



# RUST 'N PIECES

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President  
Ross Metcalfe

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well folks the annual Christmas dinner is now past and I hope you all have a great holiday season. Next up on the list of activities is the annual movie night at my house on the last Tuesday in January. Actually this is the 15th year and probably the last as next January I will be retired and the BOSS says we won't be home in January of 2015. February will be fun as it will be auction night. I'm calling it the second Jim Simmons Memorial Auction. As you know we had so much fun auctioning off one of our founding members motorcycle printed material after he passed away we decided to do it again, only this time with your stuff. You can bring 3 motorcycle related items and we'll auction it off. You keep half the cash and the club gets the other half. See you at movie night as it will no doubt be the coldest night of the year, except for "Sidecar Larry". Cheers Ross



### Manitoba Motorcycle Club, MMC est. 1911

The oldest continuously active motorcycle club in Canada,

4th oldest in North America and

5th oldest in the world.

The MMC has yet to be inducted into the Canadian motorcycle Hall of Fame.

In 2010 a near all consuming fire at the MMC clubhouse prompted the remaining members to approach the AMCM with a

proposal to merge the two clubs under one executive and operating body. The membership of both clubs welcomed the merger and one the first orders of business was the design of a new crest celebrating the 100 years of the **Manitoba Motorcycle Club.**



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# EVENTS 2013-14

## DECEMBER

10th

Annual Dinner meeting 6pm at  
Pony Corral Pier 7, 1700 Pembina Hwy.

## JANUARY

9,10,11

23rd Annual Las Vegas Motorcycle Auction

28th

ANNUAL MOVIE NITE at Metcalfes

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

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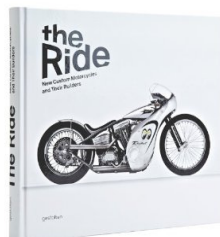
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Lets do this while it is still fresh in my little mind.....First, the Perimeteritis Run ...

A success, as usual, with Chas and elves doing their thing! We got good weather again, but the roads are so boringly straight, though, aren't they? But that's the Manitoba prairie condition.

The museum we visited had so much to see, must go back again some time. The food was, as usual, up to it's Grade A standard. Those who missed it, missed a good time.

A point to ponder.....did you hear the one about the student entering class late? Teacher says "You are late." Student reply....."Better late than never." Teacher's comeback....."Better never late!"

### Our Big Event.....The Rallye

Bookworm watched all the planning all year by all of us, and on Friday packed up for an early start Saturday morning. The weather looked good for the weekend, after all, who wants to sit around a bonfire in the rain? I know I don't.

Took the usual low traffic route on our trusty 41 year old banger and arrived well in time for breakfast. Marie is always there with her smile and hugs for both of us. I found a good spot, set up camp and had my second breakfast that morning. We went back to clean some oil stains off the Duc for the Show and Shine presentation. Didn't want to alter it's patina too much, though. I was surprised at the amount of cycles on the street, probably more than in the show. That's good, it means we are good enough to draw a crowd. After a Norton run and bump demonstration by John T. We retired back to the campground for our afternoon games. We found a perfect spot with shade for the spectators and an open field for Rick and Rick to co-ordinate the events. The shade was appreciated by the bookworm, nothing worse than a sunburned worm. Dinner was stuffed chicken and vegg, followed by the prizes. We ended the evening around the campfire talking, guitar picking, and raucous laughter from some.

Sunday morning, we paid for our hand in the Poker Run, and then it would not start.....Duc, you let us down. It could have been the Lucas coil, in the end it was oil on the points. We left late trying to catch the slow group, but went the wrong way and had our own Sunday morning ride. Poker hand turned out to be no good, anyway. The weather again perfect, the day hot and the air surprisingly cool.

Afterwards the work crews cleaned up and riders left to go their way home. Marie giving out hugs again. The end to another perfect Rallye. And again we have spare T-shirts left over. See you all next meeting. Ride Safe

**By Mike the Book**



### FAREWELL

I stood down as club secretary at the November meeting. I have enjoyed my years on the executive immensely and have got to know many very good guys better, and made a lot of very good new friends. Our club has a wealth of guys with an astounding amount of motorcycle know-how and all matters motorcycle-related, and this has been invaluable to me in trying to settle in to a new country and culture at an advanced age. I have seen the club grow at a phenomenal rate from a mere handful at the old Woodhaven venue, to an all time new record of 69 at the October 2013 meeting. I trust that the new executive can keep up the momentum, and wish them all that is good in 2014.

May the sun shine warmly on your back and the road NOT rise up to meet you!

Tom Hesom



*May your bike run sweetly in 2014*

*May the sun shine warmly on your back*

*May the wind blow gently in your face*

*May the road NOT rise up to meet you as you . . .*

**KEEP THE SHINY SIDE UP!**



## **MINUTES OF OCTOBER MEETING 29/10/2013**

Present 69 members which is a new all-time record attendance.

Treasurer Greg O'K reported a bank balance of \$8155.14

President Ross gave an interesting account of his visit to the Barber Motor Sport Vintage Days where there were 1500 bikes, 300 vendors and 76,000 people present.

MMC Scott Thompson expanded on his proposal to get the MMC nominated to the Motorcycling Hall of Fame.

MAAC Big Greg H reported on the MAAC efforts in getting a Collector Plate for motorcycles to become a reality.

Ross M gave notice that the February 2014 meeting would be an Auction Meeting. Members were asked to bring up to two motorcycle-related items for auction by our in-house auctioneer Jim Mitchell from Manitou. He would auction off items brought with half the proceeds going to the member and half to club funds.

Greg Kendall gave details of the December 10 Christmas Party/Dinner.

Movie Night 2014 was set for January 28th, 2014 at Ross M 's home in Headingly.

Rusted Restorations saw Billy Watt and his life-long friend Joe Sawdus take the floor and give one of the most interesting talks of motorcycling in the 50's, yet. The now extinct Rough Riders Motorcycle Club, MMC, Joe's racing successes, World War Two stories and their motorcycling escapades from a long-gone era, kept us enthralled.

The Mystery Part was once again correctly guessed as an oil pressure indicator from a 1959 Triumph. Even the correct year was correct!

Robins Donuts saw a much bigger than usual crowd enjoying coffee and BS.

Present 46 members and 4 guests

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

## **MINUTES OF NOVEMBER MEETING 26/11/2013**

Present 62 members

Farewell As this was the Elections Meeting and was Tom's last meeting as Secretary, President Ross complimented him on his years in the position to a round

of applause from the members.

Treasurer Greg O'K reported a bank balance of \$7958.14. MAAC membership dues had been paid covering an amount per AMCM member, plus \$85 for Event Insurance. 2014 Dues (still only \$25) were now required and a number paid at the meeting.

Big Greg H reported on his attendance at the MAAC Meeting and progress on the up-coming Collector Plate.

Scott Thomson had asked all old MMC Members to wear their vests with MMC colours and patches and bring any memorabilia, so that he could photograph it which would help in his proposal for nomination in to the Motorcycling Hall of Fame. Much discussion ensued with President Ross asking members to think about this over the next three months and come back with ideas and thoughts at that time.

Elections for 2014 Executive then took place. All positions and portfolios were returned as before with the exception of the secretary position. Tom stood down and Kim Robinson was nominated by Ross M and seconded by Tom H. There being no other nominations Kim Robinson was duly elected to the position of AMCM Secretary. Executive for 2014 would therefor be;

President- Ross Metcalfe

Secretary- Kim Robinson

Treasurer- Greg O'Kane

All other non-election positions remain the same.

President Ross mentioned the fact that the club membership had grown to the extent that there was now a necessity to appoint a Vice President to be eased into the position and have time to get a "feel" for this increasingly important position. Whilst the club in the past had been well served by the past president filling this position, it was now felt by many that a vice should be appointed in addition. Members were asked to consider this for the future.

Rusted Restorations was then ably taken care of by Paul Germaine, owner and operator of Wildwood Sports, talking about his amazing racing career and giving some insight into the intricacies of running a major motorcycle dealership in this day and age.

Mystery Part was AGAIN guessed correctly as a rear wheel and chain adjuster from a Vincent! Can't anyone stump this amazingly knowledgeable member-ship??

Coffee, tall stories and some downright lies were heard at Robins Donuts after the meeting, as usual!

**ANNUAL DINNER MEETING**

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 10, 2013**



Pony Corral Pier 7, 1700 Pembina Hwy.

Cocktails 6pm. Dinner to follow

(Please note different venue from last year)



Can anyone identify this dapper rider?

1924 Manitoba license plate on a pre 1918 Indian Powerplus with Side Car.

## 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.

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR 2014 IS NOW DUE.

Still only \$25 and has been the same for at least the last 10 years! Please complete a Membership Form (necessary to keep our records straight) and hand to Treasurer Greg O'Kane. Cash or cheque made out to AMCM. Membership Forms can be downloaded from our web site amcm.ca or will be available on the table at the Nov. meeting.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Robert Braun and Doug Matthews. We look forward to getting to know you at our up-coming winter events.

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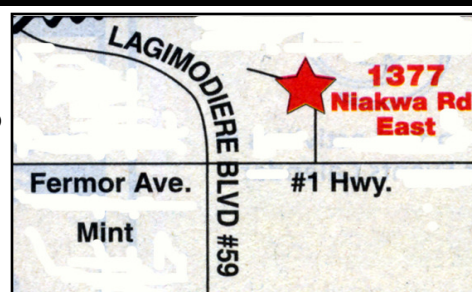
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**TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2014**

**13TH ANNUAL  
METCALFE MOVIE NIGHT**

***7.00pm Ross' house. 8729 Roblin Blvd.  
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