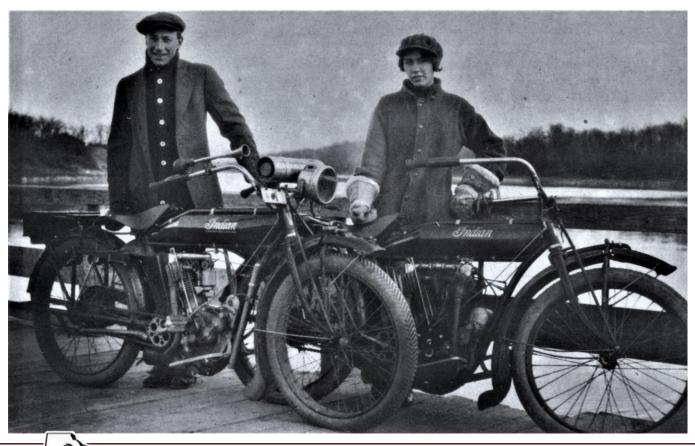


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President's Notes

Happy Fall AMCM Members! Great weather so we are getting some bonus ride time in for the year. Instead of talking about events we hold and bikes we ride, I'd like to take some time to type about our volunteers and volunteering in general! People volunteer for a variety of reasons: a chance to keep busy within a favourite club or group; opportunity to use some skills to help others; personal satisfaction of a job well done, etc. Whatever the reason, many people find volunteering satisfying and fulfilling. In the case of our club, we rely on our volunteers to get stuff done and keep us going – that's how we roll! The fun with our club is that there are lots of different volunteering opportunities, each with different durations and skill sets – so, "something for everyone"!

We have some very special volunteers within the AMCM who dedicate extra time, and/or who have been of service to the club for a lengthy time. "Mike the Book" (Baraschuk) is one of these amazing volunteers. Mike has been a longtime member of our club, and has announced his retirement from the Librarian role – over 20 years taking care of the AMCM's library, regalia and running the meetings' 50/50! WOW – THANK-YOU Mike for your dedication to the job – we really appreciate your time and care in helping all of us!

In November, we hold the annual elections for the AMCM Executive. I am happy to continue for another year in the President's chair – if you'll have me! John Thompson has announced his retirement from the Vice-President's position, and we thank him for his years of service in this role! We are looking for volunteers for this position – the main duties are supporting the executive team, backing up the President at meetings, and comic relief, of course. Kim and Sarah have confirmed that they will continue in the Secretary and Treasurer roles – we're in good hand here folks © Dan Catte has advised that he will take over the helm from Mike as our club Librarian – thanks Dan for stepping forward! Please let me know if you are interested in throwing your hat in the ring as a volunteer for the VP job – or if you are interested in any volunteering tasks!

Thank-you to all of our amazing volunteers – we simply can't do the great things we do in the club without you. We certainly appreciate the hard work, dedication, happy faces and laughs we get with all the things we do!

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Count the old motorcycles on the roadthe others on the roadside Sincerely Yours Siggi Klann

Sadie Grimm: First Canadian Woman Motorcycle Medalist

by Ross Metcalfe Headingley, Manitoba

This Manitoba story is about a remarkable young woman motorcyclist who, in 1914, did something exceptional on two wheels that no man could accomplish. And, for the record, this was two years before women achieved the right to vote.

Manitoba was a hotbed for motorcycle riding and racing in the early 1900s. So much so that the Canadian Motorcycle Racing Championships were held in Winnipeg during the First World War era. There were at least ten dealerships at that time where one could purchase a motorcycle, and approximately 1200 registered motorcycles. The Manitoba Motorcycle Club (MMC) was founded in 1911 to promote the sport of motorcycling. It is the oldest motorcycle club in Canada and is reported to be the fourth oldest in the world).

As the President of the MMC in 2014, I was honoured to represent the club's induction into the Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame. During my acceptance speech, I made reference to the fact that the MMC was way ahead of its time in Canada for recognizing women. In the crowd that night in Edmonton, was Mary Johnson of Winnipeg, who is very instrumental in organizing events for Manitoba women motorcycle riders. Upon hearing the story, she became very interested in who Sadie Grimm was and what she did.

The following summer, on 5 July 2015, the Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba (AMCM), (which amalgamated with the MMC in 2010) organized a Sadie Grimm run out to Hunt's Roadhouse north of Selkirk. Mary was contacted and told that if she would round up woman riders to participate in the event, the club would buy them their meal. Well, not only did she round up a large number of riders, but after lunch, they went on to re-enact the run to Winnipeg Beach, 101 years after Sadie did it on her 1914 Indian V Twin motorcycle.

Another thing Mary did for us was put out the word for people who were interested in doing further research on this mysterious rider. And this is where I would like to introduce you to Dr. Carolyn and Paul Peters, who spent the better part of last year taking what little information I had on Sadie, and tracking down long lost relatives in

rural Manitoba and as far away as California. They are still on the hunt for information but here is what they have garnered thus far.

The 20 June 1914 headline in the motoring section of the *Manitoba Free Press* read "Lady Wins Gold Medal." What made this achievement remarkable is that nineteen-year-old Sadie Mildred Grimm succeeded where many male motorcycle riders before her had failed.

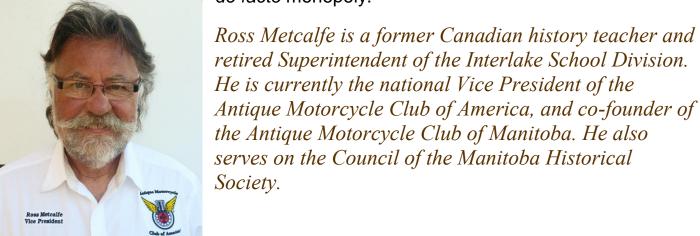
On 5 July 2015, a group of women from the Coalition of Manitoba Motorcycle Groups celebrated the 100th anniversary of this ride. The event was sponsored by the Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba and retraced the route of one of the earliest documented feats of motorcycle tenacity and skill by a woman anywhere in North America. As far as we have been able to determine, Grimm's Gold Medal is the first known motorcycling prize awarded to a woman in a competition open to men. A few years earlier, American Clara Wagner was denied the trophy for winning an endurance race between Indianapolis and Chicago due to her gender.

Back in the winter of 1913–1914, the Manitoba Motorcycle Club had offered a medal to the first motorcyclist to make the trip from Winnipeg to Winnipeg Beach. While this fifty to sixty-mile challenge might seem an odd choice today, it was the perfect fit for the time.

By 1914, Winnipeg Beach had become one of the most desirable travel destinations from Winnipeg with many thousands travelling on as many as 13 trains a day on busy weekends. Dale Barbour's history of Winnipeg Beach, which mentions Sadie Grimm, notes that during its heyday this was claimed to be the most profitable stretch of Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR) track in Canada.

The explosion of automobile and motorcycle ownership was accompanied by a growing dissatisfaction with the lack of serviceable roads and this spilled regularly onto the automotive pages of local newspapers and had become a growing political issue. So while it was the CPR that had made the Beach popular and accessible in the first place, there was a growing resentment that the lack of proper roads gave the railway a

de facto monopoly.



It was reported that there were numerous unsuccessful attempts to make the trip to the Beach with some motorcyclists trying while the ground was frozen. Others tried in the spring break up but found the swamps impossible.

On Sunday morning, 14 June 1914, Sadie Grimm left Winnipeg on her 1914 7-hp Big Twin Indian motorcycle planning the attempt via Selkirk. This bike was Indian's top-of-the-line offering other than an ill-fated limited- production electric-start model. Unknown to Sadie, at least one other motorcyclist was also making an attempt that day.

The Manitoba Free Press described her ride as follows:

"For twenty-five miles she had to break gravel eight inches deep while going thirty miles an hour she took several graceful slides but picked herself up unhurt. From Selkirk to St. Louis (now Petersfield) the road was fair but from then on it was all bog and pot holes. After riding paths and mudholes alternatively, Miss Grimm decided to try the railroad track. This she found very bumpy but much preferable to the continual mudholes interspersed with stumps and roots. In the swampy section, Miss Grimm passed a number of high power cars abandoned in the mud while the owners went hunting (for) teams (of horses). After four hours of solid plugging Miss Grimm registered at the Empress (CPR Hotel) and was told she was the first one to make her way through this season. Miss Grimm, not satisfied with her achievement turned around after a few hours' rest and rode back to the city via Teulon completing one of the most strenuous rides ever attempted by a Manitoba motorcyclist."

Remarkably, she actually accomplished the feat twice the same day by two different routes! It turned out that a motorcyclist with a side-car had run out of gas west of the Beach and arrived several hours too late to claim the prize.

The seventh of eight children, Sadie Grimm was born in Milverton, Ontario in 1895 though the family resided in Gretna, Manitoba at the time. They later moved to St. Francois Xavier before settling at 589 Walker Street in Winnipeg.

We cannot say for sure how a teenaged Sadie acquired a brand new state-of-the-art motorcycle or the required skills. It is interesting that she was pictured in the *Free Press* wearing Indian apparel but it seems unlikely that she would have received factory sponsorship.

We do know that she had caught the eye of future husband James Roland "Jim" Cruikshank. Jim was a well- known amateur motorcycle racer having participated in a number of advertised competitions including a 1st of July event in 1911 at the Portage

Races as a teenager. By 1913, he had opened up an Indian Motorcycle repair shop on Main Street in Winnipeg across from what at that time were the newly built Yale and Northern hotels. In August 1914, Jim would participate in the most famous motorcycle meet ever held in Manitoba. The City of Winnipeg declared a holiday for the three-day Dominion of Canada Motorcycle Championships which included factory racers from the United States and several future Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame inductees. Jim would come second to Wild Bill Pelham in the 5-mile 7-hp sidecar event. There is no record of who was in Jim's sidecar.

The unusual nature and challenge of women riding motorcycles in this period is underscored by the Van Buren sisters' experience when they were arrested for wearing men's clothing on their famous 1916 U.S. transcontinental ride. The year 1914 was a watershed for women's rights in Manitoba including the Nellie McClung-led mock parliament at the Walker Theatre that confronted premier Roblin's statements on the prospect of women voting. The papers of the day included numerous articles on the evolving role and accomplishments of women.

Sadie's novel achievement made her an obvious choice as a spokesperson on the participation of women in motorcycling. Her 25 July 1914 interview in the *Winnipeg Tribune* pays little attention to social convention and boldly promotes motorcycling as recommended for the well-being of women:

"My trips on a motorcycle have been one long list of pleasures. In the first place, the motorcycle is a great teacher ... it teaches (one) to be more independent on herself, to know that with a twist of the wrist she can control the powerful little machine that will carry her swiftly and safely wherever she wants to go. I don't think anyone could recommend a better doctor than nature— plenty of fresh air and exercise are the greatest health givers ... On the two-wheeler, one can take a spin into the country after working hours in the evening or early in the morning and Sundays and holidays can be spent entirely out of doors."

Sadie and Jim were married on 9 September 1914 at her family's home. With the outbreak of the First World War, Jim volunteered for overseas service where he would join the newly formed Royal Air Force as a mechanic. They started a family immediately after Jim returned, with their only child Dorothy being born in 1920.

The trail on Sadie's two-wheeled adventures runs cold after the war. A great-niece has described Sadie as a pistol but had no knowledge of her motorcycling past. The Cruikshank family's involvement in motorcycling included Jim's older brother Charles Gordon Cruikshank who was identified as one of two officials struck—but unhurt—by a motorcycle that had left the track at the August 1914 championships. We also know that Jim later ran an electric engine repair business in Brandon.

Daughter Dorothy passed away in 1981 after moving to California with her husband

Ken Taylor and two sons. It would be interesting if Sadie's grandsons, great-grandchildren or any other members of the Grimm and Cruikshank families have possession of the Gold Medal or other pictures and anecdotes that would help colour this story.

Sadie quietly passed in 1970. But on one day late in the spring of 1914, she did something spectacular that no one had done before her. And she did it twice!

A photograph accompanying this article is a picture of Sadie and her husband, which many believe might be them making a crossing on the Headingley ferry. Many folks don't realize that not only were horse races held where the Headingley Recreational Centre is today but also highly competitive motorcycle races. So were they crossing the river to attend a race or just out for a ride?

There has been an upswell of support to formally record Sadie's accomplishment. The first Sadie Grimm historic motorcycle ride to Winnipeg Beach was held on Sunday, 11 June 2017. It also served as a fundraiser toward building a Sadie Grimm picnic shelter at the Beach. One of the interesting facts is that Carolyn and Paul have tracked down Sadie's grandson, who lives in California and turns out to be an avid motorcyclist. He

flew in and rode a brand new Indian motorcycle on the run.

PARKING
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Ross Metcalfe

A 1913 Indian motorcycle, similar to the one ridden by Sadie Grimm, belonging to the author on display at the Winnipeg Police Museum.

Notes I want to thank Carolyn and Paul for all the hard work they have done and are still doing to tell Sadie's story. They are currently putting nomination papers together to have Sadie inducted into the Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame.



Congratulations

Bonneville Utah, Another motorcycle speed record for Ted Hector and Gary Macdonald. Vintage APS VF 1650cc record holder, <u>124.75 MPH</u> is killer fast on a 1942 UL 80" Harley



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ODE TO A VINCENT

Said Red Molly to James "that's a fine motorcycle.

A girl on the pillion could really feel special"

Said James to Red Molly "well my hat's off to you.

It's a Vincent Black Lightning---- made in '52.

I've seen you at the corners and café's, it seems.

Red hair and black leather, my favourite colour schemes"

Then James pulled Red Molly up on behind,

And off the pair roared, true love to find.

Said James to Red Molly, "here's a ring for your left hand.

But I tell you in earnest, I'm a real dangerous man.

I've fought with the law since I was seventeen,

I've robbed many a man for my Vincent machine.

Now I'm 21 years old---- might make 22.

I don't mind dying, but for the love of you.

But if the finger of fate should break my stride,

Then dear Molly, I'll give you my Vincent to ride"

"Come down!, Come down! Red Molly", called Sergeant McLearey.

"They've accosted your James for armed robbery.

A shotgun blast to his chest left nothing inside.

Oh, come on down Red Molly, to his bedside."

When she got to the hospital there wasn't much left.

He was running out of road- - - He was running out of breath.

But he smiled up at her as she stood at his side---

And said, "My sweet Red Molly, I'll give you my Vincent to ride"

Molly leaned close, to hear his last words.

His voice was weak like the twitter of birds.

Says James "in my opinion there's nothing in this world,

Beats a '52 Vincent and a red-headed girl!"

"Now Nortons and Indians and Triumphs won't do,

They don't have a soul like a Vincent '52!".

He reached for her hand and slipped her the keys.

His dying breath he said "I've no use for these".

"I see Angels on Ariels in leather and chrome,

Swooping down from Heaven to carry me home"

He gave her one last kiss as he died,

And he gave her his '52 Vincent to ride.



(Author unknown)

Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba August 29, 2017 – MINUTES 7:30 pm, Harley-Davidson of Winnipeg

1) President's Report – meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

- a) 57 attendees, 42 bikes!
- b) Received \$1,000 for the AMCM and \$1,000 for the MMC from the Joe Sawtus Estate. We will restore the MMC trophies with this donation, and will consider other options
- c) The AMCM did very well at the August South Beach Casino Show n Shine. Well over 1,000 bikes attended and 3 of our members took first in their categories! Check out the www.amcm.ca for the results and some pictures ©
- d) The 41st annual Corn Roast was another wonderful success. The weather was a bit dull, but the crowd sure wasn't. Thoughts of having a slalom for games turned into a skills show-off: Prez-Rick manoeuvered a modern chopper through the slalom while JT took his looong AJS through the pylons. WOW we have some great riders in our midst! There is a super video on the website have a look-see!
- e) Tonight's meeting was very short as we were invited to David Pritchard's shop to view the collection! Thanks David for hosting us what a fun time!
- f) Regular meeting, September 26th

Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba September 26, 2017 - MINUTES

7:30 pm, Harley-Davidson of Winnipeg

2) President's Report – meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

- a) 48 attendees, 1 bike, and 1 special interest!
- b) Guests: Jim, Wayne and CC welcome!
- c) Mystery part provided by David Pritchard is a 1" lever perch for an early Norton (or anything else that needs a 1" lever perch!!!)

3) Vice-President's Report – JT

a) JT is retiring from the VP position and is looking for someone to bring new blood to the Exec. THANKS JT for your time on the executive! \odot

4) Treasurer's report – Sarah:

a) \$11,481 in the bank with \$1,100 in cheques outstanding to be cleared

5) Secretary's Report - Kim:

- a) 137 members!
- b) Survey Results in general details will be provided in the newsletter

6) 2018 Rally Update - Clarence:

a) Survey Results for the Rally – details will be provided in the newsletter, however here are the highlights:

- i) We will hold the Rally in Carman June 22-24, 2018
- ii) We would like some input into the parade ideas what do you think? What would be better? We welcome any and all feedback to help make this rally a great event
- iii)There was general positive feedback that the attendance of the marquee (Moto Guzzi) was excellent we should try for something the same for Yamaha (the 2018 marquee)
- iv) We will go for the whole campground for 2018 as it is important for the club to have privacy and security
- v) Next year, we will take a poll for the menu, and also for the t-shirt design.
- vi) We are open to any suggestions and ideas for the 2019 Rally!
- vii) Clarence has explored Selkirk area for the Rally there is a huge campground, with mostly seasonal sites booked (30 sites to the public), there are some halls which are pricey. A good thing is that we would have access to the waterfront for the show n shine and parade. There may be the option of having a separate section for the AMCM group only.
- viii) There was discussion about having the Rally during some time in August or perhaps in July unsure whether we can book the campground. Should we change this for 2019? We want your thoughts!
- ix) Morris? Beausejour? St. Adolphe? St. Norbert? Teulon?

7) Roster Update – Mark Baribeau

- a) GREAT feedback on the roster thank-you Mark!
- b) New membership form will be ready for the October meeting, including the special skills and interest section and folks will be asked to send in the pictures they would like!

8) Newsletter update - Raymond:

a) Please submit your stories, and it is great if you want to send some pictures of you and your bike from years past!

9) WebMaster report – Greg Hygaard:

- a) Please contact Greg directly should you wish to have a copy of the Rally pictures.
- b) Posting coming of a Sadie Grimm article from the Manitoba History magazine

 and she will be going into the Canadian Motorcycle Hall of Fame! Next
 year's ride is June 10th.

10) Librarian and Regalia Report: Mike the Book:

- a) New book on loan for the library from Robert Cuban Harleys
- b) Badges, Gatsby caps, 50/50, Rally t-shirts are at \$15!
- c) We will order a dozen baseball style caps
- d) Other regalia is available for folks Kim will send around the current order form once it is confirmed with Terence!

- e) Remember that Mike the Book is retiring and Dan Catte is taking this on.
 There will be some magazines coming up for auction stay tuned!
- f) Idea to publish a catalog of items available and make that available on the website
- g) Dan will bring a case of magazines to place down for folks to review when he has Tech Night.

11) Tech Night Update-Dan

- a) Dan will continue with the 2017-18 season of Tech Night.
- b) The intent is to share the knowledge of the club members
- c) We should be able to document what we do this speaks well to the skills inventory for the roster
- d) The expectation is to start in November with some topics in the hopper for this season: fuel tanks and rust – what's worth saving, what's not?; tank lining; bench testing coils and plug wires; seat restoration; electronic ignition upgrades

12) MMC Dunlop Trophy Update – Ross Metcalfe and David Pritchard

- a) Wood is done waiting on the House of Silver to complete!
- b) \$2000 donation received from Joe Sawtus estate will cover the costs. Do we have other suggestions for this donation?

13) The Fishing Trip – Saturday, September 2 update – Chas & Tom

- a) Weather was great about 24 bikes and peeps participated
- b) Ploughed fish & chips and then on to the Viking for the picture.
- c) Had a great visit to a water bomber (Don's friend Reg) photo ops and great info.
- d) \$1,165 raised for Spina Bifida
- e) 8 bikes/folks went to JT's for coffee and a tour of the shop

14) Marion Show n Shine

- a) Many winners from the club stole the show in Foreign and Old Skool Choppa
- b) Joe Friesen has placed a video on the amcm.ca website thanks Joe!

15) Tiddler Run

- a) Saturday, September 9th at Kim and Rick's 30+ people and 20+ bikes with a ride to Selkirk Waterfront for the photo op. "A few stops were made along the way and back": D Darn those Tiddlers they got attitude for such small fish!
- b) The coveted Tiddler Run wine was a hit again, such a "good week" leftover wine was sold out at \$10 per bottle

16) Teulon Ride-in Rally – Update David Ledochowski

a) Was held on Sept 9th – closed down a part of the street, bike displays and games. There were 120 bikes there!

- b) Raises funds for project New Hope Canada which supports Canadian Military Families.
- c) Propose that this become an AMCM sanctioned ride David will advise on the 2018 date.

17) Gentlemen's Ride Update - Tom Phillips

- a) This year's ride scheduled for September 24th was postponed due to inclement weather, however it does sound like a great fit for the club! There is the website should you wish to ride this Sunday as the makeup date. https://www.gentlemansride.com/rides/canada/winnipeg
- b) Limited to classic, bobbers, café racers according to the website, but they don't seem too fussy on this! Attendees dress up as a "gentle-person" and enjoy!
- c) Fund raiser for prostate cancer and male suicide prevention part of Movember
- d) Goes from Unicity to Lockport
- e) Open to the ladies as well!
- f) We will get this added to the 2018 sanctioned ride schedule.

18) ANY NEW BUSINESS?:

- a) Steak & Spud night for Spina Bifida and for Evan's needs directly, Saturday, October 21 at Rock's Grill tickets are \$25 each for a steak dinner, silent auction as well, and available from Chas and Tommy.
- b) Update from the HD Winnipeg Hotrods and Harleys. Crappy weather but a few members showed up to support the event. Mike's Puch took 1st and Don's Yammie took 2nd! Awesome!
- c) Keith chatted about his 1910'ish Flanders bike that is really rough...but Keith is getting this together, including digging in the former owner's yard to find bits and pieces that were well in the ground! © ASK people what they have... Ya never know where you can find this stuff!

19) Upcoming Events:

- a) October 31 meeting. HD Winnipeg 7:30 pm, need a Rusted Restoration door prize for the best costume!
- b) November 28 meeting. HD Winnipeg. Election Night, need a Rusted Restoration
- c) December-no regular meeting. Holiday dinner Tuesday, December 12th Pony Corral on Grant, 5:30pm, dinner @ 6:30pm.
- d) January 30th movie night at Keith Blais's "Save the Rust Museum" IT'S AWESOME Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Coffee meeting place is the Tim Horton's on Fermor after the meeting.

The 2017 AMCM Regalia flyer is out - here's your chance to be stylin' at AMCM meetings and events! We will email copies to the membership and have a few printed versions at the Oct 31st meeting. All prices within the regalia flyer include taxes. Please email or call Kim (pirates.pearl@gmail.com 204-471-5465) to advise of what you would like from the flyer. We will place a group order mid-November so that items can be received before XMas. Note that we will be ordering some ballcaps for stock, and hope to have those for the November meeting.

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Here are the results of the club survey.

Did you attend the 2017 Bison Rally?: 40 responses, 20 attended rally, 20 did not attend

How would you rate the location of Carman, MB for the Rally?: 30 responses.

13 - excellent, 13 - good, 4 - fair

Comments:

- Campground is good, show & shine location & parade route leave a ton to be
 desired (not as good as Niverville was). Would be nice if the show & shine could be
 in the parking lot of an area business and the parade could be a parade instead of a
 ride through town.
- The facility's were excellent and the food was tasty as well.
- The campground and events building were very good but it is too far from Winnipeg. Not enough attendance because of this. Yes, it was raining but no one or almost no one from the town of Carmen came out for the parade and show.
- Great distance for a bit of a ride to get there and an excellent campground and facilities.

How would you rate your overall experience at this year's Rally?: 21 responses

11 - excellent, 8 - good, 2 - fair

Comments:

- Very well-organized, excellent catering and a great opportunity to socialize with people in the club.
- -food was excellent -games (and location) were fantastic -liked that the motoguzzi
 dealership came out and offered test drives -silent auction prizes were great (as usual)
 -weather could have been better -the "watch" auction was entertaining and for a worthy
 cause
- Weather was bad (again) and attendance was poor. Cost when you include camping is a lot more than past rallies.
- Good time was apparently had by all. The new location for the games was perfect.
- Please provide your comments around anything to do with the 2017 Rally...including anything that the Committee could do that would encourage you to attend the 2018 Rally! – 23 responded
- I have only been a member for a few months but I like the way the club is run and the members are frendly and knowledgeable with their brand of choice.
- Rather ride than shine. Games are good.
- The food was good, but didn't seem as good as last year. It might be worth it to look into other caterers.

- Come hell or high water, I intend to make it out again next year. Just keep doing the same.
- As it has been said, the MC games were well done and the set up near the camp grounds worked very well.
- -nice that the price was the same as last year -the Saturday "spouse" category was a nice touch -good participation from the moto guzzi owners
- Cost of booking the entire campground is expensive. Would it be possible to book the whole campground for only the Saturday night and book 1/2 the campground (so our sites can be together) for the weekend. I don't know anyone that would book a campsite for a Friday if they couldn't get one on the Saturday (and there was a seasonal camper so we didn't have the whole campground anyway). It would be hard to give up the facility in Carmen to go back to Niverville. In Carman I feel like a customer, in Niverville it had a better feel to the parade down the main drag, to the show & shine in the credit union parking lot. In Niverville the show & shine drew people from the town and bikes riding from Winnipeg and the surrounding communities. You also can go for a walk or get a bite to eat, where in Carmen there is nothing around it.
- Overall the experience was enjoyable. The food, games and show were great. I'd
 suggest renting 1/2 the campground next year as I can't see it being very busy so we'd
 most likely have it all anyway. The location for the games was an improvement as well,
 closer is better and I feel more people participated. I can't see a reason why I wouldn't
 attend the 2018 rally.
- I hope to attend the 2018 Rally but hope the location can be changed to a site closer to Winnipeg.
- Tom here. On my bucket list was the CVMG Paris National Rally, same time as the Bison. Got to go first time this year, admittedly only on the Saturday. I was very disappointed. Just a glorified swap meet! Only about 15 bikes on Show n'Shine! Rest of the huge hall empty. Other halls empty too. No demonstrations or seminars. They say attendance was 900+ Bear in mind that the CVMG has 2500 members with nearly all the sections close to Paris ON. I didn't see many apart from those browsing the flea market. We can be proud of our small, activity-packed, friendly, Bison Rally. At one of the early Niverville rallies we had a static display of exotic classics in the arena hall. This went down very well. I persuaded Atilla to bring his Nimbus Four and Jawa race bike. John't had his AJS 7R racer there and Dave P had his Manx Norton with a few others as well. They have the classics but just have to be persuaded. to make the effort. I know another founder member that has a Scott Squirrel and vintage Indians that haven't seen the light of day for decades! Many other interesting, rare classics in the club that very few members have ever seen.
- I think the campground location works well because we have all the spots booked (well, almost, this year). I know the club has taken a bit of a loss both this year and last (weather??) but I still think we need to reserve the entire campground. Maybe the idea could be floated about increasing the camping fees by a small margin to help alleviate this.

Please provide any comments to the Executive around anything to do with AMCM, including any events we should add or change! 11 responses

Comments:

- A great job is done by some dedicated folks.
- I love this club
- you guys do good work
- Many "no comments"

Would you like to see the AMCM have a booth and display of membership motorcycles at the "World of Wheels/Cyclerama" in March 2018? Please add any comments on this topic. – 38 responses

36-yes, 2-no

Comments:

- it would be ad ideal location to prompt the club and it's aims.
- count on me as a volunteer again next year
- I think its a good idea as long as there are volunteers for the booth.
- If looking to increase membership.
- No such thing as too much exposure.
- If we can afford it, might be a good idea
- Have a public presence.
- A great way to raise awareness about the club.
- ..but we shouldn't have to pay to be there.
- If possible we should include both expensive and in-expensive bikes so that we can show that you don't need a lot of money to own an antique motorcycle.
- A very good way to advertise the AMCM especially if there are some choice ,exotic, classics on display. Our members have them. Encourage them to display them.
- Did we gain any members from it? If not, is it worth the effort? (Editor note 2 signed up at the show...possibly others afterward, hard to know if they saw us at the show then joined!)
- Is there any possibility of a "bulk" rate for the club as an incentive for those members that think the \$50 or \$60/bike is a deterrent to entering. Maybe a reduced flat rate for say 20 bikes? or 25? or 30? We had a nice representative display this year but there are a LOT of great members' bikes that weren't there.

Don't mess with seniors.



A retired older couple returned to a Honda dealership where the salesman has just sold the Goldwing Trike they had been interested in to a beautiful, leggy, busty blonde in a mini skirt and a halter top. The old man was visibly upset. He spoke to the salesman sharply, "Young man, I thought you said you would hold that bike till we raised the \$26,000 asking price, yet I just overheard you closed the deal for \$20,000 to the lovely young lady there. And if I remember right, you had insisted there was no way you could discount this model. The salesman took a deep breath, cleared his throat and reached for a large glass of water. "Well, what can I tell you? She had the cash ready, didn't need any financing help, and, Sir, just look at her, how could I resist?", replied the grinning salesman sheepishly.

Just then the young woman approached the senior couple and gave the bike keys to the old man.

"There you go," she said. "I told you I could get that idiot to lower the price. See you later Dad, Happy Father's day."

Once again.... don't mess with seniors.

Blast from the Past

MOTORCYCLES MATTERS

by Bert Bently

To continue with my series of articles on four cylinder machines, I thought you might be interested in the following specifications of two machines produced for the 1912 model year and which were shown at the Chicago Motorcycle Show of 1911.

Henderson- Built by HENDERSON

motorcycle Co. Detroit, L model

Specifications: Seven horsepower

four Cylinder Motor,

Henderson 2 ½ X 3 Piston

Displacement 58.90 cu. in. Valves,

Mechanical; Lubrication, gravity sight

feed

Carburetor, Breeze

Ignition, Brosch Magneto

Clutch,- Eclipse multiple disc

Drive- Bevel gears and enclosed roller

chain

Control motor, double gripclutch,

hand-lever Brake, pedals

Motor starter- folding hand crank

Brakes- one expanding band

Frame-rigid

Wheelbase-65inches

Fork single cartridge plunger springs

Wheels 26 X 2 ½ in. Tires US

Tank Capacity Gasoline 2 1/4 Gal.

Oil-1/2 gal.

Muffler Cut out

No stand acting on rear wheel

Saddle-Troxel

Standard colours Black with red and

gold striping

Weight 250 pounds

Foot boards no pedaling cranks.

Price \$325.00

PIERCE- Built by Pierce Cycle Co.,

Buffalo, N.Y.

Four Models

Specifications: Five horsepower,

single cylinder 12A-

Motor = Pierce, $3\frac{1}{2}$ X3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Piston Displacement- 36.08 cu. In.

Valves-mechanical

Lubrication-handpump-

Carburetor-Breeze

Ignition-Herz magneto

Clutch -none

Drive-flat belt with hand idler

Control-motor double grip-Idler

Hand lever-brake -pedal

Brakes- one-Cortin band

Frame-rigid

Wheelbase-54 in.

Ford hygenic cartridge cushion

Wheels 28X2 ½ in.

Tires U.S.

Tank Capacity-gasoline 7 quarts

-Oil 5 pints

Muffler Cut-Out yes

Stand-acting on rear wheel

Saddle- Mesinger

Weight- 180 pounds

Standard colours- Black carmine or

Royal Red

Price \$250

Specifications

Five horsepoque single cylinder 12C-Duplicarte if the 12B single except in the following specs.
Clutch- Eclipse multiple disc Drive V belt
Control-clutch-Hand lever
PRICE- \$265.00

Specifications

Six and one half horsepower four cylinder Duplicate of the 12A single except MOTOR- Pierce 2 7/16 X 2 1/4 in. Piston Displacement 42 cu. In. Lubrication mechanical pump Clutch Pierce multiple disc Drive enclosed shaft through spur and bevel gears Hand lever brakes Hand latch and pedal Brakes tow corbin coaster band and Pierce contracting band Frame rigid Wheelbase 60 in. Muffler Cut-Out No Price \$400.00

The 1913 show included the Henderson and the 1914 model is detailed below.

Specifications:

Eight horsepower, four-cylinder, bore and stroke 2 5/8 X 3 in.
Mechanical valves,
Schelber carb.
Sight feed splash lubrication
Splitdorf magneto
Crank starter chain drive
Eclipse clutch

Grip throttle and spark control
U-shaped bars with brace
Cradle type frame
Triple stem fork
External band brake with double control
Aluminum footboards
Drop sides mudguards
3in. tires
persons saddle
wheelbase 65 in.
weight 295 pounds
Metal tool container with full
equipment
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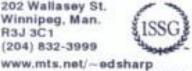
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2017-18 Events

CONFIRMED AMCM ACTIVITIES for Vintage Plate use -CAVP

October 21/17 There is a Steak & Spud night for Spina Bifida – and for Evan's needs directly, Saturday, at the Rock's Grill in Morden – tickets are \$25 each for a steak dinner and available from Chas or Tommy. There is a silent auction as well.

CAVP Oct 27/17 - Club Garage Hop leaving from Tim Horton's on North Main Street

CAVP Oct 28/17 - President's Lunch Run leaving from Tim Horton's on North Main Street

CAVP Oct 29/17 - Motorcycle Display at the Pony Coral on Grant Avenue

CAVP Oct 31/17 – AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm HD Winnipeg, Niakwa Road.

CAVP Nov 28, 2017 – AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm HD Winnipeg, Niakwa Road.

December 12/17 – Tuesday Holiday dinner Pony Corral on Grant, 5:30pm, dinner @ 6:30pm.

January 30/2018 – movie night at Keith Blais's "Save the Rust Museum" – IT'S AWESOME

Feb 27/18 AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm HD Winnipeg, Niakwa Road.

March 16-18/2018 Winnipeg Cyclerama

March 27/18 **AMCM Meeting,** 7:30pm HD Winnipeg, Niakwa Road.should be the annual auction night.. Get you things together to sell...

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MY BIKEIT LIST IS
A MILE LONG.