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Elle Presidente Notes February 2020 Hey AMCM!

Here we are on the short side of winter and on our way to spring. Based on the flood forecasts in the Dakotas and what we know of the saturated land around us now, let's hope for a dry and moderate temp spring.

Flooding doesn't work for any of us, and of course, I am also thinking of the Rally grounds at Ste. Agathe! Slow and steady will win this race.

Thanks to those who have completed the online survey sent out at the end of January. To date, we have 42 responses with lots of helpful and encouraging comments. Please submit your responses before the February 25th meeting, as I'd like to provide an update then! Any and all comments and feedback are welcome and encouraged.

And...because of comments in that survey, "you asked and we listened"! We will be providing a more detailed financial update for the AMCM at each meeting, and also an annual statement. This gives all of us a better perspective on the club's financial health, costs for all events, donations made, etc. Treasurer Sarah is putting the details together for us, which we will share Feb 25th.

And again, with comments from the survey, we will hold the annual AMCM auction in the April meeting. The request was to hold this when the "snowbird" members have returned to sunny Manitoba! Sounds like a great plan, so start gathering up the items you wish to sell at the April meeting ☺

We have some more exciting activities starting this year, such as the AMCM member interviews. The plan is to interview "the person behind the motorcycles". This is different than the Rusted Restorations where the focus is on the bike, and gives us insight into the person and their love of motorcycles: how did it start; when did it start; what machine; favourite bike – you get the drift. We'll chat more about this at the February meeting so we have a good idea of how this will all work!

Looking forward to my first full AMCM meeting as President – thank-you again for your support. Please reach out to me @ pirates.pearl@gmail.com or 204-471-5465

Cheers – Kim ☺ *More smiles per hour*

What's Happening

There won't be any meeting minutes in this newsletter because there were no official meetings in the last two months, but there were

happenings. December had the annual Xmas get together, which was covered in the last newsletter, and January had the Annual Film Night, which never disappoints. We are blessed with the generosity of Keith Blais to welcome us into his home and show us his wonderful collection. Due to the nice weather

we has an excellent turn out. I think there were over 60 members and guests in attendance. As soon as you enter his Save the Rust Museum your jaw

is on the floor.

There is something new,

uhh, old in every corner





If you missed it maybe you will have a chance to see it next year.

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Tech Night at Moto 49

Tech nights at Moto 49 are just roaring along. There has been a tech night on the last three Tuesdays. Both engines have been dismantled with cleaning and rebuilding plans underway.



Please note...Tech nights are not just for these projects. If you have Something to repair, rebuild, or ???, Just bring it down..

Do You Know AMCM Bert Bentley Trophy Winners

First awarded by Bert at the Tin Lizzy Car Museum where the AMCM put on their first judging event. Bert presented the trophy to:

- 1999 - Geoff Doherty - 1957 Royal Enfield
- 2000 – Scott Best – 1950 Harley Davidson Servi-car
- 2001 – Tibor Nemeth – 1968 Ducati Scrambler
- 2002 – Marvin Cooper – 1967 BMW with Sidecar
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- 2004 – Cory Metcalfe – 1942 Harley WLC
- 2005 – Richard Gibbings – 1947 Indian Chief
- 2006 – Dave Bjornson – 1950 Indian Chief
- 2007 – David Pritchard – 1923 AJS B3TT
- 2008 – David Pritchard – 1949 Norton International
- 2009 – John Thompson – 1949 Norton Manx
- 2010 – John Thompson – 1961 AJS 7R
- 2011 – David Gray – 1927 Henderson Four
- 2012 – David Pritchard – 1940 Indian Four
- 2013 – John Thompson – 1949 Norton Manx
- 2014 – Tom Hesom – 1954 ASJ MODEL 20
- 2015 – David Pritchard – 1921 Indian Power Plus with Sidecar
- 2016 – Dave Bjornson – 1928 Indian Chief
- 2017 – Tony Medernach – 1928 Henderson Four
- 2018 – Tony Medernach – 1911 Harley Single
- 2019 – Ross Metcalfe – 1943 Harley WLC with Sidecar



“SOUTHERN CONTINGENT” GARAGE TOUR

Six members of the AMCM’s Southern Contingent (Morden and Winkler) got together mid February for a Garage/Workshop Tour of local shops. Starting in Chas’ shop in Morden, we saw the “off-season” thorough

maintenance and TLC he is doing on his trusty 1975 R90 BMW (over 340,000 miles!), and the overhaul on yet another 1978 R100 BMW he has just purchased.

Then on to Tom’s basement in Winkler to see the final stages of the complete “ground up” restoration he is doing on a 1952 BSA A10 Golden Flash. This is the very same year and model as his first motorcycle some 65 years ago,



so lots of nostalgia here.

Then to a lovely Restaurant in town called “Twisters” for lunch. Decorated in 1960’s style with a huge collection of 60’s model cars and



period pictures of Elvis

and The Beatles on the walls, it was complete with a Juke Box which I believe still plays 78 rpm records.

Then on to Irvin’s lovely heated outdoor shop to view his growing collection of classic motorcycles, including his latest; a 600cc big



Honda step-through Scooter!

We finished up in Howard Ginter's basement



shop in Winkler, where he is doing a splendid job of a full restoration of a 1967



Triumph Bonneville. Howard is new to the game and we are trying to encourage him and his friend Bob Peters to become the latest new members of the AMCM. I do believe we have succeeded and you will see them at meetings soon. Bob is looking for a project now too, so if anyone has something he has perhaps started and realized he will never finish, here is your opportunity to get another prospective member hooked!



Buy with confidence, own with pride.

If you value your hide you'll ride an old motorcycle

Count the old motorcycles on the road-
the others on the roadside

Sincerely Yours
Siggi Klan

Now some Poetry



**BISON RALLY'S in July, and its just fine,
to start thinking and planning, to attend this time.**

**It's our biggest event and if you don't tent,
just come for a day, it will be time worth spent.**

**We're talking of course to those who never come,
and hoping to shame you into taking a run,
to the 2020 BISON RALLY, AND JOIN IN THE FUN!**

the "Poet Laureate"

Do you know where they were or are made.....

Aermacchi- - Veresse, Italy

ACE- - Philadelphia, USA

Ambassador- - Berkshire,
England

Aprilla- - Lazio, Italy

Ariel- - Selly Oak, South
Birmingham, England

AJS & Matchless- - Originally
Woolwich then Plumstead,
England

Benelli- - Pesara, Itali

BSA- - Small Heath, Birmingham,
England

BMW- - Munich, Bavaria,
Germany

Brough Superior- - Haydn Road,
Nottingham, England

Buell- - Milwaukee, Wisconsin,
USA

Bultaco- - Barcelona, Spain

Can-Am- - Quebec, Canada

Cotton- - Gloucester, England

Cushman- - Lincoln, Nebraska,
USA

DKW - - Zschopau, Saxony,
Germany

Douglas- - Kingswood, Bristol,
England

Ducati- - Bologna, Italy

Excelsior (US Excelsior) Chicago,
Illinois, USA

Excelsior (British Excelsior)- -
Coventry, England

Francis-Barnett- - Coventry,
England

FN- - Herstal, Belgium

Greeves—Essex, England

Gilera- - Brescia, Itali

Harley Davidson- - Milwaukee,
Wisconsin, USA

Henderson- - Detroit, USA

Honda- - Hamamatsu, Shizuoka,
Japan

Humber- - Coventry, England

Husquavarna- - Huskvarn,
Sweden

Indian- - Springfield,
Massachusetts, USA

James- - Gouch Road, Greet,
Birmingham, England

Jawa - -Prague, Czechoslovakia

Kawasaki- - Iwata, Shizuoka, Japan

Lambretta- - Milan, Italy

Laverda- - Breganze and then
Zane, Italy

Levis- - Birmingham, England

Matchless- - Plumstead, England

Moto Guzzi- - Mandello del Lario,
Italy

Moto Morini- - Bologna, Italy

Mondial- - Milan, Italy

Montesa- - Barcelona, Spain

MV Augusta - -Milan, Italy

Nimbus- - Copenhagen, Denmark

Norman- - Kent, England

Norton- - Bracebridge Street,
Birmingham, England

NSU - - Neckarsulm, Germany

Panther- - Clerkheaton,
Yorkshire, England

Puch - - Graz, Austria

Rickman Engineering Co, New
Milton, Hants, England

Royal Enfield- - Redditch,
Worcestershire, England

Rudge- - Wolverhampton,
England

Sunbeam- - London, England

Scott- - Bradford, Yorkshire,
England

Suzuki- - Minami-ku, Hamamatsu,
Japan

Thor- - Aurora, Illinois, USA

Triumph- - Coventry then
Meriden, England

Ural- - Irbit, Siberian Steppes,
Ural Mountains, Russia

Vespa- - Pontedera, Italy

Velocette- - Hall Greene,
Birmingham, England

Victory- - Spirit Lake, Iowa, USA

Villiers- - Wolverhampton,
England

Vincent- - Stevenage, England

Whizzer- - Los Angeles, USA

Yamaha- - Iwata, Shizuoka, Japan

Zenith- - London, England

Zundapp- - Nuremberg, Germany

Sadly we have lost a sister.



SUSAN LYNN BETHUNE

Hi AMCM - sad to report that Susan Bethune, daughter-in-law of members John and Pat Choquette, passed away Sunday, December 29th.

Many of you would know of Susan as Jamie's wife and a friend to the AMCM who tirelessly helped out with the

annual AMCM Corn Roast at John & Pat's. She will be missed.

RAGS TO RICHES

By Tom Hesom

Next to Wrenches, screwdrivers and pliers, probably the most important and essential commodity in a workshop are **RAGS**. Very few jobs, especially on old classic motorcycle restoration projects, can be done comfortably without rags. Greasy old parts and casings need to be wiped off after washing in Varsol and shiny new paintwork needs to be polished with soft cloth, not to mention greasy hands wiped. Even arms and face after the buffing wheel!

In days gone by old babies towling cloth “nappies” called diapers in Canada, were ideal rags for my workshop when discarded for new ones. With our four boys who seemed to poop in great volume, I was kept in rags for my shop for many years!

The advent of the one-use discard “pull-up” diaper did a huge disservice to our workshops!

Old bed sheets are also ideal when torn and discarded and cut into nice work sizes. I have been known to speed the discard process along a bit by getting my big toe into a small hole and surreptitiously ripping it enough for it to be thrown out at the next bed linen change! The thicker flannel winter sheets make excellent polishing rags but are slightly harder to rip with the big toe!

The best soft polishing rags are the wife’s old winter pajamas! These are more of a problem though to get her to toss them for new ones! She tends to grow attached to them and no amount of cajoling will tempt her to let me have them for rags, even if I buy her new ones! I did manage once to get a very old pair of lovely fluffy ones to cut up for rags, but couldn’t bring myself to use the piece for greasy hands that had “Kiss Me Quick” printed on it!

AMCM/MMC Trivia

Who was the MMC Mascot in the 1940s and 50s

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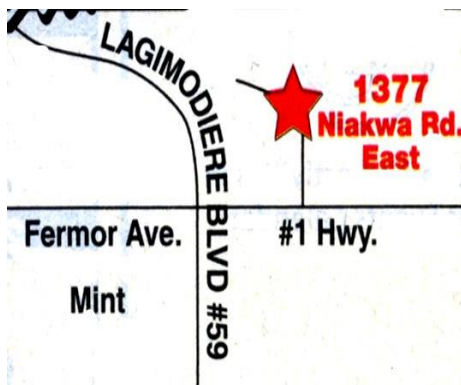
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2020 Events

ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF MANITOBA INC (est. 1977)
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February 11th, Tech Night: 7:00pm at Moto 49 615 Mission Street Unit 17 We will be splitting the case on Dan's CR125 to assess the bearings, crank, and transmission. The crank has been pressed out of the EVO motor and will be cleaning it.

February 21-23/20 -1st Annual V-TWIN SIN BIKE SHOW
@ RBC Convention Centre

February 25/20 – AMCM Meeting, 7:30 meeting will be held at Jim's Garage in Headingly.

March 21/20-Bond Slaves Swapmeet 48 Holland Rd.

March 27-29/20 -The World of Wheels Cyclorama.

March 31/20 – AMCM Meeting, 7:30 To be announced.

April 24th & 25th--The Growler Motorcycle Show. .
300 Ross Ave Registration is Free and includes a weekend pass which includes access to concerts (both nights), LBG beer, art show, live pinstriping, merch stand, and Moto 49 coffee bar.

April 28/20 – AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm

May 28/20– AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm

June 4/20– SALT Documentary Film Premiere “Speed, Heat, and Hope at Bonneville”
7 PM Park Theatre, 698 Osborne St, Winnipeg, MB

June 30/20 – AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm

July 3-5/20-The Annual Bison Rally

July 28/20– AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm

August 25/20– AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm

September 29/20– AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm



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October 27/20– AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm

November 24/20– AMCM Meeting, 7:30pm

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I know we haven't solved the last mystery member but here is another one just to keep you busy.

