



# Steam Whistle

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**NEW YORK STEAM ENGINE ASSOCIATION**



## *A Letter from the President*

Hello everyone!! I sure hope that everyone has been making it through this very unusual winter weather that seems to be hanging around. Joanne and I had a very nice time in sunny Florida. We enjoyed some nice warm weather. But like all vacations it was time to come home!

We have some exciting new things in the works this year. We are putting up street signs on all roadways on the grounds. They are going to look great. Thanks to Mark Johncox for spearheading this project and for all your time and work, as well as all the directors for their support. The Camping Crew has already been busy taking camping reservations for this year's show week. The club will be working on adding some additional sights on the southeast side of the grounds. Plans are also being made to add a new driveway to make easier access to the camping area up by the airport in the northeast section of the grounds.

There is a dedicated group of members working on all the particulars on how to bring home the big 500HP Rushton Hornsby engine from Canada. Thank you to Jason, Jim and Jeff for your time and trips up north to see this through. It will be an awesome piece to have here in Canandaigua.

For the entertainment at this year's show, the bands are all lined up for your listening pleasure and dancing! This year our feature will be Historical Construction Equipment and Domestic Engines and Pumps made in Shippensburg PA.

Don't forget our Annual Spring Flea Market and Antique Tractor Pull on Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend and on Sunday our second annual Bracket Pull. This was a big hit last year and we wish the Tractor Pull Committee much success this year.

There are always new and exciting things happening at the show grounds to make it better than ever. Our Project List seems to be getting longer! So, remember, our Wednesday night work meetings and dinners will be starting up as the weather permits. Watch Facebook for announcements as when we will start up and share the news with others who may not see Facebook. There will always be a lot to get done before show time and everyone's help is appreciated. We hope to see you all soon.

Respectfully

*George*





**NEW YORK**  
Steam Engine Show in Blue

**NYSEA Memorial Day Weekend  
Annual Spring Flea Market & Tractor  
Pull**  
**May 25<sup>th</sup> and May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

New York Steam Engine Assoc.  
3349 Gehan Rd  
Canandaigua NY 14424

**Flea Market: Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**  
For Flea Market Info call: 585-732-0487

**Antique Tractor Pull: Saturday, May 26<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00**  
**Bracket Tractor Pull: Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00**  
For Pull Info call: 585-704-4312 or 585-465-9100

For more information visit our website:  
<https://nysteamengineassociation.com/>

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### In Memory

NYSEA is saddened by the unexpected passing of Rick Frost on March 31, 2024.

Rick, his wife Jan, and daughter Jessie ran the main kitchen & Bar-B-Que at the Pageant of Steam for many years.

Our sincere condolences to the Frost family.



### Schedule

**Sunday, April 28, 2024:** Dish-to-Pass dinner at 12:15 immediately followed by a General Meeting

**Wednesday Night Work Meetings:** Watch FB and Website for schedule for a May or June starting date.

**Memorial Day Weekend:** Annual Spring Flea Market and Tractor Pulls. No General meeting.

**Sunday June 30, 2024:** Dish-to-Pass dinner at 12:15 immediately followed by a General Meeting

As always, follow us on Facebook and watch our website for more information and schedules.

### Mark Your Calendars....

The **Annual Tractor Parade for the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Ionia Fall Festival** will be held again this year on **Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>** at the Ionia United Methodist Church. They would love to have NYSEA members participate with their tractors (both older and newer, small and large) as they have done in the past. So, mark this date on your calendar! We encourage members to attend, it is a great time! There are usually 120-145 tractors that participate, and people come from all over to watch the parade! More information will become available as the date grows closer.

### Pioneer Gas Engine Association

**60th Annual Show**

**July 26 and July 27, 2024**

**Marion Town Park**

## Annual Spring Tractor Pulls

The Tractor Pull Committee is looking forward to our annual Memorial Day Weekend Tractor Pulls! Saturday, May 25th will be the regular Antique Tractor Pull. Then, on Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> we will hold the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bracket Pull. We will start both days with a driver's meeting at 10:00am. Saturday classes are as follows:

3 MPH - \$20 Hook Fee - 3200, 3700, 4200, 4700, 5200, 5700, 6200, 6700, 7700, 8700, 9700

4 MPH - \$25 Hook Fee - 3700, 4200, 4700, 5200, 5700, 6200, 6700, 7700, 8700, 9700

6 MPH - \$25 Hook Fee - 3700, 4200, 4700, 5200, 5700, 6200, 6700, 7700, 8700, 9700

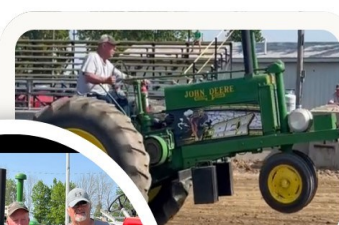
Jackpot - \$40 Hook Fee - 3850, 5350, 6350

Please check the NYSEA website for more information and rules.



# NYSEA BRACKET PULL

May 26th, 2024  
10AM



3349 Gehan Road,  
Canandaigua, NY  
14424



### PAYOUTS!

- 1 - \$2500
- 2 - \$1000
- 3 - \$500

## 64 Tractor Bracket

### Process:

When the driver arrives at the pull the day of they will draw a number (no matter if they preregistered or not) and the first 60 numbers will be automatically added to the bracket. Numbers 61-64 will be determined by a pull off of remaining registrants (4 furthest distances).

### General Rules:

For insurance purposes, all pullers must be members of the NYSEA. Memberships can be purchased the day of the pull at \$15 for single and \$25 for family. This membership is not included in the bracket registration cost. Drivers less than 16 years of age must have written parental/guardian permission.

### Tractor Rules:

- 5 MPH max
- 5750lbs - no driver allowance
- 18.4x38 tires - any cut
- Pre-1965 tractors with internal engine modifications: Spacer plates, girdles, power blocks, 12 port heads
- 800 heads and jugs are allowed
- Overall Length: 11' max from center of rear axle to furthest forward point. Rear weights must not extend rearward beyond rear tires
- 20" max drawbar height, 18" min. back from center of rear axle. Drawbar must be rigid in all directions. (No floating drawbars)
- Drawbar must be equipped with 3" min. hole for hook point
- Wheelie bars and breakaway switches are mandatory
- No alcohol - No nitrous - Naturally aspirated only
- Spacer plates and girdles will have no more than 1" above and below the center line of the crank shaft (2" total).
- No V-8 engines except for 8-N Fords with "Funk" conversion kit.

### Need a place to stay?!

Close to multiple hotels and plenty of room for camping!

**\$75 PRE-REGISTRATION FEE**

or

**\$100 REGISTRATION FEE DAY OF PULL**

### Send Checks To:

NYSEA  
Attn: Pulling Committee  
3349 Gehan Road  
P. O. Box 1149  
Canandaigua, NY 14424

**LOADING DOCKS AVAILABLE**

**SINGLE ELIMINATION!  
NO BUY-BACKS!**

(PAYOUTS BASED ON 64 TRACTOR BRACKET. IF LESS THAN 64 REGISTRANTS, BRACKET SIZE AND PAYOUTS WILL BE ADJUSTED)



## Something new!

Exciting news! We're rolling out a brand-new Point-of-Sale system across our grounds this year, opening up the convenience of credit/debit card payments at several of our locations, in addition to traditional cash or check options.

For our first year, these systems will be located at both camping gates, the T-Shirt Shed, and Headquarters. This system will not only provide ease of payments at the locations used, but this will provide those committees with the ability to track income (sales), manage inventory, as well as provide detailed reporting for accounting purposes for the club. We know we plan to have clear prices posted at all these locations when it comes to the use of payment by credit/debit card as there are service fees included. We look forward to servicing our members through these new systems this upcoming show year.



### *This Years Feature...*

The **Historical Construction Equipment** Association brings its International Convention & Old Equipment Exposition as the feature at the NYSEA Pageant of Steam in August. They are expecting many vendors and attendees from across the country.

For information regarding the HCEA and the upcoming show, call our office at 419-352-5616 or email [info@hcea.net](mailto:info@hcea.net)

Locally you can contact Leonard Sharp at 585-671-3344 or email [Leonard.Sharp@emotrans.com](mailto:Leonard.Sharp@emotrans.com)



### *Also featured...*

*The feature engine for 2024 is Domestic Engines and Pumps made in Shippensburg, PA.*



## Message from Camping Committee:

As winter ends, it is time to think about camping. Many projects are being worked on, including camping areas. The overflow camping is moving up the hill. If you have a reservation with Chris for overflow, be aware that you will probably be assigned a new site. We will try to make everyone happy.

Inside the gate, we are losing some sites to make way for a larger flea market. It is in the works to add additional sites in another location.

All campers must have a 2024 membership. It would be helpful if campers would have their memberships before coming to the grounds. All sites are \$60.00 per site. There is no fee for Lifetime Members.

Many of you like to bring your golf carts. You must show proof of insurance. This year there will be a fee of \$10.00 for the golf cart. Anyone with a Lifetime Membership will not have to pay this fee. All carts will be tagged to show that they have paid and have insurance.

The camping gate will be open starting Saturday, August 3rd at 8am. Stop at the camping shed to get your car sticker, rules, and tag for camper. Only 1 car per campsite permitted.

If you would like to make a reservation, **call Suzy at 585-657-6075**. If you do not get an answer, please leave your name and phone number and Suzy will get back to you.



## Flea market news:

Hello everyone! Flea Market spots for the Pageant of Steam in August are starting to fill up, including the new section that we will be starting this year. I still have 2 or 3 sites left if you know anyone that is interested. Also, please remember the Memorial Day Weekend Swap Meet and Tractor pull on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know of any questions or cancellations call **Dave Zimmerman at 585-289-9785** and please leave a message!

Dave Zimmerman

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**NEW YORK STEAM ENGINE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**Membership Year 2024**

\$15 Individual Membership 2024

\$ 25 Family Membership 2024  
(2 Adults and Family under 16)

Member Name

Member #1 Name

Member #2 Name

Address

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City, State, Zip Code

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