

The Hurdman Yellow Wagon

This beautiful wagon has a long and storied history. The wagon started out in the early 1930's, owned by the Hurdman Construction company of Ottawa. After many years of service doing general deliveries for the construction company, Mr. Walter Hurdman had the wagon completely restored so he could use it with his 6-horse hitch team of standard bred hackneys. Before he could get it completed Mr. Hurdman passed away. His daughter hung on to it for many years. Then Gary Scharf acquired the wagon in 1992 and used it to show his commercial horses at the different fairs in the area. Then it sat for around 10 years. I was able to acquire the wagon from Mr. Scharf in 2005. We used the wagon to show at the local fairs, including Carp, Spencerville, Metcalf, Naven and the CNE in Toronto. We got great enjoyment using it in the local Labour Day parades in Cardinal and North Augusta. This wagon was hitched to our beautiful black commercial horses. A commercial horse is half Clydesdale and half Hackney. We stopped showing about 15 years ago and the wagon has been under cover in storage since then.