

Next Regular Meeting October 15, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. at Francis Farm

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**Please plan to participate in and/or attend our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Big Fall Show on October 5, at Francis Farm, Rehoboth from 9:00 am to 5 pm**

This year we are helping out the Rehoboth Helping Hands Food Pantry and are asking attendees to bring a non-perishable food item as an entrance fee. (Cash donations also accepted for the Food Pantry.)

Also, a special meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 1, at 6:00 pm at Francis Farm to finalize all plans for the event. Plan to attend.

Here are some things you can do, also.

Bring your prized antique trucks and tractors to show. The more the merrier. Also bring your pulling tractor for the pulls. (Please note that nothing should be brought in the day before.)  
(Reminder: This is NOT a swap meet. (Only vendors selling new items will be allowed in.) Also, please do not bring in Coolers.

If you are able to donate an item (does not need to be expensive) for our Raffle Table, we would appreciate it. This helps the club to raise money, and it also provides something of interest for many people who spend the day. This table will probably be near the Museum, as last year.

Also, the club found that selling small home baked items, snacks such as squares and cookies, small cakes, or individual pieces of cake, etc. went over well. These should be individually wrapped & labeled beforehand.

New T-shirts and Sweatshirts will be sold along with our usual hats. We expect most of this will be in or near the Museum.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE CLUB AND PURCHASE A BOOK OF TICKETS!!**

The Drawing of the winning tickets for the John Deere Lawn Tractor, Kawasaki String Trimmer and John Deere Pedal Tractor will be held at the Big Fall Show on October 5, 2008. Tickets will be sold right up until the winning tickets are drawn. (Approximate time of raffle –4:00 P.M.)

If anyone is handy with photos and can produce a CD of photos of the event, it would be appreciated. The Museum has the equipment to show the video.

Port -0-Johns will be conveniently placed in areas near the pulls and show.

Volunteers are needed in all areas of this big event, so if you can spare a couple of hours, please step up.

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WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE SHOW - BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY FOR SOME FUN.

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The club has purchased an American Flag for our meetings. (Bev Baker took care of this.) The flag stand was built by Dick Waite. (Thanks, Dick, for your craftsmanship.) Also, a Club Flag with our logo has been purchased: thanks to Dave Auclair for getting prices and details on this. It is a very handsome flag and we are very proud to display it. We plan to have 50 smaller versions (15" X 10") made and they will be sold for approx. \$17.00 each. These will look nice on your tractor or truck at the shows and parades. See Dave! He may have them in time for the Big Show.

A giant thank you to the Pulling Committee, and especially to Don Leffort and Greg Abrams, for taking one (entire) Sunday each month during the spring and summer to promote the pulling (and it sure helped the club). Many new members joined, and children were encouraged to pull with garden tractors. The final pull of this year will be during the Big Show on October 5. If you can spare a few hours, they really need help in various areas, from announcing to cleaning the track, to collecting money from participants and new members, to making sure the rules are followed to maintain an orderly and safe event. If you plan to pull in a particular class, maybe you could donate a few hours during the other class pulls.

Richie Lemieux has invited anyone who wants to display his or her tractor or truck in the Museum in the future to contact him. 508 252-3976

Good News about the Website –www.neatta.org – We now have a new host for our website, and the Forum is up and running. Register for this the same way as before. Previous entries are gone, so start from scratch.

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The following members brought tractors and trucks to the Marshfield Fair: - and the club received \$100 for participating: Joe Silvia, Pete Santos, Manny Veader, Harry Duckworth, John Silvia, Manny Silvia, Paul Dean, Frank Kowzic, Tony Vacca, Jerry Baker, Eric Bishop, Eric Sundquist, Paul Moroni, George Copeland, Don Hathaway, Jacob Roy, Nick Main, Richard Lemieux and Don Leffort. Also we anticipate a check from the Westport Fair for providing “tractor games” for entertainment... A Certificate of Appreciation was received from the American Legion for our part in the Memorial Day Parade in Rehoboth.

Participating in the Farm Aid Show at Comcast Center featuring Willie Nelson was successful for the club.

The following provided tractors for the show: Ron Motha, Tony Oliviera, Don Leffort, Tom McGuinness, Dan Roy, Don Sasin - – thanks to negotiations by Don Leffort, Don Sasin, Dave Auclair, Bill Weston and Annette, we were allowed 6 tractors. Neatta was mentioned in the printed program, members passed out lots of club business cards, and the tractors made good props for photos for lots of attendees (and the press, I hear). It was a good day. Hope to get some photos on website soon.

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Featured speaker at our September meeting was Bud Fagundes, a 1<sup>st</sup> Responder with the Rehoboth Rescue Team. Bud talked about Cough CPR, a self CPR, used when you are alone, until help arrives. Everyone at the meeting received some written information on this, and since it is so important we are also enclosing it in this newsletter. Bud also asked how many members would be interested in a CPR Class and about 15 responded. A class is a future possibility. Thanks, Bud, for your presentation.

**Important Dates to remember:**

October 1, 2008 – 6:00 P.M. – Special Meeting at Francis Farm-(Pub) to prepare for the Oct. 5 Show.

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October 5, 2008, 9am -5pm–NEATTA’s 3rd Annual Big Fall Show, Francis Farm, off County St., Rehoboth

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October 11, 12, 2008 –Tractor Run and Parade in NY/VT Call Don Sasin at 339-237-1202 for details.

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October 15, 2008 7.00PM– Regular Meeting -Do you know of an organization in the N.E. area that we could donate our Christmas toys to? Bring details to meeting and be able to take responsibility of delivery.

October 19, 2008 the club has been invited to Show their tractors/trucks at the Noons’ Farm Stand at the corner of Mason St. & Route 6, Swansea. This is in conjunction / Corn Maze. Details (508 252-6296)

Oct. 21, 2008 6:00 Meeting at Francis Farm to plan for 2009 Neatta Show (Yes, one year away!)

November 19, 2008 7:00 PM Regular Meeting– Bring a new unwrapped toy to the meeting.

December 6, 2008 –6:00 PM, Club Christmas Party at Francis Farm- Santa, Dinner and Music!

No newsletter planned for next month. Please keep this information handy.