



IN THE 4-H BUILDING, Aiden Humphrey (above) sat on the floor and waited for his grandpa, Robert Fringer, to get him some ice cream Saturday at the Mini Sappa Antique and

Thresher Show. Lawrence Bouray (below) looked over his lawn tractor before he rode it in the tractor pull.



Antique cars, engines shown at fairgrounds

Tractors, old cars, engines, lawn mowers and garden tractors showed up in force this weekend for the annual Mini Sappa Antique Engine and Thresher show at the Decatur County Fairground.

With 146 exhibits, there was something for the whole family to enjoy. Included were 57 tractors, 24 cars, 40 stationary engines, 14 lawn and garden mowers and tractors, one team of horses, five tractor implements and five horse-drawn implements.

All the machinery was on site for the crowd to check out, then there was a parade each afternoon.

Both days, the lawn tractors and mowers had a chance to show what they were made of in the tractor pull. In the small turf category, the winner was Baron Green from Herndon, with an IHC Cub Cadet. In the medium turf contest, the winner was Jim Hundley from Ludell, with a 1973 Cub Cadet 147, while in the large chevron group, Art Hasenauer from Wellfleet, Neb., won with a

1937 homemade Allis Peewee WC. Each day, the top tractors and cars were selected.

- The top tractors included:
- a 1947 John Deere D belonging to George and LaDanna Brown.
 - a 1949 Simpson belonging to Walt Biggs.
 - a 1937 John Deere BR belonging to Jim Russell.
 - a 1934 IHC F-12 belonging to Doug Hagaur.
 - a 1957 IHC 450 belonging to Everett Shuler.
 - a 1959 John Deere 730 belonging to Joe Green.
 - a 1916 Rumley Oil Pull 16-30 belonging to Bernard Hinrichs.
 - a 1940s MM ZTS belonging to Gabe Moore
 - a 1953 Farmall Super C belonging to Eugene Anderson.
 - a 1947 Empire belonging to Rex Shaw.

- The top cars included:
- a 1954 GMC pickup owned by G.H. Wolters.
 - a 1951 International 110 pickup

- owned by Herschel Betts.
- a 1978 Rolls Royce owned by Lisle and Amy Kauffman.
- a 1948 Chevy Coupe owned by Rudy Lechtenberger.
- a 1963 Chevy Corvette owned by Lynn and Adam Overmiller.
- a 1925 Model T Ford truck belonging to Bill and Connie Riedel.
- a 1953 Willys Knight 70B belonging to Howard and Joann Lahman.
- a 1939 Chevy Sedan belonging to Dwight Wentz.
- a 1963 Rambler belonging to Marvin Hansen.
- a 1949 Chevy pickup belonging to Daryl Hartzog.

Inside the buildings at the fairground, crafts, coins, syrup, dolls and jam were available.

Visitors enjoyed viewing 50 quilts in the annual quilt show. This year, spectators also cast votes on their favorite quilt.

The Best of Show went to Many Trips Around the World, by Donna Lincoln.



IN A TANK OF CORN, Miranda Shelton (above) hung out with friends. Ron Temple (left) drove his team of horses around the fairgrounds.