

Maine Bearings

Maine Antique Power Association

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Dear Member,

Update on Don Foster's house fire. Total loss but he had insurance. He saved his engines & pretty new tractor. Several of his fingers were frostbitten. He is staying with a daughter in Readfield. Good luck Don.

Carmen reminded me that I did not include a reminder in last email message that 2023 dues are due. \$20 single and \$30 family membership. Send to Carmen, address on website. Include an addressed envelope if you want the card mailed or wait until a show or meeting.

The State 2023 Non-profit Corporation Annual Report has been filed.

2023 annual show will be at Skowhegan, Saturday, June 10. We have contacted the Fair and have reserved that date.

I am removing 24 members who last paid dues in 2019 from MAPA's email lists. This will be last newsletter sent to them. Our policy is to leave members on our lists for three years after last paying dues.

New 50th Anniversary tee shirts & hats have been ordered. The anniversary tees will be a different color than the traditional blue. We will sell them at cost rounded to the next whole dollar.

There have been some fairly good sized price increases in all apparel since last year. Carmen has been shopping for better prices but be prepared for "sticker shock".

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Carmen is looking for good photos of Club members' engines to use on 2023 pins & plaques.

Received an email & followed up with phone conversation with Michael Bryant who runs Hilltop Boilers, a maple sugar operation, in Newfield approximately ½ mile from the former Willowbrook Village on Elm Street. He would like some engine exhibitors display engines on his Maple Day, Saturday, March 18. It is pretty early in the season but several members plan to attend. Gary Willison & I met with Mike & his father Bruce, February 14. They have a paved parking area for our set-up so there should not be a mud or snow problem. There will be a small food truck & porta potties available. They open at 9 AM so plan to arrive before then. This is the first of three consecutive Saturdays that they will be open. Last year they had 10,000 customers over the three days. This first Saturday is usually the slowest but they expect 1000. Tune up your air-cooled engines, it's apt to be quite cool. If all goes well we should have the new 50th anniversary hats.

Alec Stevens volunteered to take over the reins of our Classified Ad page on our website, keep it updated, remove ads once satisfied & coordinate with Dane Haskell for posting. Alec's contact info: Cell: 207-939-8764; Email: 1lunger@maine.rr.com If you're looking for something or have something engine related to sell contact Alec.

