

GAMTRA SUMMER 2025 NEWSLETTER

What a great Spring we've had! The cool mornings are a welcome break from what's normal for us this time of year. Went to the show at Hickory on the 16th & it was really nice, partly cloudy with a nice breeze blowing. Looking at the 10-day forecast it looks like the heat & humidity are coming back about Wednesday so enjoy it while it's here. Have fun and BE SAFE!

Lots of shows and other stuff happening over the next 2 months, here's a few we know about.

June 7; Tractors @ The Creek Tractor Show and Swap Meet at Third Creek Presbyterian Church in Cleveland, NC and the Annual Livermush Festival in Marion, NC.

June 6&7; Ole Smoky Antique Tractor & Engine Show in Waynesville, NC

June 14; Fire Truck Festival at the NC Transportation History Museum in Spencer, NC. Farm and Tractor Day at The Market in Lowrys, SC.

June 12-14; Thomasville Vintage Power Show in Thomasville, NC.

June 28; Family Farm Animal Day at the Duke Homestead in Durham, NC

July 1-5; Southeast Old Threshers Reunion in Denton, NC.

July 24-26; High Country Crank Up in Boone, NC.

Y'all help me out on these shows. If you find out about one, give me a call @ 704-263-2980 & I'll put it in the newsletter!

Remember that this is a two-month newsletter, there will be no meeting in July. I'll get one out about the end of July advising on the August meeting.

Our June meeting will be our annual BBQ on Thursday, June 5 at the park in Dallas @ 6:00. For the new ones, this is held at one of the picnic shelters down in the park, not at the gin building. The cost is \$15 per person and anyone in the notion to bring a dessert is welcome to do so! If you have a new project you're itching to show off you're welcome to do that too. Come join us for some good food and maybe some tall tales!

GAMTRA's second annual tractor ride will be Saturday, June 7. Meet at the park at 8:00 to line up & leave at 9:00. Route will go to Bessemer City then back towards Dallas and the park. Here are a few rules. All tractors must go at least 10mph. One rider per tractor unless you have an approved buddy seat, no drawbar riding. You must have a valid driver's license. Have a tow chain or strap in case of breakdown. If traveling alone, leave contact info with a fellow rider. Obey all traffic laws and no horseplay. No shortcuts and no passing unless necessary. No alcohol, this ain't Cat Square! All tractors must have an orange triangle on the back.

Bubba caught a burglar breaking in his tool shed & tied him up. He called 911 & told the operator to send the cops out to get him. The operator asked Bubba where he lived, he said "943 Eucalyptus Drive". The operator asked him to spell that. After a minute of silence, Bubba said, "How 'bout if I just drag him over to Oak Drive & you can pick him up there?"

Thought for the day from Rev Stone. Blessed are we who can laugh at ourselves, for we shall never cease to be amused.

Reggie

