

KEYSTONE TRUCKER
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The 2019 East Freedom Show Revisited. Andrew Leamer from Westover, PA brought this Autocar dump truck. It sports a Classic Vehicle plate and may still be haulin'. Your photographer was so overwhelmed, (staggered?) he forgot to gather further info.

TENTATIVE NEXT MEETING:
KEYSTONE CHAPTER, ANTIQUE TRUCK CLUB OF AMERICA
SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2020

THE REGULAR MEETING SPOT CANNOT HANDLE OUR GROUP

**THERE MIGHT BE A FRESH AIR GET-TOGETHER AT
A PARK PAVILION SOMEWHERE
STAY ALERT FOR A MESSAGE FROM ONE-CALL NOW**

Calendar Year 2020 continues its unprecedented trek through time with the cancellations, health concerns, demonstrations, statue removal, and a key election year to boot. As a small contingent go about their way removing the history they don't agree with, it will be interesting to see what part of 2020 shows up in the history books for the millennia. The one true and absolute fact I have always heard is that if our society doesn't know our history, then they are destined to repeat it. Take a look at a current history book/lesson from school (neighbor or grandchildren) and I suspect you'll find even the facts in our lifetimes have been altered or omitted. Just stating the facts about the shaky times we find ourselves navigating through.

The Show Committee has been working on a contingency since the July 25th show had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. By the way, the Show Committee consists of: Terry Alexander, Ken Claar (show Chair), Delmer Dashem, Tom Gardner, Fred Gay, Clyde Geist, Herb Maney, Bill Pequignot, Larry Wolfe, and George Wool. During the July 6th Show Committee conference call, the decision to hold a non-ATCA sanctioned cruise-in to support the Freedom Township VFD's Chicken BBQ was made. The chicken dinners will be served carry-out only (COVID-19 based) between the hours of 11:00 – 2:00.

In light of the limited activities available to the hobby this summer, the event co-chairs are excited about a convoy to coincide with the Freedom Township Chicken BBQ for July 25th. The exciting news that the Bud Garvey Auto Racing Museum open house and cruise-in had survived the COVID-19 chopping block provided the seed to make a day of fun and camaraderie (social distancing style). George Wool has been busy coordinating with the Greater Pittsburgh and Shortway Chapters establishing rendezvous times and the locations for assembly.

Tentative plans call for a departure from Sunset West at 8:00 Saturday morning. This is where the northern Keystone and the Shortway Chapter members will meet up. The parade of antique trucks will head south to Bald Eagle to meet up with the southern Keystone and Greater Pittsburgh members at Snappy's. The convoy will head north on Route 350 then old Route 970 into Osceola Mills and the Bud Garvey museum grounds.

Departure from the museum will lead us on a route into Altoona with the Freedom Township Fire Hall in our sights for their chicken BBQ. As the result of Ken Claar's diligent efforts, Through, Inc and Loren Keith (Keith's Truck Service) have opened the welcome mat for our use of the show grounds with the necessary accommodations to make our visit enjoyable. An ice cream run to the Milky Way will round out the afternoon as we break off to make way to our individual stables. All are welcome to join in as this is a non-sanctioned ATCA event. In addition, dash plaques honoring the memory of our departed member Pat "PW" Weber will commemorate the 2020 COVID-19 Cruise In.

Our normal July meeting location is not able to handle groups at this time due to the constraints related to the pandemic. A One Call Now will be made to notify members of the July 19th meeting location once it has been secured. In addition, our website www.keystonetricks.org will be updated by Ken Claar with the latest meeting location and related updates.

I look forward to seeing everyone later this month.



2019 EAST FREEDOM SHOW REPRIS - JULY 2020 PHOTO ESSAY by Fred Gay

Below left, Jack Servello, Altoona, discusses his classic red 1957 Chevy half-ton pickup with an unidentified enthusiast. Right, a second red Chevy pickup for your viewing pleasure, this one a 1934 brought by Greg Mulchan from Johnstown.



Left, Tim Hoover from Saltsburg brought this superbly detailed machine featuring Caterpillar power. Right, Rick Burd from Zion thought he would stop in briefly to the Show with his Freightliner pulling a load of milk headed for Berkeley Springs, West Virginia.



Left, from Pleasant Gap we have Delmer Dashem's 1952 John Deere A and his brother Glenn Dashem's 1951 Farmall M with no green items in the air cleaner. Right, Barry and Ruth Davis from Duncansville brought their nicely done 1948 Ford F-1 in Smith Transport trim.





Truck Show

CANCELLED covid-19

East Freedom, PA

Across from Freedom Township Fire Hall

139 Municipal St (GPS N 40.360026, W 78.429281)

I-99 Exit 23 (approx. 1/2 mile south on business Route 220)

See website for more information and registration form



All Trucks, Tractors, Farm Machinery, Tools, etc. Welcome

Schedule of Events:

Friday, July 24, 2020

- 12pm-5pm—Exhibitor Setup
- 11am-2pm—Sandwich Sale
- 5pm—Dinner / Ice Cream Convoy

Saturday, July 25, 2020

- 6:30am-9:30am—Breakfast
- 9am-4:30pm—Registration open
- 10am-12noon—Touch-a-Truck
- 11am-2pm—Lunch
- 2pm-4pm—Touch-a-Truck
- 4:30pm—Exhibitor Dinner
- 5pm—Door prize & Raffle Drawings
- 6pm-9pm—Exhibit Tear-down/Cleanup

CANCELLED See President's Message And Events



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DRAFT ANIMAL POWER, concluded by Fred Gay
There was lots of material that wouldn't fit in the May issue.

Right, from perhaps a century ago, a teamster who actually drove horses and didn't welcome change.

If a teamster walked, he stood on the left in order to control the animals with his right hand. The left animal was called the nigh horse or ox and the right animal was called the off horse or ox.

Teams could respond to voice commands for steering. "Haw" meant turn right. "Gee" or "c'mere" meant turn left as the driver walked on the team's left.

Below, much to my surprise the March/April, 2020 Saturday Evening Post magazine had this piece from 63 years ago.

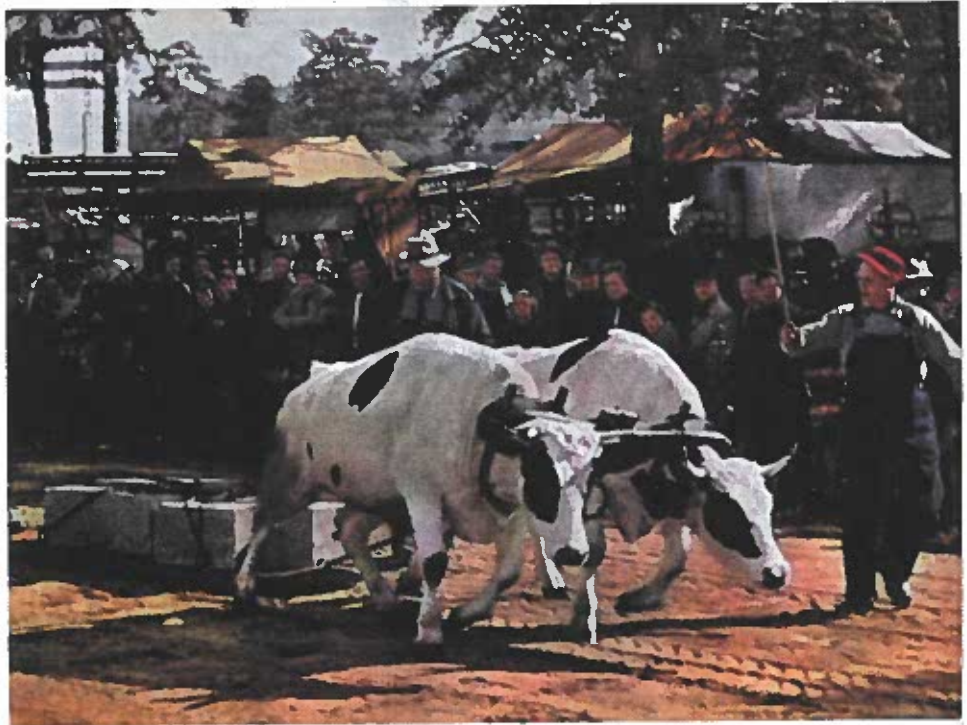
Roger Bragdon is the guy wearing the fedora behind the oxen. He was a cattle dealer/drover in southern Maine who bought livestock at the farm, sold to interested parties, then trucked the rest to the Brighton slaughterhouse in Massachusetts.

In the 1950's I raised two 4-H hogs and Roger did the honors. Bragdon's trucks were 40's-50's Advanced Design Chevrolets with home-built cattle bodies and equipped with jumper axles, (tag axles).



OLD-TIME DRIVER. Lefty Walsh drove horses from the age of 13, and said he hoped he never had to lower himself to drive a truck. Here he has unhitched his team from a freight wagon and is leading the "off horse" into the barn. The "near horse" follows.

The Vault
FREZZE FRAME: 1957
By Jeff Nilsson



Steer clear: Ox pulls are still popular at agricultural fairs throughout New England, especially in Maine.

Heavyweight Champs

Newfangled contraptions such as the tractor have almost banished draft animals from rural America," wrote the Post editors in 1957. "But in Maine, where rocklike loyalties change slowly, some old-timers still fancy a hefty span of oxen to haul stone boats and 'twich'

logs out of the woods. "Naturally, each ox owner believes his sturdy pair can outpull all others of equal size. For more than a century, contests to settle such questions have been — and still are — popular features at county fairs.

"The rules are fairly simple: Here, at the West

Oxford Fair, Fryeburg, they are watching Star and Line, owned by Roger Bragdon of North Berwick, win a distance class by pulling a boat loaded with 2,000 pounds of stone 126 feet, 9 inches, in five minutes. Winners get local glory, little cash; Bragdon's purse was \$6.50."

An ox is a steer older than four years that has been bred to be a draft animal. One breeder claims dairy cattle are the best breed for oxen. They convert their feed into growth instead of meatiness, and long legs help oxen to get lift.

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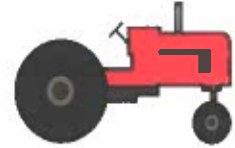
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2020 EVENTS (mark your calendar) – Updated June 27, 2020

NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic many events may be cancelled or rescheduled. Please check the website for updated information:
www.keystonetrucks.org

Jul 11	CANCELLED - 8th Annual Intr'l Motor Trk Gathering	Muncy
Jul 11	CANCELLED - PA Pump Primers Muster	Harrisburg
JUL 19	KEYSTONE CHAPTER MEETING	PLEASANT GAP
Jul 24-25	<u>CANCELLED</u> - ATCA Keystone Chapter Show	East Freedom
Jul 25	Truck Cruise-In	East Freedom
Aug 7-9	Carlisle Truck Nationals	Carlisle
Aug 29	Watt's Truck, Car, and Equipment Show	New Alexandria
Aug 29-30	ATCA Shortway Chapter Show	Montour
Sep 10-13	Nittany Antique Mach. Assc. Show	Centre Hall
Sep 10-13	3rd Annual Keystone Chapter Fall Classic Truck Show	Centre Hall
SEP 20	KEYSTONE CHAPTER MEETING	ALTOONA
Sep 24-26	ATHS Tri-State Chapter Antique Truck Show	Winchester, VA
Sep 25-27	Truckers 4 Hope Rendezvous	Mackeyville
Sep 30- Oct 4	Fall Carlisle Swap Meet and Car Auction	Carlisle
Oct 3	Gerhart's All Mack Truck Show	Litz
NOV 15	KEYSTONE CHAPTER MEETING	PLEASANT GAP

Please send events with date and location to Ken Claar (rollhauler@outlook.com) or call 814.224.2084 and leave information if no answer.

Disclaimer-- things change and mistakes happen, VERIFY before you drive a long way.

MEETING MINUTES by Fred Gay

Concerns about the Covid-19 virus convinced the Keystone Chapter to cancel our regular March and May meetings. Two conference calls were hosted by Chris Maney to discuss our annual Truck, Tractor, and Machinery Show. To get about ten persons in on the calls, Chris got Ken on the line, then Ken got hold of Tom. Chris got maybe four more parties on the first phone, then dialed up about five others on a second phone. Chris put the two phones close together near his face so everybody could hear each other.

Numerous uncertainties about government dictates, insurance requirements, and other unknown unknowns, led us to come down on the side of caution and cancel our traditional Show. However, it was decided to hold a Trucks Only Cruise-In on July 25 as described on the back page.

EDITOR'S TRUE CONFESSIONS by Fred Gay

Back in the good old days before the Covid-19 Hysteria, the Centre Region Parks and Recreation people issued a 2020 Winter Schedule, offering typical fare such as Yoga, Painting, Introduction to Bridge, etc. Yours truly spotted Free Ukulele Lessons, two in January and one in February. The price was right so I signed up and found it was a lot of fun, although I couldn't move my fingers around fast and the strings were too close together. The solution was to strum quietly so it only looked like I was playing. At the end of the third lesson, the leaders dug out a bucket of spoons, handed everybody two and gave us a quick run-down on playing the spoons. Now I can play two instruments badly. How cool is that?

Truck Cruise-In

The ATCA Keystone Chapter Truck, Tractor, and Machinery Show scheduled for July 24-25 has been officially cancelled due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

In its place we will hold an informal Truck Only Cruise-In to be held on **Saturday July 25th** at the Through, Inc. grounds across from the Freedom Township Fire Company (FTFC) at **139 Municipal Street; East Freedom, PA**. The Cruise-In hours will be **11am till 5pm**.

The FTFC will prepare and sell barbeque chicken dinners (serving hours are 11am-2pm) and cold drinks during the event. There is no charge for this event. Donations will be accepted. Dash plaques (provided by Keith's Truck Service) will be given to each participant while supply lasts. Free spectator admission – no pets.

After the event all road-worthy trucks will convoy to the Milky Way for ice cream. The Milky Way is about a mile south of the grounds.

During the event, we will follow CDC guidelines - social distancing, no large groups, and vehicle parking at least six (6) feet apart. Porta-johns and a hand wash station (provided by Keith's Truck Service) will be nearby. Spectators are not permitted in any vehicle.

If you plan to attend, please bring personal chairs, table, and canopy.

Come early to get some good food and a good parking spot. Spend the day, look at trucks, see existing friends, make new friends, and support the Freedom Township Fire Company and Through, Inc.

Thanks and looking forward to an enjoyable event.

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PLEASE NOTE THE ADDITIONAL JULY 25 EXCITEMENT OF A CONVOY TO THE BUD GARVEY AUTO RACING MUSEUM, AS OUTLINED IN THE TEXT OF CHRIS' PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. ALSO CHECK THE KEYSTONE CHAPTER WEBSITE, keystonetrucks.org