



FOURTH QUARTER 2020 NEWSLETTER

2020 has certainly been a year to remember.

We were able to host a successful Swap Meet in March but were forced to cancel our scheduled summer events in Platt City and at Wise Brothers. The MRVSEA show did go on and we had a good turnout of A-Cs despite this year's feature (those "green" guys) and lower attendance.

Inside, you will find a re-cap of this year's MRVSEA and changes to elections and building proposals since our Winter Banquet/Meeting has been cancelled. We are also planning our 10th Anniversary Swap Meet in Boonville in March 2021.

We are grateful for everyone that has renewed their membership this year and to the fifteen (yes, 15!) new members that have joined our Club in 2020. Keeping current with dues keeps our Club strong for the future; you can use the form below to renew for 2021 or choose from our "8/10" or Lifetime options. You can find a renewal form at the bottom of this document.

MRVSEA 2020 RE-CAP

The 2020 edition of the Missouri River Valley Steam Engine Association's annual show was held September 10-13, at the Brady Showgrounds. Despite lower attendance than normal due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and intermittent rain showers, our MRVSEA hosts put on another great show.

John Deere was the feature color this year and they put on a decent show, given the circumstances. In what is likely to be the only time a John Deere is pictured in this newsletter; we can safely say that no A-C has "sunk" to the level of this one outside their barn.





The Allis-Chalmers family provided a welcome relief of orange to the tune of 10 tractors inside our Club Building, another 15 or so pieces staged around it, and at least 19 other A-C pieces on the show grounds. Many thanks to all of the A-C exhibitors.

Many thanks are also due to Mike Hayden for manning the building throughout the show and selling a number of Club t-shirts and hoodies. Mike also brought his electric train set that featured A-C engines and tractors. The train was a huge hit for our younger visitors. We did process 10 renewals and added 2 new members during the show.



While we did not have a formal meeting during the show; the Directors that were present consulted with Members about how we could expand and improve the Club Building. After some discussion, bids will be solicited to enclose the lean-to and pour a concrete floor. The new area would be open to the main building and provide for additional display space. Any proposal would be presented to the Membership at our next Meeting at the Swap Meet in March 2021.

Additionally, the Board is looking at possibly adding some kind of heating system to the Building and asking for a "Work Day" to make some upgrades before our 10th Annual Swap Meet in March 2021. We received a donated HVAC unit that hopefully can be wired in with little cost/difficulty.

MRVSEA 2020 UNIQUE DISPLAYS

There were two unique tractors displayed by Club Members inside our Club Building this year.



The first is a G equipped with a loader. Richard Graves brought this unique piece and said it came all the way from New Jersey where it was used to unload railcars. Its small size would certainly make working in close quarters much easier. Richard reported it can be a little "tippy" when loading on a trailer.

The second is a home-built WC 4x4. This one was brought by Paul Dubbert who reported that Paul Thomas of Frankford, MO, built it after being inspired by a Massey-Harris 4x4. This unique WC features articulating steering and was certainly an interesting piece to show.



Obituaries:

- Club Member David Probst (Member #210) passed away on Monday, November 16, 2020, at Capital Region Medical Center in Jefferson City. His full obituary can be found at <https://www.millardfamilychapels.com/obituaries>
- Club Member Carl Rhoads (Member #318) passed away on Monday, November 23, 2020. Carl was a fixture at our Swap Meet with his extensive toy store. His full obituary is at <https://www.mortonchapel.com/obituary/Carl-Rhoads>.
- We share our deepest condolences with the Family and Friends of David Probst and Carl Rhoads.

OTHER NEWS

Club T-Shirts: We have t-shirts (\$13 each) and zip-up hoodies (\$45 each) with our Club logo. We have MOST sizes/colors of t-shirts (gray or orange) between adult **Small** and **4XL**. We have gray hoodies in most sizes (most are zip-up fronts). Both the shirts and hoodies have our club logo on the front and back. Mike Hayden is coordinating sales, contact him at 573.253.1775 or mhayden1953@gmail.com if you would like a shirt/hoodie. If you have any ideas about additional club merchandise (hats, cozies, etc.) you would buy, please contact Mike.



DONATED TOY: Michael Crowe received a 782 Forage Harvester with Corn Head and Hay Head from the Upper Midwest Allis-Chalmers Club. Michael donated it to the Club and we will auction it off at an upcoming event (or contact Michael about placing a bid).



CALENDAR – Check with the Host Clubs for Scheduling Changes

10TH ANNUAL SWAP MEET AND CLUB MEETING – March 5-6, 2021, Boonville, MO
We need volunteers to join the planning committee for our 10th Anniversary and to help install furnaces and upgrade our lighting. Arrangements have already been made for a food truck and restroom facilities. Our Club Meeting may be held earlier in the day; look for more information in our next newsletter. Call Randy Grothoff, Danny Friedrich, or Michael Crowe to help out.

“SUMMER” 2021 CLUB MEETING: The Gasconade County Threshers Association has invited us to their 2021 show that runs July 16-18, 2021. Our Club Meeting would be that Saturday at 2pm. Their website is <https://gcta.us/>

MRVSEA – September 9-12, 2021, Boonville, MO. The upcoming show will feature International Harvester. Think about what you can bring to show in and around our Building.

➤ **Northeast Missouri Old Threshers** – September 16-19, 2021, Shelbina, MO. They are featuring A-Cs and celebrating Missouri’s Bicentennial **and have asked us to join them. We will discuss and vote at the Swap Meet on adding this show as our second meeting for 2021.** It promises to be a big event; look them up on Facebook or visit <http://northeastmissourioldthreshers.com>

Upcoming A-C Auction – A friend of the A-C Family, Ray O'Neil (Ray's Allis Parts), passed away earlier this year. His family is planning a farm and A-C parts auction over Labor Day, 2021, in Beattie, KS. Watch for more information and a sale bill.

NOTE FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It was a difficult year where our scheduled Club Meetings were cancelled due to forces beyond our control. The Club was in the midst of in making decisions about regarding the possible Building additions and improvements and a number of Officers and Directors terms were expiring at the end of 2020. With the cancellation of the Winter Banquet and Meeting, the Board has decided to carry on “as is” until our Swap Meet in March 2021. We hope to have elections then (contact Michael Crowe if you would like to run) and to present some options for enclosing the lean-to on the Building. We have one meeting in 2021 firmly scheduled (Gasconade County) and are still looking for a second A-C show to hold our second summer meeting at (the show in Shelbina will be discussed at the Swap Meet). We will do our best to share updates as they’re available.

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If there are any changes to your contact information, please update Dale Bauer (636.357.9286, bauerd44@yahoo.com) or his son, Kevin Bauer (636.357.2722, kevin_l_bauer@yahoo.com [that's an "L" in the middle of two underscores "_"]).

- **IF** you have provided an e-mail address **AND** you have not specifically asked for a paper copy; you will receive First Quarter 2021 in the regular mail (to make sure our records are correct) and the rest of 2021's newsletters by e-mail.
- **IF** you have provided an e-mail **BUT** specifically requested a paper copy; you will continue to receive them by USPS.
- **IF** you do not have an e-mail address on file, you will continue to receive newsletters in the regular mail.
- **Any** "interim" postcards sharing important information will be sent in the same manner as the newsletters.

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NEWSLETTER: If you have a story, tip, recipe, or anything of interest to include in a future newsletter; please contact Dale Bauer. We can take electronic submissions (MS Word files, etc.), typed or hand-written notes, or other formats. Let's make our newsletter more than just a calendar.

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