Maine Bearings

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Dear Member,

We are planning to have January & March meetings with a meal. Will Ellis has worked out the details.

Sat. 1/13/2024 and Sat. 3/9/2024. The diner closes at 1:00 PM. We will have it to ourselves after that. We can start arriving between 1:00 and 1:30 with the meal starting at 1:30. There will be three choices for the meal (a fish dish, a beef dish, or a chicken dish) with potato, a vegetable or salad, dessert, and drink. The cost will be \$16 which includes gratuity and tax. Meeting to follow. The money will be collected by the restaurant. We will have about an hour after the meal for our meeting. Snow date would be the following Saturday if necessary. Address is:

Dave's Diner 390 Brunswick Ave.(Rte. 201) Gardiner, Maine 04345.

Carmen reminds everyone that 2024 dues are due January 1. She is also looking for nice photos to put on the 2024 buttons & plaques.

Carmen Murphy-Polley 94 Blaine Road Farmingdale< ME 04344

Not a lot on the agenda for the meeting. Committee updates, several safety concerns to discuss, upcoming show season, etc. The annual show will be at Cumberland this year, second weekend in June.

I'd like to thank Joe Comeau for his past two years as Region #1 Vice-President.

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Also to Alec Stevens for his donation of proceeds on sale of several engines & pieces of equipment at the October swap meet & shortly after. He still has a Page walk-behind tractor with several attachments.

Alec is also running the Classifieds on our website. Give him a call or text at 939-8764 for sale or wanted items.

Jim Rose & his daughter Jessica have volunteered to manage MAPA's Facebook page but are having difficulty acquiring the password necessary to assume administrative privileges.

Thanks to Dane Haskell for managing our website.

Doug

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MAPA Meeting Minutes Cumberland, Maine 10/7/2023

The fall meeting of the Maine Antique Power Association was called to order by President Kimball at the Cumberland Fair Grounds during the annual MAPA fall show and swarp meet. 35 members were present. Introductions were held in order to renew old aquaintances and to make new ones.

The most recent Secretary's report was read and accepted.

Treasurer, Carman Murphy-Polley gave the following report:

Savings \$2,574.47 Checking \$5,415.47 CD \$18,000

Income \$7,514.44

Expenses \$6,214.44

The report was accepted as read.

Committee Reports:

Building and Grounds: JD advised that Skowhegan would be all closed up on Monday. Russ Welch advised that Cumberland was all set.

Scholarship: Will Ellis advised that he would contact the Maine Community College System and request they choose an award recipient. He also requested anyone contact him in reference to the awarding of the inhouse scholarship for 2024.

Old Business:

It was brought up again that the fire extinguishers should be updated.

New Business:

President Kimball advised of an individual that wanted to donate five engines and some other related articles.

Jim Perry has been working on the air cooled NewWay engine in Skowhegan and that Gary Willison has made a cart for it.

Jim Meixell is donating a 6hp Fairbanks-Morse saw rig to be used at Cumberland.

President Kimball requested suggestions for new updates on the displays at Cumberland and Skowhegan.

The Avery should be roped off for safety.

Gary Willison thanked all those members that donated their time at Skowhegan and Cumberland Fairs.

President Kimball gave a report on how the different MAPA engines are running and what some of them might need to run well next season.

The 2023 slate of officers was nominated and voted for 2024, John Dubief was elected to be the region #1 .Vice-President. Hope Lambert, Rick Gilbert, and Jim Perry were voted as Directors for a 3 year term.

The 50-50 raffle was won by Carman Murphy-Polley (\$103).

Pickers/Zeke has a number of engines for sale (319-5161)

The meeting was adjourned to continue with the meet.

"Keeper of the notes" Will Ellis