

GAMTRA NEWSLETTER MAY 2023

Greetings Earthlings! Spring is well under way here in Carolina. The pollen season is winding down and the temperatures are creeping up. We've had a pretty nice spring so far, a little wet but thankfully no damaging storms to speak of. Hope you're able to get out & enjoy a few shows and maybe do a little junkin' before the heat and humidity sets in. Have fun and be safe!

Here's a few happenings that may be of interest:

- May 5&6, Hippie Fest in Salisbury, NC. (Find out more @ HIPPIEFEST.org)
- May 5&6, Antique Farm Equipment Days in Goldsboro, NC.
- May 5 & 6, Valley Hills Antique Swap Meet in Morganton, NC.
- May 6 & 7, Western Carolina Antique Tractor Pull & Show in Aiken, SC.
- May 12 &13, Ole Smokey Antique Engine & Tractor Show in Waynesville, NC.
- May 19 & 20, Foothills Antique Power Show in Newton, NC.
- May 6th, Downtown Cruise-Ins at Kings Mtn. (5p.m. till 9) and Mt Holly (9a.m. till 1)
- May 13, Second Saturday Cruise-In in Downtown Gastonia, NC.
- The Annual Bluegrass Festival at Denton FarmPark is May 11-13.
- The Paw Creek American Legion has a Cruise-In every other Thursday from 6-8 beginning April 20.

Went to the Hickory Flea Market last Thursday. First time we'd been in a long time. The parking situation is still really hap-hazard but this is a great flea market with lots of produce and good old flea market 'junque'. If you've never been, or haven't been in a long time, you should check it out. We decided the best time to go would be around 10:30. The crowd has thinned out somewhat by then and parkings not as big a problem as it is if you go early.

If you know of a good 'old time' flea market or 'hidden gem' junk or antique store let me know so I can pass it along. Also, if you've got something you'd like published in the newsletter or need to change or update an address give me a holler at 704-263-2980.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 4 at the Citizens Resource Center in Dallas, another 'bring your own supper' meeting. Come out & join us. We'll be making plans for our BBQ at the park in June and need to get a count of those planning to attend. If you'd like to attend the BBQ and can't make it to this months meeting, give Jeff a call @704-913-4672 so we can get an accurate count.

Ronnie Bynum needs a PTO clutch for a 503 John Deere bush hog. Give him a call @ 704-263-4991 if you can help him out.

Don't forget to check out our website: <http://cottonginningdays.org/>
Also, our Facebook page: GAMTRA

An 84-year-old man is having a drink at the bar. Suddenly a gorgeous girl sits down a few seats away. The girl is so attractive that he just can't take his eyes off her. After a short while, the girl notices him staring, and approaches him. Before the man has time to apologize, the girl looks him deep in the eyes and says, "I'll do anything you'd like. Anything you can imagine in your wildest dreams, all I want is \$100, and you have to tell me what you want me to do in just three words." The man takes a moment to consider the offer. He whips out his wallet and puts a \$100 bill in her hand. He then looks her square in the eyes, and says slowly and clearly: "Paint my house."
Our needs change as we get older, and we tend to look for bargains.

Thought for the day from Rev Stone. In the 60s, folks took LSD to make the world seem weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it seem normal.

Reggie Stone