

Tractor pull takes off after mud cleared



Roy Peters of Bridgeport, Neb. (above), lifted the front wheels of his Bits 'n Pieces off the ground as he began his pull Friday, which was 293.43 feet and third place in the small block tractor class. John Topliff of Goodland (right) and his General T pulled for 291.57 feet and fourth place in the small block class.
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Goodland man shows off turbo turbine go kart

The finale of the Modified Tractor Pull on Friday featured Richard Bauman of Goodland who showed off his homemade turbo turbine powered go kart driving back and forth in front of the grandstand putting out lots of smoke and flames.

The Colorado Truck and Tractor Pullers Association brought their sled to Goodland for the pull, and with the help of the Sherman County road and bridge crew and County Commissioner Mitch Tiede the track area that had been flooded was turned into a great track for the event on Friday night.

Sam Zelfer, who was the announcer for the evening said the track crew had performed something of a miracle transforming the flooded area that looked like it was ready for a mud bog into a great track for the show.

Goodland tractor pullers did well in the show with Candi Meisinger winning the econo-modified big block tractor class with a pull of 321.98 feet in Plum Nasty. Second was Glen Lussetto of Bridgeport, Neb., at 309.82 in Yes Deere and Roy Peters of Bridgeport was third at 301.23 in Gator.

Brian Bauman of Goodland had some trouble as he lost the transmission in his Farminator in the econo-modified small block tractors class after he had pulled 108.27 feet and finished fifth.

John Topliff of Goodland had some trouble getting his General T going, but once he got it running he finished fourth in the small block class with a pull of 291.57 feet.

Glen Lussetto of Bridgeport, Neb. won the small block class with a pull of 301.62 in his Bowtie Binder.

Second place went to Jeff Wiges of Fort Morgan, Colo., at 300.16 in Redneck Binder, and Peters was third at 293.43 in Bits 'n Pieces.

Kevin Bauman of Goodland was second in the pro-stock 4x4 pickups with a pull of 306.15 in 3rd Degree. Sean Blackburn of Sidney, Neb., won the class with a pull of 309.1 in Sled Dawg. Blackburn broke an axle at the end of his winning run and had to be towed back to the pit.

Doug Meisinger of Goodland was second in the super stock tractors with a pull of 302.84 in Kryptonite. Von Jurjens of Eustis, Neb., won the class with a pull of 344.12 feet in Sneaky Snake. Linda Lussetto of Bridgeport, Neb., was third at 298.48 in Old Bitty about five feet ahead of Greg Lussetto at 293.07 in Little Bitty.

Daniel Davis of Goodland was second in the two wheel drive class with a pull of 336.52 in Lack of Common Sense. Craig Clark from Haigler, Neb., won the class with a pull of 347.81 in David Clark's Rooster Cruiser. Third place went to William Ruther of Burlington, Colo. with a pull of 313.41 in Igniter.

Jim Walker of Evans, Colo. won the modified 4x4 pickup class with a pull of 339.28.

Thomas Thias of Giltner, Neb., won the limited diesel tractors class with a pull of 327.7 in The Heartbreaker. Jim Kauffman of Brush, Colo. went out of bounds with his Diesel Deere and was disqualified.

Craig Clark won the modified tractor class with a pull of 339.1 in Bad News. Clark then drove David Clark's Bits 'n Pieces to a second place run with 327.29. Third place went to Darold Zimmerman of Grainfield with 311.67 in The Bandit.

Goodland organizers Kevin and Jerry Bauman and Stan Meisinger thanked the tractor pullers from Nebraska and Colorado who came and helped make it a great show.

Ladies compete in Sweet Sue

Cara Daise and Julie Huddleston won the 31st annual Sweet Sue golf tournament at Sugar Hills Golf Club last month.

A nine-hole, two-woman scramble was held Saturday, July 12.

Connie Livengood and Audrey Hines won in Flight No. 1, and second place was a tie between two pairs, Jackie Elliott and Reta Brouillette and Joan Jamison and Leslie Focke.

In Flight No. 2, Cindy Gfeller and Rae Stewart won, and Carrie Peter and Lori Phillips placed second. In Flight No. 3, Daise and Huddleston won, and Elizabeth Sweat and Terri

Lucas took second.

In the shoot-off, Ramona Livengood and Cheryl Patterson won in Flight No. 1, and Flight No. 2 had a tie between Sherri Edmundson and Cheryl Edmundson and Penny Livengood and Connie Sheldon.

In the 18-hole best-ball tournament the next day, Daise and Huddleston won with a net score of 53. Also in flight No. 3 were Terri Lucas and Elizabeth Sweat who were second with 60 and two teams that tied for third with 61: Bea Driver and Joyce Sanderson and Amy Gillming and Shea Smith.

In Flight No. 1, Marilyn Imel and Julie Shelly won with 56, Ramona Livengood and Cheryl Patterson took second with 58 and Deanna Livengood and Paulette Unruh got third with 62.

In Flight No. 2, Rae Stewart and Cindy Gfeller were first with 56, Mary Ann Elliott and Brenda McCants placed second with 59 and Carolyn Richards and Trisha Richards got third with 63.

Daise and Huddleston were the overall winners. C. Livengood and Hines tied for low gross individual.

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District Traffic

The following fines have been paid in the Sherman County District Court:

Dec. 21, 1994: Joseph M. Lehmkuhle, 22, Rancho Cordova, Calif., \$144 for speeding.

June 7, 2006: Andrew J. Johnson, 43, Littleton, Colo., \$132 for speeding.

July 31, 2007: William C. Cummings, 24, Atlanta, Ga., \$150 for

speeding.

Aug. 31: Henry E. Kirby, 44, Colorado Springs, \$150 for speeding.

Nov. 6: Edward B. Jeffries, 38, Russell, \$1,638.50 for driving while his license was cancelled, suspended or revoked.

Feb. 28: Lydian K. Malhiot, 47, Henrietta, Okla., \$183 for speeding, 93/70.

April 4: Andrew L. Lakin, 23,

Brookline Station, Mo., \$120 for speeding, 84/70.

April 18: Charles J. Portell, 34, Pittsboro, Ind., \$132 for speeding, 86/70.

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