

# RUST 'N PIECES

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ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF MANITOBA  
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**Next club meeting is 7:30, Tuesday, October 26, 2004 at Woodhaven Community Club.**

## Minutes of the September Meeting:

13 bikes rolled into the parking lot for the meeting. For the first time in many meets British were the predominant breed & Norton was thought to take the individual total, but alas honours went to AMC. (Yeah I know, splitting hairs!!). For those who arrived early this month with cameras in hand, no parking lot action shots were to be had!!!!!!

With 25 members present, the meeting was brought to the usual low level of order.

Our Pres opened the proceeding with a big thank you to John & Pat for once again hosting a successful corn roast. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the feast but condolences went out to Ed who had a seizure on his Bridgestone. I better clarify that, the bike was the one that suffered the attack, not Ed, who is in fine health. With little else to say, which is unusual for Greg, he handed over for other reports.

Your errant secretary failed again to get the minutes out to our editor on time so copies were issued to those present. The resulting silence whilst they were read was eerie.

Never in my tenure have I witnessed our members so quiet for so long, so I made a note to myself to attempt to write minutes a little less seriously in future!!!!

The corn roast raised a profit of \$37 or so & was handed to Greg to pay into the bank.

Kiri, the Black Beemer Owner, (- that narrows down the field!!) has put pics of the corn roast up on a website for anyone who is interested to view. Go to <http://www.nikonnet.com>, click on albums button.

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The MMIC editor contacted me for listing our club meeting & events on their website.

For those of you who want to view this & other clubs' events, as well as "Upshift", a magazine for motorcyclists, you can view it at <http://www.mmic.ca/index2.asp>

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For those of you clambering all over fellow members to sit at the bottom table, a reminder that elections for the Executive will be held during the November meeting. Get there early to be sure of a seat !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Do not forget that the Editors position is still up for grabs as Jim H only agreed to a temporary tenure.

Our treasurer was still in hiding but he advised through Greg that our bank balance stood at

\$2074.84. He further advised that requests for Advertising fees would be going out in October unless there were any objections. Again a deathly hush so all was taken as well.

Both our librarian & property manager decided that they could complete the imitation of the 3 wise monkeys so remained mute. As I noted before, a very quiet meet.

Ross M brought in some copies of a Vintage bike appraisal book produced by NADA. Some of the prices listed were not what one would expect but it is a guide only, as well as the first attempt. Copies were sold off & another \$35 was raised for the club.

Rally comment & business was a "minor" topic for any other business!

The motion to invite the CVMG join with us in presenting the rally was proposed by Ross M & seconded by Mike B. Motion was carried. CVMG members present confirmed they would raise the invite at their October meet & report back on their vote.

Comments on food cost & alternates were raised. It was pointed out that these were in line with other rallies attended. Self catering was not an option unless a catering person volunteered with an acceptable menu. Burgers were not considered a main meal by most hosts & each one tried to have a good meal. Feedback from out of town attendees was always positive on the catering especially with regard to the pork roast.

Further comment awaited. Rally dates to be 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> July unless otherwise posted.

A good idea that was raised was the need for a sweeper on our runs, rallies & gatherings to collect any unfortunates along the way. One for organisers of future events to ensure is covered.

In the dim & distant past, the club held a spring run. Jamie C. (who was still in short trousers at that time of these runs) proposed if we wanted to resurrect this practice then he would volunteer his place as a venue. Date proposed is the Sunday prior to the long weekend, which we believe is the 15<sup>th</sup> May. For those who do not know where Jamie lives, his place is in the Selkirk area. (The CENTRE of the Universe !!!!!)

Keith F. mentioned he had an insurance rep who would be interested in coming to the next meeting to offer his view/help to us on the subject. Everyone thought they would like to have him attend. (Note at the next meeting anyone found with bags of feathers or large paint brushes covered in black sticky stuff on their person will not be admitted !!!!!)

Coffee was next on the agenda so a mass exodus was witnessed.

Bye for now  
John T



## Minutes of the August Meeting

Firstly, my apologies for failing to get this set of minutes out in time for printing. Work has got in the way of play big time this month so I hope you can bear with me (Again!!!!) Now what you have all been waiting for!!!!!!

One of our members tried mixing mechanics with motion on his entry to the parking lot. Unfortunately the theories of Einstein & Newton were momentarily forgotten. The ensuing confirmation that the laws of physics were still applicable were appreciated by the gathered audience & as you can see by the pic everyone rushed to his aid!!!!!!

Onto the meeting.

13 bikes were present in the lot most of which were in the requisite black bits down position.

24 members & 2 guests were present.  
Guests were Adam Tankard with a V Max & Ron Livingstone riding a Honda Shadow.



Our Pres brought the meeting to order & began by confirming what we have all suffered with this

year – not much riding due to the bad weather. Here's hoping for that great dry fall!!!!!! (Some hope!) Copies of a MAAC magazine were issued. This is a free item to MAAC members. Due to our affiliation we all qualify for a copy of the issue.

Fay Burton, for those who do not know her, is a member with a very pretty Triumph that her husband Brent is still trying to keep up with on his HD, (some people never learn!!!!), is still putting up a fight against cancer & all present sent their best. Marv took his Beemer to the apple fest in Morden & yet again got a trophy.

My Turn - confirmed insurance policy received for this year.

Firstly thanks were given to all how helped in making the rally run smoothly & as effortlessly as usual. Without your help we could not make it happen. Thanks Guys.

Reported on upcoming runs as well as runs attended this last month or so namely Ponoka, Biggar, Hog Cancer run, Balgonie, MS ride for site & corn roast.

Confirmed David was the proud owner of his new steed that should put the John Deere's to shame in a tractor pull, namely his Rocket 3. I must say I thought it was very well balanced & finished & certainly should be a machine to contend with in the hog stakes – Niiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiice Biiiiiiiiiiiiike !

The property manager, now on a more even keel, noted that some signs used in the rally need some TLC again. There were some items of clothing left for sale but nothing of consequence. All the rally shirts were sold this year so no problem there. Jim especially noted that some appreciation should be given to what has to be done AFTER the rally.



Mike the book brought in some magazines for members perusal. Yet again he was trying to give away the HD ashtray in the 50 /50 draw but to no avail. (I just do not understand the reluctance to own such a collectable item but then I am known for my affection to this marque !!!)

Mike requested that some members (Keith Blais, mentioning no names) had some books out for a very long time & would appreciate them being returned. Please, if you are in this category, please advise Mike on an ETA for the book/s. Much appreciated.

Finance was not on the books this meeting as our trusted treasurer was absent. We did not think this was a serious problem for us as we all knew he could not get too far or go too long on our account !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We look forward to his next report.

Any other business turned into a longer than normal discussion & the following points were raised:

Coffee ( the normal end to the meet merely by its mention ) was moved to Robins on Roblin.

The rally was raised with many items to discuss.

- 1) Division of labour & responsibility
- 2) Are the committee open to input by others (on this the rest had to tear me off my soapbox!!!)
- 3) Is it to be combined with the CVMG again?
- 4) Location
- 5) Forming Committees
- 6) Formal meetings & reporting
- 7) Run organisation – different times –different runs for older/smaller bikes - tours

**As the host**, I said that I had not thought too much about the next one as I was just enjoying not having to think about it for 1 month in the year.

**I, on behalf of the club**, suggested that any items or ideas people had should be thought through & tabled at the next meeting. We would be most likely joining forces again with our compatriots in the CVMG to host the event but it had not been discussed.

**Again as host:**

As for location members from both clubs expressed a keenness to see it remain at Selkirk which does have some advantages. With regard to formal committees and the like, whilst I realise our relaxed approach to managing the event may not suit all tastes, I am a firm believer in this method for a number of reasons. If someone says they will do something, they do it without being bugged about a report on it. If they run into trouble with it then ask for assistance in a timely fashion. The event is supposed to be a fun time & the coordinating of the event should be the same. Too many rules & reports can turn an enjoyable experience into a drag thus no-one wants to be involved. I, and the guys who help, are always open to constructive criticism which, in turn, would improve the function. Anyone with an idea can have it on the agenda. He is welcome to manage it to see if it works. - Remember, nothing is set in stone so if you think it will fly, run with it. Any /ALL comments are welcome

As my soapbox just collapsed I am closing.

John T



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