ON THE TRACTOR SEAT



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THE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hi everyone....

Hello to a brand new year and goodbye to 2016. As we start this New Year, I thank you for re-electing me as your club President.

During our very short December Business meeting, at our annual Christmas Party, our Nominating Chairman, David Pickus was able to fill all of the New Officer Positions the 2017 term. A short written run off for the position of Safety Director between the following members took place. Phil Shiver, Rodney McKinney and Ray Folck. After the votes were counted, Rodney McKinney was nominated for the position of Safety director.

Nominations were then closed and elections began. The new officers for the 2017 term, were then sworn in by our club member David Williams.

I would also like to thank those club officers that chose to stay on for another term and for those that have stepped up to fill the open position. The open position was filled by Rodney McKinney for Safety Director.

Thank you all, for filling these important Club Offices......

We had another great Christmas Party at Crazy Otto's Restaurant, this past December. Luci Pickus was the chairwomen for this event and did an outstanding job getting everything arranged, good food, lots of Christmas gifts, a nice Christmas cake for dessert, and a fun night by all!!!

Thank you Luci and thanks to those that also donated Christmas Gifts.

Bill Forbes was in charge of selling our clubs raffle tickets and he sold them all... The raffle tickets were for either an engine, or a peddle car or just plain money. As always, at our Christmas Party one winning ticket was drawn. The winner was not present, the winning ticket was probably sold at the AV Fair, and the name was J Galier in the 661 area code. An attempt to call him went into voice mail........He has since been contacted.

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It's now 2017, a brand new year for our club. It's time to think about the events coming up in the spring. Maybe another "Just for Fun Tractor Run" in March, would be in order? April is always the Tractor & Engine Show in Tulare, and our annual Swap Club Meet is scheduled in June. So get your Tractors & Engines tuned up for these events. Club participation by all club members at these events, makes for a stronger club....

In January, if you can make the Branch 206, Southwest Forgotten Iron Show in Wellton, Az. it's a must see show. Located 29 miles east of Yuma, Az. see page 4, for more details.

Hope to see our member Tom Lee, at our January meeting.

We are always looking for new ideas for things to do, so bring your fresh ideas to our January meeting, scheduled for Saturday, January 14th at 2 PM.

I hope it's not raining for our club meeting, although we certainly do need the rain in Southern California. So far the season is looking mighty good.

You're Club President, Bob Hanson

RUSTY RELICS BUSINESS MEETING

Last Held December 10, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6 PM.

The Flag salute took place.

We then went into New Business.

The Nominating Chairman David Pickus, was called to address the Nominated Officers for the 2017 Term. A run off for the position of Safety Director took place and Rodney McKinney was nominated, in a written ballot for that position. Nominations were then closed and elections took place. David Williams sworn in the new 2017 Officers, and they are as follows:

President – Bob Hanson Vice-president – Bill Forbes Secretary – Cheryle Stacy Treasurer – Luci Pickus Membership Chairman – Ron Hanson Show Director – Robert Meyer Purchasing Director – David Pickus Safety Director – Rodney McKinney Appointed Positions:

> Editor/Publisher – Bob Hanson Librarian/Web Master – Scott Wachlin

We had no officer reports that evening.

We had over 50 people in attendance for our annual Christmas Party.

Leesa's Birthday Report: For the Month of January - 2017

Sharon Calvert – January 11th Cheryle Stacy – January 26th

Happy Birthday to one and all!

Happy Anniversary to David & Luci Pickus – Jan. 2nd.



All I want for Christmas - Tom & Maryln Ross

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS & SHOWS FOR 2017

January 14th Saturday, 2 PM Club Meeting at the Yard. January 21st * "Southwest Forgotten Iron Show", Wellton, Az. January 23rd – 29th Main Event, Steam & Gas show, Quartzsite, Az. February 11th Club Meeting.

EARLY DAY GAS ENGINE & TRACTOR ASSN BRANCH 206 - SOUTHWEST FORGOTTEN IRON

20th 8am-2pm **Local School Day** 21st 8am-4 Show Day 22th 9am-?pm **Church - SHOW - Departure**

Held in conjunction with The Foundation of Yuma Regional Medical Center's 39th Annual Tractor Rodeo on Saturday which includes a Tractor Parade and Tractor Pull

ADMISSION

\$5 ADULTS

CHILDREN/STUDENTS (W/ID) FREE

<u>Directions:</u>
Take I-8 east from Yuma 29 miles to Exit 30 (Wellton) Turn north, follow signs east of Wellton onto Hwy 80 to the Wellton-Mohawk Irrigation and Drainage District show grounds, 30570 E Wellton Mohawk Dr. Wellton

Microtel in Wellton will again be offering Branch 206 exhibitors and vendors a discount. Be sure to mention that you're part of the Branch 206/Wellton Irrigation Festival/YRMC Tractor Rodeo (928) 785-3777

Dry camping available for exhibitors and vendors 10 RV parks in Wellton & in Yuma RV island/dump at Exit 30

-EDGE&TA rules apply-



Rider Hot Air Engine R.E.E.C.O. Australia Agent, 22 Pitt St. Sydney, Australia

In the 1880's this engine and two others were installed at the Weal Wandangi Cattle Property west of Rockhampton, Queensland, Australia. The engines were used to pump water.

Buster Brown and Darrell Lipp purchased this engine in 2001 and returned it to the United States and its new home in Arizona.

Since 2006 this engine has been the property of Darrell, Sandra, and Dixie Lipp of Overgaard Arizona.

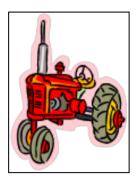
From Don Young. Written October 2016.

It has been a busy year for shows and parades. There have been displays at the National Night Out, schools, grand openings of Tractor Supply Companies, and parades in cities and towns. There are a few left this year, and in three months, we start all over again. Time passes quickly when you are having fun. I still notice displays without show cards. Some spectators may not know what they are looking at. With some basic information about your display, they may pause to read it, and then you have the opportunity to start a conversation. Safety is still a major concern especially at schools.

Children love to see things move and can be under the ropes in a flash. I have seen running tractors and engines left unattended. If you must leave your display, shut them off or have someone watch them for you. Parked tractors, out of gear, brakes firmly set and or chock blocks. Prior to an event, present a Mandatory Safety Meeting for all exhibitors by the Safety Officer or the President. New members should receive a copy of the Safety rules that would pertain to them in their membership packet. Youth Driver information is available for the Safety Officers and Presidents. There is an online form for Youth Driver Applications. Please use it if possible. There are many times that I am not sure of some of the spelling on hand written applications and I must email or call to receive the information. Thanks for your cooperation. Think Safety, Practice Safety. Only you can prevent an accident.

Don Young—Vice President and SW Regional Director, Safety Chair, Youth Driver Cert.

Thank You Don, editor.



HAVE YOU HUGGED YOUR TRACTOR YET?



New Club Officers for the 2017 term. From left to right front row, Pres. Bob Hanson, Treasurer - Luci Pickus, Membership Chairman - Ron Hanson. Second row left to right Purchasing Director - David Pickus, Secretary - Cheryle Stacy, Safety Director - Rodney McKinney, Vice-Pres. - Bill Forbes and Show Director - Robert Meyer. Scott Wachlin was not present.



Pictured left, is our Christmas Gift table with lots of Xmas presents, to go around......



Everyone enjoying the evening with plenty of food & drink......



We had over 50 people in attendance enjoying a good get together......



Shown left is Jess Baker cutting the Christmas cake, with Luci Pickus giving him directions....

Get out of the way, Luci.

Nice picture of Luci Pickus



Bill Forbes in the Santa hat rotating the raffle bin and waiting for Rayna Hanson to pick the winning raffle ticket...... The winner was J. Galier. Not present.

It's better to look back on Life and Say:

"I can't believe I did that"

Than to look back and say "I wish I did that".

See you at the Next Meeting

You're Editor, Bob Hanson

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To see all pictures in color.......