

ON THE TRACTOR SEAT



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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone....

Our February meeting was well attended, however the high winds made us hold the regular meeting, under the Fairbanks Engine shed. It was crowded, but much warmer. I think winter has finally arrived....

The January jobs got completed. They were the entry steps in front of the Conex, and the club trailer has been completely wired for 120 volts. The clubs 1925 John Deere "D" tractor is up and running, after 8 years of storage. Pg.5

-The next project on our list, is giving the large Fairbanks Engine & Trailer a new facelift. A special meeting was held at 12 noon before our last 2 PM meeting, to discuss what needs to be done and a plan to get it done.

-We agreed to spray paint the engine Black and spray paint the trailer Gray. Disassemble the plumbing before painting and prepare the metal for painting. We estimated to costs to be \$600 dollars and presented it to the membership for approval. A Motion was entered, and passed to get started.

-On Saturday, February 24th (two weeks later), work began and we disassembled all the plumbing and removed the old running lights.

Next week we will degrease the trailer & engine, prime the bare metal parts and get it ready for painting, as the weather permits. See page 7.

-Thank You Tractor Supply, Palmdale for giving us a discount on the paint.....

Thanks to the following club members: Bill Forbes, Robert Meyer, Ron Hanson, Zackary Forbes, Rodney McKinney, Clay Anderson and myself for getting this painting project started, on a very cold cold cold morning in February.....see page 7.

See you at the next meeting,

You're Club President, Bob Hanson

RUSTY RELICS BUSINESS MEETING

Last Held February 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.

We had the flag salute and introduction of guests.

A roll call of officers was called, all present except for Secretary Cheryle Stacy, Purchasing Director David Pickus and Librarian Scott Wachlin.

OFFICERS REPORT:

President: Bob Hanson welcomed everyone, and for attending the 2 PM Saturday general meeting, and the 12 PM special engine meeting.

-Happy Birthday to all the February Birthdays, and we had a lot of them.....

-Bob announced the opening of the new "Santa Clarita Tractor Supply" store, located on Sierra highway. Opening - late March, Grand opening in April, and we have been invited to show, at their Grand Opening. Will keep you posted.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Bill Forbes reported that he has ordered the Club Raffle Tickets for 2018, and will be picking them up before the next meeting.

SECRETARY: Cheryle Stacy not present.

TREASURER: Luci Pickus reported a beginning balance of \$xxxx.xx.

Deposits of \$30 Dues; \$178 Dues; \$11 Interest payment; \$300 donation from Carl Ross for electrical work on the club trailer and \$130 Dues.

Expenses: \$40 to Ron for Tim Wells Tire; \$448.45 to Bob for 5 months newsletters; \$5 Bank fee; \$22.06 refreshments last meeting; \$375 to Ron for Liberty fuel tank repair for John Deere "D". Ending Balance \$xxxx.xx.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN: Ron Hanson is taking the 2018 Memberships applications now, and he will have the new 2018 stickers & buttons by March.

SHOW DIRECTOR: Robert Meyer reported on the 2018 Calif. Antique Engine & Tractor Show in Tulare, April 20th – April 22nd. Also, Elks Tractor & Engine Show in May, from 11 AM to 3 PM.

SAFETY DIRECTOR: Rodney McKinney all is safe....

PURCHASING DIRETOR: David Pickus was not present, still on the mend.

PUBLISER/EDITOR: Bob stated that all was going well.

LIBRARIAN/WEB MASTER: Scott Wachlin was not present.

SICKNESS/HEALTH: David Pickus is still on the mend....

OLD BUSSINESS: The clubs 1925 John Deere "D" Tractor is up and running, thanks to Ron Hanson & Art Thomas. Ron removed the fuel tank and had it cleaned. Art Thomas rebuilt the carburetor and checked the ignition, it fired right off. See pictures on page. 6.

-Larry Stacy & Robert Web installed the new steps in front of the Conex. Thank You Robert for sharing the expense.

-The Club Trailer wiring was completed and Thank You Carl Ross, for your donation, for the electrical parts. Larry Stacy donated the wire.

-Taking the large Fairbanks to Tulare is still pending.

NEW BUSINESS: We held a special meeting at 12 noon, before our regular 2 PM meeting to discuss, what we need to do, to give the Fairbanks a Face Lift. It was attended by many of our club members and a plan was discussed and presented, to the club at the 2 PM meeting.

It was decided that we need to purchase a minimum of 5 Gallons of Black and Gray paint. Black paint for the engine and Gray paint for the trailer.

We agreed, that after disassembly, degreasing, we would prepared the metal and spray paint everything. We need to purchase painting supplies, cleaning supplies, plumbing supplies, and replace old running lights and wiring.

We all agreed that it's going to be a lot of work. Bill Forbes, schedule a work party that will take place on Saturday February 24th at 9 AM, to get started.

A motion was made for \$600. to get started and fund the project, and the Motion Passed. It may run over \$600. we just don't know yet....

However, when we get done, the Club Engine will look beautiful, and will be ready to display & run, at our local shows.

Robert Meyer made a motion to close the meeting at 3:30 PM, second by Andrea Bancroft. Motion passed.

Minutes prepared by Secretary Andrea Bancroft, with 25 members in attendance.

BARRELS OF OIL – When the first oil wells were drilled they had made no provision for storing the liquid, so they used water barrels. That is why, to this day, we speak of barrels of oil rather than gallons.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS & SHOWS FOR 2018

March 10 th	Club Meeting.
March 17 th	Saint Patrick's Day.
April ?	Grand opening of Santa Clarita Tractor Supply.
April 14 th	Club Meeting.
April 20 th - 22 nd	2018 Calif. Antique & Tractor Show in Tulare.
May 5 th Sat.	ELK's Car, Tractor & Engine Show, from 11 to 3 PM.
May 20 th	Club Meeting.
June 9 th	Swap Meet & Club Meeting.

NEXT CLUB MEETING IS MARCH 10th at 2 PM

Where: The club yard & dirt field

**Address: 2007 West Avenue N, (lot B) just passed 20th Street West,
In Palmdale, Ca. 93550.**

**From the 14 freeway, go west on avenue N, past 20th Street West,
To the first dirt field (lot B) on the right...Look for Tractors.**

Leesa's Birthday Report: For the Month of March 2018

Don Chaffin – March 1st
Art Thomas – March 3rd
Neil Marra – March 3rd
MaryLynn Forbes – March 7th
Ben Drake – March 16th
Lisa McKinney – March 24th

Happy Anniversary Bob & Nancy Hanson – March 21st.

Just a reminder from your Membership Chairman Ron Hanson, your 2018 Membership Dues and Current Membership Form are due by April 15, 2018. See back page of your Tractor seat for the membership form. Your Membership must be current, to display at Tulare. Send in your dues in early, it makes everyone's job much easier. Please see me at the March meeting or send your check & form to:

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Rusty Relics, PO Box 6196, Lancaster, Ca. 93539

One year membership dues are the following: \$30. for full Membership, \$22. for Associate or Junior Membership (no voting rights), \$22. for over 70 to 80 years of age, and \$12. for all, 80 years and way way over the hill.....

Thank You.

Another club project completed.



Zackary Forbes learning how to start the clubs 1925 two cylinder, John Deer Model "D" Tractor, with fellow club members standing around.

And yes it runs....Great.

No muffler, straight out the exhaust manifold. What a nice sound.

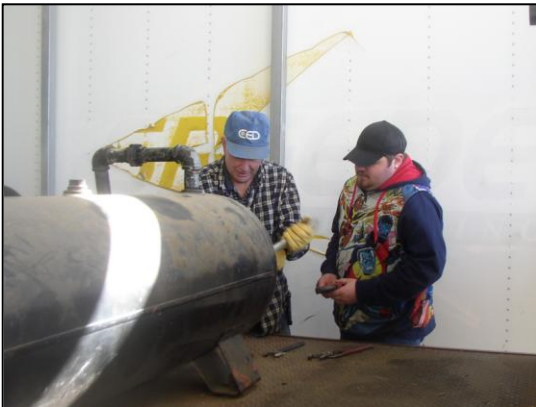


**Top picture, is Art Thomas giving it a try with his John Deere Hat.
Bottom picture, is Ron Hanson giving it a try, and we have no brakes.
Go figure.....**

The Clubs Large 60 HP Fairbanks Engine is now getting a new coat of paint.



Pictured left is Ron Hanson, Rodney McKinney and Zackary Forbes, removing all the air & water lines, getting ready for paint.



Pictured left is Robert Meyer and his grandson Clay Anderson, removing air pressure lines. Clay, is a new club member.



At the end of the day, the Fairbanks Engine is getting closer to de-grease, prime and spray paint. Belts & water pump removed.



HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY – SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH.

See you at the next meeting.

You're Editor, Bob Hanson

**Go to Rusty Relics web page www.rustyrelics.org
To see all the pictures in color.....**

Facebook Page – Rusty Relics Branch #30