



GAMTRA
JANUARY 2004
Cotton Ginning Days



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**HAPPY NEW YEAR
2004**

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!!

G.A.M.T.R.A. would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our club President, Curt Holland, and to all of our club Officers for your good work last year!! Your contributions are much appreciated! We would also like to thank Missy and Curt Holland for their work coordinating our Christmas Dinner and meeting. We all enjoyed the fabulous food and the beautiful table settings and poinsettias. Thanks again for making our Christmas meeting so enjoyable!

~~~~~**YOU ARE INVITED**~~~~~  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY GATHERING**

Mr. H.C. Lankford and Mr. Tommy Berry are hosting a New Year's Day gathering at the home of Tommy's father, Mr. Tom Berry at 128 Wells Road, Kings Mountain, NC. The FUN will begin at 8:00 AM through 5:00 PM. The directions to Mr. Berry's home are as follows:

- Take I-85 South
- Take Exit 5-Dixon School Road
- Go South on Dixon School Road.
- After approximately 2 miles, the road will fork. Mr. Tom Berry's home, at 128 Wells Road, sits on the left in the fork.

Hint: If you see the windmill on the left you have gone too far.

ENJOY!! ☺ ☺

**NEWSLETTER TRIVIA**

Ever wondered how Corliss steam valves work? Here is an excellent explanation:

<http://www.mgsteam.btinternet.co.uk/cvalve.htm>

**G.A.M.T.R.A. OFFICERS ELECTED  
FOR 2004**

At our December meeting the new officers for 2004 were elected. They will be as follows:

President: Johnny Oates

Vice President: Ralph Hartman

Secretary: Jill Lindsey

Treasurer: Bill Lindsey

Event Coordinators (Volunteers): Ray Medford and Dan Rowe

We look forward to the new year and will strive to make our club and our annual show bigger and better! ☺

**NEAT INFORMATION FOR  
MAKING ENGINE PARTS**

Here is a neat link that shows some machining practices for how to make common engine parts like valves and other frequently needed engine parts. There are actually 10 pages of information, but this link will allow you to see all of the pages:

<http://www.antique-engine.com/shopwork/shopwork01.htm>

**2004 CALENDARS HAVE ARRIVED**

The 2004 calendars have arrived and will be distributed at our January meeting. ☺

**JANUARY 2004 MEETING**

The meeting this month, **Thursday, January 8, 2004**, will be at the Western Sizzlin on Rankin Road, just North of I-85 on US 321. You'll see the sign. As always, we will "meet and eat" at 6:00PM and have our business meeting at 7:00PM. We'll look forward to seeing you there! ☺☺