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- Murray, KY

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2008 News & Events

Upcoming events in April



Shelbyville, TN

Saturday, April 19th

7:00 PM

6, 8, 10, SF, 4



On April 19th the Mid-South Pullers Association will kick off the 2008 pulling season with the Bedford County Truck and Tractor Pull in Shelbyville, TN. Bedford County, located just 20 miles south of Murfreesboro, is known as the "Horse capital of the world". This will be the first MSPA sanctioned event for the Bedford County Fair Board. Proceeds from the pull will go towards the 11th annual Bedford Count Fair that will take place this coming July 21st through the 26th.

The one-night show will feature five (5) action packed classes. The 6SS, 8SS, 10 Pro, 93 SF, and the Open FWD truck will be featured in Shelbyville on Saturday night. Jeff Porter, out of Lawrenceburg, TN, will be on hand to put a stop to the competition with a sled that he recently purchased from Dave Hagar. Gates will open early in the afternoon and with your admission feel free to take a tour of the pits and get an up close look at some amazing machinery. Adult tickets are \$10.00 at the gate, children 10 & under are \$5.00, children 5 and under are free. Registration closes as 6:30PM each night followed by a drivers meeting. Our National Anthem will be sung at 7:00 PM sharp followed by the first hook of the 2008 season.



Murray, KY

Saturday, April 26th

7:00 PM

6, 8, 10, SF



On April 26th the Mid-South Pullers Association will head to Murray, Kentucky for the second stop of the 2008 season. The Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity from Murray State University is having their second annual pull with the proceeds benefiting St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN.

Come join us at the Murray/Calloway county fairgrounds (just outside of Murray, KY) for a night of fierce competition. The one-day pull will feature the 6,000# Super Stock, 8,000# Super Stock, 10,000# Pro Stock, and the 9,300# Super Farm tractors. Registration closes as 6:30PM each night followed by a drivers meeting. The first hook will be at 7:00 PM following the National Anthem.

It will be a great night of pulling that will benefit a great children's hospital. I've heard it said that there is "no man taller that one that bends over to help a child". My hat is off to the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity for their efforts.

For the full 2008 schedule, results, and other pulling information check us out on the Web @ www.midsouthpullers.com. MSPA teaming up with H&R Agri-Power for the 2008 pulling season.

2007 Pictures from Murray, KY



Top Left: Jared Bradley had a plunger stick on Tennessee Red.



Top Right: Joel Kingen came down to Murray with his big 6030 called "Full Metal Jacket"



Left: Darrin Hunt gets some last minute advice from his Dad, Steve Hunt.

Bottom Left: Larry Phillips takes over the driving duties from Mike Happe.

Bottom Right: Keith Haney and JR catching a little air.



Wilber's Winners... A look into April

April is here and with April showers come a bunch of muddy pulling. I hope the showers stay away from the 2 weekends of pulling action. Pullers will head to Shelbyville, TN and Murray, KY to try their luck and with my infinite wisdom, similar to the Wizard of Oz, I'll tell you who gonna win!

Shelbyville, TN

April 19th

6SS

Look for a lot of equipment to make its way to Shelbyville for this class. There were quite a few tractors that got dialed in right at the end of last year and that should make this class interesting. I'm guessing that all colors will be represented. I don't see nothing pretty about the driver (at least in the 6) but it's one beast of a tractor!

Wilber's Winner Larry Gorham Beauty & the Beast

8SS

The Big Boys will put on one heck of a show. It'll be interesting to see if team clean gets a new member or two. But, the new equipment won't be a threat in Shelbyville. Look for a local puller to take his toy to victory lane.

Wilber's Winner Russell Davenport & Gus's Toy (& Bodie's too)

10 Pro

You gotta love the saga of Red vs Green! In the long haul I think them deeres are gonna rut out all of them binders. I've got a Bad Habit of pickin' underdogs and this weekend will be no different. So, it won't be red but white in the winners circle.

Wilber's Winner Michael Fanning & Bad Habit

93 SF

This class will have the largest number of participants and arguably will be the most competitive. School will not be in session this weekend so don't go lookin' for the bus. But, the red tractors better beware 'cause if there not careful they'll be covered in tracks, Deere Traxx that is!

Wilber's Winner Russ & Greg Freeze Deere Traxx

SMFWD

There's a potential of a new vehicle of two making there way to join Randy McConnell and his new Barker chassis. They're out to make waves for the magic men. Look for the VooDoo doc's (Andy & Sandy) to cast a spell on the competition.

Wilber's Winner Andy Teasley/Sandy Bugg & Black Magic

Murray, KY

April 26th

6SS

Murray has a great track and it will take all the horsepower you can dish out but you'd better be sure you got plenty of nose weight. Look for a high flying man rambling to victory.

Wilber's Winner Tommy Williamson & Nite Rambler

8SS

Again I say, this track is tough and will eat up the alky's and spit them out. Look for nothin' but smokers in the top half of this class. I see a Murray grad in the winners circle 'cause he's Liv'n a Dream

Wilber's Winner Brandon Hunt & Liv'n A Dream

10 Pro

I still think this is gonna be a big Deere season and the game warden has put them big buck off the market for the big Red hunters. A couple of Young Bucks will find their way to the promise land.

Wilber's Winner Brad Moss/Miles Stratton & Young Buck

93 SF

The competition will be fierce with the Case's, Massey's, John's, and Ollie's too. Since we're close to Murray State I'm gonna say there will be a night class taught. And you know the Dixie Deere will take everyone to school.

Wilber's Winner Jed Pettus/Russell Counce & Dixie Deere



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Technically Speaking

SKID PLATES FOR '08

FOR ALL TRACTOR CLASSES:

Skid plate are required for the 2008 pulling season. They must be in place before you will be allowed to hook. Here are some examples taken from the NTPA website (pictured below).



You can start with a piece of flat 12" long and 4" wide then roll the front of it up. You may end up with only 6"-7" of flat surface parallel with the ground on the bottom.

It needs to be at least as strong as the frame material

Unique & Special to the Mid-South

6SS

Weight

6,000# Component Chassis

6,200# OEM Rear

PSFWD

In 2008 allowed to run Dick Cepeks

8SS

Alcohol motors limited to 505 ci (no overhead cams or hemi heads)

10 Pro

Tractors registered as 10 Pro will be ordered in front of Super Farm tractors competing

Open FWD

Blower overdrives

30% - 14-71 blowers

40% - 12-71 blowers

50% - 10-71 blowers

60% - 8-71 blowers

N/A motors have no cubic inch limit

For all the rules check out the tech services page.

MSPA Tech Services

Only the officials listed below are certified to inspect NTPA clutches.

Please check the list for one near you...

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A look back in time...



2008 Schedule

Date	Location	Time	Classes
April			
April 19th	Shelbyville, TN	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF, 4
April 26th	Murray, KY	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF
May			
May 10th	Lawrenceburg, TN	7:00 PM	2, 6, 10, SF, P4
May 17th	Fayetteville, TN	7:00 PM	10, SF, 2, 4
May 23-24	Contract Pending		
May 31 st	Viola, TN	7:00 PM	6, 8, 2, SF
June			
June 6-7	Lexington, AL	7:00 PM	6, 8, SF, 2, 4, P4
June 14th	Contract Pending		
June 20-21	Hazel Green, AL	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF, 2, 4, P4
June 28th	Springfield, TN	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF, 2, 4, P4
July			
July 4-5	Hopkinsville, KY	7:00 PM	TBA
July 12th	Paris, TN	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, 2, SF
July 18th	Temple Hill, KY	7:00 CST	6, 8 (no points in 8SS), 10, SF, 4, P4
July 19th	Bardstown, KY	7:30 EST	6, 8 (no points in 8SS), 4, SF, P4, SMT*
			* subject to change
July 25-26	Tanner, AL	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF, 2, 4, P4"
August			
Aug. 1st	Clinton, KY	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF, 2
Aug. 2nd	Hillsboro, TN	7:00 PM	TBA
Aug. 8th	Somerville, TN	7:30 PM	TBA
Aug. 9th	Crockett Mills, TN	7:00 PM	TBA
Aug. 15-17	Bowling Green, OH		Grand National NTPA pull
Aug. 23rd	Mayfield, KY	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF
Aug. 29th	Springfield, TN	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF, 2, 4, P4
Aug. 30th	Franklin, KY	7:00 PM	TBA
September			
Sept. 5-7	Knoxville, TN	7:00 PM	TBA
	TN Valley Fair	EST	
Sept. 12th	Lincoln County Fair	7:00 PM	TBA
	Fayetteville, TN		
Sept. 21-22	Contract Pending		
Sept. 27th	Manchester, TN	7:00 PM	6, 8, 10, SF

Legend

6 = 6,000# Super Stock

8 = 8,000# Super Stock

10 = 10,000# Pro Stock

SF = Super Farm

2 = TWD Trucks

4 = Open FWD Trucks

P4 = PSFWD Trucks

SMT = Super Modified Tractors

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