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PULLER NEWS

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2012 SCHEDULE

MARCH 3 – 1pm
heavy to light

APRIL 7 -- 1pm
light to heavy

MAY 5 – 1pm
heavy to light

JUNE 2 – 4pm
light to heavy

JULY 7 – noon
Club meeting, potluck
perhaps -- test and tune

SEPTEMBER 1 – 4pm
heavy to light

OCTOBER 6 – 1pm
4th Annual Honoring Our Vets
light to heavy

NOVEMBER 3 – 1pm
heavy to light

NOVEMBER ??
Club Meeting, Planning/Workday

REGISTRATION CLOSSES 1 HOUR PRIOR TO
THE PULL START TIME. TO AVOID \$15.00
LATE REGISTRATION HOOK FEE REGISTER
ON THE ROAD. CALL 352.250.4410.
(May 2009)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Arnold and Judy Martin
Athens, MI
1957 Ford

John and Lynn Foust
Down, OH
1955 Ford 960 – *Little Thumpen*

Henry Coker and Scot Cameron
Dade City, FL
Oliver 770 and Massey

Robert Clements
St. Cloud, FL
1971 Cub 682s
The Regulator
Flirting with Disaster

LOST AT NOVEMBER'S PULL

Buck Knife
If you found it contact
Roy Lester at 407-886-1552.

ADMISSION

Everyone through the gate is charged \$5
admission (children under 12 are free).
Admission is reimbursed to pullers by
charging only \$5 for 1st hook. (May 2009)

2012 TOTAL HOOKS

DATE	GARDEN TRACTOR	TRACTOR	TRUCK	TOTAL HOOKS
1/13	40	110	16	166
1/14	54	117	22	193



Memo from the President

We hosted our 18th Annual Super Pull in January and it was a huge success! With the help of everyone we kept three sleds moving flawlessly both nights. We had a great pull and a good turnout. The members of the club and Umatilla FFA students are to be commended for all their work and dedication to this club, as well as making everyone -- the pullers and spectators -- feel welcome. FATC is a wonderful group of people working hard to provide pullers a venue for tractor pulling year round. Starting March 3rd we will pull the first Saturday of every month, except July and August due to the heat. Thank you for renewing your membership and hope to see you at the track in March. *Bill Mugler*

2012 Neighboring Pull Schedules

Paquette's 5th Annual Historical Farmall Show
and Florida Chapter 27 State Show
Leesburg, Florida
March 8 – 10, 2012
352-267-4448

Florida Flywheelers at Fort Meade
www.floridaflywheelers.org
2012 Regular pulls are scheduled for
April 14, May 12, June 9, Sept 8, Oct 13
Scales and registration open at 10am, pull begins at noon
2012 Show dates are scheduled for
Feb 22 – 25 and Nov 6 – 11

Bull Pen Pullers at Citrus County Fairgrounds, Inverness
www.citruscountyfair.com
2012 regular pulls are scheduled for
April 21, June 23, Aug 18 and Oct 20
Scales and registration open at 10am, pull begins at 1pm

Pioneer Florida Museum and Village
www.pioneerfloridamuseum.org 352-567-0262
monthly Garden Tractor Pulls
one mile north of Dade City off Highway 301 North
east on Pioneer Museum Road

2012 Point System

Points are awarded in two parts, place points and 15 hook points. A tractor or truck must hook on its own power and attempt to move the sled to receive 15 hook points. Disqualified tractors will receive 15 hook points only. Each tractor will receive points according to how it actually places plus hook points. Points will follow a member's registered tractor. (Feb 2009)

1 st place -- 15 points + 15 hook points = 30 points	8 th place -- 7 points + 15 hook points = 22 points
2 nd place -- 14 points + 15 hook points = 29 points	9 th place -- 6 points + 15 hook points = 21 points
3 rd place -- 13 points + 15 hook points = 28 points	10 th place -- 5 points + 15 hook points = 20 points
4 th place -- 12 points + 15 hook points = 27 points	11 th place -- 4 points + 15 hook points = 19 points
5 th place -- 11 points + 15 hook points = 26 points	12 th place -- 3 points + 15 hook points = 18 points
6 th place -- 10 points + 15 hook points = 25 points	13 th place -- 2 points + 15 hook points = 17 points
7 th place -- 9 points + 15 hook points = 24 points	14 th place -- 1 point + 15 hook points = 16 points
8 th place -- 8 points + 15 hook points = 23 points	

Trucks and tractors pulling after 14th place and disqualified trucks and tractors will receive 15 hook points only. Trucks run their normal schedule and then run again at the end of the pull. For drivers wishing to pull in both sessions, they pay for two hooks. The best distance of the two hooks will qualify for points. A "Full Pull" in session one will automatically pull off in session two if there is more than one "Full Pull" regardless of session. (May 2009)

Truck and Tractor Classes with at least 3 participating trucks or tractors qualify for Points Championship awards. In the case of a total points tie, the total pull distances for the year will be added up and used to break the tie. (Feb 2009)

2011 Bud Murray Scholarship

Florida Antique Tractor Club, Inc. (FATC) is a not-for-profit organization established in 1994. The mission of the FATC is to promote the preservation and appreciation of antique tractors, farm equipment, lifestyles and values that symbolize the heritage of the American farmer.

Harry B. "Bud" Murray was a great friend and benefactor to the Florida Antique Tractor Club and in his memory FATC membership and Mrs. Betty Murray established the Bud Murray Scholarship Fund in 2010. This scholarship is for a club member or his or her family member whose goal is to pursue post secondary education in Agriculture, Ag Engineering, Ag Tech, Animal Husbandry, or other agricultural related fields. FATC membership and Mrs. Betty Murray find the opportunity to help a student realize his or her potential as an important part of club's mission. At our 2011 Awards Banquet we awarded a scholarship of \$750 each to Lauren and Lindsay Zellner.

Lauren and Lindsay are Mr. and Mrs. Todd Zellner's identical twin daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Don Zellner's granddaughters. They are juniors at Mulberry High and have been active members of Mulberry High FFA and JROTC and have volunteered at the Lakeland Gun Show and Mulberry Farmers' Market. Lauren and Lindsay were raised around farm animals and farming. They have shown poultry at their County's Fairs, have won many awards, have learned to judge poultry and eggs and attended the FFA State Convention. In addition to showing poultry this year, Lauren is raising a heifer, Ms. Honey, and Lindsay is raising a steer, Mr. Rib Eye. Both animals are calves from their grandparents' herd.

Once the girls graduate from Mulberry High School they plan on attending college to become large animal veterinarians. FATC and Mrs. Murray wish Lauren and Lindsay success and would like to help a little with post-secondary tuition and look forward to being a small part of Lauren Zellner's and Lindsay Zellner's future.

FOR SALE

Oliver 88 V-8

RED HEADED STEP CHILD

\$3500 no motor, \$5000 with new 454 40^{over}

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FOR SALE

A WINNER

1951 Case DC Puller

Farm Stock 4500-5500

Excellent tin and paint \$2200 OBO

Contact Bill Tripp @ 772.766.6581

FOR SALE

1989 F250-89 PULL TRUCK

429 motor, 750 Holly, double pump

Mallory Dist, wires and coil

Dana 60 rear and front

\$2500

Call Crash @ 407.212.6580

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.

FOR SALE

THE ROOSTER

1976 Sears Roper Twin Engine Garden Tractor

A fun tractor \$1600 OBO

Contact Bill Tripp @ 772.766.6581

FOR SALE

75LB MASSEY FERGUSON 165 WHEEL WEIGHTS

outside diameter is 21 inches, bolt circle is 16.5 inches

center hole is 11.5 inches, thickness at outer edge is 3 inches

central area thickness is 3.5 inches

Sandblasted, primed and painted MF red.

4 for \$100

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Pictures on fpullers.com – For several years we have been able to print pictures from the web page by just double clicking the picture and printing from our own computers. The pictures turned out pretty good. We've just learned that it's costing our web sponsor a bundle to store pictures in that format so webmaster is making us reduce the storage bits of each picture. You will see no difference; the new storage size works fine for viewing on the web but it is very very bad for printing these pictures off the web. So from now on if you want a picture printed out, just let Linda know by giving her the number, Super Pull 2012-5140, (*a favorite by the way*) and the size you want. She'll print a picture for you. She hasn't figured just yet what the cost of printing and shipping is, she just wants to handle each request separately for now.

Super Pull Pictures and Results can be seen at fpullers.com – Also, the Super Pull results and "King of the Hill" results will be posted at March 3, 2012 pull.

Hours of Preparation; Days of Anticipation; 30 Seconds of Exhilaration!

by Pat Bainter

Yea, I know what you are thinking. And no, that's not what we are talking about here. We ARE talking about truck and tractor pulling.

Once again, it's the Florida Winter Nationals. The weather has been beautiful, the competition stiff. Which means there are literally hundreds of people spending hours and even days getting their tractor ready, the truck, the trailer (the wife, the husband, the dog and so on.) All of us are spending lots of money and lots of time in hopes of making a good showing among our competitors and our friends.



Which has me thinking. We always see the pictures at the track. Great pictures. Coming down the track, front wheels off the ground, driver fully focused on hitting just the right the spots.

But what about the other pictures. You know, getting the tractor or truck ready. Getting the track dressed down just right. Putting up the banners, cooking the BBQ. Loading the kids, that flat tire on the way, the broken parts. You know, the thrill of victory! The agony of defeat.

We are setting up a special pictures section on the website to post your best "Getting Ready," "Getting Home" or "Working the Track" pictures. Help me out here. Send me your pictures, tell me what you want the caption to say and we will post them up. For examples: http://flpullers.com/index.php/pictures/the_rest_of_the_story/

Let's tell the WHOLE story about tractor pulling. It will be fun. And for some, it really will be informative. I can't wait to get your photos. Send them to info@FIPullers.com.

Lucrecia Gregg from Antique Puller Magazine writes in part . . .

I really appreciate you taking the time to review the article and send stats and have Mrs. Bainter contact us. It really helps us out a lot. Remember, you all can submit to the magazine anytime -- we would love to have submissions about your club and pulls throughout the year

. . . Good luck on all your future activities and we look forward to hearing from you all throughout the year.

Thanks again!!!
Lucrecia

Brian Lively from The Hook Magazine writes

I had a wonderful stay in Zellwood with the entire group there. Look for coverage of the entire event in the March/April edition of The HOOK! Thanks for your time and for the information!

Bryan Lively
Editor and Publisher
The HOOK Magazine

People Positions, Equipment and Tools at the Tractor Pull

A competitive truck and tractor pull is a labor-intensive event. We encourage members to take an active role in helping out with the preparation of the facility, helping run the events or facilitating other needs. There's plenty to do. We appreciate your time, expertise and interest in producing the BEST day possible for all participating pullers, family and friends. Look at the list. Find your niche, sign up, and all of you professional managers help get ourselves organized within each area. Ultimately, if all members would choose something to be responsible for and give an hour or two, then no one individual gets stuck working the whole day and stressing over way too much. Thanks for your consideration.

Track

Roller operator and roller, grater operator and grater, water tank operator and water tank, driver and float tractor, emergency pull-back tractor

Entrance Gate

Couple of people, chairs, hand stamp or bracelets, cash change, change apron, cooler full of refreshments—just kidding

Registration, Membership

At least 3 people, 2 tables, chairs, cash change and money pouches, registration forms, membership forms, list of numbers, cards for numbers, a lot of pens, computer, printer, paper for line up sheets, clip boards, patience—just kidding

Weigh In and Rule Compliance

Couple people to measure weight, hitch, and rpm, table, chairs, scale and monitor w/ extension cord, measuring tape, sun screen or a tent

Driver's Meeting

President or Vice President with important information

Line Up

Line up sheets taped on white board and a couple people for each sled with clip boards/line-up, walkie-talkie

Sled Drivers

Couple people to rotate for each sled, set of flags or red/green lights, clip board/line-up, fuel, charged batteries, tire pressure, monthly maintenance and emergency breakdowns, walkie-talkie

Flagmen/Track Judge

Several people to rotate for each sled, 2 sets red and green flags, knowledge of rules

Hook men

Several people to rotate for each sled

Announcer

Mike Stuber and a couple people to help Mike with recording distances and giving Mike a break during the pull, PA system, National Antham CD or singer Rob Waller, 2 distance monitors, clip board with both sleds line up sheets, PA and distance sled wheels maintenance, walkie-talkie

Awards

Order awards, tape results on board, distribute 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards

Temporary Toilets

Hire licensed contractor, meet to open gate for delivery and pickup

Garbage Cans

Several people to pick up garbage after the pull and replace garbage bags for the next pull, bags, someplace to dump full bags (each member takes home a bag?)

Grounds Maintenance

Mow and weed-kill grass, lawn tractor, crop tractor with mower, gas, Round-Up with sprayer, etc.

Promote Banner Sponsorship, Hang Up and Take Down Banners and Track Flags

Couple people, Banners, Salesman to promote banner space, plastic ties, wire cutters, masking tape, 6 big American flags along track

Concession Stand

Hire licensed contractor or bring your own

Photographer

Linda Bainter, camera, computer, flexible knees and quick reflexes

Web Master

Pat Bainter, update information and rules, writes stories, upload pictures, results and points standing

Absolutely, a bunch of jobs has not been mentioned -- trimming trees, overhauling sled transmissions, setting up and tearing down for banquets and committee meetings, contacting media for pull announcements. There's jobs forgotten and not even thought of yet. It's our club and I've been told many times over that people like us and our facility. Everything is working and FATC is growing. If you have a management plan, additional ideas, a better way of distributing responsibilities, let's hear it – or better yet, let's put it into action. Maybe we could use a sign up list like below and work from there. If nothing better comes up, look for the list at March registration. Sign up, form a team and work together so everyone gets to pull and enjoy the day and each other.

2012 Pull Position Teams

GATE ATTENDANTS

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

SLED OPERATORS

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

REGISTRATION

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

HOOKMEN

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

SCALES

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

FLAGMEN/TRACK JUDGE

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

LINE UP

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

FLOAT TRACTOR OPERATORS

NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____
NAME _____

ETC

BANNER SPACE AVAILABLE

Display one trackside banner for one year (Max. size 30"x 86")
Your company name announced several times during events
Sponsor will receive two (2) passes to the Super Pull in January
\$100.00 per year

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