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ANNUAL FALL MEET AND OLD TIME RIDERS REUNION
LARZ ANDERSON MUSEUM
BROOKLINE, MASS
SEPT. 7-8, 1974

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NATIONAL MEET
A.M.C.A.
July 28, 29 & 30, 1995

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YANKEE CHAPTER MEET
JUNE 21-22, 1986
ACTON FAIRGROUNDS
ACTON, MAINE

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ANTIQUe MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF AMERICA
"Connecticut Made Motorcycles"
National Meet 1991
August 2nd, 3rd & 4th
Bethlehem Fairgrounds, CT

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ANTIQUe MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF AMERICA
CHAPTER MEET
MAY 18-19, 1991
STURBRIDGE, MASS.

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Green Mountain National Road Run
Stowe Vermont
1989

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"Ride 'Em, Don't Hide 'Em"
Yankee Chapter National AMCA Meet
August 1-3, 1997

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YANKEE CHAPTER NATIONAL MEET
June 29th - 30th, 1985
ACTON FAIRGROUNDS
ACTON, MAINE

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ON PATROL
YANKEE CHAPTER National Meet
A.M.C.A.
July 29 - 31, 1994
Hebron Fairgrounds
Hebron, CT

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ANTIQUe MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF AMERICA
Does It Again!
30 - Aug 2, 1992
Twin State Road Run

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YANKEE CHAPTER MEET
1973
LARZ ANDERSON MUSEUM
BROOKLINE, MASS

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YANKEE CHAPTER NATIONAL MEET
APRIL 11-12, 1987
WATERFORD SPEED BOWL, WATERFORD, CONNECTICUT

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The Giles J. Adams Memorial Award

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25th ANNIVERSARY
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Motorcycles of the Military

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Map of Connecticut showing routes for the Twin State Road Run.



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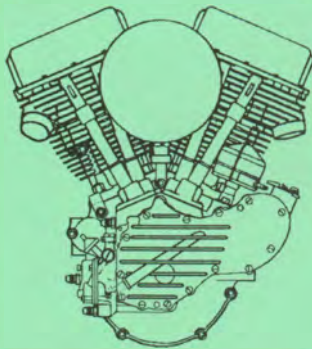
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NEEDS YOUR HELP !

The well for the "Once Upon A Time" column has gone dry. Only you members can revive the flow of these stories.

Contributions of photographs taken by members at various motorcycle events are welcome additions to "Yanks Out And About".

If you have an old ad or story that you feel is noteworthy, please don't hesitate to send it in.

Help out your chapter's newsletter by sending your contributions to your editor.

YANKEE CHATTER is the official newsletter of the YANKEE Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, and is published four times a year on a seasonal basis or when information warrants. The YANKEE Chapter of the AMC of A was established April 8, 1973. Dues for the 1998 membership year are \$ 10.00 single; \$ 12.50 with spouse. Membership is not transferable and dues are not refundable.

Applicants wishing to join the YANKEE Chapter must FIRST be members in good standing (paid up) of the National AMC of A; however, applicants may send membership applications to the Chapter Membership Chairperson at any time, and memberships received after October 31st of any year will be held over for the next membership year.

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Director's Message

My-oh-my, how time flies by. Seems like only a week or so ago we were at Stafford Springs and talking about going to Oley, only Oley was over a month ago now! Summer will soon be upon us and yet another spring will have passed us by.

I hope that the rest of you are doing better than I am on getting those winter projects together and getting some riding enjoyment out of them. I just barely got my Scout back together and, as of now, haven't had time to even fire it up - No time, where does it all go?

Before we know it, it will once again be time to host our National Meet in Hebron, CT over the first weekend of August. Most of the big details have already been taken care of, but we are still in need of volunteers to help with an assortment of tasks such as shifts up at the gate, trash pick up, meet set up and final clean up - the usual.

Please do not forget to mark your calendars now for our upcoming Autumn meet in Sturbridge, MA on September 12 & 13. A flea market, judging and dinner are planned for Saturday and a 100 (+ or -) mile road run is planned for Sunday. It should be a great weekend!

I look forward to seeing many Yankees in Hebron and again at Sturbridge.

Until then, enjoy the summer weather and ride safe.

Jessie

Yankee Chapter Beginnings

1973 - April 8	Official organizational meeting of the YANKEE Chapter.
May 27	First YANKEE Chapter Meet - Brookline, MA
Sept. 8-9	National Meet - Brookline, MA
1974 - Spring	T. A. Hodgdon's article, "Our Club is Twenty Years Old", in the AMCA magazine includes references to the Yankee Chapter.
May 26	YANKEE Chapter Meet - Brookline, MA
Aug. 17-18	National Meet - Brookline, MA
1975 - March	Bob McClean speaks of the Yankee Chapter in his report of Bernie Morgan's Ranch Meet in Sarasota, FL.
May 25	YANKEE Chapter Meet - Brookline, MA
Sept. 6-7	National Meet - Brookline, MA
1976 - June 19-20	National Meet - Brookline, MA
Sept. 18-19	Yankee Chapter Meet - Brookline, MA
1977 - Spring	An interview with Yankee Chapter member, Frank Adams, who rode his 1923 Reading Standard to the National Meet in FL is featured in the AMCA magazine.
May 14-15	National Meet - Thompson Speedway, CT
Aug. 27-28	Yankee Chapter Meet - Thompson Speedway, CT

YANKEE PEDLAR ANNOUNCEMENT

Membership advertising in YANKEE PEDLAR is FREE to all YANKEE Chapter members of record (dues paid up).

Your ad could appear in your newsletter.

Send your ads to the editor now, to have them included in future issues.



YANKS Out And About

Photos by S. Gallo

Willie Campbell displays the form that will some day make him an accomplished motorcycle rider as he cruises the grounds at Jim Darby's Stafford Springs swap meet on June 28, 1998.



Jim Costa's doberman puppy, Hilda, presents her favorite tug toy to her master at Stafford Springs.

Mike Goldstein, Mike Waite and Tim Gottier collected four trophies at the Stafford Springs swap meet. Mike Waite holds his true treasure, his daughter, Maria, as she sits on his award winning 1934 Harley VL.



Jim Darby proudly displays his 1965 Harley-Davidson panhead, which he completed just in time to take to Bike Week at Laconia, NH..



Charlie Gallo, with friends both old and new, met the legendary Eraldo Ferracci, builder of "Team Fast by Ferracci" Ducatis at the 75th anniversary Loudon classic races.

Sandy Gallo breathes a sigh of relief upon reaching the summit of Mount Washington, NH on the auto road as Gary Francois looks on.



Dear Yankee Chatter readers,

Here is a copy from a 1908 ad card that is part of my collection of motorcycle memorabilia. I thought you might get a kick out of "A Few Don'ts".

Frank Widmayer, the New York Indian agent, was also F.A.M. repair shop No. 1 and had the "largest stock of parts outside of the factory".

Sincerely,



A LITTLE MOTOR INFORMATION

—A FEW DONT'S—

Don't try to run with your battery key in your pocket, nor with dead batteries. Don't try and start without gasoline in the tank, nor with the gasoline shut off. Don't fail to test batteries before starting on a trip, especially a long one. Don't fail to lubricate frequently. Don't buy cheap oil, the best is the cheapest. Don't expect your motor cycle, chains, etc. to run forever without adjustments, cleaning and lubrication. Don't repair a puncture in a hurry, take time, do it well, use good cement, etc. Don't forget to strain your gasoline. Don't look into the gasoline tank with a lighted match or candle. Don't blame the carbureter for all your troubles, look elsewhere first. Don't fail to examine and clean spark plug and contact points once in a while. Don't forget lubricating oil is cheaper than parts. Don't always blame the machine, maybe part of the trouble is with the operator. Don't ride through city streets with the muffler wide open and at high speed. Don't buy a cheap motor cycle, buy the best, the Indian is considered the best, ask Indian riders. Don't tackle a job on a motor cycle unless you know how, experience costs money. Don't forget that there are good men who make a specialty of this work, so when in trouble see——

F. B. WIDMAYER, The Motor Cycle Man
of 2312 Broadway near 84th St. N. Y. City



Join us as we celebrate two motorcycling milestones,
 The 25th anniversary of the Yankee Chapter and
 The 50th anniversary of the Harley-Davidson Panhead
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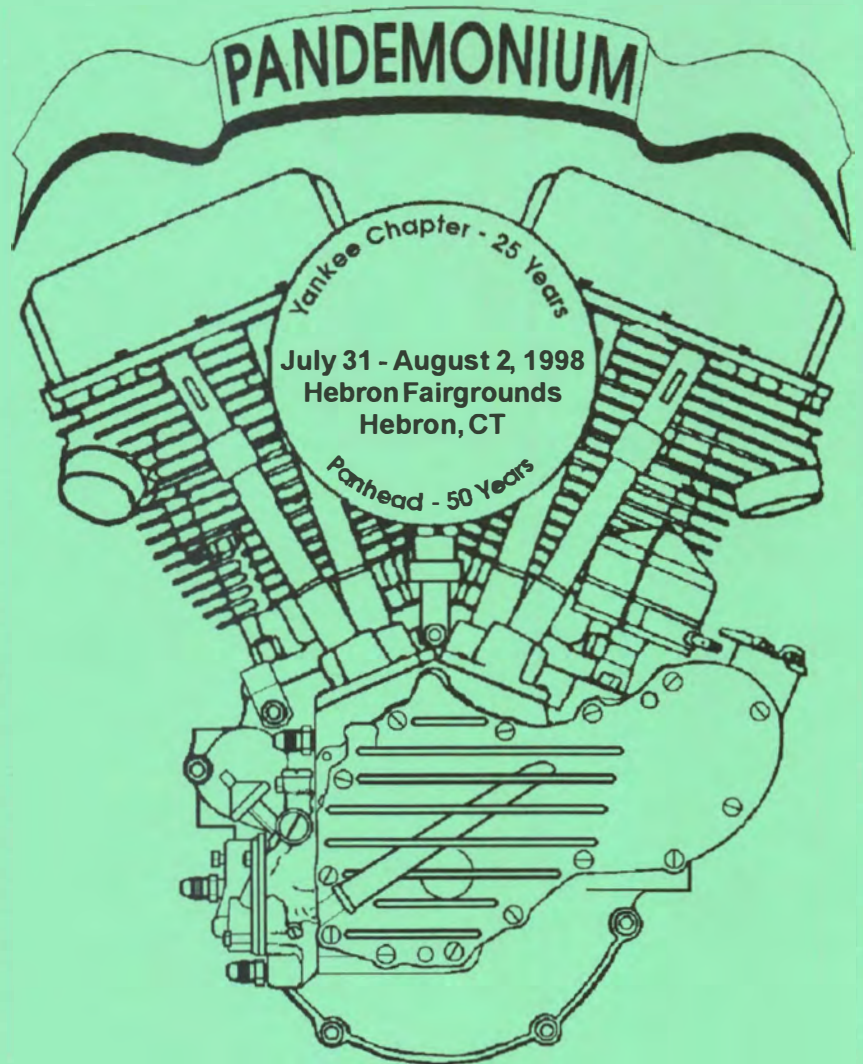
On Saturday, a road run through scenic eastern Connecticut of approximately 50 miles is featured. Bring your bikes and ride 'em.

Bring your Panhead to the gathering of the "Pan Clan" before Saturday evening's banquet. Special awards.

Camping on grounds for A.M.C.A. members and guests. Must show valid A.M.C.A. card to camp or vend.

On site Saturday night banquet. Food available on grounds from Friday noon through Sunday noon.

Motorcycles, parts and related items for sale MUST be 35 years old or older.



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 Nutting Lake, MA., 01865
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 after 6 PM

General information:
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 (603) 749-0450
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