

# MAINE BEARINGS

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Dear Member:

The 2019 show season is over. Our last event this year will be Saturday, November 9, meal/meeting at The Great Wall Chinese Buffet in Augusta, 11:45 AM to 2:45 PM (<https://www.greatwallbuffetaugusta.com/>). Meal will be at noon with meeting to follow. We will draw the first, second & third prize(\$500, bi-plane ride & Afghan) winners of our raffle. We will have nominations & elections of all officers & three directors. Dave Huling, Jim Rose & Don Vining's terms expire this year.

We have had no formal meetings since last March. We have had a workday at the Skowhegan building May 19 to prepare for the annual show and another August 7, to set up for the fair. Several smaller workdays at Cumberland preparing for their fair. Thirteen other events attended by as few as one to around forty members.

At the November meeting I'd like to discuss the by-laws. Some changes are just housekeeping to align the by-laws with actual practice. The other is a raise in dues which I feel is necessary to properly cover future operation, repairs & improvements. Amendments to the By-Laws need to be approved by a two-thirds vote of members present after being tabled for one meeting.

We have several engine repairs to make on the Avery, slant-hopper Witte, Witte diesel, McCormick-Deering F-12, Field-Brundage, 3 hp Stover & Peters pump in Skowhegan. We have three engines & the Panzer garden tractor that need adoption ..... Club pays for parts, looking for volunteers for labor & cosmetic restoration. We'd like to improve the fencing to better segregate the more dangerous equipment at Skowhegan, similar to that constructed this year at Cumberland.

At Cumberland we'd like to run the 10" Rider-Ericsson inside the building but need a 6" insulated stainless steel "all-fuel" chimney per Cumberland fire chief. We have a propane burner & regulator & water tank but at this point we don't know if it will even run. The donated 2 hp vertical Famous pump jack engine needs repair & restoration. Fuel & water pumps have been rebuilt, screen cooler acquired, missing mixer choke

fabricated. Still needs cylinder sleeve, gas tank, skid, piping, cosmetic restoration. We'd like to have more Club owned engines & equipment to run during the seven day fair to lighten the load on the members who have been using their own. Lyle Merrifield has advised us that when the Fair's master plan is completed with a building on each corner of the quadrangle that displays will need to stay for the duration of the fair.

Gary W. will have his "after-action" reports on annual show & Skowhegan & Cumberland Fairs.

### **Treasurer's Report**

10/28/19 Balances:

Savings Account = \$ 9046.74

Checking Account = \$ 6391.93

Total = \$ 15,438.67

Carmen will have full report at the meeting & year end report at the January meeting.

Doug

### **Membership Information:**

MAPA memberships run from Jan 1st to December 31st. 2020. Dues are payable at any meeting, event or by mail(if by mail please enclose a stamped addressed envelope).

Most Club expenses(insurances, Skowhegan lease, show buttons & plaques, apparel, etc.) are due in first part of the year before the show season starts.