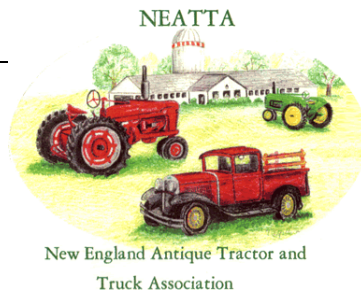


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Happy New Year to all! This year seems to be the year of change. Major changes for the club began this past fall with the resignations of Treasurer Gil Larrabee, Secretary Margaret Veader and Board member Manny Veader. They are some of the original founding members of the club and we thank them for all their hard work over the past four years. We welcome Jayne Gagnon as corresponding secretary and Tom Soares to the Board of Directors. The club is still looking for a treasurer...anyone???

If you're lucky enough to have a heated garage then you've probably been working on your equipment from time to time this winter. For most of us, the old tractors and trucks are resting in quiet hibernation. This is a time for perusing seed catalogues and for planning the upcoming year. It looks like it's going to be another busy year for NEATTA.

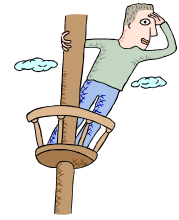
There will be a pullers meeting on Sunday morning, January 31st, 9:00am at Francis Farm. There's lots to talk about to plan for the New Year.

A ham & bean supper is planned for Feb. 20th, 6:00pm at Francis Farm. Tickets for adults are \$10.00, for children under 12; \$5.00 and for children under 5; free. Call Bev or Jerry Baker at 508-222-7109 to reserve your tickets now!

March is Membership Month for the club. Membership dues are the same as last year, i.e. a single membership to NEATTA is 18.00 (10.00 for NEATTA and 8.00 for EDGE insurance). A family membership is \$23.00 which represents a NEATTA membership for that household and one person with EDGE Insurance. Anyone else in that household who will operate a vehicle for show, parade or at the pulls must also purchase EDGE insurance. Our new Secretary, Jayne Gagnon, is the club's membership coordinator. Please send your completed applications with payment to her.

A membership form is included with this newsletter and will also be posted on the clubs web site, NEATTA.org. It is very important to get your renewals in by the March 17th meeting as the club must send in the EDGE renewal fees before the end of that month.

April brings the election of officers and the club still needs a Treasurer. April is also the time for our Spring show & Swap meet. The dates are April 24th & 25th so mark your calendars!



May and June will bring a parade and plow days with a chance to test the torque on some turf and get some mud on the tires. Of course there's the pulls for that too, starting at our April show and continuing through October.

On May 31st, the club will take part in the Memorial Day Parade which is in Dighton this year. Bill Copeland is event coordinator for the club with Richie Lemieux. There will be more information on that and more events planned in the upcoming months including a list of Fairs and our Fall Show in October.

The club has been invited to the Arnold Mills July 4th Parade again this year. The past two years at this event have been a fun time. Sadly this year however, we will be without our bull dog mascot, Tank. Tank, though a young dog, passed away recently from leukemia. We will miss him.

Our next meeting will be Feb 17. Tom Soares is making arrangements for a guest speaker for that meeting. We will be selling tickets to the Ham & Bean supper and accepting membership renewals as well so bring your checkbooks!



Tank takes a break after the parade last year.

If you are able to receive this newsletter via e-mail, please furnish Bev Baker with your e-mail address. It saves the club money in postage & printing.

A new feature to the newsletter is classified ads. Members may place one ad for free. E-mail your ad information to Bev Baker, BGBKake@comcast.net or pick up an ad form at the next meeting.

WANTED: person to fill Treasurer's position for non-profit corporation. This is a volunteer position but one with many intangible benefits.
Call Bev 508-222-7109

FOR SALE: '48 Farmall Super A, working hydraulics, runs & drives nice! Also have 2way land plow, sickle bar, disk harrow, belly mount flail mower. Asking \$1,900.00 Will separate attachments, can deliver; call TJ 508-272-5474

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www.edgeta.org and www.FrancisFarm.net

