



# RUST 'N PIECES

*Newsletter of Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba Inc.*

MAR-APR 2014

Volume 37 No 2



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Ross Metcalfe



Well, winter is finally on its heels. Even Louis Riel didn't see one this cold. I brought my beloved 1942 Harley 45 home from HD Winnipeg so it has to be spring. On a sad note the very first Honorary member of the AMCM passed away since our last meeting, Paul Baribeau. He was the son of the legendary Indian rider and one of the founding fathers of the MMC in 1911, Joe Baribeau.. For the record Joe was the first human to ride at 60 miles per hour for a 100 miles and it was done in Winnipeg in 1911 at the old Kirkfield Park track. Someday I will re-write that famous story. The Rally is fast approaching and it's the year of the Honda. Some members are going all out to show Vincent, Indian and Norton how it's done. Get your registrations in early as 2014 looks like an action packed year. Charge those batteries. Ross

## 2014 RALLY NEWS

The Rally Committee recently met to work through the logistics and plans for this year's Bison Rally, June 26, 27, and 28th. We'll be back in Niverville at the fair grounds where we have enjoyed our past three rallies. This year's marquee bike is Honda...anyone bringing a 1984 or older Honda bike will receive a coveted marquee trophy.

We have a great team taking on the many tasks required to host a successful rally, and we'll still be looking for some volunteers to help ensure all of our attendees enjoy the best rally there is in Manitoba! Chas and the committee will ask for volunteers at the next meetings, but feel free to email Chas or Kim if you want to help!

We'd also like your input: any ideas for new or different bike games? Please send your thoughts to Rick Warkentin - the "games master".

How about sending your "vote" on regalia shirt colour to Kim Robinson - we'll decide on the colour in a few months, but we'd love your input :)

This year, we will have our own in-house photographers - Greg Hygaard and Gord Peters capturing pictures from the Rally and creating a DVD for members to buy...we're sure they would take submissions from our membership as well, so bring the cameras along!

You can expect the same fun in the schedule as previous rallies: parade, Show n Shine, bike games, campfire and sing-along, short and long poker rides, and of course the food! Hope you have your calendars booked for this great annual event - further information and registration forms will be made available on our own website [amcm.ca](http://amcm.ca).





Mailing Address

1377 Niakwa Rd. East Winnipeg MB R2J 3T3

[www.amcm.ca](http://www.amcm.ca)

#### PRESIDENT

Ross Metcalfe 204-831-8165  
moose102@escape.ca

#### SECRETARY

Kim Robinson  
pirates.pearl@gmail.com  
204-471-5465

#### TREASURER

Greg O'Kane  
gokane@mts.net

#### PAST PRESIDENT

Jerry Stubbington  
204-667-5498

#### LIBRARIAN

Mike Baraschuk  
204-757-2368

#### PROPERTY MANAGER

Rick Peters 204-822-3535  
ricpeters88@yahoo.com

#### CLUB HISTORIAN

Jim Harrison  
recycle2@rocketmail.com

#### RALLY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

Chas Peters  
204-822-4660 204-823-0051

#### PUBLISHER/EDITOR

David Pritchard  
204-797-6698 david@bardal.ca

## EVENTS 2014

<b>April 29</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting AMCM at HD Winnipeg</b>
<b>May 13</b>	<b>Chicken Fest Spina Bifida Fundraiser</b>
<b>June 7</b>	<b>Perimeteritis run to Morden</b>
<b>June 14</b>	<b>Niverville Fair- participation in parade</b>
<b>June 13-15</b>	<b>Viking Chapter National Meet, St. Paul, MN</b>
<b>June 22</b>	<b>First Tiddler Tour- organized by Keith Blais</b>
<b>27, 28, 29</b>	<b>14th ANNUAL BISON RALLY, Niverville, MB</b>
<b>July 1</b>	<b>Teulon Fair- display of classic bikes</b>
<b>July 15—18</b>	<b>International Norton Owners Association Rally Ashland, OR</b>
<b>August 23</b>	<b>AMCM Corn Roast</b>
<b>August 28 - 30</b>	<b>43rd Davenport Fall International Swap Meet</b>
<b>September 6</b>	<b>Gimli Fishing Trip</b>

## Rotary valve Norton

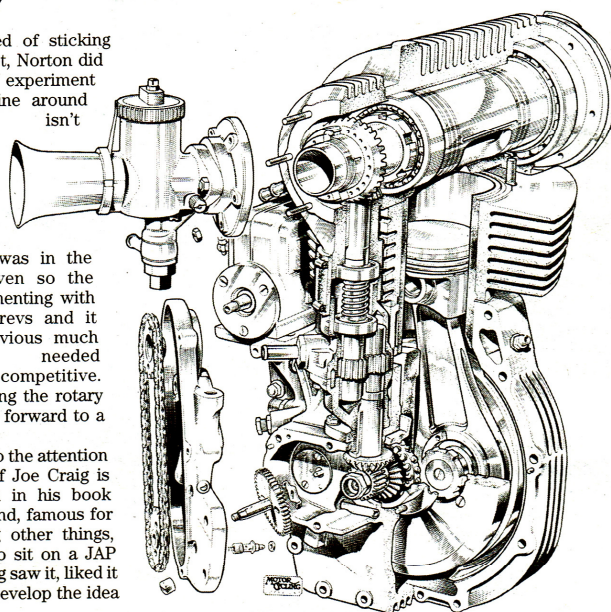
Though often accused of sticking with the ohc concept, Norton did have the vision to experiment with a rotary valve engine around 1952. This isn't to be confused with the Wankel-engined rotary Norton of much later but an alternative cylinder head on a Manx unit.

The Manx engine and indeed the whole bike was in the ascendancy then but even so the competition were experimenting with multi cylinders, higher revs and it would even then be obvious much work would be needed to keep the ohc unit competitive. Perhaps there was a feeling the rotary valve might just be a way forward to a smoother engine.

How the concept came to the attention of Norton race shop chief Joe Craig is explained by Roy Bacon in his book Norton Singles. Laurie Bond, famous for the Bond Minicar among other things, designed a rotary valve to sit on a JAP speedway engine. Joe Craig saw it, liked it and encouraged Bond to develop the idea at the Norton factory.

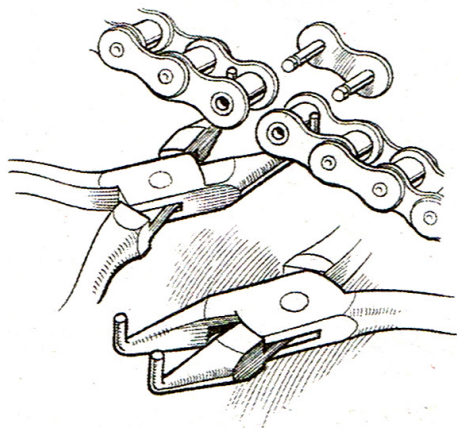
As can be seen from the line drawing the rotary valve sat cross way on the barrel, its carburettor on the end of the valve.

An interesting valve drive arrangement was needed to give the valve room to work. As the rotor was driven by the ohc shaft, which wasn't far enough out, a stepped shaft was devised, using spur



gears. The gears also pumped oil up to the massive bearings supporting the rotor. Though power matched the standard ohc unit of the time, there were other problems with it, probably not insurmountable ones but Norton policy changed and the project was shelved.





## Pulling a chain

A drive chain on a motorcycle is mucky old thing to deal with if the split link has to be removed for any reason. Luckily *MotorCycle* readers in the 50s, as OBM readers do in the present day, offered their fellow motorcyclists the benefit of their experience. This tip appeared in 1956 and utilised an old pair of pliers, with the jaws ground to points, heated and bent at 90 degrees to pull the chain together while the split link was fitted.

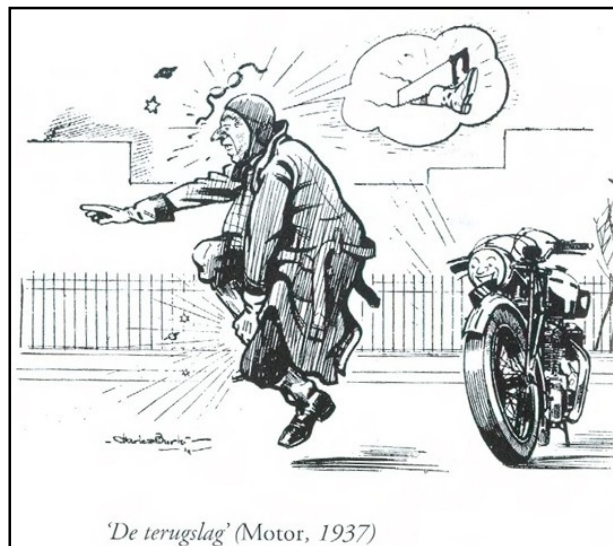
## TIRES - Pressures

When was the last time you checked your bike's tire pressures? It should be done on a weekly basis, but many of us forget to keep an eye on one of the most vital parts of our bike's set-up.

Underinflated tires tend to affect handling and braking as the lack of pressure means the tire wall isn't firm enough to properly cope with the forces exerted on it. Over inflation can also result in a deterioration in handling, as well as a reduced contact patch with the road. This can result in a lack of grip under braking.

Use a quality pressure gauge to accurately check your bike's tire pressures. Consult the owner's manual for the correct pressure. Remember, your tires may need more pressure if you regularly ride with a pillion passenger. Always check your pressures when they're cold.

It's also worth checking the condition and tread depth of the tires while you're at it.





## Minutes of the Meeting

### AMCM – February 25, 2014

Meeting started at 7:30 pm with a full house ready to go!

42 in attendance

Guests – 3 folks

Mystery part sent around: it was a Kawasaki fender bracket

Name tag draw for an Antique Club of America calendar: Ed Pauch winner

Treasurer Report: \$9503.28 and 54 members and 10 more likely coming in. Folks need to get their membership in to ensure they are in the roster.

Newsletter issued today—thanks David P!

World of Wheels March 14-16<sup>th</sup>. Robin Gray advised that they are looking for vintage/antique bikes to be entered for the show – folks can contact Robin for more info Rollingthunder23@hotmail.com

Bond Slave 4<sup>th</sup> annual Portage la Prairie swap meeting March 15<sup>th</sup> – tables are available to be put up, bands will be playing, and there will be a show n shine.

6<sup>th</sup> annual "Sick and Tired of Winter" pot luck in Grand Forks on March 8<sup>th</sup>...these folks support our Bison Rally. Contact Larry Woolley for more details.

Library report: 50/50 draw and Miller "drip pan" to be won, and a new book entered into the library.

Regalia: getting low on MMC patches – 100<sup>th</sup> year, we can order some more if people are interested. We need to confirm the cost of the patches and gather numbers to order – this will be addressed at the March meeting.

MMC hopefully into the Hall of Fame – to be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of September...would be great to put together a group to attend the gala in Edmonton!

Auction time:

38 items up for auction with a total sales of \$1,093.00. \$613.50 of that goes to our charity of choice - Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus – Manitoba!

### Results on Page 6

## TYRES

This is where the real safety issues come to a head, and the most important single issue is not size, profile etc, but age (and condition). Tyres do not last for ever – and members have reported some worrying and potentially lethal disintegration of tyres, and inner tubes, when the tyres have sailed through MoTs and specialist inspections, and look perfectly OK. I'll venture a personal view on this, which the tyre suppliers are not confirming, but I suspect it is true. In my experience "rubber" components simply do not last like they used to: modern bushes crack and deteriorate in a few years when they used to last for decades. I am told this is due to increasing use of synthetics in place of expensive natural rubber – and I personally believe the same has happened with tyres. Years ago a quality tyre (and Michelin was always top of that list) would last for decades – I won the 2002 Scottish Malts rally on Michelin ZX tyres that were around 30 years old. BUT you cannot do that now – even with Michelins.

Tyres made in recent decades have a life of no more than 10 years, and you are strongly advised to change them after 6-8 years. They go hard, lose grip, crack and can potentially disintegrate suddenly: insurers are aware of this, and may dispute a claim if aged tyres are found to be at the root of the claim. All recent tyres have date codes clearly embossed on the tyre sidewall – go and check your tyres now and change them if they are more than eight years old – and if you have inner tubes, fit new ones at the same time. The date code on modern tyres is a four-digit code in a 'window' on the side of the tyre: the first two digits are the week and the last two the year of manufacture. In the 1980s and 1990s, date codes had three digits, in the 1990s with a triangle or arrow in them. Even earlier, date codes were not mandatory and varied between manufacturers.



## Minutes of March 25 meeting

Present: 46 members and 2 guests

Welcome: President Ross welcomed all to the meeting, especially the two guests present.

Mystery Motorcycle—The pictures of the motorcycle which had been dug up in a forest and circulated to the membership was correctly guessed as a WW11 DKW model L300 two stroke, by none other than our in-house BRITISH motorcycle expert John T!

The "man in dark glasses" mystery photo which appeared in the last "Rust N' Pieces" Club Newsletter was correctly guessed by numerous members as none other than veteran member Ray Houde, who was actually there at the meeting but looking decidedly different from that ancient photograph!

Treasurers Report—Treasurer Greg O'K reported a bank balance of \$9980.00 A payment of \$589.00 had been made to our Spina Bifida Charity being proceeds from the Auction Night. A total of 68 members had paid their dues for 2014.

Secretaries Report—Standing in for Kim, Tom gave a scintillating report about a cat which had been run over by a motorcyclist, much to the chagrin of the female owner!

Library & Regalia—The book cupboard was open for business as was a display of club regalia for sale. Rick P reported that the combined AMCM/MMC 100 years patch would be available soon at a cheaper price than previously.

Chicken Fest 2014—Gerry Spindler reported on Rotaries May 13 Fund Raiser for Spina Bifida: encouraging members to attend this very entertaining and savoury May 13th event for a very worthwhile cause.

World of wheels and Portage Swap Meet—Both events were reported on with the general feeling that the former was disappointing with bikes placed right at the back again, reduced floor space and too expensive. The Swap Meet however was a huge success with more tables and "stuff" than in the past and very well attended. It was felt that we should pursue having a club stand with banner displayed at next years event.

Event Dates 2014—President Ross said it was time to send in our events list for registration for Vintage Plate use. The following dates were agreed upon:--

May 13 Chicken Fest Spina Bifida Fundraiser

June 7 Perimeteritis run to Morden

June 14 Niverville Fair- participation in parade

June 22 First Tiddler Tour - organized by Keith Blais

June 27,28,29 - Bison Rally Niverville

July 1 - Teulon Fair- display of classic bikes

August 23 - Corn Roast

September 6 - Gimli Fishing Trip

Bison Rally Chairman Chas reported that posters and "begging letters," events schedules, etc, would be available at the April meeting. Members were encouraged to start working on door prize collection and vice-chair Clarence H said that he had a sign-up sheet for more volunteers.

MMC/AMCM Amalgamation. After much discussion the following statement was agreed upon, proposed and seconded, voted on, and carried unanimously;--

The status quo concerning the amalgamation of the Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba and the Manitoba Motorcycle Club, having taken place some years ago, would remain unchanged. The name "Manitoba Motorcycle Club" must be perpetuated and not let lapse or die, through annual MMC Rides, combined patch, etc.

This has effectively "put to bed" this question, and Scott Thomson was thanked for all his hard work and received a round of applause for his work and interest in this regard. We look forward to the findings of the committee as to the application for entry of the MMC into the Hall of Fame.

Gift—It was decided unanimously to donate a supply of coffee to Harley Davidson Winnipeg in appreciation for the use of their board room for all our meetings.

Mystery Part was circulated and AGAIN correctly guessed as a trunk opening key for a Harley Davidson sidecar. And AGAIN by our resident British bike expert, John T!



Name of Seller	Item	Buyer	Sold Price	50% to	50% to	Remarks for Sellers
Ross Metcalfe	Book	Raymond M	10	0	10	donated seller's half
Ross Metcalfe	Book	Larry Riemer	30	0	30	donated seller's half
Ross Metcalfe	Wine	Jim Toews	30	0	30	donated seller's half
Craig Kraft	Tin Toy	Larry Riemer	35	15	20	paid
Craig Kraft	Tin Toy	Art Kroeker	60	30	30	paid
Denis Robideau	vinatge	Rick Poirier	25	12.5	12.5	waiting to confirm member-
Denis Robideau	Tank co-	Raymond M	10	5	5	waiting to confirm member-
Denis Robideau	Indian	Siggi	20	10	10	waiting to confirm member-
Siggi	book	Rick Peters	30	15	15	paid
Siggi	Book	Roy Feuiw	30	15	15	paid
Siggi	Book	John Thomp-	60	30	30	paid
Rolly	Army	Keith Blais	23	11.5	11.5	paid
Rolly	Cycle One	Larry Riemer	15	7.5	7.5	paid
Rolly	Risers	Rob Braun	10	3	7	paid with some some to chari-
Vern Zacharius	BMW	Chas Peters	65	32.5	32.5	paid
Vern Zacharius	painting	Rick Poirier	35	17.5	17.5	paid
Rick Peters	Rim - jap-	Rolly	12	0	12	donated seller's half
Rick Peters	Goldwing	Raymond M	10	0	10	donated seller's half
Rick Peters	Kawasaki	Dan Katte	5	0	5	donated seller's half
Larry Wooley	Book	Siggi	20	10	10	paid
Larry Wooley	Book	Dan Katte	12	6	6	paid
Larry Wooley	Wine	Denis	10	5	5	paid
Chas Peters	Tin Toy	Greg O'Kane	25	12.5	12.5	paid
Chas Peters	Tin Toy	Greg O'Kane	65	32.5	32.5	paid
Tom Hesom	vinatge	John Thomp-	35	17.5	17.5	paid
Tom Hesom	Tank co-	Brian Segal	40	20	20	paid
Tom Hesom	Indian	Rolly	40	20	20	paid
Tom Hesom	book	Jerry Volkers	45	22.5	22.5	paid
Tom Hesom	Book	Roy Feuiw	30	15	15	paid
Jim Harrison	Book	Keith Blais	20	10	10	paid
Jim Harrison	Army	Keith Blais	35	17	18	paid with some some to chari-
Jim Harrison	Cycle One	Keith Blais	10	5	5	paid
Greg O'Kane	Risers	Chas Peters	20	0	20	donated seller's half
Clarence	BMW	Phil Johnson	16	8	8	paid
Clarence	painting	Raymond M	10	2	8	paid with some to charity
Robin Gray	Rim - Jap-	Raymond M	50	25	25	paid
Robin Gray	Goldwing	Brian Segal	75	37	38	paid with some to charity
Jim Harrison	Kawasaki	Keith Blais	20	10	10	paid
			1093.00	479.50	613.50	

# **ANTIQUÉ MOTORCYCLE CLUB of MANITOBA**

## **SEVENTH ANNUAL "CONQUERING PERIMETERITIS" RUN**

### **SATURDAY JUNE 7, 2014**

(For new members info; the term "Conquering Perimeteritis" was coined with country members perceived view that city members suffer from "Perimeteritis," and are fearful of venturing too far over the city perimeter !)



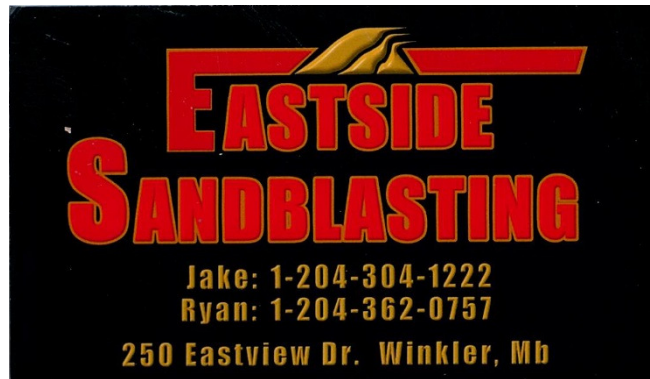
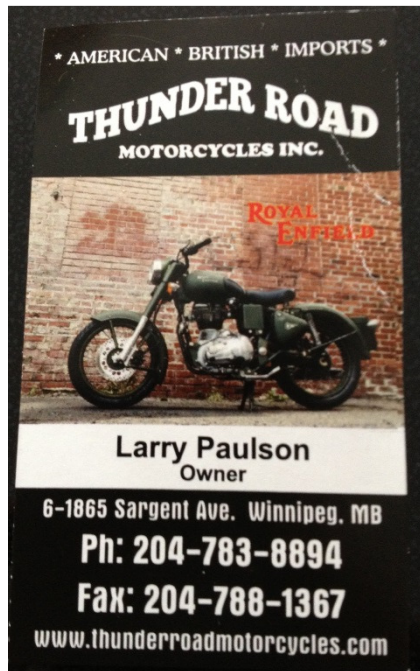
Meet at Oak Bluff on the Perimeter at Tim Horton's (near the Esso Service Station) to leave together at **1pm** for Carman. (Oldest bike leads) Join the Southern Contingent in Carman and ride together to Chas' house in Morden, 790 Gilmour Street where the usual scrumptious homemade hamburger barbeque awaits with chili, beans, salads and ice cream with all the fixin's

**Contacts : Chas 204-823-0051 or Tom 204-325-6984**

## TO ALL MEMBERS

Are there vendors or tradesmen that you deal with regularly that do a great job.

Other members could also benefit from their motorcycle expertise. Just ask if they would like to advertise in the newsletter. A business card insert is only \$30.00 a year.



## \* BUY \* SELL \* WANTS \*

**Wanted!** Villiers powered motorcycles, parts, literature, advertising , projects . looking for barn fresh, rough projects or even the smallest parts for Villiers powered bikes. They include : Famous James, New Hudson, Dot , Greeves, Francis Barnetts, Cotton.... Villiers powered over a hundred different motorcycles in its history. am restoring and running various bikes and require parts for them all . Motor sizes include : 98 cc single speed and two speed, 122 cc 3 speed, 197cc 3 speed. no part too small . please call Keith Blais 204 226 2979 SAVE THE RUST!

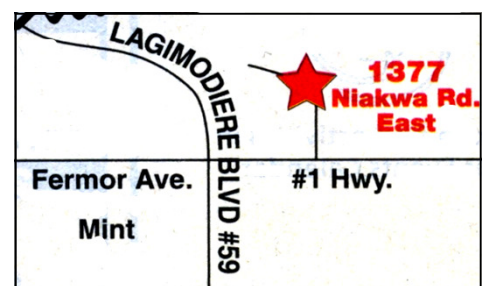
**WANTED:** Toy motorcycles, any age or condition. Tin, lead, cast iron, plastic or rubber, windup, friction, battery operated, etc. Craig 669-6047 or kraftycraig@hotmail.com

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

**Meetings at 7:30 p.m. LAST Tuesday of the month at:**

**HARLEY-DAVIDSON WINNIPEG** (Except Dec. & Jan.)

1377 Niakwa Rd. East  
Winnipeg MB 254-3974





Membership dues are now overdue so it would be much appreciated if you have not already renewed please do so by filling out a membership application and hand it in with \$25 to the executive at the meeting. Membership application form can be found on the <http://www.amcm.ca/> website and printed out.

## ROSTER

The 2014 membership roster to be distributed at the May meeting. All members who have paid dues will be included. Please update motorcycle holdings, email, addresses and phone numbers.

# 14th Annual Bison Classic Motorcycle Rally



**June  
27,28,29  
2014**



**The Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba & the Keystone Section of the CVMG combine to showcase the finest display of Antique, Vintage & Classic motorcycles**

- Location, the Friendly Country town of Niverville MB
- Parade through town then Show 'N' Shine with custom trophies
- Scenic River Ride, Poker Derby, Bonfire and Sing-Along
- Motorcycle Games, Door Prizes
- Fabulous Menu included with full registration.
- Free Camping, Hot Showers,
- T-Shirts available (must be ordered @ time of pre-registration)
- All Makes/Models of Motorcycles Welcome
- Special trophies awarded to Honda Motorcycles\*(1984 and older entered in show n shine)

**This year's  
featured  
Marque is  
Honda**



**Rally REGISTRATION FEE: \$45.00 \* (\*booked before June 1st, \$55 after June1)**

**Daily registration available: Fri \$15 Sat \$25 Sun \$15 see Registration form on website**

### **Contacts:**

Kim (registrar) 204-757-9873

Ross 204-831-8165

Website: [amcm.ca](http://amcm.ca)

pirates.pearl@gmail.com

Chas 204-822-4660

Email: [amcm.mmc@mymts.net](mailto:amcm.mmc@mymts.net)

**Registration numbers may be limited so get yours in early.**

**Show 'N' Shine** @ Niverville Credit Union parking lot, 62 Main Street

**Sat June 28th**  
**11:30 am - 2:30pm**

**Open to All Motorcycles \* must be registered with event.**

**Viewing Free, open to the public**





**Lisa Reid, Au.D.**  
Doctor of Audiology

- St. Boniface..... **837-4327**
- Fort Garry..... **837-4327**
- Selkirk..... **482-3738**



Since 1894

**David E. Pritchard**  
FUNERAL DIRECTOR

843 SHERBROOK STREET ■ WINNIPEG MB R3A1M6  
TELEPHONE 204-774-7474 FAX 204-783-8618  
david@bardal.ca www.bardal.ca



## House of Silver Electroplating

**Robert Wynnobel**

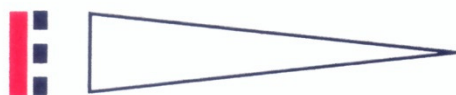
743 Wall Street, Winnipeg, MB R3G 2T6  
Tel: 204-774-3250 Cell: 204-793-9747  
rwynnobel@yahoo.com



## INTEGRITY AUTO INC.

- ASE Certified Master Auto Technicians
- Licensed Diesel Technician
- Automotive - Diesel - Domestic - Imports
- AG - Lawn & Garden - Light Machining & Welding

270 - 5TH AVE. S.E. ■ BOX 710 ■ TEULON, MB ■ R0C 3B0  
PH: 886-2365 ■ 1-877-886-2365 ■ FAX: 886-3413



202 Wallasey St.  
Winnipeg, Man.  
R3J 3C1  
(204) 832-3999



*AUTHORIZED ANDIS  
DANNYCO & WAHL REPAIR  
CENTRE*

ALSO OSTER/SUNBEAM

eddie@mts.net

www.mts.net/~edsharp

MEMBER  
INTERNATIONAL SHEAR SHARPENERS GUILD



3090 Main Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2V 4R9

**MOTORCYCLE • SNOWMOBILE • ATV  
PARTS & SERVICE • HELMETS • CLOTHING**

- TUNE UPS - REBUILDS
- CYLINDER BORING - SLEEVEING
- WELDING-STEEL-ALUMINIUM
- DAMAGE-FREE TIRE INSTALLATION
- MANITOBA SAFETY INSPECTIONS
- MACHINE SHOP SERVICE

www.mainmotorsports.com

PH: (204) 338-7610

**HARLEY-DAVIDSON**  
• WINNIPEG •

1377 Niakwa Rd. E.  
Winnipeg, MB,  
Canada R2J 3T3

P. 204.254.3974  
F. 204.284.3329

**DAVID GRAY**

davidgray@harleydavidsonwinnipeg.ca • www.harleydavidsonwinnipeg.ca



**WINNIPEG SUZUKI**

**AUTO • MOTORCYCLE • ATV • MARINE**  
WAVERLEY AUTOMALL

**MIKE McCOMB**  
POWER SPORTS MANAGER

mmccomb@winnipegsuzuki.com  
www.winnipegsuzuki.com

**PH: (204) 594-4444**  
FAX: (204) 594-4445  
TOLL FREE: 1-888-418-0231  
500-1717 WAVERLEY ST.  
WINNIPEG, MB R3T 6A9

**Terence Hesom**

Tel: 204.362.7204

E-mail: terence@steeltreedesign.com



**steeltree**  
design & promotions

For All Your Promotional Product Needs

Let us help design your future!



DUPONT PERFORMANCE COATINGS

**RONDEX**  
LIMITED

177 Isabel St.  
Winnipeg, MB R3A 1G8  
Phone: (204) 943-4531  
Toll Free: 1-877-766-3392  
Fax: (204) 942-0631



**Dexter Greenwood**

Direct: (204) 975-3393  
Cell: (204) 229-3037  
Email: dexter@rondex.ca