

## MINUTES

MINUTES of a meeting of the Antique Motorcycle Club of Manitoba Inc. held on July 27, 1990, at Honda Canada, Inkster and Keewatin, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by Ed Maisey.
2. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** - The minutes of the June meeting of the Club were read by Ed Maisey and were adopted as read by motion from Barry Seib and seconded by Craig Kraft.
3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - None.
4. **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**
  - a) **Treasurer** - Siggi Klann: Siggi reported a balance in the account of \$2,389.10.
  - b) **Librarian** - John Guntner: New materials include the May/June Classic Bike, the CVMG Newsletter, the All-American Indian News and the Laughing Indian Rider.
  - c) **Properties** - Ray Houde: Absent.
  - d) **Activities** - Irv Lowen and Bob Collings: See Other Business.
  - e) **Public Relations** - Ed Maisey: No report.
5. **NEW BUSINESS** - Parker Fillmore as Secretary of the Club agreed to be responsible for the preparation, publication and mailing of the monthly minutes of the Club. We will keep an eye on the monthly cost to see whether the budget can support the publication.

If any Club member does wish to submit any article or other materials then they must provide the information to Parker no later than the 15th of each month so that it can appear in the next issue. Material can be forwarded to 1756 Assiniboine Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3J 0A1. This is not a Rust'N'Pieces publication but only minutes and other materials.

The position of Editor is still open and we have received a timely article from Randy Maunder of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia which is reproduced as follows:

Dartmouth, Dec. 31, 1989

It is a shame that it appears that no one is willing to put in the time necessary to put a magazine together. For the many clubmembers who do not, or cannot, attend the meetings, the main reason for club membership is the magazine. Here, club membership has expanded from about 55 members three years ago, to the present 90 members largely due to the magazine. Many of these members do not live in the Halifax-Dartmouth area and it is therefore impractical for them to attend the meetings. You may say that they do not contribute to club life, however club functions and runs often benefit from those very club members who may attend, host or be a stopping point for us while out on a club run. It is great to have a place to stop and rest, look through a fellow member's garage and have a cup of tea, a beer or even something to eat. As well as these reasons, a larger membership means more parts/wants/expertise that benefits the whole club.

Certainly putting together the magazine is not something that can be done in a few minutes or hours. It is not a glamorous job. There are very few pats on the back and fellow members do not fall on their knees before the editor. But what of those who have put the time and work into a newsletter in the past? Were they fools for using their time for the sake of the club? After putting in my two years producing a magazine I expect someone to take over the job so I can sit back and read a club magazine in the future. It is difficult to get members to write articles but when they are forthcoming it is great to be able to read about those we know out on a club run. The stories I have typed or written over the past two years have provided me as well as the rest of the club membership with enjoyment. They provide the ammunition which ferments and becomes the subject of further stories and wit at club functions long after the event. Quite a few members wives are now reading the magazine as well.

So I, for one, hope that someone will be willing to give the time to put together a magazine for the club. With 50 members the 6 hours to put it together amounts to about 7 minutes per member. With this in mind, 7 minutes per member, once per month is not a lot of time. In our case, I put it together and drop it off at the printer, a fellow member picks it up, collates it and mails it out. Every magazine is 28 pages (1/2 of an 8 1/2 x 11 sheet), and we have only two advertisers. When we had to pay for the printing (we now get it done free of charge by Xerox as a public contribution by them I guess) the magazine basically broke even. The 28 pages are dictated by the step in postal rates.

Certainly the way the "Rust and Pieces" has been filled with advertisements did not contribute much to the unity of club members in the past. Any attempt to resuscitate the magazine should be on the basis of producing a readable magazine of interest to members. When I lack material written by clubmembers to fill the magazine, I reproduce articles from old "Motorcycling" or "The Motorcycle". These could take the form of amusing stories, maintenance tips or road tests. Also included are the adverts from clubmembers and from the CVMG newsletter. Pictures of clubmember's and other bikes and cartoons also help to fill the pages.

The world and the society we live in would be a far poorer place if no one is willing to give a little of themselves for the benefit of others. I do not care to live in a world where everyone asks "what's in it for me?", besides that, it is scientifically proven that volunteers live longer!

All the best from Nova Scotia,

*Randy Maunder*

## 6. OTHER BUSINESS

ANTIQUe MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF MANITOBA  
ANNUAL

CORN ROAST

At Choquette's Farm - East Selkirk

Saturday, September 8, 1990

Meet at Robin's Donuts- Garden City 11:00 a.m.

## 7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday, August 27, 1990