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PULLER NEWS

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2011 PULL DATES

APRIL 16 -- 1pm
light to heavy

MAY 21 – 1pm
heavy to light

JUNE 25 – 4pm
light to heavy

JULY 16 – noon
Club meeting, potluck,
test and tune

SEPTEMBER 17 – 4pm
heavy to light

SEPTEMBER 24 and 25
NOCIA and FATC PPL pull

OCTOBER 22 – 1pm
3rd Annual Honoring Our Vets
light to heavy

NOVEMBER 19 – 1pm
heavy to light

REGISTRATION CLOSSES 1 HOUR
PRIOR TO THE PULL START TIME.

RUNNING LATE? NO PROBLEM.
REGISTER BY PHONE ON THE ROAD
TO AVOID MISSING
REGISTRATION.
CALL 352.250.4410

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BILL



APRIL 18TH

2011 NEWSLETTER

If you have something to sell, are looking for something to buy or have something to say, we would be glad to put it in this newsletter. Call in your add or article to Dara Bainter, 352.357.6271 or send to dbain944@aol.com.

SCHEDULE

June
August
October
December
February
April

ENTRY DEADLINE

May 20
July 20
September 20
November 20
January 20
March 20

MEMBERSHIP

FATC has 102 family memberships. If you have not already renewed your membership or know someone who would like to join our club, find the Membership Form inside this newsletter.

FOR SALE

HOT ROD OLIVER 88
Roll cage, 18.4/38 tires, \$2500
Call Perry Lovelady @ 863.858.2086

Family Membership \$35.00
Business Membership \$45.00

Paid Date: _____
Family: _____ Business: _____

Florida Antique Tractor Club Membership Information

Name: _____

List Family Members: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

List your garden tractor(s), tractor(s) or truck(s) you and your family will be pulling at the Zellwood track.

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	#	NAME

Please mail completed form with payment to:

Dara Bainter
13449 Oak Bend Dr
Grand Island, FL 32735

*** All payments should be made payable to the Florida Antique Tractor Club***

News You Can Use

The newly elected 2011 FATC officers and board members met at Bill and Renee Mugler's home the first week of March for breakfast and a board meeting. There were 4 agenda items discussed -- safety, pulling classes, professionalism, and the rules.

Because bad accidents happen, our insurance policy has regulations and we are NOCIA's guests, the Board unanimously agreed there are several safety issues our club has to improve. We posted "Alcohol Prohibited" signs at gate. We now have florescent vests and fire extinguishers for everyone working on the track and there are food concessions and port-a-potties on both sides of the track. We're hoping to eliminate spectator traffic walking their children across the track's start and finish lines during the pull.

Below are rule changes. We either tightened up tractor safety or made compromises. Additions are underlined, existing rules eliminated are crossed out. The numbers correspond to the existing rule numbers. Rules can be copied from the website www.flpullers.com. We also have copies available at the pulls.

General Truck Rules

1. Must have receiver style hitch fixed in all directions, not to exceed 26 inches to the top of hook point, with a minimum 3 inch inside diameter. 2WD modified class allows 28 inches.

2-WD Modified

1. Limited to ~~6200~~ 5200 lbs
7. Hitch not to exceed 28 inches.

4X4 Street

1. Limited to ~~6200~~ 6400 lbs

4X4 Modified

1. Limited to ~~6200~~ 6400 lbs

4X4 Heavy

1. All 4X4 trucks exceeding the ~~6200~~ 6400 lbs limit.
2. D.O.T. approved tires only. ~~or under 35 inches~~

Open Gear Tractor Rules

19. Must have a roll bar, ~~and~~ seat belt, high back seat and helmet.

V-8 Car Motor Rules

3. Must have a roll bar, ~~and~~ seat belt, high back seat and helmet.
4. Must have fenders to keep driver off tires ~~and high back seat~~.
9. 5000 lb ~~4500 &~~ and 5500 lb classes only – speed limit for these classes will be 14 mph

Bill was able to insulate the announcer's booth and will be replacing the door. We all agreed our announcer has an important job throughout the whole event. He needs to be able to concentrate on two sleds, two clip boards, two distance monitors and talk into the microphone all at the same time so he needs a better place to work. The insulation made the little building's temperature ok in March. Hang in there Mike, the door is coming!

Rule consistency at the scales was brought up, discussed and agreed will be an important part of this year's schedule. Bill has a volunteer to staff the scale, he could use a few more and perhaps a committee could develop to take over that whole aspect of the show. Basically, we are just hoping to coordinate a working process to oversee rule consistency so everyone has a fair shot at winning.

The blue sled needs repairs, paint, a green/red strobe light and both sleds could use a class/weight flip chart. So that's what's cooking. Have any ideas, concerns or questions? Call or write, see us at the pull, we'll get back with you, for sure.

2011 Pull Schedules for Neighboring Clubs

April 9th

Brooksville Pulling Association

Hernando County Fairgrounds

www.BrooksvillePulling.com

Tractors -- scales and registration open at noon; pull begins 2pm.

Trucks -- scales and registration open at 3pm; pull begins at 5pm.

April 23rd, June 18th, August 20th and October 15th

Bull Pen Pullers

Citrus County Fairgrounds, Inverness

Scales and registration open at 10am; pull begins at 1pm.

April 9th, May 14th, June 11th

Dade City

www.PioneerFloridaMuseum.org

Garden Tractors

April 9th, May 14th, June 11th, September 10th, October 8th, November 9th – 12th

Florida Flywheelers

www.floridaflywheelers.org

Scales and registration open at 10am; pull begins at noon.

November Show Schedule:

Wednesday 9th – 500lb thru 5,500lb -- scales and registration open at 11am; pull begins at 1pm.

Thursday 10th -- 6,000lb thru 10,500lb -- scales and registration open at 11am; pull begins at 1pm.

Friday 11th & Saturday 12th -- All weights -- scales and registration open at 8am; pull begins at 10am.

Southern Pullers Association

www.tpuller.com

Baxley, GA -- April 8 and 9

Tifton, GA -- April 15 and 16

Hazelhurst GA -- May 27 and 28

Baxley, GA -- June 17 and 18

Baxley, GA -- September 16 and 17

Zellwood, FL -- September 23 and 24

Tifton, GA -- September 30 and October 1

Hazelhurst, GA -- October 14 and 15

Jessup, GA -- October 21 and 22

FOR SALE

MAGNETIC NUMBERS - \$5.00

Made to stay put and last long. Several colors available.

For every magnet sold, \$2.00 goes back to the club. Kirk Mugler has a sample on his Case IH and is taking orders.

We'll have a sign up list at the next pull.

Bud Murray Scholarship Fund

Established by the Florida Antique Tractor Club and Mrs. Betty Murray
2011 Scholarship amount is \$1500

The FATC is proud to announce the 2nd Annual Bud Murray Scholarship Fund for our club members and their immediate family currently pursuing a higher education or high school seniors and juniors wishing to pursue a higher education in Agriculture, Ag Engineering, Ag Tech or Animal Husbandry. The Deadline for all entries is December 28, 2011. The Scholarship will be awarded at the 2012 Annual Banquet. All interested applicants should complete the enclosed application and submit the following:

Cumulative GPA
Community service hours
Organizational affiliations (4H, FFA, etc),
Accomplishments and awards
Essay – Give us some background, tell us where you want to be in 10 years and describe the steps you will take to reach your 10 year plan.

Return your completed package to:

The Bud Murray Scholarship Fund
c/o Dara Bainter
13449 Oak Bend Dr
Grand Island, FL 32735

Bud Murray Scholarship Fund Application

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

FATC Member Name _____

Relationship to FATC Member _____

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Ace Clutch
8525 N Hwy 17-92
Maitland FL 32751

Ace Hardware
The helpful place
Eustis, Umatilla, Mt Dora, Tavares

Brian's Tractor Service
4868 W Ponkan Rd
Apopka, FL 32712
(407) 889-9185

Dale's Custom Auto
407) 297-7416

Faryna Grove Care and Harvesting
Sunsational Citrus Fresh Fruit Shipping
190 Mary St, Umatilla



www.Cflkidsvillenews.com

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Port Orange, FL
330-385-9502

Ritchey's Truck Repair, Inc
Mulberry, FL 33860
(863) 425-0888

White's Site Development
Robert White
4000 Nyahwhite Cv
Sanford, FL 32771
(407) 302-1549

A & M Napa Auto Parts
Complete line of parts and accessories
for cars, trucks and farm equipment
180 Bud Ave, Umatilla

Brian Capparelli
Florida Natives Nursery Inc
Plant City, FL
813-927-8606

Classic Bowling Center
15026 Classique Lane, Tavares

Data Targeting
Bainter Family

Harris Oil Company
21901 US Hwy 441 (near Hwy 46 overpass)
Mt Dora
sells 100% Gas – no ethanol, race gas, diesel
and lube oils

Moose Lodge 1615
17335 US Hwy 27
Clermont

MV Paving
St. Cloud FL 34771
(407) 891-8882

Urology Associates of Lake County
specializing in prostate problems
801 Northshore Dr, Eustis

Thank You Members

Just thinking about how much of themselves a heck of a lot of people put into making last month's pull so much fun for everyone. I wasn't everywhere, didn't see hardly anything, but I do know Renee Mugler collected admissions for hours and took home the sweaty vests to wash. She helped Bill keep track of the day from start to finish and Bill was everywhere.

Joan Zellner jumped in early to register hooks, kept track of memberships, members' numbers and money. Then after a busy morning, Joan went and helped Mike in the announcer's booth. Janet Yant also spent time in the announcer's booth, help get the line up on the board and kept track of results and ribbons. Dick Yant helped flag, hook, line up tractors and anything else we needed.

Linda Bainter spent hours on the track taking mega bits of pictures for the web. She too jumped in to help get the line up organized and at the end of the pull helped put a bunch of stuff away. Pat Bainter keeps the web page up-to-date and paid for. Pull results, cumulative points, pictures, pull schedules, rules, etc. are on the web. About once a week something changes. Pat also spent some time out on the track Saturday waving a flag.

Rob Waller and Jeff Gregory were on the sleds the entire pull; Janie was on the blue sled recording distances. Mike Stubber announced, watched monitors and collected distances all day. I saw John Edwards on the track.

A few days before a pull Stan Bainter drops by the track to hang up banners and put out garbage cans. A day or two later he'll return to pick up banners and haul away the garbage.

That was my world at this last pull, that's all I can tell you. I don't know who brought the gas for the sleds and charged the batteries, somebody did. Not sure who was hooking, flagging, or leveling and watering the track. Don Zellner, Bo Waller and Dan Neumann are always on a tractor working out there – was it those guys? I don't know who turned the electricity on, opened the gate, called the port-a-potty pump truck, but it all got done.

I do know the track and the grounds really looked great, everything ran pretty smooth, nothing broke and the Bar-B-Q was very good. Our members have built awesome trucks and tractors (Kirk's Case IH? and Wanda!) I also know that putting on a competitive truck and tractor pull is labor-intensive and a whole lot of people just get out there to get it done.

So here's to you members . . .

THANK YOU AGAIN!!!
WE HAD A BLAST
SEE YOU ON THE 16TH



(BEFORE - 3/5/2011)