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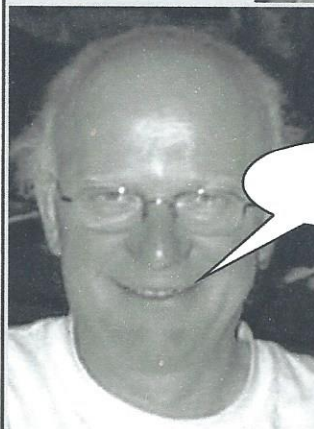
*December Meeting Tuesday 11th Ychabods*

## Election Results Nov 27 - New President

### Jerry Stubbington



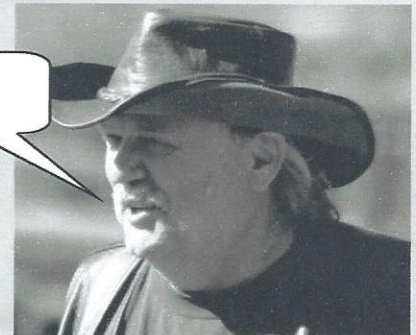
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**Secretary—  
John Thompson**



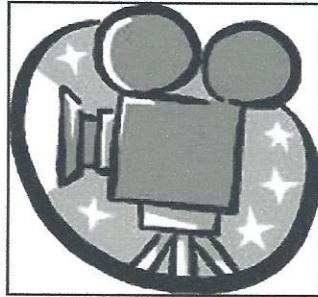
**Past President -  
Jim Reimer**



**Treasurer—Siggy Klann**

**Our Executive, Men of Few Words !**

8th Annual  
**Metcalfe Movie Night**



**WHEN:** Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008 7:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Ross Metcalfe's house

8729 Roblin Blvd. (on river side of street)

South Headingley 831-8165

(1.8 km west past the Headingley bridge on Roblin)

**THIS YEAR'S FEATURE FILM IS**

**GLORY STOMPERS (1968), STARRING DENNIS HOPPER.**

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## LIKE TO TRAVEL? NOT SURE WHERE TO GO?

Well, you are not alone. But you can't go wrong when you pick a place with old motorcycles. My choice – Birmingham. You can't go wrong with this choice as, arguably, you will see the two best motorcycle museums in the world today.

A visit to Birmingham, England will enable you to see the newly rebuilt British National Motorcycle Museum. Remember – the place with the big fire. For information on this Birmingham, talk to Dave Pritchard. He makes the trek across the pond on a regular basis.



I am going to enlighten you on the other Birmingham museum – the one in Birmingham, Alabama.



The Barber Museum contains between 750 and 800 motorcycles on five levels with apparently another 750 put away in storage so that rotation of displays is ensured. It is the largest collection in America, representing 140 motorcycle manufacturers.

The Barber Motorsports Museum and Racetrack opened in 2003 as the Barber Motorsports Park. George Barber apparently made his gazillion in the dairy business, of which he sold a chunk for many, many pesos and built his dream facility. It has, in addition to the 144,000 sq ft museum, a full Grand Prix style racetrack, measuring 2.2 miles, with the whole Disneyland affair situated on 720 manicured acres of theme park.

Any time would be a good time to visit but if you can old motorcycle on a 2.2 mile! Well, that was the criteria to be entered in the Race of the Century. There were ten entries and seven motorcycles were ready at race time. The riders and machines were as follows:



Bruce Linsday, 1905 Harley single

Joe Gardella, 1907 Curtis single (bike owned by Bruce Linsday)

Dale Walksler, 1903 Indian single

Frank Westfall, 1907 Curtis single

Jim Dennie, 1906 Crouch



1907 FN 4 cylinder (rider unknown) (bike owned by Frank Westfall)

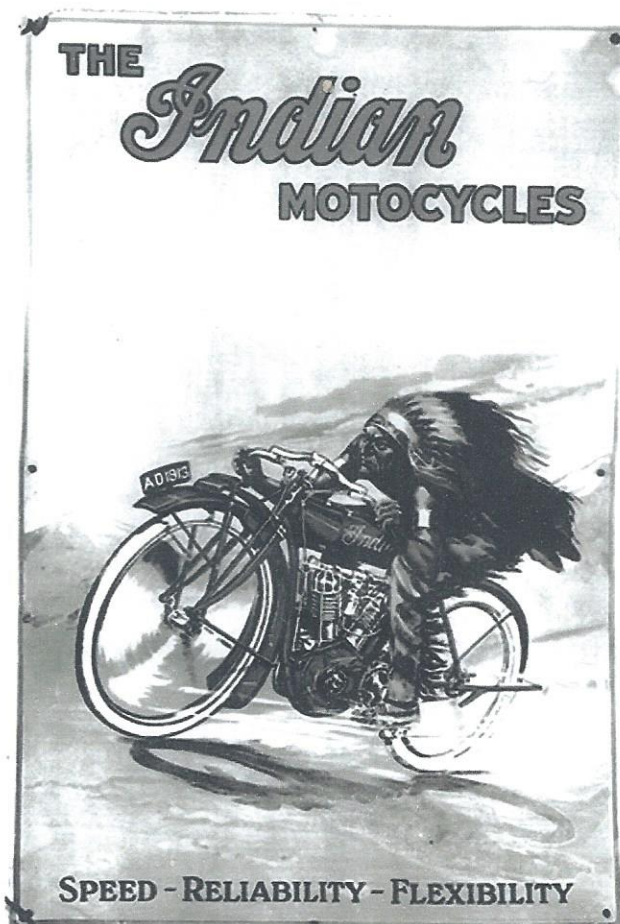
1907 Pugeot (rider unknown) (bike owned by the Barber Museum)



There was an exciting "start on the fly" as racers dressed in period costumes, aided by the odd pedal-assistance roared away from the start. The winner was the 1907 Curtis ridden by Joe Gardella which won by a large 30 second margin. Last year's winner was Dale Walksler with the '03 Indian. The first Race of the Century in 2005 was won by Bruce Lindsay on his '05 Harley single. This is heralded as the oldest running HD in the world today.

If the museum, swap meet, races are not enough action for you, you can also attend a large vintage motorcycle auction with approximately 100 machines for sale.

This is a very special place if you like old motorcycles. Hell, even if you don't, it's too cool! Pack up the kids (or grandkids) in the old minivan and make it a destination! It's worth the trip...to Birmingham.





### Minutes of the October 30, 2007 Meeting

In attendance: 4 Executive, 15 Members, 1 Bike.

The President called the meeting to order at 7:53 p.m.  
The President confirmed that D-Jay's has been booked for December 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Treasurer Klann reported that obligations have been met and the account stands as \$2877.99.

A suggestion from the floor was brought forward that the idea of decals be explored. Apparently, this was done in the past and should be re-visited.

An unofficial report on Club stock estimates that there are a few shirts, pins, hats, etc. still available. They will not be made available on eBay.

The Publisher inquired about delivery of the Newsletter. He noted that only three mail addresses failed. The Secretary sought and received a round of applause for the fine job the Publisher is doing. There was general agreement that his efforts should be noted formally and sent to the Pulitzer Prize Committee.

Ross Metcalfe engaged the assembled with a description of a motorcycle museum nirvana in Birmingham, Alabama. According to him, this decadent monument to capitalism is the epitome of classy collections and may very well rival his own.

John Thompson then took the floor. He had read the minutes of the September meeting and was obviously upset to discover that the membership had passed a motion to change the Rally date to the September long weekend. He related that he had had discussions earlier in the summer and the date had been decided for the '08 Rally to be on the June long weekend. He provided several reasons for the June date to be the best, including meeting Provincial publications deadlines and the promotion of the event to potential attendees in the United States and nation-wide in Canada.

A motion was passed to hold Rally '08 on June 27, 28 and 29. The possibility of holding future Rallies on a different date could be explored some other time perhaps.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

### Minutes of the November 27, 2007 Meeting

In attendance: 13 Members 2 Executive

The President called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

The Publisher asked that members contribute articles, pictures, suggestions, etc., if any are available. He also noted that there will be a change of format in the upcoming Newsletters.

The President reminded the gathering of the Christmas Party next month.

he President then proceeded to the main purpose of the meeting which is the annual election of officers

The posts of Editor, Librarian, Publisher and Property Manager will continue with the incumbents remaining on duty for another term. Treasurer Klann has not indicated that he will not stay on so he will continue his duties.

Secretary Smith will step aside, acknowledging, with thanks, the support of his readership. The duties of Secretary will once again be bestowed upon John Thompson who was unable to decline as he was not in attendance.

The esteemed position of President was made available when President Reimer expressed a willingness to continue in the office but a preference not to do so. A solution was found when a former President, Jerry Stubbington, agreed to be recycled for another term.

The topic of the Rally was mentioned briefly and a suggestion was made that new ideas for Rally'09 are welcome. One thought was that having a Rally Manager might be a good idea.

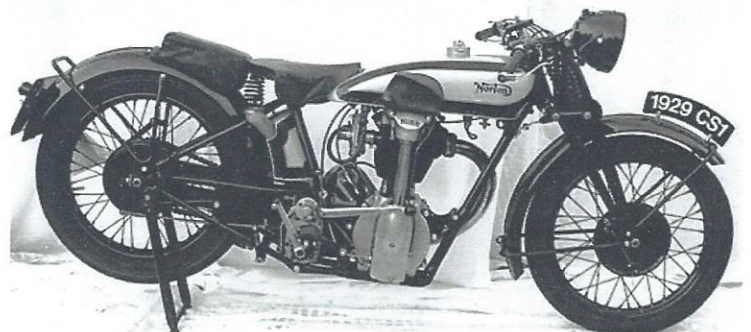
A discussion of motorcycle insurance rates followed. The general feeling was that a discussion with MPI might be useful to explore the unique insurance needs of those who ride older motorcycles.

A suggestion was made that the Swap Meet, which was tentatively scheduled for February, would be better if staged in April in order to take advantage of potentially more favourable weather. Agreed.

The President adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| December 11  | December Meeting<br>7:pm Dinner – Ichabods  |
| January 29   | Movie Nite - Metcalfe's   |
| February 26  | Guest Speaker   |
| March 25     | Swap Meet   |
| March 28-30  | World of Wheels— Custom & Antique Bike Show<br>—"The Bike Works of Winnipeg" - Winnipeg Convention Centre |
| May 25       | Tom Hessom - "Cycling in South Africa....the Lion<br>Sleeps Tonight"                                      |
| June 27-29   | Bison Rally, Selkirk MB   |
| August 29—31 | Antique Motorcycle Club of America—Swap Meet & Run<br>Blackhawk Chapter—Davenport IA                      |







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