

Slow Boys News



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Meeting Minutes July 2024

The Slow Boys Meeting was called to order by President Art Downs. About 21 members were present.

Secretary's Report and Treasurer's

Report: Postponed to next month's meeting

Old Business:

Piper City Event (called Piperstock): August 3rd. Tractor show will be from 10am to 12:30pm. The Kid's Pedal pull will be from 1:00-1:30pm. The club's tractors and pull will be on the corner of Pine St. and W. Peoria Street across the road from the old grocery store.

Second Cookout Fundraiser: We will be doing another cookout fundraiser at Hometown Grocery in Gilman on August 24th. Volunteers will be needed from 8am to 1pm. Contact Corinne if you can help that day.

Iroquois County Fair: The fair went well. A big THANK YOU! to everyone who was able to help throughout - from setting up to tearing down. We had 110 kids in the coloring contest this year! The fair raffle prize was a \$25 gift card and a Slowboys hat donated by Mike Minor. The winner ended up being Matt Hall. The Fair Tractor Ride went better than anticipated with 19 Tractors and 12 riders. All together with additional donations and the Butterfield drive, the club donated around \$3200 this year. For our donations, the fair gives us fair passes and event tickets that we can distribute, with a total value of around \$1500. The lawn mower course competition at the fair went okay with 6 competitors this year. Stollers in Herscher donated the mower. Adam Hall won with a time of 2 minutes and 41 seconds. The course had 57 stakes to maneuver around and a flying pig that was to be safely pulled up. Failing to wear your seatbelt was an automatic 100 point deduction! Sunday's Tractor Pull saw 72 hooks and we give a huge thank you to the gals in the Sign-Up crew. They did a fantastic job!

Vice President: We will be needing a new VP soon. Start thinking about volunteering this year!

New Business:

Prairieview Fall Festival/Super Saturday: Cheryl Bohlman is in charge of the festival this year. After discussing things with Gilman's mayor and with Cheryl, this year the club will be moving our normal Super Saturday events to Prairieview's Fall Festival and splitting stuff between the two days of the festival. Matt Hall will be meeting with Prairieview to determine what is doable and what isn't this year based on the space we will have. The nursing home will be shutting down the road in between them and the church for our events. Matt

will know more after meeting with them. Depending on what is planned, the club may sponsor a coloring contest for the nursing home residents this year.

Peotone Tractor Pull: August 22nd with an 8am register and 9am start. There will not be a scale, but normal weight classes (100lb cheat weight), tire size rule, and pulling hitch requirement will be followed. There are no trophies and the pulling fee will be \$20. This year the profits will be donated to the Slow Boys club.

Boswell Pull: It was a bit sparse, but with 21 hooks the organizers were happy. They didn't expect much this first year for a fair on life support. Jason Bremer had the sled and the organizers had zero investment in it as the money for the sled rental was donated. All in all, there is hope for next year!

Sibley-Burr Oaks Tractor Drive: Was on July 6th. There were 46 Tractors and 54 entries. It was a good drive and all went well until the last stop at Artesia. The drive ended up being a bit longer there than expected and there were a few hiccups, but overall everything went alright.

For Sale:

- Dean Bettenhausen: Selling a John Deere 2510 Gas with wide front for \$8000.

Upcoming Events: (Pull list on website)

- Piperstock: August 3rd in Piper City-Tractor Show and Kid's Pedal Pull
- Kankakee County Fair Pull: August 4th, 8am register with 9:30am Pull Start
- Symerton Tractor Pull: August 18th - Pull at Noon
- Will County Fair Pull: August 22nd at Peotone. 8am register with 9am start
- Slowboys Club Fundraiser Cookout: August 24th at 8am in Gilman at Hometown Grocery.
- Pontiac Thresherman's Pull: August 30th at 6pm

Lunch Tonight: Mike Buhrmester

Lunch Next Month: Potluck at the community center this year instead of the park. Don't forget to bring a dish to share and serving utensils!

Adjourn the meeting: Motion made by Addison Brown seconded by Russell Tjarks. Motion approved.

Next Meeting - Potluck on August 26th at 6:30pm at the Crescent City Community Center.

Secretary - Adrienne Roeder

2024 Officers:

President, Art Downs 815-471-6166 - Vice President, Mike Minor - Secretary, Adrienne Roeder - Treasurer, Matt Hall

Additional Board of Directors:

Mike Buhrmester, Matt Hall, Dave Hall, Russell Schuler, Mike Minor, Milton Blume, and Allyn Kleinert