

THE ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF
MANITOBA INC.

P.O. Box 1074, Winnipeg, Man. R3C 2X4

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NEWSLETTER FOR MAY/JUNE, 1993

At the monthly meeting in May, on the 31st, 13 members were present with Jim Harrison chairing the meeting, the business part starting at 9:08 p.m.

Two more members paid their annual dues and our Treasurer advised that the account balance as of 1 May is \$1,908.57 plus dues received of \$40 = \$1,948.57

Less: Incorporation 15.00 and May newsletter 11.50

New Balance: \$1,922.07

Re: "Vintage" Plates for Motorcycles - Autopac rules are: (in part)

An antique motorcycle is a vehicle more than 30 years old at the time of application for registration. It may be driven only when:

- going to be repaired or serviced
- displaying it to the public in a parade or procession or driving to or from such event
- driving in an antique rally authorized by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles

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Our fellow member Tiny Robins is now back home and at his place of business on the odd occasion. If you wish to see him, a call first might be a good idea.

Ray Houde has membership paraphernalia such as pins, number plates, etc. Please buy some as Ray gets tired of lugging this stuff back and forth.

"Yours Truly" has some of the library with the balance at Barry Seib's home. I will try to put together an up-to-date listing for all members.

Arrangements were made for the Laddie Nos Memorial Run on June 13th.

Some discussion took place with respect to joint events with other clubs and concerns were expressed re the regulation of attendance, especially at family events, and the possible problems with behaviour and language. This to be continued at a later date.

This meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

The June Meeting was held on the 28th and unfortunately only 5 people showed up so no formal meeting was held.

Jim Harrison reported on the Laddi Nos Memorial Run saying that approx. 1½ dozen people showed up in not-too-bad weather.

The group left the "Big Sky" Salisbury House, headed out past the White Horse and stopped at Laddie's favourite spot, about 20 kms

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past White Horse. Island Park in Portage was the ultimate destination where everybody had a good chit-chat then went on to the Shell station East of Portage for coffee & food.

Thanks to Simon Blake (for supplying some oil).

Siggy was on his Indian Chief.

John Guntner on his '36 Harley.

Irv on his A.J.S. 350.

Simon on his Trident.

Jim on his Norton ES2.

Bob on his Vincent.

Dave on his Harley.

Keith Freeman on Laddie's Triumph Thunderbird, and many others.

Our next meeting is on Monday, July 26, 7:00 p.m. at
M.M.C.C. Clubhouse, Forrester Ave.

Donuts and coffee on sale.

See you there.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Whyte", written in dark ink.

John Whyte
Hon. Secretary

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Well, Gentlemen, I really did it last month! I was so busy I completely forgot all about "the letter". That's not to say I made a lot of money, I didn't. I was just busy. Anyway, here we go. Jim tells me he has the annual Corn Roast run organised for sometime in September (see enclosed) and a really fine day has been ordered for the occasion.

Another milestone in Manitoba Motorcycle History has been passed. Tiny Robbins business has finally closed. Whatever stock and equipment remained has been purchased by British Cycle Supply and has been shipped down there. I'm sure you will all join with me in wishing Tiny well in his retirement.

Len Hardy is still in hospital trying to recover after a rather nasty operation and would probably appreciate a visit if you have time at the Health Sciences Centre, room G.H. 345. BUT, before you go charging up there with good deeds in mind, I suggest you confirm 1) that he is still in the joint, 2) that the room # is correct. You are all aware how hospitals love to pretend that patients never existed in the first place or if they do, all trace of them has been mysteriously wiped from the record.

As we start to approach fall and winter, we must start thinking about a place to hold our meetings which will be a bit warmer than the M.M.C. clubhouse. One location that has been offered is Rod Fast's new shop at the corner of Fermor Ave. and Lagimodiere Blvd. (#1 and 59). There is lots of space, it is relatively clean, it has a washroom and is heated although it probably won't be up to the standard of your own living room. The only thing we will need are a few chairs on which to park our collective rear end. And a coffee pot.

Ponder these momentous decisions and we will see you all next Monday, August 29 at 7.30 for coffee and doughnuts at the M.M.C. clubhouse

Yours truly,

John M. Whyte,
Hon. Sec.

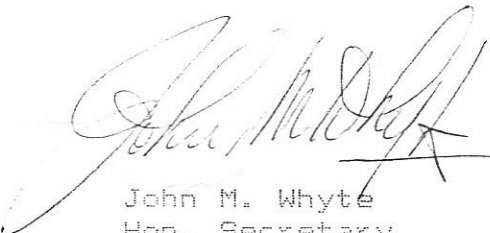
All you gentlemen and ladies out there have ideas in your heads. How about dusting them off and bringing them to the next meeting.

Has anybody thought of a Ladies Night? or is that too much to expect of the Distaff side of the family?

I hope you see my point and can help me get something going.

We all like motorcycles. We don't mind what you ride as long as you ride it. We don't want to see motorcycles legislated off the roads. Let's try and do something about it.

Let's see you all, or as many as possible, out at our October meeting -- 7:30 P.M. for coffee and donuts. The MMC Clubhouse on Forrester Avenue, off St. Anne's Road, South of Bishop Grandin, in St. Vital. 257



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OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Our September meeting was held on the 27th, usual time, usual place with the following members lending their presence to the proceedings: Ray Houde I/C donuts & coffee bar; Ed Maizie I/C money & cash books; Alvin Crozier; Sig Klann; Irv Loewen; Jim Gold; Dave Bjornson; John Whyte I/C pen & paper.

Our moneyman, Ed, advises that we now have \$1,919.77 in our account and 2 memberships paid at \$20 each less expenses for postage and flowers for Irene Robins at \$57.40 leaves us with a new total of \$1,902.37. We still have some returns from the corn roast to come and we have to pay our hosts, the MMC for clubhouse rental.

It is noted that some members still have not paid their dues for 1993. If the boot fits

Ray Houde entertained us with some stories of W.D. (war department) Harley Davidsons. Apparently they were great on ploughed fields and sand hills etc. and could be counted on to hit 75 m.p.h. maximum--given a tail wind, a light-rider and a downhill stretch of road.

As your club secretary, I have had on & off discussions about the apparent dwindling membership of our club and this evening we did touch on the subject. I have had the good fortune to meet a few new motorcycle friends in the past few months and I have invited all of them to meetings--more than once. My problem is that when I am asked what we do, I have a hard time explaining that we sit around and talk "motor bikes". I know we have had a couple of events this past year, and I know that the weather had been something less than pleasant, but, if we are to survive as a club, we have to start now to do something about it.

In theory, we should have some kind of event every month in the summer and be using the winter months to plan these events. We might attract members with activity -

- more purpose oriented runs
- rallies
- poker runs
- we have a corn roast already, what else?
- pre 1965 trials
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- what about appointing - an events coordinator
- a new members coordinator
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