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Meeting Notice

Next meeting is at Woodhaven Community Club, 7.30 PM

Meeting date: MAY 25, 1999

Next month: JUNE 29, 1999

President's Note

My thanks to our members for their help and participation in the Tin Lizzie Motorcycle Classic on May 2nd. The weather was lovely and everything went well.

Ed Wiebe drove in from Steinbach on his '38 Indian Chief, Ed Pauch brought out his Square 4. Mike B brought the Matchless and Marv Cooper brought out a James as well as a New Hudson. Sorry if we missed anyone else.

Graham and Rita Smith dropped in. They were club members early on, Graham helped develop the club newsletter, and made our banner. He was telling me that the stands we hold it up on were salvaged from the old Winnipeg Supply site in St. James. Graham hopes to make it out to a meeting in the future, which would be great. It was nice seeing them again.

My thanks also to John Daigle and the members of the CVMG for their participation in this event.

A reminder that motorcycle appraisals are available to our members free of charge, in the event anyone requires an appraisal.

Jim H

Upcoming Events

- Antique car swap meet May 15,16 at the Red River Ex Grounds.
- Ride For Sight - June 25,26,27 at Misty Lake Lodge near Gimli. The official ride leaves the Legislature grounds at 11 am on Saturday (26th). Entry fee is a minimum collected donation of \$50 for the charity.

Editors Note

Well, the Tin Lizzie event is come and gone. It was a good day, the weather was great, but the wind velocity could have been less. The big tent flapped around a lot and loudly. I had to ride the Ariel sort of side saddle on the way back to stay at all upright and save the paint on the right side of the tank!

I helped judge the bikes for the "Best British" category, and it certainly reminded me why I dislike Judge Meets. Most of the bikes were very nice and extremely interesting, but as a judge your task is to find what is wrong with them and that is not particularly enjoyable.

I did however notice things on a number of bikes that should not exist on a restored vehicle, and in many cases cost just as much as the correct thing would have in the first place. It really points up the value of doing a little research before spending time and money on the wrong part or service.

The winner in three categories was a Royal Enfield 350, restored by a CVMG member. It was nearly flawless, and was awarded "Best British, Best of Show, and the Bert Bentley Trophy". The best European went to a Ducati Scrambler, the best American to a Harley 45 and best Japanese was a beautiful Honda 350-4.

Approximately 300 people attended the event, and many bikes showed up. The swap meet was sparse again, and because of gate and other duties, I failed to put out the things that I had brought. Hopefully the swap meet will improve if the event continues to be held each year, although a later date would be nice.

Ed the ed

MAAC Report

The April meeting was rather uneventful.

MAAC is looking into blanket liability insurance coverage for all member clubs at relatively low rates.

Jack Mavins of the antique car club made a presentation about the SMI insurance coverage, but it seems they are not covering motorcycles in spite of saying that they would.

No news on the collector plate, as a meeting could not be arranged with DMV before the MAAC meeting.

May is the last MAAC meeting before the summer break, start again in September.

A reminder to bring your Autopac census forms to the next AMCM club meeting.

Minutes of A.M.C.M. meeting April 27, 1999

We had thirteen bodies at the meet over which Jim presided.

The Financial report was given by Ziggy at \$530.00.

Marvin C. hustled up some advertisements for us. Good work and Richard is to see about volunteering for Property Mang. When he's settled.

Ed reported from the MAAC meeting. The Motor Vehicle branch sent a letter claiming they were not prepared to do anything about the Vintage Plate, but will possibly issue a "Collector Plate."

He reported on the Tin Lizzie Sunday, we are to provide four judges and CVMG to provide four.

They were selected as follows; U.S. Ziggy

European Jim

Japanese Bill

English Ed

They were still looking for more vendors under canvass. It might fail if the weather is bad.

Re; Red River Ex Grounds events, contact with the event rep and they will use a one-fifth mile asphalt track offering racing. They also asked us to do a Show and Shine one Sunday. Ed has asked for more info but had not received any yet.

We had two guests present, Mr. Len White with a DKW. and a Mr. Steve Bahr with a 1977 Kawasaki.

Before closing, Ed motioned we buy An Appraisal Book. Seconded by Bert B. voted and carried.

Jim closed meeting.

Respectfully subbed by Me, Mike the
Bike.....

Tin Lizzie Sunday Motorcycle Classic turned out to be a smashing good day. The wind did not deter me from dragging the Matchless all the way to St. Francois Xavier. The tent we set up in was a god send as it kept the sun off us and did stop the wind pretty well. There were some very well prepared machines present. The effort and quality of finished product was very high. I had a chance to wander in the car barn and see some neat "stuff". It was a good day, with Paul Germaine showing his new bikes, one of them being a Ducati, what else? It seems like there are a kazillion Harleys sold here every summer, as there lot's of them, as well. Another fine day enjoyed by many, hopefully to be back again next year?

Mike, the Bike.

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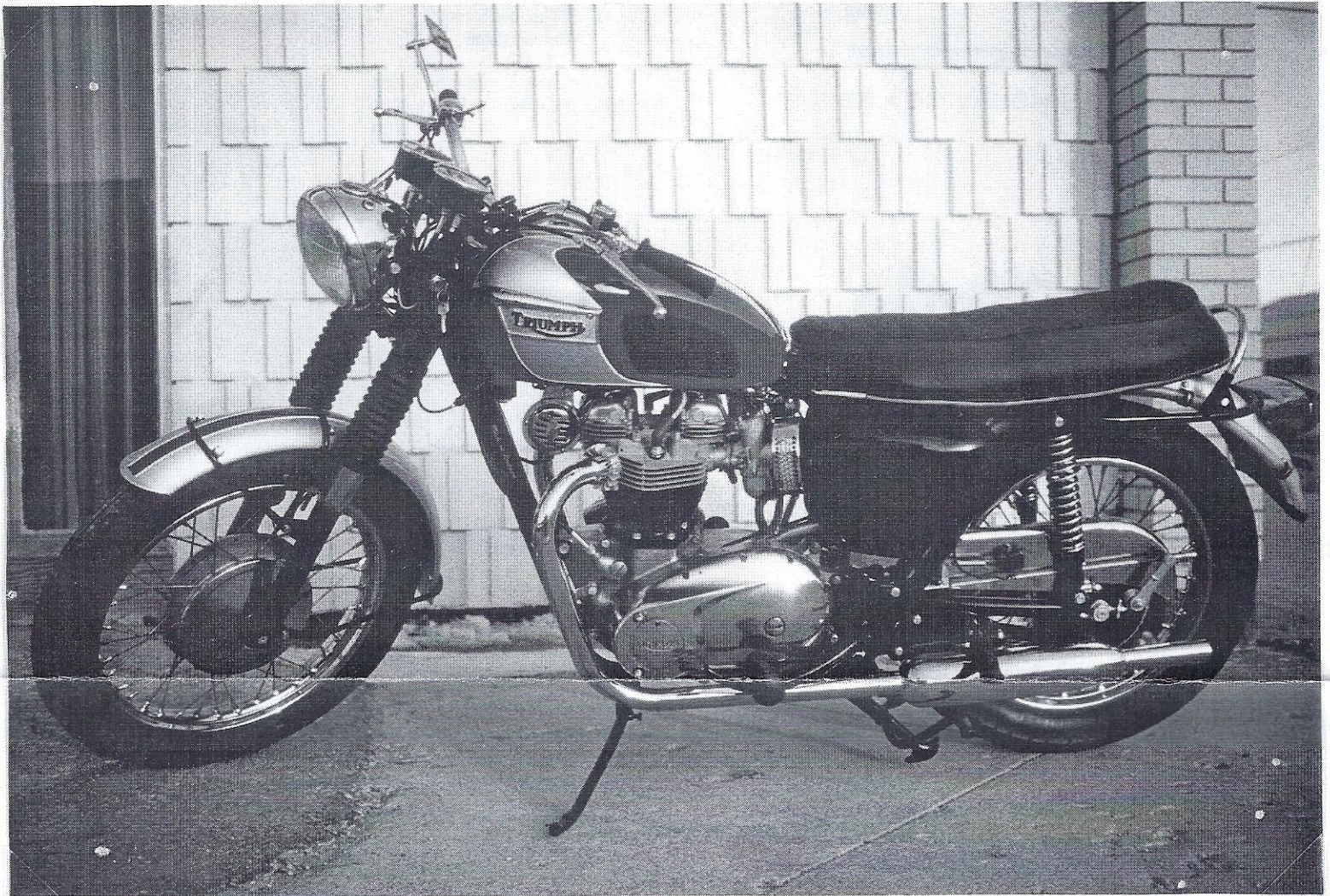
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Pictured above, Bruce Froebe's 1970 Triumph Bonneville. He bought it as a well used but mostly intact machine. It has now been totally restored to original specs. He hasn't had time to get to a meeting yet, but we're hoping to see him soon. He did ride his Triumph out to the Tin Lizzie show but I don't know if he managed to meet many members, as we were spread out helping to run the event. Perhaps I can grill Bruce, oops, I mean interview him for the newsletter and print a picture of the bike with its human, in the near future. Thank's to Ted at Thunder Road for loaning us his copy of this photograph.

Jim H.