

# E.D.G.E.&T.A. NATIONAL NEWSLETTER

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Ruth A. Warnock, Editor

## **TO: All EDGE&TA Members:**

Now that the weather has warmed a bit, the robins have returned, and the daffodils are blooming, I'm sure many of you are thinking of the engine and tractors shows that will soon follow. I hope you have reviewed our Safety Rules and are ready for the show season. The BOD has been working on a few changes to these rules and should have these changes posted on our web page soon. You might want to review these rules again before you rush off to the next show. Our aim in revising these rules was to make them a little more user friendly while insuring we have a safe, fun filled show season in 2004.

I hope that those of you who do the administration for your branch found the changes that were made to the on line forms made getting the information to our National Secretary/Treasurer and Insurance representative lot easier.

The Board of Directors is also working on some language changes to the By-Laws which will bring them in line with the way our insurance functions. In 2003, we changed Insurance Agents and the way the payment for our insurance was made. The current by-laws need to be changed to reflect these changes. Once the verbiage has been changed, the by-laws will need to be approved by the entire membership at our next annual business meeting in Santee, CA. The branches will receive the changes about 90 days before the National meeting. Please take the time to review the changes and cast your vote. It is important that every branch vote on these changes. If your branch is not attending the National meeting, please, make sure to return your vote to the National Secretary/Treasurer in time for it to be counted at the National meeting.

Branch 22 has been working hard to make the 2004 National show one of the best ever.

I hope you are planning on attending the National show in October. I am looking forward to seeing some of my old friends there and making some new friends at the meeting.

**Howard D. Hodson, EDGE&TA President**

## **SC Regional News**

Now for a bit of good news from the SC Region, Branch 37, Tired Iron of the Ozarks, Gentry, AR will be hosting an antique tractor drive again in June 2004. The drive will begin on June 8, 2004 at their show grounds

south of Gentry, AR and arrive at the SC Regional show in Ozark, AR on June 10, 2004. The trip will be three days in duration and cover about 116 miles (at antique tractor speed of 6 mph) of scenic NW Arkansas roads over the third highest mountain in Arkansas. There will be two over night stops along the way where they will camp under the stars. The first of these stops will be at the Prairie Grove Battlefield Park, Prairie Grove, AR and the seconds stop will be in the little mountain town of Mountainburg, AR. Meals have been arranged along the way. Anyone who might want to join the drive is welcome. If you are interested in joining the drive check branch 37's web site at, [www.tiredironoftheozarks.com](http://www.tiredironoftheozarks.com) for more details.

EDGE&TA Branch 90, will host the SC Regional show, June 11 through 13 at the Fair Grounds in Ozark, AR. That branch has been working on the show for some time and it promises to be a good show with something for everyone. There will be tractor pulls (both antique and garden tractors), lots of equipment displays, an auction, entertainment, and the Regional meeting with a catered meal.

The show season has already begun in South Texas and will move north with what we in the south call "green-up". There will be a lot of local shows from now until late this fall through out the SC Region. If you enjoy a little history, "take a step back into the past and take a look at how things were done one hundred years ago" by attending the shows in your area.

**Howard D. Hodson, SC Region Director**

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## **EDGETA Insurance Highlights**

**By Dick Tombrink, NW Director**

We are still awaiting word on how much the insurance premiums will be for the upcoming year. As soon as we know we will pass it on to the membership. Until we know different, branches should send in their branch dues and insurance premium based on last years total of \$8.80 per member.

We have made progress in making it easier for branches to send in their Events Lists and to request Additional Insured Certificates from the insurance carrier. Now both forms are set up on the Internet

(www.edgeta.org, under insurance) so you can fill in the blanks and submit them directly to the insurance agent. I get a copy as well as the insurance agent. You will in turn get a copy of what you have sent. In the past I forwarded each list or request to the insurance agent. The Events list has been simplified to eliminate the columns for home show, away show, and EDGETA branch numbers. The insurance carrier no longer requires this information.

If you would rather keep an Excel spread sheet of your events, you can submit it to me as you have done in the past. If that works better for you, it works for us. Please be sure you have your branch number, your email address if you have one, the date you submit it, and columns for the event date, name of the show, city, and state on your spreadsheet. When I get it I will pass it on to the insurance carrier. If you do not have Internet access, you may still send them by regular mail, or fax them to me. However, we would prefer you use the email method if at all possible.

Please remember to report every event/show any member of your branch might attend so that they will have insurance coverage when they do attend the show. Events/shows that are not reported will not have coverage for your members. Each branch is responsible to report the events attended by their members. Even though it is reported by another branch, it does not count for your branch members.

Also remember that all participants, exhibitors, and demonstrators must be EDGETA members. And each participating Branch must report the event for their members to be covered. If there is an accident involving a spectator as a result of a non-member action, the insurance claim will be denied. It will then be left to the non-member to settle the claim. The cost of the insurance coverage is cheap for the amount of coverage we have. For the protection of all it is advisable to be sure all participants, exhibitors, and demonstrators are members.

Please continue to think safety in all that you do. If you have any comments or questions, you can email me at dicknsue@mcn.net.

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## **EDGE & TA INSURANCE QUESTIONS**

**By Larry Voris Director at Large**

Do you understand what coverage we have? I thought I did but I am finding out I didn't understand completely what we had. Let's set up a show and maybe it will explain how it works.

1. First every show must be reported to the National Insurance representative/the Insurance Company to have insurance coverage for the members.
2. Now when we go to the show, what is covered and how does the coverage work.

a) Every EDGETA member has liability insurance covering him or her if they cause injury to a non-member or damage a non-members property.

b) If a member causes injury to another member or damage to another members property. EDGE does not pay for this accident.

c) It is up to the members to settle the damages between themselves. This means that every member must have his own insurance in place. You're own hospital insurance to cover your own injuries and your own liability to cover the other person if the accident was your fault. You pay for the damages to your equipment.

3. Another scenario is if one of our members has a show on his property. How is he covered?

a) First he must have the show reported to the Club Events Officer and the show must be reported to the National Insurance Representative/Insurance Company as a Club sponsored event.

a) The host of the show should request the "Additional Insured Certificate" from the National EDGETA Insurance Company. There is no charge for this additional coverage. This coverage puts the landowner on the National EDGETA insurance policy. In other words it provides liability protection to the property owner in case a claim would be filed. Also the landowner should check with their homeowner's policy and make sure his personal insurance is in place.

b) Then, when we go to this person's property, every person that exhibits something must be a member of an EDGETA club.

### **Another Question and Answer:**

**Question:** "If an owner/member of the property (where a EDGETA sponsored event is taking place) lets his neighbor show a piece of equipment and the neighbor is not a member of EDGETA - does that void the insurance for the whole show or just the person that is not a member."

**Answer:** It does not void the insurance for the whole show, but obviously that non-member is not covered by the insurance should there be an incident arising from his actions. EDGETA Insurance would respond (cover) the branch and it's paid up members. However the non-member would have a problem. It is really cheap insurance for the non-member to protect himself from such a problem.

c) Out of courtesy to the host, if you see a potential hazard or something that you think could cause a problem, talk to the host and try to fix the problem.

If we all work together we can have a fun and safe show at the same time. Small children have the most curious minds. When they see a moving object they want to reach out and touch it. This is one of the reasons we rope around our exhibits.

## 2004 SHOW SCHEDULE

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### 6 Regional Shows

#### SE Branch 100 NC May 1- 2

Contact Blu Walsh 704-398-7003  
Blu\_Walsh@msn.com

#### SC Branch 90AR June 11-13

Contact Clyde Traylor 479-928-5193  
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#### NW Branch 74MT July 3- 4

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#### SW Branch 18 CA July 9-11

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#### NE Branch 126 PA July 17-18

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#### NC Branch 108 MO Sept 24-25-26

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Visit our web pages [www.edgeta.org](http://www.edgeta.org) for additional contacts and information

Please support the hosting branch in your area. A lot of planning and work goes into putting on one of these shows.

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### Prevention of Injury-Incidents

Of the many tractor injury-incidents that happen, few are caused by machinery or equipment failure. Most are caused, directly or indirectly, by carelessness and unnecessary hurry. Use safe procedures, pay attention to what is being done and how it is being done, and THINK about what you are doing -- then tractor safety isn't too difficult or time-consuming.

If you have youngsters that are eager to drive tractors, remember EDGE&TA has a youth program. Go to the Safety section of our website and read about it or Contact Howard Hodson

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## Important reminders!!!!

•We are looking for someone living in the North East area to fill the vacant term of NE Director. The term will expire October 9, 2004.

If you are interested, please send your resume to Ruth A. Warnock, EDGE&TA secretary.

The directors will review it and make a decision.

If you have questions you can contact Ruth or any of the listed directors.

•Visit our website [www.edgeta.org](http://www.edgeta.org) often for any changes, or additions to our organization. It is a way for all members to know what is taking place at the National level.

•Remember it is the branch responsibility to keep Jerry Mac Martin, webmaster, up to date and current with your branch information. This is one of the best sources your branch has of advertisement.

•It is very important for out-going branch officers to pass information on to their replacements. From some notes I receive it is evident that the new folks have not been informed. This can be handled in many ways such as, having branch job descriptions, policy and procedures, and most of all good records. I'm sure the new people taking over these positions will welcome all the help from the out-going officer and make for a smooth transition.

**There will be two vacant director's positions open. If you would like to run for director and you live in either the NE area or the SE area send a resume and a picture to the EDGE&TA secretary no later than July 9, 2004. They will be sent out with the ballots that will be voted on at the 2004 National Meeting that will be held in October. If you have any questions, contact the secretary or any of the directors.**

Thanks, Ruth A. Warnock, Secretary

Hello Everyone,

Just a reminder for the Hall Of Fame this year, the deadline to submit someone is April 15th.

Each submitted package must include a background sheet of accomplishments, a brief summary of why this individual should be given this honor, and address with phone number of the nominee. Examples of accomplishments are club offices held, involvement in preserving our hobby, and equipment restored, etc.

Nominee's submission should be mailed to

Jerry Mac Martin

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or e-mail at [jerryacmartin@edgeta.org](mailto:jerryacmartin@edgeta.org) no later than April 15th of the year the candidate is to be considered.

Jerry Mac Martin, Hall of Fame Chairman

## Suggestion to Branch Editors

Branch newsletters usually mention when dues are due each year, but virtually never state the amount! I belong to 4 branches, and I can't remember what the dues are for each one. Also they may change from year to year.

**Gus Peterson**

I'm sure this would be helpful to all EDGE&TA members.

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## EDGE&TA welcomes 3 new branches.

**Branch 156 Texas, Branch 157 Arkansas and 158 California.**

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### *From the Editor*

*If you have a story to share, send it to me. Other branches may be looking for ideas. Things like this are what make our organization one to be proud to be a member of.*

*I recently received the newsletter from Branch 34. There was an article in it that touched my heart. I thought it would be nice to share so I contacted Judi Thompson regarding this rewarding event and thought I would share her answer with you.*

Hi Ruth, We started the Ice-Ca Pull Benefit, Silent Auction and Tractor Pull three years ago. The first beneficiary of our proceeds went to a child that was born with severe heart problems that needed several surgeries. His dad worked at one of our local tractor dealers. So this of course was something we thought we needed to continue. The next year our proceeds was split among 3 of our club members who were in need of some help. The next year we found another child with heart problems that needed help with medications our proceeds provided this child with enough medications for a year. This year we have again found a baby that was born in June with multiple complications of the heart. The family will receive the proceeds the end of February.

Anyway the tractor guys in this club think we need a pull in the winter! If you can imagine that, it's a lot fun, we asked that the members get donations for the silent auction, and the hook fees are added to the proceeds, we usually have 65+ hooks and quite a selection of items for the auction. We have this event at the Canyon County Fair Building as our 1st pull of the year, everyone wears their long johns!! As the weather in Idaho is very unpredictable. Our goal is to help a child each year as a contribution to our community.

**Thanks for the share Judi.**

### **Since then, she has sent me a follow-up.**

Ice-Ca Pull and Benefit was fun there was 4-5 " of snow on the ground that morning, but that didn't seem to have any effect on the die-hard members of this club. We weathered the storm, had a safe successful pull and auction.

Our proceeds were down a little this year but still raised

over \$1800.00 which is more than they had, with out advertising and the bad weather. The family attended our February meeting to pick up a check. It makes for a good feeling when you help a child in your community. We also give donations to various FFA schools in our area, each year to help promote the agriculture of the future. Our club has 17-18 events each year and we are also looking at our long term goal to establish and furnish a local Museum and help educate the public on early-day agricultural history, as our members have avid various interests. We are looking forward to our next event. Judi  
**Thank you members of Branch 34. Your contributions to your neighborhood, people in need and reminding everyone, this is what EDGE&TA is all about.**  
**Ruth Warnock**

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**44<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW AND BUSINESS MEETING.**

On behalf of the membership of Branch 22, I would like to cordially invite you to attend the 2004 National EDGE&TA Show and Business Meeting. It will be held on the beautiful green grass surrounding picturesque Santee Lakes in Santee, CA, and approximately 10 miles east of San Diego. The show will be held on Friday, October 8 through Sunday, October 10, 2004. Setup will be available on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 6 & 7. This is the same site where the National Show and Meeting was held in June of 1972. We will be featuring ~~West Coast~~ **Most Coast** Dull engines and pumps.

We hope to see many exhibits pumping from the sparkling blue lake as well as a variety of other engine and tractor displays. Branch 22 is noted for our fun and friendliness. We encourage you to come and be a part of this special weekend with us. We will be having a free Exhibitor's Dinner on Friday evening and the National Meeting and dinner will be held on Saturday evening. Branch 22 members have been hard at work for several years planning for this event and we know that the time put forth will result in an excellent show. Dudley Mills and I will be co-chairing this event. If you need information, Dudley's phone number is 619-478-5787 and his e-mail address is dudleymills@earthlink.net or you may contact me at 619-478-5500 or e-mail me at c\_northcote@nfmhc.com. We hope you can join us at the 2004 National. Make plans now to attend. Please visit the EDGE&TA website for all details.

Sincerely,  
 Cliff Northcote, President

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**Branch 74 Western Montana Antique Power Assoc  
 North West Regional Show 2004**

We wish to extend an invitation to all branches and members of the Early Days Gas Engine & Tractor Association to attend the NW Regional Show, . The show dates are July 3rd, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, and July 4th 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. If people want to leave early they can. There will be primitive camping allowed on the grounds. Exhibitors must be EDGE&TA members and bring all there own supplies. IE, gas, ropes etc. EDGE&TA rules will be followed. There will be a restroom available to the public. Crawlers and steel wheel tractors will have their own place to park. May not be allowed in parade. Parade will be

Saturday. We will also be having a dinner with barbecued burgers and hot-dogs. Pop, burgers, hot-dogs will be supplied. Pot luck dishes and deserts will be welcomed. Cookies are always welcome. There will be a loading ramp available. Exhibit areas will be staked and it is a first come first pick for parking. Friday set up all day. Someone will be there at about 8 AM. We are hosting our first show and want to make it a success.

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**The 2004 S.W. Regional Show, Branch 18  
 Will be held at the Chowchilla, CA Fairgrounds in central CA**

on July 9, 10 & 11, 2004. The show will feature antique engines and tractors thru 1949. All engine displays will be under cover in a large show arena. There will be a swap meet, antique engines & tractor displays, tractor parade Saturday and Sunday.

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**NE Regional Show Branch 126  
 FORT ALLEN ANTIQUE FARM EQUIPMENT ASSOC.**

Invites all branches and members of the Early Days Gas Engine & Tractor Association to attend the Northeast Branch Regional 2004 show and meeting to be held during our  
**10th Annual Ice Cream Festival and Tractor Rodeo  
 July 17-18, 2004**

Saturday 9 AM-Dusk      Sunday 9 AM-5 PM

Come and enjoy Farming demonstrations, Gas engines, antique tractors and farm equipment, working saw mill, shingle mill, blacksmith forge, daily parades, musical entertainment, highlander games, wagon train, kiddy tractor pull, crafts and flea market, great food, ice cream, and much more.

This years feature tractor is the Minneapolis Moline and the IHC engines.

**TRACTOR PULLS**

There will be a garden tractor pull Saturday afternoon  
 Dead weight and transfer sled tractor pulls are held on Friday and Saturday nights.

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**Br 108 North Central Regional Show and Meeting**

On behalf of the membership of Branch 108, I would like to invite you to attend the 2004 North Central EDGE&TA Regional Meeting and Show. The show and meeting are being held September 24, 25 and 26, 2004 at 718 N. Eastview, Eldon, MO. Set-up date will be Thursday, September 23, 2004. The showgrounds are located 10 miles north of Bagnell Dam, Lake Ozark, MO. We will be hosting a Breakfast Banquet on Friday morning, 8 a.m. Check-in time will be 7:30 a.m. The EDGE&TA Regional Meeting will follow the breakfast banquet. The cost for the breakfast banquet, commemorative coffee cup included, is \$15.00.

Deadline for banquet tickets is July 1, 2004.

**Check our web site [www.edgeta.org](http://www.edgeta.org)  
 for additional information as it becomes  
 available and for the contact names for any  
 of these events.**