

## RUST 'N PIECES

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# President Ross Receiving the Award for the MMC entering the Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame

Prez. Ross

Hope everyone enjoyed last month's presentation by Ted on Bonneville. It's also very impressive on how quick Greg puts up the live video of our presenters. Many people comment to me on how interesting our webpage has become. It really has become a historical storage area for the Manitoba motorcycle scene. Publicly I would like to thank Scott Thomson for all the hard work preparing the submission that resulted in the MMC entering the Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame. It was quite an evening and I was proud to receive the award on your behalf. Mark the 2nd Tuesday down for the Christ-



mas party and we hope you all can make it. I recently attended the Barber Motorcycle Vintage festival in Birmingham, Alabama. 80,000 was the guess. Paul Germaine won again on the GP track and you really have to have this one on your bucket list. Next issue will be my last Prez. message and I'll see you at the meeting.



All present at the last meeting enjoyed Ted Hector's presentation on the trip and time trials at Bonneville.

Thanks to Ted for sharing with us.





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#### **EVENTS 2014—15**

October 28 Monthly Meeting HD Winnipeg

November 25 Monthly Meeting HD Winnipeg—Elections

December 9 Annual Dinner Meeting at Pony Corral, Grant Ave.

January 8-10 Las Vegas Motorcycle Auctions

January 27 Monthly Meeting HD Winnipeg (NO movie Nite)

February 24 Monthly Meeting HD Winnipeg

Every Sunday afternoon and evening Cruise Nite until November at the Pony Corral, Grant and Wilton. Always riders out.

Membership dues are \$25/ yr includes a bi-monthly newsletter

## LAS VEGAS 2015 // JAN 8 -10



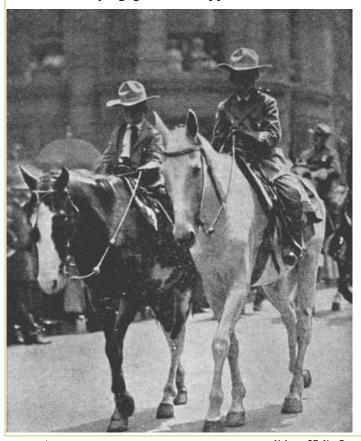


## THE ABERNATHY KIDS

"The Abernathy Kids lived with their father Jack Abernathy in the town of Frederick, Oklahoma. Frederick is located in Tillman County, the southwest corner of Oklahoma. Jack Abernathy became friends with Teddy Roosevelt as a result of the notoriety he received for his ability to catch wolves alive with his hands. Teddy Roosevelt had heard about "catch-em' alive" Jack Abernathy but was skeptical that it was possible to catch wolves alive just with bare hands. After persuasion by his friends, Roosevelt decide to meet Jack Abernathy. Jack Abernathy welcomed President Roosevelt to Frederick, Oklahoma in April 1905 where a large crowd greeted him when he arrived. Abernathy took him on a successful hunt, a live wolf was caught bare handed. At the time of the wolf hunt Oklahoma was a U.S. territory. President Roosevelt later appointed Jack Abernathy to the position of U.S. Marshall."



As the old saying goes "the apple does not fall far



from the tree" and the Abernathy boys seem to have taken right after their dad. On their first journey in 1909 the two brothers, Louis "Bud" aged nine and Temple five, encountered a host of Old West obstacles, including wolves and wild rivers, when they rode more than 1,000 miles from Oklahoma to Santa Fe and back – ALONE!

The following year the brothers set their sights on New York City, which they reached after a month of hard riding. Along the way Orville Wright offered to take them up in his airplane and President Taft gave them a warm welcome when they reached the White House. These two boys were the story of the century at the time and widely followed by the whole world in the news.

This public frenzy ended when Bud and Temple rode their Oklahoma ponies alongside Teddy Roosevelt and the Rough Riders in a victory parade witnessed by more than a million cheering New Yorkers.

For the return journey, the boys used their meager savings and "bought" a Brush automobile, then drove it home to Oklahoma. One has to think that the PR opportunities offered to the pair must have been numerous at this point and to lead one to think the Brush Company must have helped them out.

Even though they were only six and ten years old, Temple and Bud Abernathy were a national sensa-



tion. In the summer of 1911, they did the impossible. They rode nearly 4,000 miles, from New York to San Francisco, in only sixty-two days. Once again, the Abernathy Boys had made a historic ride without any adult assistance and accomplished an equestrian feat which has never been equaled.

In 1913 the pair did it again when the rode from Oklahoma to New York City at the ages of nine and thirteen on the Indian Motorcycle seen in the photo.

To learn more about his story we have found online access for you to The Ride of the Abernathy Boys by Miles Abernathy. You can also find excellent coverage on www.brushauto.net . And Wiki also tells the brothers life story. ©

#### AMCM and the collector plate program

Hi to all.

This is a heads up directed to the membership regarding "Classic" motorcycle registration and insurance.

Manitoba Association of Automobile Clubs (MAAC) has sent out a survey to clubs concerning the Collector Vehicle/Plate Program which MPI initiated this year

 Our club's participation in this survey is critical to ensure the continued maintenance and growth of the collector plate program, so they tell us.

This is our club's chance to voice our general displeasure with the program and to put forward any amendments we would like to see. As it stands now the **only difference** between standard registration and insurance for 1 complete year and the collector plate program as it applies to 25yr and older motorcycles is:

the colour of the plate

 you must declare a \$4000 or more value of the bike.

The questionnaire asks our membership for the total number of members and quantifiable bikes owned by members, as well as any amendments our members as a club would like to see. This topic will be discussed at the next meeting and the questionnaire will be submitted immediately thereafter.

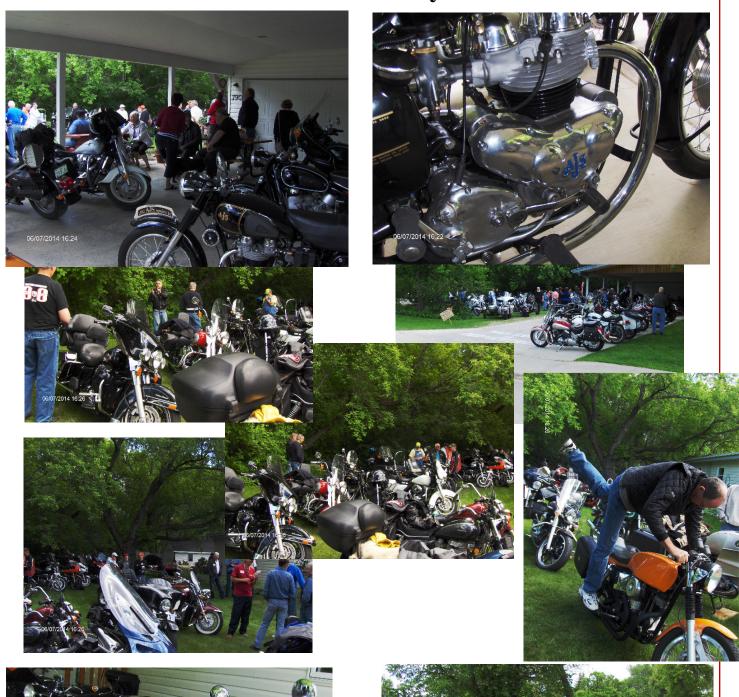
Please show up at the meeting to voice any suggestions/amendments or reply to this email with them.

\*NOTE This questionnaire applies only the the Yellow Collector Vehicle plates **not** the White Antique/Vintage plate.

Check out the website that has some recently uploaded videos and updated event calendar. amcm.ca

Thanks Greg Hygaard MAAC Rep Website

## **Photos from Perimeteritis by Jim Harrison**







## **August 23 AMCM 38th Corn Roast at Choquettes**



#### HOT RODS & HARLEYS OPEN HOUSE SEPTEMBER 20, 2014 SHOW & SHINE WINNERS

STREET 1st Troy Toes, 2011 Street Bob

2<sup>n</sup> Richard Peters, 2007 Heritage

3<sup>rd</sup> Marc Lariviere, 2005 Heritage

Custom 1st Nick Costa, 2007 Street Bob

2<sup>nd</sup> David McLean, 202 Yamaha R1

3<sup>rd</sup> Anson Andrews, 1976 Kawasaki 750

CHOPPER1<sup>st</sup> Ralph Clarke, 2007 Deuce chopper

CLASSIC 1<sup>st</sup> Parker Fillmore, 1950 Police Panhead

2<sup>nd</sup> Ken Charelton, 1976 Yamaha XT500

3<sup>rd</sup> Shawn Conroy, 1975 Suzuki GT550

BAGGER 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Dubois, 2013 Road Glide

2<sup>nd</sup> Myles Bamendine, 2014 Super Glide

#### SPECIAL INTEREST

1<sup>st</sup> Frank Bodnar, Cooler Sidecar

2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Johnson, Pedal Car

3<sup>rd</sup> Teresa Davey, Harley Pedal Bike







#### AMCM Aug 26, 2014 minutes

Jerry opened the meeting at 7:30pm.

3 visitors - welcome!

42 attendees:

1 BMW 1 Ducati 1 HD 2 Honda

1 James 2 Kawasaki 1 Norton 2 Suzuki

1 Ural 1 Yamaha

Ross is with Ted at Bonneville - Ted is at the 1000 cc event. He will be at the Sept 30th meeting to talk about the trip.

Kim – Secretary's report: Gord Peters who had the highest bid at the silent auction at the Rally for Art Kroeker's jacket has graciously donated the jacket back to the club for a future auction! Thanks Gord © There were 36 attendees and 13 bikes at the corn roast...and there is still some corn left over. Please see Pat and John after the meeting to buy yours! Greg O'Kane -Treasurer's report \$9728.14 balance. 102 members - its a record!

SB donations tally: \$100 from Bison Rally DVD, chain sales = \$30, \$119 from corn roast so far! David: have a few copies of the newsletter at this meeting. David's working on a new program to cut the size down from 10 meg. (there was a standing ovation for this revelation)

Mike the Book: caps, badges, and a few t-shirts available for sale

Greg Hygaard: 3 blu ray and 1 DVD from the Bison Rally available for sale...all proceeds go to SBH. Note that Kathy our previous photographer will do some 5x7 pics of the group photo for \$7 each

Rolly - rusted restoration: talked about his Honda 450 Super Sport - see the amcm.ca for the video! Upcoming events:

Sept 27th MMC induction for the Hall of Fame – Scott and Ross are attending – it would be great to have some other members join them!

Sept 6th: The "Fishing Trip" ride to Gimli in support of Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Association of MB. Please meet at the Esso/Timmie's in Stonewall at 11AM to leave for Gimli and Chris' fish and chips (78A First Ave) After lunch, we'll head to the Viking statue for a group picture, and then head back via Hwy 9. We'll stop at the fish monger's to grab some fish to take home!

Indian rides- Sept 5th and 6th at Headingley Sport Shop

Sept 6th: Test Our Metal at HD Harley Sept 7th Marion hotel Sunday Show n Shine. Joe will be entering the arm wrestling tournament, so let's cheer him on!

Thursday 28th, MB Real Estate is having a fund raiser for Siloam, 11:30 -12:00, lunch provided Keewatin and Inkster at noon.

Larry Wooley advised: Fort Ransom Rally for the BMW riders. \$25 US for the weekend Sept 12th. MMC News: Sept 3, 17, and Oct 1st for the MMC rides, the rides are placed on the amcm.ca. Also, there is a FaceBook for Manitoba Motorcycle Club, so go on an friend them and see the updates there!

Tom H told us of his recent trip to the National Motorcycle Museum in Iowa.... very good museum to visit. An interesting display was a motorcycle crushed into a cube with the sign, "we crushed the opposition"!!!

Mystery part: torsion bar – guessed by PHIL...that's right, NOT JT!!!!



meeting adjourned @ 8:15

Several members test ride the new Indians in Headingley.



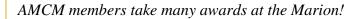
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### A Hot Time at MARION HOTEL SHOW

A Hot XS650 Yamaha!













# September 6 Fishing Trip, ride to Gimli to Chris's shop for eating tons of fish. Pledges raised for SBH







26 Riders and 29 Riders made the trip to Gimli



#### **September 2014 Minutes of Monthly Meeting**

Ross opened the meeting with 60 people present. There were 4 guests -Bruce Frame with a 1970 Bonneville and 76 CB 750, Derrick Hill with a 1937 Norton, Diane Best with 1962 Honda 50 and a 83 Honda 750, Ivan Milne with a Alstate 60? Ross also welcomed Ted Hector to give his talk on his experiences at the Salt Flats. There were 19 bikes in the parking lot: 10 Hondas, 3 Yamahas, 1 Harley, 1 Suzuki, 1 Moto Guzzi, 1 Victory, 1 V Strom, 1 Triumph.

Treasurer's Report: Balance of \$9986.00. He also reported that the fish run raised \$2255 and a total of \$2564 was raised. There was 26 bikes and 31 people. The corn roast raised \$119 and the sale of chain was \$85 and Greg turned over \$60 from the sale of CD's for Spina Bifida. Gord Peters bought the jacket that Art Kroeker donated and has donated it back to the Club.

David Pritchard reported that there would be a newsletter for the October meeting. He put out a plea for people to send articles in for him to print.

Greg Hygaard reported that there would be a link to Ted's movie and the Canadian Hall of Fame inductees ceremony. You can also watch videos on mcflathead.com about the race.

Library: Mike reported that for October there would be old magazines for prizes for the 50/50. Regalia: There is still stock of shirts, long sleeve shirts, hats, etc.

Rally Wrap-up: Chas was commenting on how good the 2014 rally was. BMW is going to be the feature bike of 2015 rally. Niverville had a showcase and Greg O'Kane and Chas put their bikes in.

Chas announced that there is going to be a Spina Bifida fundraiser for the Hesom family on October 25th from 5-8 at Rocks Bar and Grill. It will be a Mug, Spud and Steak in Morden with the tickets being \$25 with 1/2 of the money going to spina bifida and 1/2 to the restaurant. Because this is before the next meeting you can contact Connie Hesom at 204-822-5260 for tickets. There will be a silent auction with some very nice prizes.

Ross told us that Headingley Sports has got the contract to sell Indian Motorcycles. He then went on to give his report on the Induction of the MMC into the Motorcycle Hall in Edmonton. Apparently the MMC is the 4th oldest motorcycle club in the world. There was a very impressive display on the MMC with newspaper clippings, pictures, Ray Houde's 60 year old sweater and his 90th anniversary sweatshirt. Ross gave a speech outlining the history of the MMC. The whole video is linked to our own web site. Apparently in 1914 Manitoba had 3000 motorcycles registered. The Christmas Banquet will be held the 2nd Tuesday in December 9th at the Grant Ave Pony Corral. There will be a head count at the October meeting.

We then had a talk and video of the 2014 Bonneville Race. The bike was on show downstairs and after the video Ted took everybody downstairs for a talk on the bike and answered questions. He also thanked David Pritchard for the use of his trailer and John Thompson for the windshield. Sports Net Magazine interviewed Ted and they will be featured in an upcoming issue of their magazine. He also thanked the Club for their support. The meeting was adjourned for the show and tell downstairs. Adjourned by Ross Metcalfe and 2nd by Greg O'Kane.

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

**WANTED!** Villiers powered motorcycles, parts, literature, advertising, projects a 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!

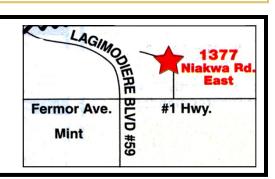
**WANTED:** Toy motorcycles, any age or condition. Tin, lead, cast iron, plastic or rubber, windup, friction, battery operated, etc. Old oil cans, tins, advertising, etc. Harley, Indian, Triumph, etc Craig 669-6047 or kraftycraig@hotmail.com

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