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NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2006

The 2006 National Plowing Matches will be held at the "WESTERN MINNESOTA STEAM THRESHERS REUNION" (WMSTR) show at Rollag, Minnesota. The dates are: Friday, Sept 1st Minnesota State Matches, National plowing practice and the Plowman's Banquet. Saturday, Sept 2nd Small and Open Classes. Sunday Sept 3rd Reversible and Antique Classes. Monday Sept 4th rain date if necessary. ■

Just a reminder that everyone should have their rooms reserved because the cutoff date is Aug. 1st. The number of reservations for the Plowman's Banquet are not very good at this time, so be sure to call Sharon, if you plan to attend, and make a reservation.

Remember to review the new rules on the USAPO WEBSITE, <http://anglefire.com/iazslusapo>. If you have any questions or input on the new rules please be prepared to present it at the annual meeting.

Illinois is still working on having the National Matches at the "Three Sisters Park" the third weekend of August 2007 and Penn. has a possible site to host the National Matches the 3rd weekend of June 2008.

Women's Antique Shop Road Tour Friday, Sept. 1st, 2006 will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the lobby of the Fergus Falls Best Western to organize car-pooling and hitting the road for an enjoyable day. Cindy Fox, Minnesota Tour Guide, would like to know how many are - interested in this tour, Her e-mail is; cindy.fox@tsLcom.

On June 13Th, 2006 DENNIS GENE BRADLEY, 1 0690 Hillgrove-Ft. Recovery, Union City, Ohio 45390, passed away. Dennis plowed in several matches and was an inspiration to all that knew him and will be missed at all future plowing matches!!

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday Sept. 1st;

Minn. State Matches

National Practice, Morning and Afternoon

Plowmen's Banquet, 7:00pm Best Western in Fergus Falls"O

Annual Meeting following banquet

Saturday Sept. 2nd:

Small Plow Class; 9:00am

Open Plow Class; 2:00pm

Sunday Sept 3rd :

Reversible Plow Class: 9:00am

Antique Plow Class: 1 :00pm

Awards will be announced as soon as possible after the matches and the location of the presentation will be announced at the annual meeting.

Monday Sept 4th:

Rain date or HOME!!!!!!!

JUDGES: Each state needs to have two persons to help judging.

DUES:: Help support the USAPO and pay your dues now!

I'm sure I have forgotten something, so if you have any questions please feel free to call me at home or my cell #419-203-0293 .

On September 29th and 30th the Republic of Ireland will be hosting the 53rd World Plough matches. Gene Gruber and Eugene Elphic will represent the USA. Gene will-be ploughing in small plough class and Eugene will be ploughing in the rollover class. There will be a party of approximately 15 people going from the USA to cheer for these two men. We wish them well and a great day of ploughing.

Respectfully,
Roger Neate

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