



Homebuilt Equipment and Galloway Gas Engines to be Featured on Expo Hill

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Expo Hill is the alternating attraction out on Steamer Hill that draws folks from all over the country. In the past, Expo Hill has featured: Minneapolis-Moline, Allis-Chalmers, and John Deere Equipment just to name a few. This year, Homebuilt Equipment and Galloway Gas Engines will be featured out on Expo Hill. "Over the years, lots of farmers built equipment that might not have been manufactured at the time and folks still have a lot of that history around," Peter Mandt, President of WMSTR, commented.

Back in the day, farming was both hard work and time-

consuming. Farmers were up against Mother Nature, falling prices, and rising costs. But that didn't stop them from getting the job done. When a piece of equipment wasn't efficiently doing the job, farmers found creative ways to "rig it up" with odds and ends from around the farm or spare parts dug up from iron and metal scrap yards. Some parts might have been swapped; other minor adjustments made, a bit of tinkering and a few modifications are what make these "one of a kind" homebuilt pieces so interesting. "Some have adapted older equipment and modernized it or made it

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Dennis Peterson's homebuilt 1968 220 Cummins tractor



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