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From Editor Membership Secretary Jake Berger



We had a great National Show and Meeting in Ohio this year! I enjoyed visiting and seeing everyone and look forward to the next one. We added several new members during the show and are hovering around 765 members total.

Archie has decided to retire as the Editor, and I have agreed to take the duties over for him. He has created a great Journal and made many improvements over the last several years and I'm looking forward to continuing that trend. He has developed a really good system between all of the parties involved with it and that has made the transition very smooth and simple. He will still help us with any questions we have until we get it all figured out. I just want to thank him again for a job well done, and we all appreciate his efforts and help over the last several years. Thanks, Archie!

In order to make this Journal better and better, we still ask our members to send us articles, pictures, restoration projects, service tips, show reviews, and anything else you think our members would enjoy to see and read about. All "For Sale" ads are FREE for members! Please send anything for the Journal to journal@fordtractorcollectors.com. I appreciate everyone who takes the time to send us these things. Deadline for the Winter Journal is October 21.

## From Director Emeritus Archie Tanner



I have turned over the reins of the Journal to Jake. He will do a great job and I hope you all help him I made it to the show in Wauseon but it was a challenge. I need to be on oxygen all the time and long travel is rough. I run out of breath after a few steps and need to recharge to go farther ,so I use a wheel chair a lot. We got to see my daughter and four grandchildren while in Ohio.

I will do what I can to help but my productive days are over. I would like to thank all the members who helped me the last 13 years.



From the Co-Executive Director **Ted Foster** 



It has been a busy last three months! The Wauseon show was fantastic! We had a great turnout and good weather. I believe we had more vendors than we have ever had. Rob Swartzlander bought two semi loads of parts.

We had some awesome tractors as usual, and a nice Fordson tribute set up by our contact. He had an American, an Irish and an English Fordson lined up by the Veterans tribute flag and monument, and each day at 1pm, they started them and let them run for ten minutes or so. Lots of people came to watch and enjoyed it.

The banquet was a great success, and fortunately for those attending, Danny Norman was there as emcee, so everyone didn't have to listen to me for two hours. If you weren't there, I hope you can join us in Dallas, NC next Fall.

It's getting on towards time to put these toys away for the Winter, so don't forget to check that anti-freeze if you live in the northland.



# MINUTES Annual Meeting June 28, 2024 Wausion, OH

Meeting began with a welcome from Ted Foster.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a prayer was given.

Directors were introduced.

Motion by Pund, seconded by Doty to suspend rules.

Motion passed by voice vote and Danny Norman took over microphone at this point.

Membership report given by Jake Berger. 730 domestic members, 13 foreign members, 41 states represented.

Online registration is now in operation.

Roger Ellwood gave audit committee report and all is in order.

Don Church gave financial report and listed all balances.

Awards were presented and raffles were drawn.

Respectfully submitted Archie Tanner -Secretary



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Our Summer show this year was in Granite IA from July 19 – 21. Granite is in the far northwestern corner of Iowa, about 10 miles from Sioux Falls SD. This is a small show that's been in existence since 1985 and boasts the largest free admission show in the Midwest. They also have a classic car show, a pancake breakfast, and a swap meet. Look for Granite Threshing Bee on Facebook for details.



There were two tractor pulls for Ford owners. The first was Friday night with another on Saturday evening. We had members pulling in one or both of these fun events. We had 49 Ford tractors, four Fordsons, three implements, eight lawn tractors, and one pedal tractor.

Other events were the tractor parades on Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Many of our members participated. Great to see the Fords leading the way!



Great to see how people helped each other out, regardless of what color tractor they had. Lots of pride with granddads, dads and young men and women driving tractors that were part of their family history.



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On Saturday evening, we dined in air conditioned comfort in the implement building. Dean & Kathy Kelley cooked delicious burgers. We provided a cake and sang 'Happy Birthday' to Glenn Birk. After the meal, we had our business meeting. Even though our chapter is MN Chapter 1, we want everyone to know we are open to members from all states, not just MN. New members are the lifeblood of any organization; Ford-Fordson tractor collectors are no exception to actively seeking new members. Dates for future shows are always a topic of discussion.

2025: Hesper–Mabel Steam En– gine Days; 2026: Atwater Thresh– ing Days and 2027 is open.













































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# FORD HODGOES the in height & miles





Jerry Wallace of Spirit Lake, Iowa bought his 1968 Ford 4000 online. Nowadays that is a fairly common thing. Go online, find a tractor you're interested in, purchase it and have it delivered or go get it. This tractor turned out to be two states away in Michigan. Jerry purchased the tractor without an in person inspection. He was told it was used on a Christmas tree farm.

Jerry had heard about the Granite Threshing Bee in Granite, Iowa featuring Ford/Fordson tractors and wanted the tractor to be at the show. Instead of having the tractor delivered to his home, he had it delivered to the Granite show grounds on the Wednesday before the show. The tractor is on stilts so it was on a trailer with side extensions. After some confusion on whose tractor it was and where it came from Jerry showed up at Granite a little while later.

The tractor needed a few items before it would run so it was pulled off the semi trailer and onto the grounds of the Granite Threshing Bee. While pulling it, Jerry put the tractor in gear to see if it would start. It did run but Jerry didn't drive it under its own power just yet.





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Jerry looked it over after it was parked and made a list of needed parts to get it running on its own. The next day he spent time working on it and got it to start on its own and drove it around. Since a tractor like that isn't seen in corn and soybean country, it got a lot of interest from the people working on the grounds.

The show days finally came and Jerry had the 4000 next to his LCG Ford tractor. The 4000 got a lot of interest during the show and a lot of people asked how something like that is hauled. People were told how it got to the show but nobody knew how it was going to be hauled back to Spirit Lake, lowa from Granite.

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The following Thursday after the Granite Threshing Bee, I was texted a picture of a tall, blue Ford driving down the road by Ocheyden, Iowa. It was Jerry driving his 4000 all the way home. After contacting Jerry he said he did the drive in 5 hours. That was approximately about an 80 mile drive. Jerry said he took a break at Ocheyden to have lunch and oil the chains.

When talking to Jerry about this article he mentioned the tractor would be going on a tractor ride with about 300 tractors the following Sunday and the tractor would be leading about 1000 bicycles out of Spirit Lake, Iowa the beginning of August. I hope he has many more adventures with the 4000 and enjoys the uniqueness of it. - Kody Heideman Secretary/Treasurer MN Chapter1





### **1918 FORDSON F**



## **IRISH FORDSON N**



## **ENGLISH FORDSON**



Welcome back to the unofficial Fordson Forum. In this issue we will discuss most models of Fordson tractors, basic features, and when they were made.

First up is the Model F built 1917-1928. These were the most produced model with 755278 total built. The first produced for the Ministry of Munitions, or MOMS as they were nicknamed, 8000 were ordered for the English Military but no official record states the exact number produced. MOMS are very collectible to this day . Production for the open market began in 1918. A quick way to tell an F model is the slanted tread on the rear steel wheels and a square air washer box. There are many small changes throughout the production years that will help you identify the year of manufacturing but with so many interchangeable parts, it takes more than an engine serial number to narrow down to a specific year. We will have to save that topic for next issue so stay tuned!

Next up is the Fordson N model built from 1928 -1945, at two plants in two countries. Beginning in Cork, Ireland from 1928-1933, you can tell an Irish Fordson by the stamp on the end of the fuel tank, a cast iron round air washer, cast iron front wheels, pointed alternating cleats on the rear wheels, and "Fordson" embossed on the front of the radiator, that is, if all the parts are original. Magnitos became standard equipment to ease cold starts. These usually had pointed rear fenders. Around 32000 were made in Ireland. US exports were limited to 1500 tractors per month.





In 1933 Henry Ford moved the manufacturing plant to Dagenham England and the N model was continued through 1945. Changes include a round stamped steel air washer lid, Fordson embossed on the sides of the radiator, floor boards on the fenders, seat moved back, and steering wheel moved back to transfer weight to the rear wheels. Around 200,000 were made in England.

The Fordson All-Around was a row crop tractor built from 1937-1945. Based on the Fordson N platform, it was built with a narrow front to compete with the Farmall tractor which was already a huge success in the US market. These are very collectible and popular in England.

1945 brought big changes as the E27N Major, nicknamed the "High Major" was introduced and produced in England until 1952, commonly called simply as the Fordson Major. Around 230,000 were built. This model was larger and heavier than the N model with standard rubber tires, brakes, and electric start. A 45 hp Perkins diesel engine became an option in 1948 which made this tractor a workhorse for its time. A PTO was standard along with an adjustable width front axle allowing for use with a variety of crops. The rear differential was redesigned and changed from the standard worm drive to a bull gear.

The EIA New major was produced from 1958-1961. Commonly called the Power Major, live hydraulics and a 6 speed transmission became standard equipment. In 1961 the Super Major came out boasting 54 hp with a weight transfer system and a differential lock. Production ceased in 1964 after around 100,000 power majors were built. Many super majors are still in daily use in England and Australia today.

Lastly the Fordson Super Dexta built 1962-1964 to compete with the smaller Massy Ferguson 35, was a 45 hp compact tractor with live hydraulics, 3 point, and PTO shaft. This was also sold in the United States as the Ford 2000 Diesel.

Information taken from www.tractordata.com, wikipedia.org, and teachings of my mentors. As always I strive for accuracy but mistakes happen as I too am always learning!

Thank You for reading and please join me for the next Unofficial Fordson Forum!



**ALL-AROUND** 



E27N







My grandfather Henry Kriens purchased a 1948 8N Ford from the Ford dealership in Lennox, South Dakota. Two years later in June of 1950 he purchased the Model 1251 Universal Windrower from the same dealership.

My grandfather used it for several years doing our oats and our neighbors. He retired the outfit, and it sat in our tree grove for 60 years. My dad Orlyn Kriens sold the original 8N Ford 20 years ago.

One day my neighbor Ron was over, and I said I have something different to show you. He had seen a lot of old machinery but had no idea what this was. I showed him the owner's manual to demonstrate how it worked.

Ron's suggestion was to obtain another 8N Ford and restore the windrower, because he was sure this was a unique piece of equipment. When they retired the windrower, they had all the extra pieces and 2 canvases stored away in the old farmhouse.













We had no idea what color it was until we found the original parts and they were red. Lee restored the windrower with the help of his wife LeeAnn and their son Cody. The highlight was they had all the parts and a good canvas plus the original parts manual to help them put it back together.

They were very excited it worked the first time they tried it. I found an 8N Ford in Rushmore Minnesota to go with the windrower, see photo of Lee on the 8N that was purchased before it was restored. Both pieces needed to be painted and restored.

The windrower is attached to the rear of the tractor, and you turn the seat around to face the rear. There are attachments that you add to the clutch, brake and steering wheel to operate this device while facing the rear of the tractor.









To the best of their knowledge there were only 2 Windrowers sold out of Lennox, South Dakota. The Windrower was made by Central Manufacturing out of Omaha Nebraska. Lee has tried to obtain more information regarding the Windrower however the manufacturer is no longer in business.

We brought the 8N Ford & Windrower to the threshing bee in Granite Iowa in July for the MN Ford/Fordson State Chapter Meet. Ron was correct that no one there had any idea as to what this was and how it operated. It was fun to see all the reaction ns on people's faces of something they had not seen before.



# NEXTGeneration



Here is a picture of me with my three youngest grandchildren (I have 10 total) posing with my 1948 Ford 8N. They are proudly wearing their FFCA t-shirts. Hopefully they will be future Ford tractor fans, especially if they keep up with their Grandpa!

Thank you! Respectfully submitted by Michael K Pund







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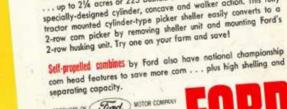
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