

MARITIME TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL ASSOCIATION (MTTPA)

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Grand Falls club hosted the Annual 2022 MTTPA AGM & awards banquet on November 19, 2022 in Grand Falls, NB.

1) Welcome

Welcome by President, Kirby Densmore

2) Call to Order - Identify Voting Members

Meeting called to order by President Kirby Densmore at 10:07 am with 42 in attendance.

Identification of voting members from each club (each club is given two votes)

- Centreville, NB - Robert Pryor & Bryon McGrath
- Crapaud, PEI - Randy Shaw & Jeff Woods
- Grand Falls, NB - Troy Green & Sylvia Michaud
- Woodstock, NB - Graham Briggs & Judd Grant

3) Approval of Agenda & Added Resolutions

MTTPA Meeting 2020-2022 Agenda Grand Falls, NB Nov 19, 2022

1. Welcome
2. Call to order – identify voting members
3. Approval of agenda
4. Review of 2019 Minutes
 - a. Business arising from 2019 minutes
5. Review 2020-2022 Treasurer's Report
6. Review of 2023 Fees
7. Election of Officers
8. Discussion issues
 - a. Website
 - b. Points
 - c. Tech man
 - d. Dyno Review
 - e. Club Discussion Time
9. Presentation of Resolutions
10. New Business

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11. 2023 Event Schedule & Banquet

12. Adjournment

Added resolutions received from PEI & Centreville Clubs

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- b) Discussion on allowing P pumps in the class

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Moncton for a couple of years to see if it would help make the Banquet be more accessible for all pullers in all provinces, Moncton being a somewhat central hub. Each Club would still take turns organizing the event.

8) Would also like to suggest some discussion on moving the banquet Budget up to meet the current inflation demands.

9) We also discussed Centerville's resolutions:

a) HEAVY PRO FARM 540 cubic in. Charger cannot exceed 3in intake and 3in exhaust. 466 cubic in. Charger cannot exceed 3in intake and 4in Exhaust

b) LIGHT PRO FARM 414 cubic in Tire size cannot exceed 24.5 x32

c) Note: CENTREVILLE TRACTOR PULL DATES, 2023
JUNE 30 th Friday JULY 1 st Saturday JULY 2 nd RAIN DATE

10) PEI Truck and Tractor pull Championships 2023 Dates Aug 4 th and 5 th rain date aug 6th

On Tue, Nov 15, 2022 at 9:21 AM Byron McGrath <Byron@mountainviewpackers.com> wrote:

Hello everyone, hope all is well.

1) Centreville had a small meeting discussing new resolutions for 2023 pulling season, it was unanimously supported.

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***Motion to accept copy of the 2020-2022 Agenda & Added Resolutions circulated/presented**

Motion: Jeff Woods

Seconded by: Troy Green

M/C: 8/8

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4. Review of 2019 Minutes

- No business arising from 2019 minutes (due to COVID19 restrictions no MTTPA AGM's were held)

***Motion to accept the 2019 minutes as circulated**

Motion: May Atkinson

Seconded by: Troy Green

M/C: 8/8

5. Review 2020-2022 Treasurer's Report

- A detailed treasurer's report for 2019-2020-2021-2022 was circulated at the meeting.
- 2022 year end balance on hand is \$17, 052.56 with outstanding invoices for the 2022 banquet and JJS Tractor Sales for \$308.12 to be paid
- The dyno is paid in full this year with last payment to be invoiced to each club for reimbursement of payment
- A \$270 overpayment was received from our insurance, total cost for 2022 pulling year \$2000
- An explanation of "foreign worker application" was explained - Paperwork that is needed when we use the Blue Ox Pulling Sled and Danny Ireland. The current charge is \$1000/per foreign worker to come to Canada to work.

Maritime Truck and Tractor Pulling Association **2022 Treasurer's Report** **(2019 to present dates included)**

2019 Year end Balance		\$5,431.52
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2019 Expenses

Bank fees	\$12.90	
Banquet	\$3560.92	(3,573.82)

2020 Expenses

LMIA	\$1008.94	
Bank fees	\$76.50	
Dyno Payment	\$4746.76	
MPSOA	\$4349.00	(10,181.20)

2021 Expenses

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Bank fees	\$72.90	
Dyno Payment	\$4746.76	(4,819.65)
2022 Expenses		
LMIA	\$1000.00	
Bank fees	\$68.10	
Insurance	\$2270.00	
KKP (rulebooks)	\$39.68	
MPSOA	\$10545.19	
Tech Services	\$2625.00	
Dyno Services	\$4000.00	(20,547.97)
2020 Revenues		
Dyno payment income	\$4746.76	
MPSOA reimbursement	\$4100.00	
Deposit \$180.00	\$9,026.76	
2021 Revenues		
Dyno payment income	\$4746.73	\$4,746.73
2022 Revenues		
LMIA income	\$1000.00	
MPSOA income	\$10545.19	
Insurance Overpayment	\$270.00	
Club Fees	\$3,000.00	
Driver Registration/ Insurance/dyno fee	\$22,155.00	\$ 36,970.19
<u>2022 Year End Balance</u>		<u>\$17,052.56</u>

***Motion to accept the 2019-2022 treasurer's report as read and circulated**

Motion: Byron McGrath

Seconded by: Sylvia Michaud

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6. Review of 2023 Fees

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2023 Fees

2023 Fees will be as listed

-Club Fee \$750. This is to cover the club registration for an MTTPA event.

***Motion to raise each yearly club fee to \$1000 from \$750**

Motion: Bryon McGrath

Seconded by: Troy Green

M/C: 8/8

-Dyno Rental \$675

Will revisit this at a later date when more information is available.

-Membership Dues \$65. Yearly cost per pulling vehicle to cover tech man, insurance, and the banquet.

***Motion to increase membership dues from \$65/per vehicle to a one time flat rate of \$100/per vehicle. No weekend memberships will be allowed. This should make calculating points easier as well.**

Motion: Robert Pryor

Seconded by: Troy Green

M/C: 8/8

-Insurance \$20. This is per vehicle per weekend to offset the cost of insurance. ** Change name to Expense Fee as we bring in more than insurance costs**

-Stock Tractor registration will be charged an extra \$20 fee per weekend to cover the cost of the dyno operator.

Remain as is for 1 more year until we have more funds in account then revisit.

Motion Carried Above -(REMOVED) -Any puller not wanting a full membership will be required to pay the insurance fee \$20 plus \$30 for a weekend membership. Second time attending an MTTPA event you will be charged the remaining \$35 for your full membership.

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-Any card bearing members outside the Maritimes will be allowed to go to any MTTPA event without being charged membership registration BUT will be required to pay appropriate insurance fees \$20 at each event per vehicle. These units will not receive awarded points.

(REMOVED) - All MTTPA officials will not be charged gate fees
Doesn't really make sense to charge the officials that work for the MTTPA to get in the gate to do their work they are hired to do.

7. 2023 Election Of Officers

Treasurer (Tim Talpey), Secretary (May Atkinson) and Vice President Branden Macdonald have all agreed to stay on unless someone else wants the jobs or does not want them to have the job.

President Kirby Densmore wants to step away from the Executive

President

Nomination for Brandin MacDonald for President -Brandin declined

Nomination for Randy Shaw for President - Accepted

***Motion to accept Randy Shaw as the MTTPA President**

Motion: Robert Pryor

Seconded by: Bryon McGrath

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Vice President -Brandin MacDonald

Treasurer - Tim Talpey

Secretary

Nomination for Sylvia Michaud for secretary - declined

No other nominations - May Atkinson will continue as secretary

2022 MTTPA Executive

President: Randy Shaw

Vice President: Brandin MacDonald

Treasurer: Tim Talpey

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Secretary: May Atkinson

8. 2022 Discussion Topics

A: Website:

We need to thank Kyle Ferguson from PEI for doing the website.

Discussion: Kyle Ferguson will continue with the MTTPA website for the upcoming 2023 season. A MTTPA page on Facebook will be created by Kasey Graham and Randy Shaw who will work on this together, along with input from clubs and members. Would like to see more event information available to the public such as dates, class winners, upcoming events, etc.

B: Points

Would like to thank Kyle Ferguson for doing the points. Can not explain how important it is for clubs to have the proper MTTPA number for the pulling vehicle. Many times this year they were not even numbers included, and even worse someone driving the wrong vehicle that they have a number for in that class. Kyle has no way of tracking this a month after the pull.

Discussion:

Clubs need to make sure the tractor number is correct on the result sheets

Was asked if ALL pullers could put their MTTPA vehicle number on their vehicles for visibility to the registration/announcing table.

Discussion of how important it is to have the correct vehicle number on the registration form and when it is forwarded to Kyle for points!

Clubs - please address this issue with your registration table!

C: Tech Man Ricky Springer has agreed to remain tech man for 2023

Discussion: The MTTA has accepted Ricky Springer to continue as the 2023 Techman. The executive will do a "job description" with our expectations and thoughts to present to Ricky along with his input to make a teching easier for all.

- A job description for the "Tech" position will be completed by the executive
- Safety features must be in place on ALL pulling vehicles
- Discussed using different color zip lock ties after safety inspection is completed - if a vehicle does not have this in visible sight the vehicle is not to be hooked to drag

D: Dyno Justin Peters has agreed to stay on as Dyno operator

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Discussion: MTTPA has accepted Justin to continue as our dyno operator. Issues that have arisen in resolutions will be addressed by the executive.

- Track officials make the calls on the track - disqualified, etc
- Better radio communication between - tech - dyno - track officials
- Stock tractors are tested at 'Peak HP NOT the Nebraska test'

E: Club Discussion Time

Open to all Clubs for discussion about their event. 2022 and upcoming 2023 plans

GrandFalls - 2023 season will see a Friday night pull and Saturday, Sunday as a rain date. Some classes will be cut from pulling order. However all point classes will be hosted. Would like to see a faster show, less waiting time for vehicles. The 6 minute rule will be in place

Centreville - 2023 will continue with the Friday night pull and Saturday - Sunday as a rain date if needed. Will be using the PQ drag. Some of the smaller stock classes may be considered to not be held

Woodstock - 2022 was their first return to this event, overall a good event. Will also be using the PQ drag.

Crapaud - 2022 seen some upgrades to the grounds with 2 pulling tracks. All went very well. Many thanks for the support.

9. Resolutions Presented

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Seconded by: Troy Green

M/C: 8/8

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TBA - As per discussed under "2022 Discussion Topics - Dyno" the executive will address this issue

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This was discussed and will remain as is

6) PEI club would like to ask for some discussion on the Hot stock class:

a) Discussion on lighting the class

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***Motion to change the weight in the 12 500 lb Hot Stock class to 10 500 lb**

Motion: Randy Shaw

Seconded by: Bryon McGrath

M/C: 8/8

b) RECANTED - Discussion on allowing P pumps in the class

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Discussion: It will be left up to the local club organizing the annual banquet to which location they prefer to use. Clubs welcome members back into their community supporting local businesses who may have supported their MTTPA event during the years.

8) Would also like to suggest some discussion on moving the banquet budget up to meet the current inflation demands.

TBA - this has been left to the executive desecration. Finances must be looked at before raising the current amount.

9) We also discussed Centerville's resolutions:

a) HEAVY PRO FARM

540 cubic in. Charger cannot exceed 3in intake and 3in exhaust.

466 cubic in. Charger cannot exceed 3in intake and 4in exhaust

Discussion: Tractors are currently running with 540 cubic in.

***Motion - Heavy Pro Farm 540 cubic in. Charger cannot exceed 3 in. intake and 3 in. exhaust. 466 cubic in. Charger cannot exceed 3 in. intake and 4 in.**

Motion by: Robert Pryor

Seconded by Brandin MacDonald

M/C: 8/8

b) LIGHT PRO FARM

414 cubic in Tire size cannot exceed 24.5 x32

Discussion: Most light pro farm tractors are currently running 24.5" x 32" tires

***Motion: Light Pro Farm tires can not exceed 24.5 " x 32" tires**

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Motion by: May Atkinson

Seconded by: Robert Pryor

M/C: 7/8

10) New Business

- 1) President, Kirby Densmore called for new business
- 2) Randy Shaw will update MTTPA membership addresses
- 3) Light pro farm cannot run biodiesel and OEM intake & exhaust

***Motion the light profarm can run biodiesel & any intake manifold & exhaust headers**

Motion: Bryon McGrath

Seconded by: Robert Pryor

M/C: 8/8

- 4) All 426 Allis Chamber as it is factory engine BUT make keep stock manifolds

***Motion the 426 Allis Chamber to be allowed in the light profarm class as it is with factory engine BUT will keep stock manifolds**

*Motion: Jacob Horsnell

Seconded by: Travis Swinamer

M/C: 8.8

- 5) Street Diesel Class

Discussion: Currently there are no rules followed at most events. MTTPA current rules say to follow Maine 2.5" Street Diesel class. Some clubs allow 3.0" to pull with the 2.5" class (This is like letting a 10 000 Pro Stock pull again a Profarm) Grand Falls currently separates. Current rules say to Follow Maine 2.5 class and we allow 3.0 to pull This is likely letting a 10000 lb Pro Stock pull against a Profarm
Grand Fall currently separates these classes. 2.6" is a common class . Most common in the Maritimes is 2.6" not 2.5"

***Motion to change the turbo limits from 2.5" and allow 2.6" max. Cubs will separate 2.6" AND 3.0"**

*Motion: Dennis Hogan

Seconded by: Sylvia Michaud

M/C: 8/8

11) 2023 Event Schedule & Banquet

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Tentative Schedule 2023

Grand Falls N.B. - Friday June 16, Saturday June 17 Rain Date June 18

Centreville N.B. - Friday, June 30, Saturday, July 1st Rain Date July 2nd

Woodstock N.B. - Friday, July 14, Saturday July 15 Rain Date July 16

Crapaud P.E.I. - Friday, August 4, Saturday, August 5 Rain Date August 6

2023 Banquet

2023 Meeting and Banquet to be held by Centreville, NB club - TBA by Dec 2022

12) Adjournment

***Motion to adjourn the 2022 MTTPA AGM at 1:25 pm**

Motion: Sylvia Michaud

Seconded by: Robert Pryor

M/C: 8/8