

# Cascade Two Cylinder Club Newsletter

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Spring 2015

**C2CC  
Spring General Meeting  
April 25  
Washington Tractor-  
Lynden**

Coffee & cookies **9:30**

General Meeting **10:00**

**Agenda:**

- Plow Day update
- **2015 Events**
- **Raffle**



**C2CC Plow Day**

May 2

*(Depending on field conditions)*

**Thulen Farms—La-  
Conner, WA**

**9:00 am**

**Contacts: Paul Hieb,  
360-856-6210 or Phil  
Smoots, 360-466-3030**



**2015 C2CC  
Membership Dues**

Due January 1, 2015

Please send your dues to **Tom Jensen, 202 Rainbow Drive, Burlington, WA 98233** or bring the money to the April 25 meeting

## John Maas-Tractor Whisperer

John was born in New Holland, S. Dakota but grew up in Corsica, a few miles away. John's father was a blacksmith and starting John welding when he was 8 years old. Most of the shop work was reforming and sharpening plow shares for the local farm community. In 1954, John and several friends entered on a road trip to Lynden, Washington. It took three weeks to make the trip after much sightseeing on the way. John liked the climate in Whatcom county and didn't like the coal dust in the South Dakota blacksmith shop so the next year John decided to move to the Lynden area. One of John's uncles in Lynden encouraged him to get a job in a local machine shop fabricating carrot diggers for the Kelly Farquhar vegetable processing cannery. During a coffee break at the Lynden Recreation Bar & Grill John met John Spaan who was the manager/owner of the local John Deere dealer North Washington Implement. Mr. Spaan invited 19 year old John to come work at North Washington Implement in the shop with a promise to eventually work him into a sales position. John worked in the shop for one year under the excellent guidance and mentoring of shop foreman Joe Cramer. During this time John attend several John Deere service schools receiving top scores. Mr. Spaan wanted John to transfer to sales but John explained to him that he really enjoyed working on the Deeres and that it was either the shop or the highway. John was able to stay in the shop and continued with more Deere service schools in Portland Oregon. In 1962, shop foreman Joe Cramer left for a job at the local Darigold plant and John was promoted to shop foreman. John stayed with North Washington Implement until it was sold in 1967. During this time John was able to hone his skills on the two cylinder tractors and experience the New Generation Deeres that replaced the Johnny Poppers.

John proudly stated that North Washington was the only shop in Whatcom county that had a dynamometer and mass meter (fuel meter). With these two test units the two cylinder tractors could be finely tuned. John liked the two cylinder engines better than the New Generation engines because of the durability, low end torque and ability to tune for maximum horsepower and fuel efficiency. After leaving North Washington in 1967, John moved to a mechanics job at Intalco. John continued with Intalco until retirement in 1998. When he started at Intalco, he was the only mechanic out of six that had experience working on diesel engines. Some of the equipment had Detroit diesel 253 engines which were the same as the John Deere 435 two cylinder tractor engine. John's dad had taught him early how to improve the design of equipment which skill was valuable at Intalco. John was able to take the John Deere designs and modify them into the equipment at Intalco. One example was an equipment modified brake system that improved the cost of maintenance from \$6000 a year to \$200. Intalco had a bonus program to reward employees who saved the company money. In John's tenure at Intalco he was able to earn \$4000 in bonuses for cost saving equipment modifications. John can't give enough credit to his dad who taught him welding and how to improve designs of equipment. John also appreciated Joe Cramer's mentoring during the early days at North Washington Implement.

John owns a 1964 John Deere 110 lawn tractor but has never owned a tractor. If he did it would be a John Deere G because of its awesome torque and horsepower. John really enjoys working on the club members two cylinder tractors from the John Deere L to the 830. The two cylinder club meetings are fun and he wants to continue helping the members with their tractors. John still gets calls from Wash-

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**Internet Users!**

Check out our web site  
[www.CascadeTwoCylinderClub.org](http://www.CascadeTwoCylinderClub.org)

for pictures of club  
members in  
local events!

**Need Magnetic  
Tractor Signs?**

Call Greg Greenfield  
360-661-4632

**\$25**

**Need a Club Jacket?**

Call Tom Jensen  
360-661-0634

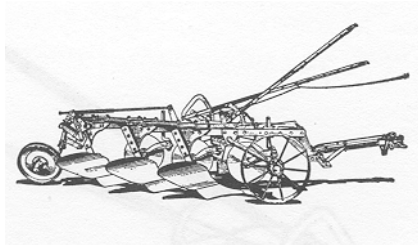
**President's Message**

Spring is here, the fields are looking good. Plow day is set for May 2 at the same location as the last four years. We will start about 9:00 am. A sack lunch works for most of us. We have lots of acres to plow and need a lot of members to help and hope for good weather. Skagit Gas Up is May 9, 2015 at the Skagit County Fair Grounds in Mount Vernon. Bring our tractors out for a kick back day 9 am to 3 pm. Parades start at Lynden on June 6 and June 20th in Burlington with the Berry Dairy Days parade. Then the 4th of July in Sedro Woolley and Arlington. Our summer caravan will be July 18th with a nice picnic lunch. More on the caravan in in the June newsletter. Our next meeting will be April 25, 2015 at North Washington John Deere in Lynden. See you at the meeting.

See you at the meeting. Paul Hieb, President



"IT'S ONE OF THE BEST DEALS AVAILABLE  
FOR THE TRACTOR COLLECTOR!"

**2015 C2CC Spring Plow Day.**

70 plus Acre Field– We need a lot of plows in the ground!

Gail Thulen farm, La Conner Whitney and Downey Road (west of McLean Rd.), La  
Conner, WA

9:00 am

**May 2, 2015**

Questions? Check with one of the following:

**Phil Smoots, 360-466-3030**

**Paul Hieb 360-856-6210**

Small John Deere and large John Deere tractors welcome. Interested in plowing but don't have a plow? Contact Phil or Paul.  
If you don't want to plow but are interested in plowing please stop by to lend your support!

## Club Officers and Board Members

### OFFICERS

President	Paul Hieb	360-856-6210
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### Separating the Chaff from the Grain

#### **Morrie Robinson collection featured in Farm Collector Magazine!**

Three of Morrie's rare gas engines are featured in the April 2015 edition of the Farm Collector magazine. Morrie gives the background to "bagging" a 1893 2 hp Crossley-Otto, 1915 St. Mary's 20 h.p. (originally used by the City of Sedro Woolley) and a 1903 3 h.p. Stickney Jr. Great story behind these very special engines and a very special collector.

#### **C2CC Spring Shop Tour**

12 to 15 members attended the March 28 shop tour. The morning started with a tour of Kirk Damon's well equipped fabrication shop near Bayview. If you need special fabrication done, Kirk is the guy to see! The second part of the tour was the Alan Mesman robotic milking parlor located near La Conner. Very high tech and the wave of the future!

#### **Branch 26 Spring Gas Up**

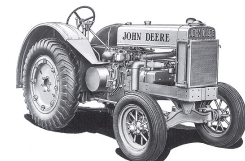
The annual Gas Up is scheduled for May 9 at the Skagit Valley Fairgrounds. It has been requested to get the big stuff delivered before 8:00 am or the night before. Enter on west entrance. The show is shared with the Skagit Master Gardeners plant sale.

#### **C2CC Summer Caravan**

July 18 is the date with start and finish from the Sedro Woolley City Park. This caravan was planned last year but got rained out. Club will provide ham, water and soda pop. Members can bring dessert, salads or finger food. Bring lawn chairs. Details in the Summer newsletter.

### **PSAT&MA Show Exhibitor Policy Change**

Starting with the 2015 show, any show exhibitor not a member of the PSAT&MA club will pay \$10 a day exhibitor fee and sign a hold harmless waiver. The annual PSAT&MA membership fee is \$20/year. We are told this new policy is consistent with other antique machinery shows. More information in the summer edition of this newsletter.



*Check out C2CC.org for pictures of club events*

**Membership Dues**

\$15/Year

**Please note!****2015 dues due January 1, 2015**

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**JOHN DEERE**  
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*Meeting Minutes***Cascade Two Cylinder Club****General Meeting****February 21, 2015****Sedro Woolley, WA**

Regular meeting held Feb. 21, 2015 at the Sedro-Woolley Museum.

**Meeting called to order** at 10:16 am by Paul Hieb, Pres.

**Minutes of previous meetings** read and approved.

**No Treasurers Report**

**Old Business:** Club jackets- If you would like to get one contact Tom Jensen. Gary Friend pointed out that Joy's Bakery donated the gravy for our December Pot Luck.

**New Business:** Shop Tour: March 28, 2015, 9:00 am Kirk Damon, Fab. and repair shop. 10:30 am. Alan Mesmans' Robotic Milking Parlor. Directions in winter newsletter. Next regular meeting April 25, 2015 at Washington Tractor Lynden, WA 10:00 am. Plow Day May 2, 2015 depending on the weather. More info to follow. Summer Caravan: July 18, 2015 destination to be announced later. Election: VP Loren Dahl, Secretary Ray Riggles, Board members; Gary Friend, Jeff Cowles and Phil Smoots. All were re elected by unamous ballot. Bob Folk gave a brief talk on replacing rear axle seals on his John Deere Model "A" tractor. There was also some discussion on correct fluids for use in JD transmissions. We also had a brief discussion about getting younger people involved in our hobby. We haven't been very successful at this. I would guess that the games we play on our old tractors don't involve computers and therefore aren't much interest to the younger generation. Leon Meyers suggested getting kids involved in restoring a tractor in farm shop.

**Meeting Adjourned** 11:08 AM

Ray Riggles, Sec.

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ington Tractor (North Washington Implement) concerning two cylinder tractors problems. He has gotten calls from as far away as Denton, Texas and has worked on tractors from Chehalis, Washington. John continues to say that to give him a call won't cost you a dime but turning wrenches will cost you. A tip of the green and yellow hat to Spring 2015 special member, John Maas.

*Meeting Minutes***Cascade Two Cylinder Club****Board of Director's Meeting****April 9, 2015****Jeff Cowles' home****Marysville, WA**

Board of Directors meeting held April 9, 2014 at Jeff Cowles' home.

Attending: Paul, Greg, Phil, Loren, Con, Tom, Alerd and Jeff  
**Meeting called to order** at 7:25 pm by Paul Hieb pres.

**Minutes of previous meetings:** Not available.

**Treasurers Report:** \$5376.28 on hand. \$313 insurance premium paid and \$10 Washington State non-profit club fee paid. Report approved.

**Old Business:** Ten club coats have been ordered. Software has been purchased for the JD 820 and JD D models. Dean Flaig has personally purchased the software for the JD 720. If someone is interested in the JD 720 coat they can contact Dean. If members are interested in other JD models, please contact Tom Jensen. Shop tour organized by Loren Dahl was a success. Tour started at Kirk Damon shop near Bayview and continued on to Mesman's robotic milking parlor near La Conner. Twelve to fifteen members attended. **New Business:** Next general meeting is scheduled for April 25, 10:00 am at the Lynden Washington tractor dealership. Plow day is tentatively scheduled for May 2 depending on field condition. Location will be Thulen Farms near the corner of La Conner -Whitney/Downey Road, La Conner. We need to encourage members to bring out their plows. Field will be set up for the larger plows and smaller plows. Skagit Gas Up is scheduled May 9 at the Skagit Valley Fair Grounds. Participants may bring in their tractors the night before event. Caravan is scheduled for July 18 starting and ending at the Sedro Woolley Park. Club will provide ham, pop and water. Participants should bring a dessert or salad or finger food. Bring lawn chairs. Parades: Lynden- June 6, Burlington- June 20 and July 4- Sedro Woolley and Arlington. Motion made by Greg and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Loren to donate \$100 to the Sedro Woolley Museum. Discussed supporting a John Deere tractor repair senior project in one of the local schools. Goal is to stimulate interest in the hobby with the youth. Paul suggested that we think about a member who could lead the project. **Meeting adjourned** 8:35 PM Alerd Johnson for Ray Riggles sec.

## Green & Yellow Want Ads

*Please note that want ads will be run one time unless renewed. Ads need to be limited to five lines and will feature John Deere tractors. Other non tractor antiques ok if brief.*

**For Sale** JD Model B widefront with extra pieces and some implements, call 604 794-7079.

**For Sale** John Deere L, nicely restored and runs and drives excellent, 2 new front tires and tubes, 2 new rear tubes (tires are excellent), new battery, new battery cables, rebuilt generator, rebuilt starter, new cutout relay, rebuilt wico xh mag., new spark plugs, new spark plug wires, new wiring harness, new amp gauge, new light switch, new glass bowl fuel filter, rebuilt carb., new air hoses and clamps, new chrome gas and radiator caps, new choke and throttle cables, new radiator hoses and clamps, new oil filler clamp, complete decal set, original owners manual and accessory pamphlet. Allen Roehl \$ 6,500.00 OBO. 360-452-2484.

**For Sale** 2- 12.4x38 tires (no cracks) on cast wheels from JD B, \$500, Greg 360-661-4632

**For Sale** 9.5 x 24 B F Goodrich tire, good shape \$100, Alerd 360-293-7953

**For Sale** John Deere #5 mower, very nice condition, tractor mount 3 point lift, newer sickle guards,, pto covers, every thing there, \$150 . Paul Hieb (360) 856-6210

**For Sale** J.D.. Tire pump chain with hooks and spring \$10 360-354-3036

**For Sale** John Deere 80, power steering, dual remotes hydraulics, power take off, good tires, looks good, make offer, Mick Jensen, 360-661-6676

**Wanted** Model B s.n. 192832 Norm teSelle, 360-3038

**Wanted** Good condition Styled "L", electric start, would consider "LA", John Leque, (907) 209 409

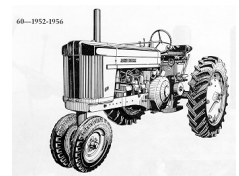
**Wanted** Parts for a model L manure spreader, Chris Schroeder, (206) 427-8172

**Wanted** 16 hp B.&S. single cyl. Engine, hopefully complete, Bob Peter, (360)- 391-5934

**Wanted** Articles or ideas for articles for CTCC newsletter

**Wanted** Your email address so we can get you a quick notice of meetings, events and plow days. Send to webmaster@c2cc.org Alerd Johnson, 360.293.7953, editor@c2cc.org

**Wanted** Members to mail or email club related pictures/video to webmaster@c2cc.org



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Cascade Two Cylinder Club web address

**[www.cascadetwoyylinderclub.org](http://www.cascadetwoyylinderclub.org)**

-Search member/tractor database -All newsletters 1996-today-Events calendar-Pictures and Video 1993-today-Huge collection of web links

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## Directory!

When renewing dues please include email address and tractors you want listed in the directory. If you don't wish tractors listed on the web please indicate. You can also update online at [www.c2cc.org](http://www.c2cc.org)

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# Calendar of Year 2015 Events

- April 25..... Spring C2CC General meeting Wa Tractor, Lynden
  - May 2..... C2CC Plow Day
  - May 9..... Branch 26 Gas Up, Skagit Valley Fairgrounds
  - June 6 ..... Lynden Farmer’s Day Parade
  - June 20 ..... Burlington Berry Dairy Days Parade
  - July 4 ..... Sedro Woolley Parade
  - July 4 ..... Arlington Parade
  - July 18 ..... C2CC Caravan
  - July 25&26 ..... Great Oregon Steam Up, Brooks, OR
  - July 29- August 1 ..... PSAT&MA Show, Lynden
  - August 1 & 2 ..... Great Oregon Steam Up, Brooks, OR
  - August 14,15&16 ..... Sky Valley Show, Monroe
  - August 15..... Belleville Threshing, Bow
  - Sept 12 ..... Winthrop Vintage Wheels Show
  - Sept. 12 ..... Anacortes Antique Machinery Show
  - Nov 11..... Veteran’s Day Parade, Burlington
  - December 12 ..... C2CC Holiday Potluck, Bayview
- For more details on event times and location, contact the club officers or boards members. Phone numbers listed on page 3*



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