



# RUST 'N PIECES

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## BEAUTIFUL FALL RIDING (If you can avoid the Snow!)



President  
Ross

Well, summer is fading into fall and we have a meeting coming up. Lets hope there are lots of bikes in the parking lot. Kudos to both Gregs are in order. Big Greg has stepped up our webpage to a new level with video. Make sure you check it out at [AMCM.CA](http://AMCM.CA). It is a great site to visit...spread the word. Also to little Greg for organizing a successful Antique Bike Night at the Pony Corral. We had fun and had several dozen vintage bikes out. The owner was very impressed. We no doubt will have a feature date for next year as well. As a reaction to the great event we are moving our CHRISTMAS



BANQUET to the "Pony" on Tuesday, December 11th. Stay tuned for more details. Be sure and ask Siggie about his new acquisition. Get those old bikes out and ride'm. Bob Collings and I went for a nice ride one Sunday morning. See the photo of a nice pair of '53 Vincents. See you in the parking lot around 7 before the meeting starts.

Cheers Ross





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# EVENTS 2012

## OCTOBER

30 **AMCM Meeting 7.30 pm HD Winnipeg**

## NOVEMBER

27 **AMCM Meeting 7.30 pm HD Winnipeg Elections!**

## DECEMBER

11 Annual Dinner Gathering Pony Corral, Grant Park

## JANUARY 2013

10,11,12 MidAmerican Motorcycle Auction, South Point Hotel  
Las Vegas, NV

22 Movie Nite, Ross Metcalfes

## JULY

15-19 International Norton Rally, Buffalo, WY

## ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

**7:00pm Tuesday, December 11, 2012**

**Cocktails 6:30pm**

**Members and guests welcome**



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The **Eye of the Eagle** spotted the following motorcycles in the parking lot at the August, 2012, Meeting. ( The Eagle thinks that maybe this is becoming a Harley Club!)

In the Tru Bloo Park - - -	1 Norton
	1 Vincent
In the Rice Paddy - - -	8 Honda
	1 Yamaha
In the Concentration Camp-	2 BMW
In the Hog Pen - - -	15 Harley's!
Total	32

Which again equals the record set in 2010 and equaled in 2011, despite many more members at meetings now. More members coming on 4



The **Eye of the Eagle** spotted the following motorcycles at the October 2012 Meeting

On the Reservation	1 Indian
In the True Blue Park	1 Norton
In the Rice Paddy	3 Yamaha
	3 Kawasaki
	2 Honda
In the Concentration Camp	4 BMW
Behind the Iron Curtain	1 Ural
In the Hog Pen	5 Harley
Total	20



**Ted Hector** of Thunder Road and Bonneville Racing fame has final jam before retirement . Many friends came and went over the evening to wish him well on his new endeavors.





I ran two 9 second quarter mile passes in Gimli last weekend on my 75 Kawasaki Z1 dragbike that I had at the AMCM Pony Corral night. (It won the cruiser of the week that night).

I ran 9.91 and 9.90 @ 130mph. They were observed runs for my IRHA dragbike license.

Dan Catte



#### AMCM REGALIA PRICE LIST

Please see Mike (the book) at the meetings for any Regalia you wish to purchase.

2012 Bison Rally dark red T Shirts (all sizes)	\$20.00
2012 Bison Rally Ladies Tank Tops (all sizes )	\$20.00
2012 Bison Rally Sweat Shirts (all sizes)	\$30.00
2012 Bison Rally Pins	\$5.00
AMCM Black short sleeve Polo shirts ("go to meeting shirts" with collar)	\$35.00
AMCM Black Polo shirts as above - - big sizes	\$40.00
AMCM Black Polo shirts as above with long sleeves	\$40.00
AMCM Black Polo shirts as above- - big sizes	\$45.00
AMCM Gatsby caps	\$25.00
AMCM Baseball caps	\$15.00
AMCM Oval Windshield Sticker	\$5.00
AMCM Pins (Keystone shape)	\$5.00
AMCM / MMC 100 Year Commemorative Patch 10 inch	\$25.00
AMCM / MMC 100 Year Patch as above but 4 inch	\$20.00

## Minutes of August 28, 2012 AMCM meeting

43 in attendance. Jerry chairing the meeting in lieu of Ross. Kim taking notes in lieu of Tom. New people in attendance: 8 guests!

Treasurer report: balance in the bank is \$5942.44

The latest newsletter is out with an update from the Rally and some stories! Please submit your stories to Dave Pritchard.

Corn roast was held this past weekend, great weather with turnout of 60 attendees and 23 bikes. Made a profit of \$112. Thanks to Pat and John Choquette and their family for this 36th annual corn roast.

Chas reported on 2013 Rally plans. Dates are June 28-30th, 2013. Regalia is on hand and we would really like to move some of this inventory. An idea is to sell the regalia in the parking lot prior to the start of the meeting so folks have a chance to peruse the merchandise?

Discussion on 100 year and AMCM patches: members only or non-members? Many options were voices: selling to anyone with a different price point for non-members; selling members only; selling to anyone at same price; having patches exclusive to members only and some different patches for non-members; have MMC patches for members only and AMCM for others; placing a "member" rocker that would be for members only (folks seemed interested in this!)?

19 in favour to sell to anyone

11 in favour to sell to members only

Discussion on pricing: \$5 over members price?, \$15 as it is still a reasonable price for memorabilia? Motion carried to charge extra for non-members and to have executive decide on the price of regalia.

Upcoming Events;

Vintage show in Beausejour this past weekend. We had a new member join from this hearing about the AMCM at this event. 500 cars were there and thousands of people. Lots of interest in the bikes.

Jimmy Mitchell: Sept 8th car and bike show in manitou at the fairgrounds, noon to 4

Sept 9th Pony Corral: the antique plates cover you for this event. AMCM is the feature club for the 9th. Marshalling time is 4pm and if you are there on time you'll have a free hotdog and drink. Greg O'Kane will bring the banner.

Fort Ransom rally Sept 14-16, demo ride for triumphs likely this year.

Sept 25th, 'Fishing Trip'...fund raiser for spins bifida. 7 people riding for sure...see Greg O'Kane for fund raising form. Meet at Stonewall at Esso and 'The Kiln' on 67 @ 11

Mike the Book chatted about his Ducati: He was riding bikes in the 60's and always wanted a Ducati. Finally, he saw the bike he wanted and discussed the selling price with the dealer at length. Once he landed on a fair price, he talked with his wife about it. Three days of silence passed and then she presented him with the ownership, plate and keys for his current 450 Ducati...what a lovely gift!

Mystery part: centre bolt with bypass valve on XS1100 Yami

Meeting adjourned @ 8:10 pm

## MINUTES OF MEETING, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012

Present; 36 members and 4 guests, one of whom joined at the meeting.

President Ross welcomed all to the meeting especially the guests. He expressed his thanks to Past President Jerry for standing in for him at the August meeting and to Kim for standing in for Tom.

Treasurer Greg O'K reported \$5629.39 in the bank.

Editor Dave P reported that the next Newsletter would be out just before the October meeting & called for contributions.

Events on the horizon were outlined as follows and members asked to pencil these dates in on their calendars;--  
Friday, September 28, 2012. Closure of Thunder Road Racing and Ted Hectors invitation to all AMCM members to attend a Shop Party.

Sunday, September 30, 2012. Last Pony Coral Gathering before winter.

Tuesday, October 30, 2012. Regular Meeting with "Rusted Restorations" talk by "Digger" Pritchard on his historic Manx Norton racer.

Tuesday, November 27, 2012. Business Meeting with Elections of Office Bearers for 2013. "Rusted Restorations" talk by Rick Warkentine on his 1942 Harley inherited from his Dad.

Tuesday, December 11, 2012. AMCM Annual Christmas Dinner. 6pm, Pony Coral on Grant Avenue. More info? Contact Greg O'Kane on 204 782 1296 or Email gokane@mymts.net Please advise Greg if you intend going as he needs to pre-book numbers.

Tuesday, January 22, 2013. Movie Night at Ross Metcalfe's house. Note one week earlier than usual date.

Tuesday, February 22, 2013. Regular Meeting. Also Power Sports Show and Shine in February. A John Flood production in the Convention Centre. Contact John T for date and more details if interested.

Tuesday, April 26, 2013. Short business meeting then on to "Digger" Pritchard's for coffee & donuts and view his amazing memorabilia, classic motorcycle and Jaguar car collection.

Organizer and facilitator of the Annual Gimli Fishing Trip, Greg O'Kane reported that it was a huge success with 12 bikes and 14 riders out. It was also a gastronomical success with Tom's record of 5 pieces of fish being soundly beaten by Greg "Guts" Kendall with no less than EIGHT pieces! I kid you not! (The Oxford English Dictionary describes "gastronomical" as "the science of good eating"!), so now you know!

An amazing amount of over \$1800.00 was raised for our Spina Bifida Charity, and a really good day with coolish but no wind riding, was enjoyed by all.

Pat Choquette proposed a motion that "any future monies left over after all expenses are met at future Perimeteritis and Corn Roast events, be donated to our Spina Bifida Charity instead of in to AMCM general funds" This was seconded by John T and carried unanimously.

Ross M advised that the Museum at the Headingly Recreation Centre were open to us displaying/storing up to 12 classic bikes there for one year on a rotational basis. Insurance liability would be for the owners account. Members were asked to think about this which would be finalized at the next meeting.

After discussion it was decided that all AMCM patches and regalia could be sold to non-members for the same price as to members.

Property Manager was asked to look in to the cost of a "MEMBER" patch.

Ross M then presented a most interesting talk on the ex Bert Bentley 1928 600cc water-cooled Scott Flying Squirrel, now owned by him.

The Mystery Part was AGAIN guessed correctly as a throttle slide for a Harley Davidson We can't stump these guys!!

Robins Donuts again hosted many hungry/thirsty members with succour to the inner man and much camaraderie.

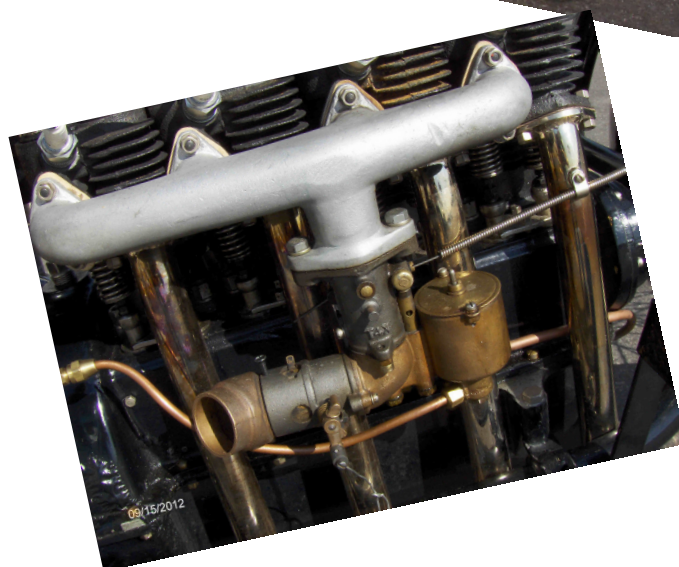
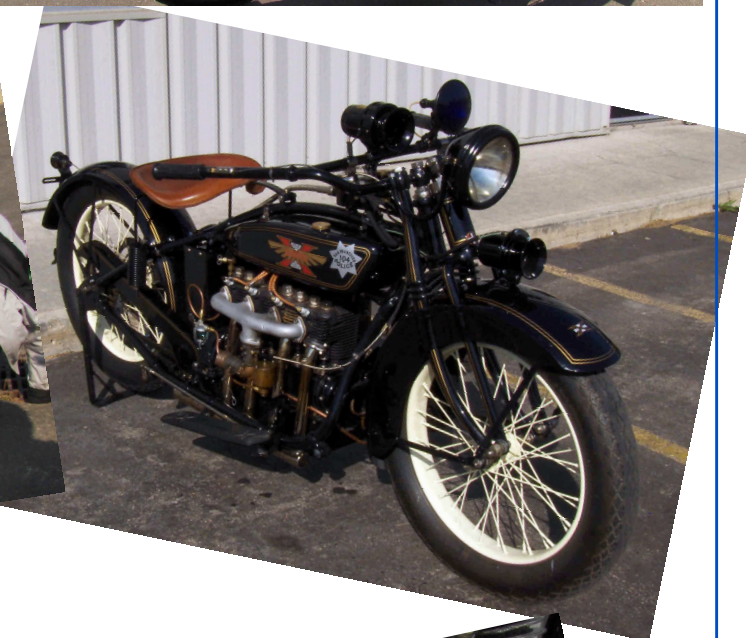
# 36th Annual Corn Roast



The 36th Annual Corn Roast was a great success with good attendance. Was enjoyed by all those present . One again Thanks to the Chocquets for hosting.



# HOTRODS & HARLEYS Sptember 15, 2012



## TRIP TO WINKLER MANITOBA SEPTEMBER 2012

By Denis Simons, Halesworth, Suffolk, England.

Member; East Anglia Section, The BMW Owners Club of UK and Ireland.

My old friend Tommy Hesom and his charming wife Les were kind enough to host my wife Pat and myself for ten days in Winkler Manitoba. We had known one another in South Africa and ridden various British Bangers as members of the Vintage Motor Cycle and Car Club (VMCC). I have since become a naturalised British Citizen and Tommy and Les have settled in Winkler southern Manitoba about 12 miles north of the USA/Canadian Border, and are now Canadian Citizens. Tommy uses the long winter months down in his basement restoring 'basket case' motor cycles.

The list is impressive and he has won many awards in Canada for his works of restoration. He is currently restoring a 1954 Model 20 500cc twin AJS. The project has just begun and the frame has been re-done and the wheels are being replaced. with new spokes & rims in stainless steel and everything has been stripped, cleaned and renewed. He hopes to have it completed in 2013/4, parts permitting. Winter 2012 down in his basement workshop is going to be busy!

Past restorations have been - 1952 BSA 650cc A10, 1966 Puch 250 cc "Twingle" with its unique single firing piston and an additional "breather" piston; 1963 Triumph Bonneville 650 restored in 1983; 1969 BSA Thunderbolt 650 restored 1984; 1958 Ariel NH Red Hunter 350 restored 1985; a 1974 Yamaha XS650cc parallel Twin, (the only Jap bike he has ever restored) 1953 Ariel Square 4 1000cc restored 1997. Next came a 1941 Royal Enfield Military WD/G 350cc which saw action in the Western Desert Campaign against Rommel, restored December 2000; then a BMW R100RT sold to Tommy by me before moving to England; had a nut and bolt restoration in 2001; a 1953 Matchless G80 500cc Single - restored in 2002 and reluctantly sold when Tommy moved to Canada. He then restored a 1971 Triumph Bonneville 650cc twin; a basket case that got into the container moving to Canada and completed during the winter of 2004. A 1965 Matchless G 80 SR 500 Single; an ex Rhodesian Police bike followed & was completed in winter of 2005 . Then a 1978 BMW R100S which had major work and a Windjammer fairing fitted and which I have ridden during my two visits to Winkler - a wonderful touring bike. The final complete restoration is a 1969 BSA A65 Lightning bought as a basket case in Ontario and restored over the winters of 2009 -2011, including Boyer electronic ignition and Podtronics rectifier - a beautiful job that has won prizes and will be sold this winter to make way for the AJS restoration.

It's 13 Centigrade and we prepare for a short warm up ride. Then we opened the fuel tap on the BMW to find a leak at the filter. Back into the basement and new piping and clamps and we were soon being buffeted by the 22 kph side wind. The 1978 R100S went like I remembered from four years ago. Tommy stalled the BSA at a four way, and one kick and we were on our way again checking all systems again. So the gas tanks are full and ready for our group ride on Wednesday into the flat Manitoba plains where you can see your dog running away for three days! All we need now is good weather.

Monday morning we rode across to Morden to meet with some friends to "shoot the breeze" and drink the Canadian coffee black and sweet. Eight men spent an hour or so telling stories and discussing bikes and their restoration and the battle to keep them going over Canada's long distances. Going on a rally could mean a 600 kilometer daily ride just to

get there! Cruisers are often the solution and BMW's, Harleys and Gold Wings predominate. Panniers and top boxes or sidecars to carry camping gear are essential as are high windshields and fairings along with weatherproof gear. I was made very welcome and was immediately drawn in to the fellowship.

Wednesday 13 September 09:00 and the wind is gusting up to 40+ km/h from the WSW and the only relief is the occasional wind break. Riding was difficult and we had to lean into the wind which buffeted the bikes and blew open my helmet visor. Chas Peters' on his 1976 BMW R90/6 with over 300000km on the clock, led the way followed by Tom on the '69 BSA 650 and myself on the R100S and then Greg and Marie O'Kane in their BMW R90/6 1976 with Russian sidecar. Following on was Larry Reimer on a 1100cc Yamaha Virago which completed the party. We rode to Manitou and through La Riviere to a tiny hamlet called Bruxells to the church there and then after viewing a First Nation burial ground, we went on to Holland where we had a hearty lunch. Then on to Carman where Greg's clutch cable broke. Marie then wielded a plank with a tyre lever taped to it from the side car, to operate the clutch! Worked very well and some asked if it was even necessary to fix the cable! We arrived back in Morden at 5pm after about 300km of good fun and a battering in the wind. Average speed in the gusty wind was about 85 km/h.

The Canadians made me very welcome and the love of motorcycling bonded us into a happy band of brothers - 2 ex-patriot Irish, 2 ex-patriot South Africans and the remaining riders were Canadians. I am so grateful for their hospitality and fun. I hope to one day ride with them again and wish the Antique Motor Cycle Club of Manitoba well in the future.

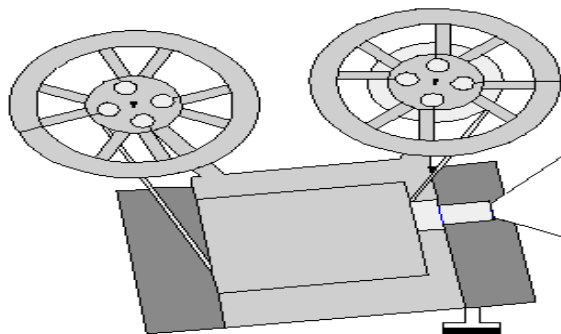


## Yellowstone National Park and a Honda CBR Fireblade restoration

My brother Rusty sent these pictures of a Honda CBR Fireblade that has had an engine transplant. This friend of Rusty does beautiful work and has many of his machines have been shown in sport bike magazines. This bike should have enough power!

Also included are two pictures of my brother's and my ride in Yellowstone National Park in September. Paul Bonaime





## 12th ANNUAL Metcalf Movie Night

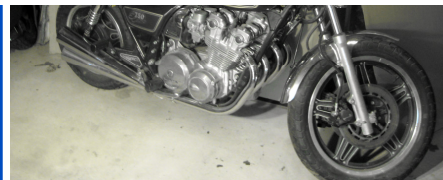
**WHEN:** **Tuesday, January 22, 2012**  
7:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Ross Metcalfe's house  
8729 Roblin Blvd. (on river side of street)  
South Headingley  
831-8165

(1.8 km west past the Headingley bridge on Roblin)

THIS YEAR'S FEATURE FILM IS A GOOD ONE (BERNIE NICHOLSON DVD)  
AND WE WILL FEATURE ALL THE USUAL FAVOURITES.  
BE SURE TO BRING YOUR FAVOURITE ALONG WITH YOU.

**BYOB**



### 1981 Honda CB750-4

Custom Blue in color approx 30,000 kms  
and was re-painted in 2006 by Michelle.



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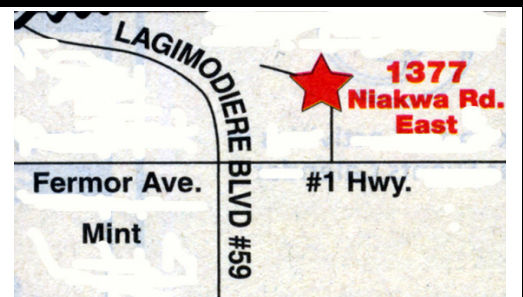
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