Valley Fairgrounds Oct 26

SHOW SECURITY REQUEST

Security for the show in March

We are in need for someone (s) to provide security for our show in March.

We realize staying awake all night sort of ruins going to the show during the day.

It will be Thursday and Friday night 8 pm to -6 am, 10 hours. Free parking for a RV would be provided. Anyone interested please call me Gary Covert, at 928-301-0649 for further details.

Aug. Minutes Continued

As part of National Not For Profit Day where nonprofits honor those nonprofits that work with them, Janeen Trevillyan of the Sedona Historical Society/ Sedona Museum baked brownies and cookies for the Flywheelers as a thank you for providing much needed help.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 am. PAGE 3





July 3 Meeting called to order by President Covert. Minutes were read and approved. The finance report was given with a resultant balance \$8124.67 No sickness was announced - President Covert commented that he talked to Lou Barnes and that he was doing satisfactory. Betty Goudy won a seniors running event in Albuquerque at the age of 93. Upcoming shows were announced as in previous meetings. No date has been set for the Fall Festival at the Fairgrounds. There were thank you letters for donations we made. Steve Fiedler talked about restoring a sprayer in the Slide Rock possession. Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 AM

PARKS TRACTOR EVENT

Our straw boss Tom, Bonnie and Tina Fancy put on an excellent tractor run and dinner in Parks, Arizona.

We were a little short on tractors, Seven total.

The weather was great, the food was great . I believe every one had a good time. Looking forward to next year.

Thanks to the Fancy family.

Red Ronnebaum

Beat The Heat Show, Flagstaff

The Flagstaff show was July 27th & 28th of July. The Museum fire was close but did not affect the show with a lot of smoke. They had the usual amount of tractors and engines. The weather was hot for Flagstaff and we didn't have any afternoon showers to cool us down. We all had a good time visiting and operating our equipment.

UNUSUAL TRACTOR

At one time the MKT (Kathy) Railroad was a big contender in Missouri. They had a short line that ran from the Missouri river through Fulton, Missouri to Mexico, Missouri. this tractor was located on the side track around Mexico, Missouri. Looks like it was used to keep the brush down along the right of way.



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

ENGINES:

• For sale; Member Don Meakin has for sale two pages of engines, etc. as he is selling his Flagstaff home. Sparta 2 hp on trucks \$ 700., also, Olds 4 hp; Economy: Water Lou Boy and many others. His contact information is 602-882-3968 or email: donmeakin@msn.com List available on the club web site.

TRACTORS:

• For Sale 1952 John Deere AR, nice condition, starts easy. \$3,800 1944 John Deere B, very nice, PTO, 12 volt lights, no dents, excellent tires, & flywheel start. \$2,500. Contact David Fohr 928 476 3623 or E-mail--fohrfolks@hotmail.com

• For Sale: Assorrted John Deere rear wheel weights and 1—3 piece set of Front frame weights for JD 50 or 520. Call Jim Radley—928-899-5688.

• 1948 Allis Chalmers tractor For Sale. The tractor has been sitting in a barn for 20 plus years. It is a WC model with a narrow front. It is complete with new back tires and the engine turns over with the crank. Will consider a reasonable offer. please call or email club member Jim Radley. 928-899-5688 or email jctcaz@yahoo.com

For Sale -1940 John Deere H. Restored condition, good rubber. \$3800.00 or offer. Contact Barry Adico 928 301 6444 cell / 928 634 4401 home

FOR SALE

John Deere 1946 LA tractor, new tires all around, excellent running and in good condition. \$2750 Contact Gary Covert 928-301-0649

WANTED:

• Wanted - Hand crank for a Cushman model R. 2 pin starting shaft. Contact Larry Dorrell. 928 925 7091

PARTS / Misc.

Slide Rock Sate Park will give these 3 items to anybody who will come and pick them up. The **rims** fit on the **axle**. The other is a PTO **shaft**. Contact Steve Fieldler 928-284-1579 or can use email, STEVE FIEDLER

<fsteve16@msn.com>

List your parts or miscellaneous here.





48 Allis-Chalmers



John Deere LA 1946





Rest in Peace, Gene DeCamp 1926– 2019

Minutes: September 4, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7 AM by President Covert.

Minutes were read and approved.

The finance report was given; due to no activity the balance is \$8124.67.

There was no comment from VP Radley as he is in Iowa.

Jack Castimore will issue a newsletter shortly.

Former President Jim Mager will be discharged from the care facility in a week and will relocate with family in Texas.

The Slide Rock event will be October 5. Steve Fiedler commented on improvement being made and that the apple crop is minimal.

The Christmas party is scheduled for December 8 the second Sunday. October 26 will be the fall festival at the fairgrounds.

Members worked on a Caterpillar D-2 ; they were able to start it and worked fine. (Continued)

INTERESTING



John Deere 46 B with Track drive



Unusual Van with tracks in Kenai, Alaska. Sept. 2019

Sept. Minutes Continued

Jim Mager had donated his John Deere LA which is currently at Jack Castimore's house formerly Gene De-Camp's house.

Motion was made and passed to attempt sale. It was decided to seek the asking price of \$2750. An attempt will be made to sell it at the Slide Rock event. President Covert will be entrusted to do the negotiation. It was announced the trip hammers are available in Camp Verde. Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 a.m.

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