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Minnesota Chapter 15 International Harvester Collectors

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

May 20, 2020

Greetings all, I hope this finds you well. My how things have changed since our last meeting. It just didn't seem right not having swap meet at LeSueur. I know it's been a big change with everyone with the social distancing and the stay at home order. We will get through this like we have other adversities in our lives but not quite the same as we were before. It's just another one of those challenges that we have no choice about but to endure and continue on.

During all this we've had to make a few adjustments. As I stated before we had no swap meet so now we have a full inventory of merchandise. Dave has been selling a few items by e-mail from people contacting him. We've been unable to have a board meeting but we have been in contact with each other by phone and social media and conducting what business we can. I have also been in contact with National President Bob Buxton several times to see what has been

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going on at that level. This virus may have gotten in our way and slowed us down but it has not stopped us.

As most of you probably all ready know the Round Up has moved to August 8-10. That's a Saturday-Sunday-Monday. I don't know if that fits everyone's plans but at least there's the hope we will still be able to have it. As of right now as I write this we are still on track to have our June meeting at Lee Sackett's. The board and I have discussed this as well as with Lee and we are going for it unless something major happens and they say we can't. The governor is suppose to open up more on June 1st so that should work out for us as our meeting will be on the 6th. We will play this by ear and may have to change it at the last second but if we do we will contact you by e-mail for those that have it and by phone for those who don't. We will practice social distancing and if you wish to wear a mask by all means whatever makes you comfortable.

Conrad's auction has been postponed but I haven't heard a new date yet. We are still on track for our Summer show in September at Albany. That will be a wait and see as well until we get closer and more confirmation. As far as I know Bart Nelson is still having his plow day August 29th but as with everything else this

may be tentative as well. The Randy VanWhye open house has been moved to July 11th as of now but like everything else that's not etched in stone either.

I don't know how many of you knew that we lost another member. John Smith passed away a few days ago. We are saddened to hear this and our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. John loved RED and enjoyed being a part of the club very much.

On a lighter note there still have been live auctions going on. I attended the estate auction of a friend of mine down by Hayfield where I grew up. Came home with a narrow tread F20 at a very reasonable price. The event was well attended and buying was vigorous. It was a fairly large IH collection with 10/20s and 15/30s to a 4366 with about everything in between. I also changed my herd up a little bit. Sold my 460 and bought a 560D. I'm going to miss the 460 but I think the 560 will serve my needs better. Also found out grandchild #12 is on the way! Life continues on.

Well that all for now. Keep an ear to the ground as everything for now is still fluid. If you plan on attending please call in as soon as possible as we have a short window to get the meals reserved. They would like a number by the 29th so that doesn't give us much time. Take care and stay safe and with a little luck and by the grace of God we'll see each other in June.

Bill Radil
President
IHCC #15

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of May 18, 2020

Checking;	\$2,329.10
Savings;	\$25,038.82
Cash;	<u>\$500.00</u>
Total;	\$27,867.92

David Kanten
IHCC #15 Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The club has 339 members as of May 18.

Please review the date **(03/1?)** on your Newsletter mailing address. If it shows "03/20" you will be dropped from the National Roster on June 1 and the Chapter Roster in the summer. Please send me your \$25 dues for this year in the near future if you want to continue as a member.

If you know someone who wants to join the Club, you can go to the Chapter 15 website **www.ihcc15.com** then choose "About" then choose "Become a Member" and print out the **Membership Form**. Or contact me and I can send the prospective member an application. Then complete the application and send it with \$25.00 to my attention.

The new members since the last Newsletter:

Alex A Battcher.....	Arlington
Blake A Battcher.....	Gaylord
Raymond Baumgard	Garden City
Bev Bjorklund	Buffalo
Jared Bodin	Waverly
Nathan Bodin.....	Waverly
Rick Bonk	Buffalo
Maynard Carlson	Buffalo
Aaron G Starz.....	New Ulm
Shelly M Starz	New Ulm

Jerry Bambenek, Membership Secretary

WEBSITE

I have been trying to keep the website up to date as things keep changing in these crazy times. If you have concerns feel free to contact me with them. So far as the format there is not a lot I can do other than to contact the designer. The person has been good to work with and to make it simple to use as best that can be done.

Dave Kanten
Webmaster

MERCHANDISE REPORT

The trailer is overflowing as I had stocked up with the hopes of having fantastic sales at LeSueur but as we all know that didn't happen. I have been sending a bit now and then to members that have asked for items. If there is something you are in need of, (decals, caps, etc.) I can send them to you by mail. Just be aware that if it is more than what will fit in a standard envelope the shipping charges add up. The way I have been doing is by USPS and pretty the minimum cost is \$7.75.

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Merchandise Manager

IHCC MN Chapter 15 Chapter Meeting Minutes 3/14/2020

Prayer and Dinner Served

Meeting was called to order at 12:45pm

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Held a moment of silence for all members that have recently passed

Roll Call of Board Members by Pres. Bill Radil. All board members present.

Secretaries Report was given by Sec. Andy Kappers. He stated the previous meeting minutes were posted in the latest newsletter. Motion was made to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report was given by Treasurer Dave Kanten. He read off the current balances. Motion was made to accept. Motion passed.

Checking: \$2,447.80

Savings: \$24,738.18

Cash: \$500.00

Total: \$27,685.93

Merchandise Report was given by Merchandise Chair Dave Kanten. He ordered new Tractor Mac books and well as more IH Breakup books. Most were sold out at the meeting. He also talked about ordering more chapter jackets if members were interested.

New Business:

Our Summer Visit 2020 will be held at Lee Sacketts on June 6th. Members can start showing up around 10am with tours of the former IH dealership starting around 11am. Hy-Vee will be catering the meal.

The 2020 summer show will be held at Albany Sept 18-20th. Darren Eisenschenk talked about the show.

We need to finalize our plans for the 2022 Summer Show. Will we be holding it at Butterfield?

The club has reserved 3 tables for the 2020 RPRU in Huron SD. Arnold talked about the show and some of their plans. Dave talked about insurance needs for bringing personal golf carts.

Recognized recently passed members including Eddie LeFebvre, Kenny Eckstrand, and Ron Eisenschenk.

Jerry Bambenek went over the recent audit of the financials that also included George Weitgenant and Bernie Kutter. He thanked Dave for doing the day to day finances for the club.

Jerry Bambenek stated there are currently 332 members. Memberships are currently due and membership cards available upon renewal of membership.

Conrad's auction is coming up on June 20th and is being held by Maring Auction. Sales brochures will be coming out soon.

Website: Pictures have been added of Ron Eisenschenk's funeral and updated information.

Facebook: Posting club events and reminders.

Bart Nelson will be hosting a plow day on August 29th. Hanley Falls will be featuring IH August 1-2nd.

Mileage reimbursement for pulling the chapter trailer was discussed. Motion was made to change the regulations to the current government rate. Motion passed.

Dave Kanten was given \$100 to compensate for printing costs/supplies.

Dave Morrison brought up that Lee Sackett is currently working on a 1924 McCormick-Deering 10-20 and in need of sheet metal and wheels if a member has some available.

Conrad brought up a train based park in the Phoenix Scottsdale area that has connections to the McCormick family. He stated it is a must see if in the area.

Farmall Land USA will be closing after this final season. Museum open through September 2020.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting closed at 1:33pm.

Door prizes followed

Secretary
Andrew Kappers

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE MEETING

June 6th, 2020

Summer visit to Lee Sackett shop
421 W. Main Street
Waltham, MN

Shop and visit starting at 10:00 AM
Guided tours every half hour by Mr. William Radil
beginning at 10:00 AM. and commentary by
Mr. David Morrison.

Meal at 12:00 PM with meeting to follow.
BRING LAWN CHAIRS!!

RANDY VANWHYE TOUR

July, 11th, 2020

31 Hillcrest Ct. SW
Pine Island, MN 55963

2020 RED POWER ROUND UP

Aug. 8, 9, 10, 2020
S.D. State Fairgrounds
Huron, SD

BART NELSON PLOWDAY

August 29th, 2020
21634 County Road 7
Hutchinson, MN 55350

NEXT MEETING:

JUNE CLUB MEETING

Saturday, June 6th

10:00 am

Lee Sackett shop
421 W. Main Street
Waltham, MN

BRING LAWN CHAIRS!!

Please RSVP for meals to:

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See you there!!!

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