



GAMTRA NOVEMBER 2004

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OCTOBER 8-10, 2004

Cotton Ginning Days 2004, our 17th annual show, has continued the tradition of becoming bigger and better with each year. Again this year, 250+ exhibitors brought a variety of engines, tractors, models, and other farm implements from years gone by to show off to the many spectators who attended. Friday, Saturday and Sunday were beautiful days and we were very fortunate to begin Sunday with services in the beautiful church which is now an integral part of the village along with the farm house and blacksmith's shop.

Many thanks to all who helped make the show as successful as ever, from manning the entrance, registration and tirelessly ginning the cotton and manning the engine....and to the ladies who helped in setting up for the exhibitor's dinner, baking, serving and the clean up afterwards. Thanks also to all those who devoted their time earlier in the week to the often unnoticed but numerous tasks required to set up for the show. Thanks to the Bessemer City Lions Club for the wonderful meal and to the staff of Gaston County Parks & Recreation for their partnership with GAMTRA and their many coordinating efforts in the areas of crafts, entertainment, and making the park the ideal showcase for Cotton Ginning Days. ☺☺

2005 ENGINE SHOW CALENDARS

"The gas, steam engine and tractor calendar for 2005 is presented by the Old Farm Days Show of Pendleton, SC. There is a full color photo at the top of each month and on the calendar itself is information about shows that take place in the southeast. The 2005 calendars are now on sale. This calendar is one of the best ways you will find to keep up with the Old Engine Shows. The calendars are ready for mail orders, or they will be on sale at the following shows: Arden, SC 10/22 -10/24; Saluda, NC 10/29-10/31; and

Cumming, GA 11/12-11/14." GAMTRA club members will have an opportunity to place their orders at our November meeting. Prices are as follows:

- Calendars picked up in person or purchased at shows - \$7.00 each
- Calendar mail orders of 10 or more copies - \$7/00 each
- Calendar mail orders less than 10 copies - \$9.00 each.

Mail order(s) to:

Norman Durham
422 Wellford Drive
Pendleton, SC 29670

Make checks payable to: Norman Durham

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SHOW PHOTOGRAPHS

The photos from our 17th annual Cotton Ginning Days Show have not yet been posted to our website. Keep checking, they will be up soon!

Here are the links:

<http://www.oldengine.org/members/gamtra/images/CottonGinningDays2004/Thumbnails.html>

Or go to our home page:

<http://www.oldengine.org/members/gamtra>
and click on "*GAMTRA 2004 show pictures*" on the left.

PHOTOS FROM MIKE BURN'S SHOW

(Submitted by Curt Holland)

Here is the link to photos taken at the show at Mike Burn's place:

<http://www.oldengine.org/members/holland/images/MikeBurns2004/Thumbnails.html>

NOVEMBER MEETING

The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2004 at Western Sizzlin on Rankin Road, just North of I-85 on US 321. We will "meet and eat" at 6:00PM and our business meeting will be at 7:00PM. We look forward to seeing you there ☺☺