

# The Flywheel



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**Coming events:** General Meeting December 10th, 7:30 p.m. in the Canora

## Around the site

Gordon Proud recently donated a 1944 Case tractor to ATA. Fred Giesler and Dwayne Huseby, with help from Frank Van den Dorpel have already got it running. Looks like it had been well treated by its original owner...few dents, etc. Gordon Schley is painting it. Bill Priestly and Bill Smith have now completed the repainting of the Sawyer-Massey horse-drawn road grader. Here's Bill Smith with the grader.



Some details on the grader

Take a look at the new siding on the welding shop...a dramatic improvement!



An old Case getting ready for painting.



ATA's Vivian 8 cylinder

The old sawmill building also has a partial new front. Looks good!



Recently Royann Black found this tractor on Craigslist. She sent the ad to her husband and he sent it off to Stuart Vanderkooi. Result...Stuart has a new John Deere Model LA!



The pink tractor has been registered for the Chilliwack Christmas parade. The Oliver 60 and one of our wagons has been taken off to Columbia Valley for the annual Christmas tree event.

Dwayne Huseby informs us that Tireland has donated an Air Over hydraulic floor jack in good working order. Thanks to Tireland for their generosity!



The Jack

### Annual General Meeting

At the Association's annual general meeting on November 12th a new Executive Board was elected:

President	Stuart Vanderkooi
Vice-President	Gordon Schley
Treasurer	Gordon Jackson

Secretary                      John Black  
 Directors                      Casey Van den Dorpel  
                                      Ray Ramey  
                                      Dwayne Huseby  
 Continuing Directors      Richard Laffere, Fred Giesler, Deborah Dempster, Sue  
 Wiebe.

A heartfelt thank you to our retiring directors, Allan Dempster, Donna Wurst, Gordon Posein and Frank Van den Dorpel.

**Museum Hours**

Please note that the Museum is now closed on Mondays and Thursdays until April. We will be open on Saturdays (10 am to 3 pm) as usual. The gates will be open when members are present, and visitors can have a tour anytime. Members are always welcome to drop by the Museum for a chat or a look around on Monday and Thursday mornings between 9 am and coffee time at 10 am.

**Flywheel by e-mail**

There has been quite a bit of response to the notice about getting the Flywheel by e-mail. We now have 28 people receiving the colour edition! To join the throng, e-mail John Black at [atachw@yaho.ca](mailto:atachw@yaho.ca).

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**Board Matters**

At the general meeting on November 12th, Donna Wurst reported that we had 112 members, including 1 grand family, 29 basic, 76 regular, 13 life and 3 corporate. During the year we gained 9 and lost 11 members.

Gordon Schley reported that we received 81 donations. Another Sears lawnmower tractor, some paintbrushes and 3 small framed photographs are the most recent donations.

John Black reported that there are a total of 7,769 items in the ATA Library, including the Fraser Valley British Motor Club's Library. Most of our material consists of car and truck, tractor and farm equipment manuals and histories

The PR Committee noted that the most successful activity in 2013 was the painting of the Ferguson tractor and the trailer pink for breast cancer. The tractor went out to several events in the area, and will be in the Christmas parade in Chilliwack. The tractor was the most looked at picture on our Facebook page with 334 visits so far. Thanks go to Richard Laffere for coming up with the idea and carrying it out so well.



Richard Laffere and the pink tractor

The Committee would also like to have more working displays and demonstrations at each of our events during the year.

Our Facebook page is quite active and we now have a website ([www.atchelitz.ca](http://www.atchelitz.ca)), though it is not yet completely developed.

At the meeting, our current (and future!) President, Stuart Vanderkooi, thanked everyone for making it a great year.

P.S. Looks like the Museum is getting a bit more lively!



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