

RUST'N PIECES

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President Ross Metcalfe

.....I was lucky rber Vintage Motorcycle days in Birmingham Alabama. If you can ever make the time, attend this event. People come from all over the world. It is a European and Asian motorcycle enthusiasts dream. Full formula race track and none other than



Winnipeg's own Paul Germain was burning up the 17 turn track. The 50 million dollar museum has 1500 motorcycles and is unbelievable. The folks from England who own the ACE cafe came over and set up the ACE Cafe at Barber. No less than 4 Brough Superior SS 100's were on display in the bar area. The Vincent Club had 15 on display as well as the Wall of Death went on all day, as part of your admission. If that wasn't enough there was a vintage motorcycle auction all day Saturday. Need to put it on the bucket list for some October. See you all at the next meeting and elections and the Christmas dinner are upcoming events. Cheers Ross

Assiniboine River TT



(Tiddler Tour)
Riders
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EVENTS 2013-14

OCTOBER

29th AMCM Monthly Meeting

NOVEMBER

26th **AMCM Monthly Meeting—Elections**

DECEMBER

10th Annual Dinner meeting 6pm at

Pony Corral Pier 7, 1700 Pembina Hwy.

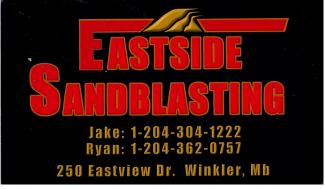
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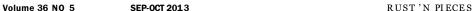
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28th ANNUAL MOVIENITE at Metcalfes

NOTE: NO regular meeting held at HD Winnipeg in December and January







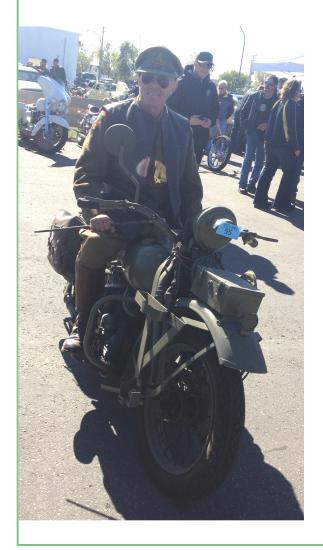
HOT RODS & HARLEYS WIDE OPEN HOUSE SEPTEMBER 21, 2013





Awards

Classics: 1st Ray Houde—65 HD Panhead, 2nd Jeff Goulding—78 Harley SX250, 3rd Mike Gordey—75 HD XLHSportster Antiques: 1st David Pritchard—31 Indian 4, 2nd Parker Filmore—42 HDWLC 45 (in uniform) 3rd Ross Metcalfe 42 HDWLC 45







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June Meeting Minutes 25/06/2013

Present 56 which is a new record attendance.

Welcome President Ross welcomed all to the meeting especially the six guests present.

Treasurer Greg O'K reported a bank balance of \$10,154.91 which includes Rally pre-registration payments.

Secretary Tom H reported on research he had done regarding the Manitoba Vintage Plate for motorcycles. A paper listing all the restrictions pertaining to the plate plus a combined list of AMCM and CVMG meetings and events which have been pre-registered with MPI, was on the table for any members who had or expressed interest in obtaining a Vintage Plate.

Librarian Mike (The book), had the cupboard open for the library and club regalia and invited members to see him for any book loans or regalia purchases.

The usual 50/50 draw always organized by Mike for club funds, took place after the business was over.

Bison Rally 2013 Rally Committee Chairman Chas then took the floor and wrapped up final rally news and preparations. All job posts were finalized and Chas pronounced everything "good to go!" Those claiming influence said that they had ordered good weather! Doorprizes were handed over and Chas seemed satisfied that there would be enough for every participant to receive one.

Rusted Restorations was ably covered by John T talking on his superb 1936 990cc AJS 50 degree V Twin, and passing many interesting photos around.

Mystery Parts were again correctly guessed by the membership as an Amal and a Villiers carburetor copper floats.

Meeting adjourned and many rode the short distance to Robins Donuts for coffee and BS. The "Southern Contingent" (no less than 8 riders) looking anxiously at the very heavy storm clouds and lightning on the horizon to the south. Didn't stop them from spending another hour quaffing coffee and shooting the breeze though!

The Eye of the Eagle spotted the following motorcycles in the parking lot at the JUNE 2013 Meeting.



The Eye of The Eagle spotted the following bikes in the parking lot at the AJune 2013 Meeting.

In the Hog Pen 15 Harley Davidson

In the Concentration Camo 7 BMWs

In Broo Bloo Park 1 BSA, 1 Norton, 1 Triumph

On the Reservation 2 Indians

In the Rice Paddy 8 Hondas, 1 Susuki, 7 Yamaha

In the Wannabee Park 1 Liberty

In the School yard 1 Bicycle

Total motorcycles 44 Which is a new record, breaking the old 2011 record by 12 motorcycles.

Present 46 members and 4 guests

Welcome President Ross welcomed all to the meeting especially the four guests.

Holidays Ross reported on his time on holidays in the US and John T and Dave P filled us in on their attendance at the Norton Rally, where they took quite a few trophies home with their Manx Nortons and Johns AJS V Twin.

Secretary Tom brought up the question of name tags, given the fact that the membership had grown considerably with 31 new members in the last 18 months. A show of hands was unanimous and Tom asked for names after the meeting. They are magnetic stick-on so are easily exchanged on different garments and cost \$7. Tom will bring them to the next meeting and collect the money on hand-over, and take any further orders for the next meeting. Hopefully eventually everyone will have one which will make the treasurer and an ageing secretary very happy!

Treasurer Chas stood in for Greg O'K who was away in Ireland, reporting on the Rally Finances where a net profit of \$1391.68 was made. The bank balance after all expenses including rally expenses, was \$8928.60

Chas took the opportunity of thanking all who had helped to make the 2013 Bison Rally the great success that it had certainly been.

Chas and his committee received a resounding round of applause from the membership for another job well done.

Jim H was asked to explain how he had come to be on TV News munching cookies! After a lengthy explanation somehow involving the birth of the Royal Baby, the vast majority remained mystified!

Forthcoming Events were outlined by Ross and several posters were on the table for members to take and pin up in their garages.

These would be posted on our web site amcm.ca and would appear in the next Newsletter. Also a heads-up will be given in

Tom's regular meeting reminders.

MMG/AMCM Amalgamation had been brought up with a request for clarification and discussion. Ross M undertook to have a chat with the person concerned and prepare a talk on this and have it on the agenda for a future meeting for discussion. Unfortunately he will miss the August meeting but hopes to discuss it at the September meeting.

Meeting Sign A request was made for a sign to put on the outside door on meeting nights. New members don't realize that the door is kept closed and that the meetings are upstairs in the boardroom. Tom will see to this.

Rusted Restorations Siggi spoke very well on his various Indians commencing in 1966 when he was 19 years old!

Mystery Part was a no brainer and nearly everyone guessed that it was a rim clamp. Fewer however guessed that it was from a Dunlop or Jones British WM3 19" wheel

There was no 50/50 draw in Mike's (the book) absence and all adjourned to Robins, some of the Southern Contingent rather hoping that they would get caught in a storm and have to take shelter in the Brunkild Pub again!

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1st annual Assiniboine River Tiddler Tour.

1Sundau September 15th saw riders and their 305cc and smaller bikes (Tiddlers) gather at the Tuxe-

do Shopping Center for the beginning of the tour. The group proceeded along Roblin Blvd. with some stopping at times to Tinker with their "Tiddler" usually addressing fuel delivery problems. Eventually 14 riders and their bikes showed up at the Metcalfe residence although a couple of bikes required the Rescue Ranger to haul them the rest of the distance but after some more Tinkering all were running again. Rollie C. kept track of the riders and their bikes

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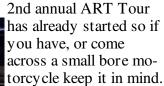
and computing their combined age and ranked them in order.



received a specially labelled and serialed bottle of ART Tour wine. Ross Metcalfe took bottle with serial # 1 for the oldest combined age score for him and his 1951 Francis Barnett 197cc Tid-

dler. Barbequed hot dogs and a birthday cake were washed down with some prize wine and soft drinks be-

fore people eventually Tiddled off in different directions home. Talk of the











MINUTES OF AUGUST MEETING 27/08/2013

Present 34 members and 2 guests

Name Tags Due to the increasing membership name tags were deemed necessary. These could be ordered through Tom and would cost \$7.00 each plus tax.

Treasurer Bank balance of \$9028 was reported after all Rally expenses had been paid.

Corn Roast Another very successful corn roast netted a profit of \$215 over expenses. This was put towards our Spina Bifida Charity as per a previously accepted proposal.

Donation Of particular interest was a donation to our Spina Bifida Charity from a visitor from the Bond Slaves Motorcycle Club of Winnipeg. Thank you very much Bond Slaves.

Rally Matters Chas announced that he would not be able to chair the Rally Committee forever and suggested a vice chairman be eased into the position. Clarence Holigroski had agreed to step up to this (non-elected) position. Thanks to Clarence.

Niverville Promotion The AMCM was asked to participate and Chas, Tom and Clarence manned an information table and displayed the club banner.

Pony Coral Greg Kendall reported that there would be no special Pony Coral gathering this year and that the gatherings had been poorly attended by AMCM members.

AMCM Badged Shirts Some members had expressed interest in poly/cotton button-down shirts with our logo on the pocket. Samples were shown and orders taken for different colours and sizes.

Rusted Restorations Larry Wooley gave an interesting talk on the Ural motorcycles and his own example in particular. The Mystery Part was also guessed correctly.

Meeting Adjourned and the usual coffee and BS at the donut place ensued.

The Eye of The Eagle spotted the following bikes in the parking lot at the August 2013 Meeting.

In the Hog Pen- -- -- 6 Harley's In the Rice Paddy--- -- 6 Honda's

6 Yamaha's

In the Concentration Camp- - - 1 BMW

In the Troo Bloo Park---- 2 Triumph's

Behind the Iron Curtain- - - - 1 Ural & Sidecar

Total motorcycles-----22

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER MEETING 24/09/2013

Present 46 members and 3 guests

Treasurer Bank balance of \$8681.00

New Banner Due to the many different events now on our calendar, an executive decision was taken to purchase a third double-sided banner. Of water-resistant plastic material this would be ideal for display on a motorcycle and sidecar as in parades.

Fishing Trip Chas reported on another record attended Fishing Trip where \$1600.00 was collected for Spina Bifida. Individual tax receipts would be posted out soon.

ART Tiddler Tour. "The first Tiddler Tour was a remarkable success with 14 "Tiddlers" out", reported host Ross M. This shows that without doubt there was a need for such an event with many promises of more participants in what was decided to be an annual event, or even two a year! New member Keith Blais volunteered to host a spring tour and Rick Poirer a fall event.

Meeting Raffle To encourage members to wear their name tags to meetings, President Ross initiated a FREE Raffle at every meeting but ONLY for those members WEARING THEIR NAMETAGS. Ross donated a nice hard-cover motorcycle book to kick off the first raffle

Insurance over and above the very limited third-party-only insurance offered on the Vintage Plate, is available. Contact Rollie Cook who has the details.

Marque Theme. Make of bike for the Bison Rally 2014 was decided to be- - - 'The Year of The Honda"

Christmas Party The date was decided as December 10, 2013, and Greg Kendall would see to arrangements and advise further at our November meeting.

Rusted Restorations Rollie Cook described how he had restored his beautiful little 1966 Honda 150cc from a basket case, and the meeting again guessed correctly that the mystery part was a Honda starter solenoid. C'mon guys. Can't anyone stump this very motorcycle-parts-savvy membership??

Meeting Adjourned to the ever-popular donut shop where the biggest crowed yet overwhelmed the poor lone assistant. Methinks we will have to give them a heads up in future!

The Eye of The Eagle spotted the following makes in the parking lot at the September 2013 Meeting

In the Hog Pen------ 6 Harley's
In the Rice Paddy-----5 Honda's

5 Yamaha's

1 Suzuki

In the Concentration Camp- -- - 4 BMW

In the Troo Bloo Park- -- - 2 Triumph's

2 Norton

On the Reservation- -- -- 1 Indian

In the Spaghetti Patch----- 2 Ducati

On the Wannabee Park----- 1 Victory

Total motorcycles-----29

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An email was received from Timothy Moulson with a great story. Pictures on AMCM.com

My father **FRED MOULSON** was a member of the MMC in the late 30's, 40's and up to 1955. He was the hill climb champion, dirt track and had won, along with Chuck Noakes (sp), many of the TT races in as a member of the MMC. I, his son, was the mascot for many years. I have several photos of him and even submitted some to the AMA for the museum. In 1955, my dad, mom, brother and myself, along with our dog sparky, left Winnipeg and headed first to Flagstaff AZ., then on up to Victoria, B.C. in a BSA Golden Flash and a home-built sidecar. The trip took a long time – I think a month- but we had the time of our lives. At least that's how I remember it. He lived there until his death in 1983. He was good friends with Tiny Robbins. I was the youngest of his three children and the ony one that took an interest in motorcycling. Today I have a restored (beautiful) 1965 BSA 650 Lightning which I ride on occasion (and a 2007 Honda 600 which I ride almost every day). BTW, my mother back in the late 40's or early 50's was one of the women that started the Travelongs – the female branch of the MMC. I still have one of her patches on my leather jacket. Kindest regards,

#44-1954 VINCENT BLACK SHADOW motorcycle. S/N RC12447B. Eng. # F10AB1-B10547. Black/black vinyl. Odo: 17 miles. Nice, correct machine. Appeared to have correct Birmabright fenders. Bold five-inch speedometer, as fitted to Shadows. Proper striping and decals. Seat nicely upholstered.



Wheels have proper "earriage" paint on top of chrome. Proper Amal 1 1/8-linch remote-flost carburetars. All switches and levers correct. Cond: 1-, SOLD AT \$159,500. I mould this unit selling whend four years ago in Lac Vegae for around \$858. It has changed hands once since then. Vices than what the factory ever did, but still not way overdone. This was well sold.



Okay, run this by me again, to get it running, you tickle it, kick it and swear at it ????



There was a very fit man called Cooke,

made everyone take a second look.

With a cheery greeting, rode a bicycle to the meeting.

And re-wrote the record book!

*NO TES * INFO *

WEB SITE Web Master Big Greg H has announced that our web site amcm.ca has now had over 100,000 hits!

NEW MEMBERS A WARM WELCOME to the following new members:

Jim Molde from Bemidji, Minnesota, US (Nice to have a member from USA)

Phil Johnson from Lorette, MB

Roy Feduniw from Winnipeg

Keith Blais from Winnipeg

John Friesen from Winkler (Donor of the "Old Biker" pictures raffled at the last two rallies)

BRITISH PARTS Of interest to British bike owners/restorers. British Cycle Supply of Wolfsville, Nova Scotia, have bought about 29 five foot high pallets of NOS British motorcycle parts from Domiracer/Accessory Mart, formerly of Cincinnati, Ohio, who have closed down. Mostly BSA but tons of goodies for other makes as well.

MARVE. Nice to see Marve Cooper at the last meeting. He still has to go for more tests though. Hang in there old buddy!

NAME TAGS President Ross has initiated a FREE raffle of a motorcycle-related prize, open only to members wearing their name tags. This to encourage members to wear them to meetings.

The next batch of name tags will be on the table for collection. PLEASE have your payment of \$7.95 ready to avoid hassles with change.

Keep the shiny side up! Tom



* BUY * SELL * WANTS *

On 10/9/2013 9:04 AM, Outback Joes Tattoo & Piercing wrote:

Good day...my name is Outback Joe

I got your email through a contact of mine...I'm located here in New Brunswick and I rebuild British motorcycles for a hobby. Anyways thought I'd let you know that I have parts for sale ...or trade ...for James, Francis Barnett, Triumph and other British motorcycles. So if interested in bartering shoot me an email sometime, have a great day. Many Thanks

Outback Joe

OUTBACK JOES TATTOO & PIERCING

678 MAIN STREET, WOODSTOCK, NB E7M 2C8 506-328-8287

FOR SALE New arrivals. Need to make space. I have a selection of Norton projects, many parts,- new or used. com-Ph2 04-890plete bikes, original unrestored bikes, and restored bikes, Wherever you want to start. David@bardal.ca 6698

WANTED: Toy motorcycles, any age or condition. Tin, lead, cast iron, plastic or rubber, windup, friction, battery operated, etc. Craig 669-6047 or kraftycraig@hotmail.com

WANTED: Old oil cans, tins, advertising, etc. Harley, Indian, Triumph, etc. Craig 669-6047 or kraftycraig@hotmail.com

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WILD JOE BARIBEAU Canada's original two-wheeled Canuck

By Colin Fraser

fine example of the valuable work undertaken by the Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame involves the recognition of the career of 'Wild Joe' Baribeau of Winnipeg, Manitoba. While little is known of Baribeau today, he was a star on two wheels 100 years ago. Wild Joe was inducted into the Hall in the fall of 2010.

In his era Baribeau was a true motorcycle hero, of similar stature to contemporaries such as Jake DeRosier, Cannonball Baker and Maldwyn Jones. The term 'Wild Joe' was coined by a newspaper reporter covering Baribeau's exploits.

In the early 20th century, the internal combustion engine was in its infancy and competition involving powered vehicles was considered exotic and very newsworthy. Joe Baribeau was a top gun during this distant era.

Baribeau was born in Kenora, ON in 1889 and began his working life as a boatman. In fact, Baribeau built and operated a motor launch that hosted Queen Victoria's last surviving son, the Duke of Connaught, the 10th Governor General of Canada, on a cruise around Lake of the Woods.

In 1910, the then-21-year-old moved to Winnipeg and started to build a racing reputation, beginning with a win in a five mile race on the Kirkfield Track in the Winnipeg suburb of St. Charles. He won at the same venue the next year, setting a new record for the measured mile at 56 seconds — over 60 miles per hour... in 1910!

Meanwhile, Wild Joe had also set out to establish a new overall world speed record over the 100 mile distance with his Indian.

After experiencing overheating issues, Baribeau waited until October 1911 to set the world record — which he did — averaging over 60 miles per hour for 100 miles.

A wide selection of newspaper reports from the day show that Baribeau was the fastest rider of his time, running with backing from Indian, arguably the premier racing brand of that period. At the time, Indian had an assembly plant in Toronto, and Baribeau was among their top riders, taking prominent victories in big money races in Toronto and Winnipeg as well as Detroit, Columbus and Toledo in the US.

His pace on his twin-cylinder Indian had him covering five miles in 4m48s, and he used a Triumph single to run the same distance in 5m25s in support race action. Wild Joe outpaced any of the fourwheelers that competed in other class events in the Kirkfield race program.

Baribeau's biggest issue with the Indian was the constant-loss oiling system; the huge reservoir required, which was mounted on a rear rack on his pure racer, hurt the handling of the custom machine. During a run, he would have to take one hand off the bars to manually pump oil into the V-twin.

Another challenge involved refueling, A fellow racer would ride beside Baribeau and hand him a can of fuel while cruising at 100 km/h!

At the time, motorcycles were rare in Winnipeg, and Baribeau's success sparked sales, especially with the local police force. In 1910 there were 200 motorcycles in the area, but that number had jumped to 1,000 in 1913, supported by 10 dealerships.

In 1912, Joe moved to Toronto to work with the newly-opened Indian assembly plant on Mercer St. A full-time racer classified as a Pro by the newly formed Canadian Motorcycling Association, Baribeau's efforts focused on the Toronto Motordrome Board Track, but he also competed on mile and half-mile dirt tracks as well as hill climbs.

It got to the point that fan favourite Baribeau would win most of the races on every program while also performing more stunt-oriented activities that were popular at the time. At the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE), the famous fair held in Toronto each August, Baribeau raced against an aeroplane in a demoevent — and won!

Wild Joe married Daisy Steeple in 1913, the pair eventually having six children. When not busy at Indian or with motorcycle competition, Joe played mandolin in orchestras in Toronto and Winnipeg.

When the First World War started in 1914, Baribeau moved his new family back to Winnipeg and retired from competition. He was nonetheless enticed to return to Toronto by train in 1915 with the offer of appearance money, competing at the dirt track at Exhibition Place on Victoria Day. Wild Joe won every Pro race on that card.

Joe Baribeau operated an auto repair shop in Winnipeg for the rest of his life, passing away on October 6, 1950 at the age of 61.



'Wild Joe' Baribeau was Canada's top two-wheeled racer from 1910-1915.

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