

MLAOC “Spring Run- Off” Meet, March 25

Report & Photos: Sandy Kennedy

Over 100 enthusiastic motor heads braved the snow and freezing rain to attend the March 25, “Spring Run-Off” Meet at the Vic Priestly Collection, just East of Tottenham.

Ron Stevenson and Sandy Kennedy started the morning off with Club announcements and the 2023 event schedule.

Mike Kreckle brought 24 new Club hats, new fleece vests and new XXL polo shirts to the event. The new "swag" proved popular with the membership. Mike SOLD 11 hats and two fleece vests as well as two polo shirts.

Peter McDowell was very busy throughout the day with 12 new members / renewals received. Club membership now stands at approximate 230 members in good standing. This is the highest it has been since pre COVID.

Of interest to many long time MLAOC regulars was the presence of Kevin Tackaberry. Kevin is the nephew of long-time outboard motor man, Ron Tackaberry from Athens, ON.

Lots of motors / motor parts found new owners throughout the day. The bad weather, combined with a short power outage, made for a challenging day but showed that our hobby and the MLAOC are as strong as ever.

Gourmet pizza, garlic bread, pop, water and sweets were served at 11:30am and were gone by 11:45am. Apologies to any members who did not get their pizza. You need to be quick when food is served to this group!

Of concern was an incident at one of the vendors tables. Several postcards for sale were taken and not paid for. This is a rare occurrence in our group. If you bought some post cards & in the excitement of the moment forgot to pay for them, please settle up with the vendor, Adam Gibb.

The event wrapped up around 1pm with a big THANK YOU to Vic and his staff. Events like this do not happen without the generosity & hard work of our hosts.

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Welcome sign at Vic Priestly's.



L-R: Our host, Vic Priestly & event organizer Sandy Kennedy



Sandy & friends give this event a BIG “thumbs up”.



Vic Priestly's Collection includes not only real trucks but toy trucks of all types as well.



Gravity feed gas pumps & art deco pumps are lined up side by side.



Part of the large number of enthusiastic MLAOC members that braved the weather & turned out for our "Spring Run-Off" event.

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L-R: Serious Collectors, Vic Priestly & Kevin Tackabery.



The John Deere section of Vic's Tractor Collection.



L-R: Mike Kreckle with Joy & Radu Campeanu & new MLAOC caps & shirts.



President Ron Stevenson & Event Chair Sandy Kennedy welcoming members.



Brisk action in the Vendor Flea Market area .



L-R: Murray Parnell & ACBS Toronto Past President Mike Gridley.