

U.S.A. PLOWING ORGANIZATION

Pres. ■ David Postlethwait
3366 Whittier Rd ■
Springville, IA 52336 Phone
319-854-7259

Vice-Pres. . Kevin Albrecht
44565 27th St . Marion, SD
57043 Phone 605-925-4659

Sec'y-Treas. . Roger L.
Neate
14837 Greenville Rd. Van
Wert:OH 45891 Phone 419-
965-2284 . Fax 419-965-2281



Director. Charles R.Noonan
! 1585 Freysville Rd. ■ York, PA.
17402
Phone 717-755-9465

Director. Glenn Brown
9670 Kimbro Ave S. Cottage Grove,
MN 55016 Phone 651-459-3251

Director. Don Klehm
13543 N 2700 E Rd. Forrest, IL
61741 Phone 815-832-4449

WPO Rep. . Richard D. Pedersen 1405 NW 122nd St. . Clive, IA 50325 Phone 515-223-
9565

WEB SITE FOR USAPO: <http://angelfire.com/iazz/usapo>

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2007

On January 17th, 2007 at 9:07 am. President Dave Postlethwait called the USAPO board of directors meeting to order at the "Three Sisters Park" in Chillicothe, Illinois with all board members present except for Chuck Noonan who was not able to attend due to illness. Also present was Earl Muir and Sony Wolf.

Roger read the minutes of the last directors meeting and treasurer's report which were accepted as read. He then read the minutes of the last Annual meeting in Rolling, MN. No corrections or additions were made at this time - they will be read at the next annual meeting for approval.

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

Glen reported that the articles of incorporation need to be filed on a yearly basis, which has been done for this year. Conrad Gruber volunteered to be coach for the 2007 World Matches at Kaunas, Lithuania, Sept. 14th and 15th if needed. Sharon Haggemiller is not the Secretary for the Minn. Plowing Organization . Lori. Penas has now filled that position

Dave reported that all is well in Iowa, the treasury is in good shape and they are looking forward to another successful year. We all , enjoyed Ireland very much!

Roger presented the Pennsylvania report on behalf of Chuck. The contest site for 2008 plowing matches is in town. There may be a problem with the "Developer"-other states may be called on if negotiations don't work out! Roger also would be available to judge at the next world match.

Kevin had nothing to report

Dick reported that the World Matches held in Ireland were absolutely awesome! "The National Ploughing Association of Ireland" hosted one of the most outstanding and largest organized events we have attended for sometime! There were nineteen (19) people from the United States that did an excellent job working together, representing our country and the USAPO. Received several complements on how well our plowmen and coach had done before and during

the entire match time, plus the neat'ness of their plowing. Congratulations to Eugene Elphic, Gene Gruber and Conrad Gruber!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Don reported that the planning for the 2007 National Plowing Matches was coming along very nicely! He then introduced Kevin Engquist club president of the 'Three Sisters Antique Tractor Club', Chris Cassidy park general manager, Gene Pratt, Marketing Director and Dave Ross in charge plowing events. They each gave a short talk on how the show operates and are looking forward to hosting the 2007 National Plowing Matches. Their enthusiasm and eagerness to make this an outstanding event can not be put in words. Don then THANKED them for all of their cooperation!!!!

August 1st Illinois contest from 1 :00 pm to 3:00pm, USAPO banquet and annual meeting 6:30pm. August 18th Small Plow 9:00am, Open Class 2:00pm. August 19th Reversible Plow 9:00am, Antique Class 1 :00pm. August 20th rain date. NO practice plowing during the Illinois contest. Two admission passes will be provided for each plowman and A TV permits will be available for those *that* need them. Rooms have been blocked off at the "AMERICINN' LODGE & SUITES of Peoria and BEST WESTERN SIGNATURE INN of Peoria.

Sometime around July 1st I will send out another newsletter with more details on contacts for equipment, hotel reservations and any other information. Received a flyer from Kevin Engquist outlining the program of activities taking place the weekend of Aug..18-19, 2007 at the Farm Heritage Days, "Three Sisters Park", Chillicothe, Ill. If anyone would like to have some of these flyers, please call me as soon as possible and I will get them made up and sent to you.

Rule books being printed was discussed and rejected as they are constantly changing. The rules will be available at the USAPO website. Address is on letterhead.

The following states directors were accepted: Minnesota-Glen Brown, Pennsylvania-Chuck Noonan. And South Dakota-Kevin Albrecht. Election of officers remained as they were the previous year.

Gregg Marthaler, Belgrade, MN. Small Plow and Roger Fourman, Arcanum, OH. Reversible Plow will be our representatives for the 54th World Ploughing Contest at the Lithuanian University of Agriculture in Kaunas, Lithuania. Conrad Gruber, Paynesville, MN., coach, and Roger Neate, Van Wert, OH., judge will also be attending

Just received a call from Chuck and Pennsylvania is working on a site in Lancaster County about thirty (30) miles east of York, Pa., for the 2008 National Plowing Matches. He stated that it would be at least 2 or 3 weeks before they could confirm the site. It would be the 1st time for Lancaster County to host the National Matches.

We will greatly miss those members who supported their State and National Plowing Organization, but they have left us with wonderful memories. On Dec. 16th Darlene Law, 1191 Lee Ave., Pierson, IA., Jan. 8th Franklin Valentine, 7060 Auld Road, Bradford, Ohio 45308 and April 11th Delores Nolan, 200 Vermillion Est., Pontiac, ILL. 61764

The World Ploughing Organization dues \$2518.30 for 2007 have been paid leaving a balance in our checking account of \$5774.30. Only 45 percent of the membership has paid their dues at this time, so if the remaining 55 percent were to pay their dues the balance on hand would be about \$7500.00. PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES NOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Fill out the enclosed form now and send it alone with a check or cash to the Sec. Treas.

NOTICE: If there is an asterisk behind your name on the envelope of this letter, then you dues for 2007 are paid.

Respectfully Submitted By Sec. Treas.

USA Plowing Organization

Make Check Payable to USAPO Dues \$20.00

NAME _____

Street Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____

..~::~"~