

MARITIME TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL ASSOCIATION (MTTPA)

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Centreville club hosted the annual 2018 MTTPA AGM and awards banquet on January 26, 2019.

1) Welcome

Welcome by Kirby Densmore, President

2) Call To Order – Identify Voting Members

Meeting called to order by Kirby Densmore, President at 10:03 am with 50 in attendance.

Identification of voting members from each club:

- Centreville, NB Robert Pryor & Bryon McGrath
- Crapaud, PEI Jamie Thompson & Jason Webster
- Grand Falls, NB John Bellefleur & Mike McCluskey
- Presque Isle, Maine Terry Berube
- Richmond Corner, NB Kristy McCormack & Alex Metherell

3) Approval of Agenda

MTTPA Meeting 2018 Agenda **Centreville, NB, January 26, 2019**

1. Welcome
2. Call to order – identify voting members
3. Approval of agenda
4. Review of 2017 Minutes
 - a. Business arising from 2017 minutes
5. Review of 2018 Treasurers Report
6. Review of 2019 Fees
7. Election of Officers
8. Discussion issues
 - a. Website
 - b. Points
 - c. Techman
 - d. Club Discussion Time
 - e. Working Group Conference Call
9. Presentation of Resolutions
10. New Business
11. 2018 Event Schedule & Banquet
12. Adjournment

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Motion

To accept copy of the 2018 Approval of Agenda

Motion: Jason Webster

Seconded by: Terry Berube

Motion Carried: 9/0

4) Approval of 2017 Minutes

Motion

To accept copy of the 2017 minutes as circulated.

Motion: May Atkinson

Seconded by: Terry Berube

Motion Carried: 9/0

(4.a) Amendment: Hot Stock - weight is 12 500 lbs

No further business arising from 2017 minutes

5) Review of 2018 Treasurer's Report

- A detailed treasurer's report for 2018 was circulated by Tim Talpey, Treasurer.
- Year end balance on hand is \$10,830.36. Added expenses Provincial Registration: \$218.50 (required paperwork for the government) & Dyno Adaptor purchased: \$171.09.
- Collected in the 2018 season
 - 68- \$65 full membership
 - 43- \$30 membership

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| Maritime Truck and Tractor Pulling Association 2018 Treasurer's Report | | |
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| <u>2017 Year End Balance</u> | | \$9,149.46 |
| <u>2017 Expenses</u> | | |
| Banquet Expenses | \$6,157.56 | (6157.56) |
| <u>2018 Expenses</u> | | |
| • Kyle Ferguson (points/website) | \$300.00 | |
| • Bank fees | \$99.30 | |
| • Foreign Worker Application | \$1,000.00 | |
| • Provincial Registration | \$218.50 | |
| • Supplies | \$41.87 | |
| • Kwik Copy (rule books/cards) | \$220.86 | |
| • Association Insurance | \$3,755.00 | |
| • Tech Services | \$3,850.00 | |
| • Dyno Operator | \$2,400.00 | |
| • Dyno Adaptor | \$171.09 | |
| • Association Dyno Payment | \$4746.76 | |
| • Sled Rental | \$19,945.54 | |
| | | (36,748.92) |
| <u>2018 Revenues</u> | | |
| • MTTPA Club Fees | \$3960.08 | |
| • Member Dues | \$6850.00 | |
| • Insurance | \$6920.00 | |
| • Banquet Income | \$1185.00 | |
| • Dyno Operator | \$2780.00 | |
| • Dyno Payment Income | \$2946.76 | |
| • Sled Rental | \$19,945.54 | |
| | | \$44,587.38 |
| <u>2018 Year End Balance</u> | | \$10,830.36 |

Motion

To accept the 2018 treasurer's report as read

Motion: Terry Berube

Seconded by: John Bellefleur

Motion Carried: 9/0

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6) Review of the 2019 Fees (read by Kirby Densmore, President and circulated)

Review of 2019 Fees

2019 Fees will be as listed

- Club Fee \$750. This is to cover the Club registration for an MTTPA event.
- Dyno rental \$625
- Membership Dues \$65 (yearly cost per pulling vehicle to cover tech man, insurance and the banquet)
- **Amendment: -Membership Dues \$65. Yearly cost per pulling vehicle to cover tech man and banquet.**
- Any puller not wanting a full membership will be required to pay the insurance fee of \$20 plus \$30 for a weekend membership.

Motion

Leave the membership fee same as is: \$65 full membership for awarded points for pulling season. \$30 per event NO points will be awarded & \$35 will be paid at second attending event NO points will be rewarded for the pulling season

Motion: Andy McConnell

Seconded: Jeff Steeves

Motion Carried: 9/0

- Second time of attending an MTTPA event you will be charged the remaining \$35 for your full membership.
- Any card bearing members outside the Maritimes will be allowed to participate in any MTTPA event without being charged membership registration BUT will be required to pay appropriate insurance fee of \$20 at each event per vehicle.
- **These units will not receive awarded points.**

Motion

To accept 2018 fees as read

Motion: Jamie Thompson

Seconded by: Terry Berube

Motion Carried: 9/0

7) Election of Officers

A call was made 3x from the floor for the following positions: President, Vice President & Treasurer. No names came forth, therefore Kirby Densmore, President; Jason Webster, Vice President; Tim Talpey, Treasurer & May Atkinson, Secretary will remain the same

Motion

Officers to remain the same for 2019

Motion: Mike McCluskey

Seconded: John Bellefleur

Motion Carried: 9/0

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8) 2017 Discussion Topics

A) WEBSITE: We need to thank Kyle Ferguson from PEI for doing the website. He has agreed to do it again this year.

“If anyone has any photos they’d like to share-there is a contact form on the website where they can get in touch with Kyle and he can get them posted to the website.

He would welcome any thoughts or concerns on the website or points-there was a lot changed to the website this year, so any suggested improvements would be more than welcome.”

B) POINTS: Again, we need to thank Kyle Ferguson for doing the points. He was very prompt once I received the results and sent them to him.

“Need to figure out a way to keep track of who paid registration fees and who are Visitors so Kyle who to give points to.”

C) TECHMAN: Ricky Springer has agreed to remain techman for 2019 if the association wants to keep him.

Discussion: 3 calls were made to the floor for a techman – no interest. *Ricky has agreed to stay for another pulling season*

****Motion****

To accept Ricky Springer as techman for 2019 season

Motion: Terry Berube

Seconded by: Jamie Thompson

Motion Carried: 9/0

D) Dyno Review

Justin Peters has agreed to stay on as tech man for the upcoming season.

Tractor operators need to slowly bring the rpms down when done dynoing.

****Motion****

To accept Justin Peters as the dyno operator for the 2019 season

Motion: Andy McConnell

Seconded by: Jason Webster

Motion Carried: 9/0

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E) Club Discussion Time

1. Open to all Clubs for discussion about their event 2018 and upcoming 2019 plans

Grand Falls – Mike McCluskey spoke on behalf of the Grand Falls club. “More tractors from Quebec will be there this year, including mini-mods, Pro Stock. Would like to make the show more competitive. They will be using 2 sleds from Quebec and equipment to maintain the track. 5-6 MTTPA classes may need to be dropped from schedule, which may include but not confirmed: Lawn mowers, 5000 lb stock to mention a few.

Hiring this sled/organization will give the Grand Falls club the full package including insurance from a spectator to the track. The MTTPA can be added to the insurance of this organization. \$20 a hook will be charged and kept by Grand Falls club to help reimburse the cost to their club.”

Centreville – Bryon McGrath spoke on behalf of the Centreville club: “Quebec sled will also be used in Centreville this year. Hoping to have the new complex up and going. If the event is held there, there will be 2 tracks. The blue ox will be used for stock tractors. Pull will take place Friday, June 28 and Saturday, June 29 @ 6 pm. Sunday June 30 will be a rain date. Details are still in the planning stage. Will be confirmed when available.”

Richmond Corner – Kristy McCormack spoke on behalf of the Richmond Corner club: “All good, no changes at this time.”

Presque Isle – Terry Berube spoke on behalf of the Presque Isle club: “Date is set for the evening of Friday, June 28, the fair will run until July 3. May be a power show only. Due to the conflicts in the date with Centreville may have to reconsider a pull at all.”

Crapaud – Jason Webster spoke on behalf of the Crapaud, PEI club: “Best year yet! Very successful, thank you to all and see you next year. Working at updating prize money, closer to other events.”

Nova Scotia update – Kirby spoke on behalf of Nova Scotia: “Antigonish would like to host one event this year, tentatively the same date as Richmond Corner, July 13 & 14. Will have to revisit date.

Robin Horsnell read a letter of intent (see below) from the Annapolis Valley who is inviting the MTTPA to their August 16th pull @ 5 pm. The location is Lawrence Town, 45 minutes from the Digby fair.

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ANNAPOLIS VALLEY EXHIBITION

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PO BOX 100, 570 MAIN STREET, LAWRENCETOWN NS

valleyex@ns.sympatico.ca annapolisvalleyexhibition.com 902-584-3339

The Annapolis Valley Exhibition would like to invite the Maritime Truck and Tractor Pull Association to attend an event at the Annapolis Valley Exhibition on Friday August 16th and Saturday August 17th, 2019.

Plans are underway to construct a clay track adjacent to the existing track at the Riverside Stage. This location on the Exhibition Grounds provides a slopping grass hill for approximately 10,000 spectators. Members of your association have indicated they are willing to assist to create an amazing event. Annual attendance is typically 40,000 plus.

While your members are attending, their family can enjoy all the Exhibition has to offer; displays from local businesses and organizations, mid-way rides and games, a variety of food and merchandise vendors, agricultural displays and a whole host of competitions. A walking trail is adjacent to the grounds for those interested in exploring.

The Board of Directors is confident your participation will be a great addition to the customer experience we provide.

As well as an opportunity for your members to have an additional venue for competitions in this area.

Sincerely,
Gidget Oxner, General Manager
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9) 2018 Resolutions for MTTPA Annual Meeting

1. New modified tractor class rules below

There is 3 built and 2 more being built this winter

- And if that is a no go then we need to discuss about being able to pull in with the other tractors that come to Centreville and Grand Falls and not pulling in our class and still receiving points.
- Single Engine Modified Tractor
- Weight 6500 lbs
- Engine must be an automotive engine
- Max of 572 cubic inch
- Gasoline or alcohol
- Naturally aspirated only
- Chassis: Rear end must be tractor housing
- Original gears can be replaced with a stand-alone transmission
- Safety: Must meet the same criteria as the regular modified tractor class

Discussion:

- Present pullers could put on a better show
- Can not compete with class as is

Motion

Revisit 2019 if the tractors are built and show. Minimum of 5

Motion: Bryon McGrath

Seconded by: Robert Pryor

Motion Carried: 9/0

2. Light Pro Farm Tire

Propose to allow Pulling tires

Motion

To accept pulling tires for light pro farm

Motion: Robert Pryor

Seconded by: Terry Berube

Motion Carried: 6/9

3. Dyno

The MTTPA needs to be prepared at each event to charge pullers \$20 for each dyno use over and above the 2 uses allowed at each event. This could be done by having dyno cards to be sold at registration and presented to the Dyno operator. This is already in our rules we simply need to have each track aware of it and ready to handle it at registration. All pullers need to be aware that this is over and above \$20-fee being charged to each stock puller when they register AT EACH EVENT to pay for the Dyno operator.

Discussion: Dyno operator to look after collecting at track.

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4. Dyno rules resolution

Would like to see a rule added

In the event we have a tractor disqualified for over HP in a class at an event. If that tractor is registered in other classes later in the event, they will have to dyno out after each class for the rest of the event to be sure they have met their proper HP for their tractor. Regardless of whether they finish in the top 3 or not.

The reason for this is have been noticed by most of our pullers that some people are willing to leave their tractor set over HP and take disqualification if they happen to reach the top 3. But sometimes these pullers don't reach the top three but finish high enough in the class to take points and prize money from pullers who are running at their stock HP.

Discussion:

- Everyone has the option to hook to dyno
- Top 5 dyno out
- To avoid the one-time pullers running high HP every class
- Now pullers are only dynoed if disqualified for HP

Motion

If disqualified for HP, you will be forced to dyno out rest of the weekend

Motion: Jason Webster Seconded by: Alex Metherell Motion Carried: 9/0

5. 2wd SS Truck Rules

Would like the MTTPA Super Stock truck rules to be followed at all events. Thus, if you are offering a super stock truck class and you are offering MTTPA points for that class you would also need prize money for those trucks as well regardless of whether they are running in with another class or not.

Motion

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Motion: Eddy Baird Seconded by: Robert Pryor Motion Carried: 8/0

6. Light Pro Stock

Would like to suggest moving the light pro stock class up to 8500 lbs. This would be done in the spirit that we would see super farm tractors move either to light pro stock or up to

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heavy pro farm. This move would allow for better numbers for both classes and remove the super farm class which has had very light numbers from the MTTPA.

Discussion:

Members announced they are willing/planning to make this move

Motion

As presented: Would like to suggest moving the light pro stock class up to 8500 lbs. This would be done in the spirit that we would see super farm tractors move either to light pro stock or up to heavy pro farm. This move would allow for better numbers for both classes and remove the super farm class which has had very light numbers from the MTTPA. Super Farm Class would be eliminated.

Motion: Jason Webster Seconded by: Jamie Thompson Motion Carried: 9/0

10) New Business

To proceed to have a Hot Stock discussion

Discussion:

Hot Stock – 75% of members not present – no further discussion

Note: Jason Webster & Jamie Thompson had to leave. New voting members for the Crapaud club will be Glenn Stewart & Spencer MacKinnon

11) 2018 Event Schedule & Banquet

Grand Falls, NB– June 15 & 16

Centreville, NB - June 28 & 29 (Rain date June 30) if at new complex

June 29 & 30 if at present location

Richmond Corner, NB – July 13 & 14

Presque Isle, Maine – Friday - June 28th will be confirmed

Crapaud, PEI – August 2 & 3 (Rain date 4)

**2019 Meeting and Banquet to be held by the Crapaud, PEI club in November 2019.
Actual date will be confirmed.**

Motion

To adjourn the 2018 MTTPA meeting at 1:30 pm

Motion: Terry Berube Seconded by: Ricky Springer Motion Carried: 9/0

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President Signature: _____

Secretary Signature: _____

Date: _____