

It Was Forty Years Ago Today!

April 8th 1973, the first and founding meeting of the YANKEE CHAPTER was held at the Antique Auto Museum in Brookline, Mass. Interest in forming a New England chapter was high and attendance was surprisingly large. Both A.M.C. President Art Sigal and Vice President Doc Patt were there to assist. A slate of officers for the first year was nominated, and the following fellow cyclists were duly elected:

Chairman: Leon Landry

Taunton, Mass.

Vice Chairman: Carl G. Nordgren

Hyde Park, Mass.

Treasurer: Robert Twine

Agawam, Mass.

Secretary: Edward R. Stoler

Boston, Mass.

The name chosen for the new organization was the YANKEE CHAPTER of the Antique Motorcycle Club, and the territory covered is the six New England states. Dues for the first year had been set at \$3.00 (this in addition to the National dues of \$8.50 per year). Dues covered postage, printing and other administrative expenses.

The first newsletter started with a word of introduction:

"Starting any new organization is like starting a restored motorcycle engine for the first time. You kick and kick, and nothing happens. Then you fiddle with the carburetor and it almost starts. Then you play with the magneto timing or some other adjustment, and it finally kicks over. If you have done your work properly, it runs smoothly. If not, it dies.

"The YANKEE CHAPTER of the Antique Motorcycle Club has now been kicked a few times, and we're now fiddling with the adjustments."

The above article ran in the April 1993 edition of Yankee Chatter on the occasion of the Yankee Chapter's 20th Anniversary. Thanks to Charlie Gallo for providing a copy of the 1993 Chatter which itself contained a note of thanks to George Twine for providing a copy of our first YANKEE Newsletter-April 1973.

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Applicants wishing to join the Yankee Chapter must first be members in good standing of the National AMCA. Yankee Chapter. Current members and new applicants may send renewals/applications to the Chapter Membership Chairperson at any time. An application is inserted into this edition for easy completion and mailing.

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Editor's Message

by Mark Hunnibell – Chatter Editor

At the Annual Membership Meeting and Christmas Party in December, I expressed interest in receiving copies of old chapter newsletters and other photographic or documentary memorabilia regarding the *Yankee Chatter*. Charlie Gallo was kind enough to loan me a stack of old editions of the *Yankee Chatter* going all the way back to 1985. Although I have now scanned them all, I have not yet compiled them into individual PDF files for the web site. I expect to complete that process by the end of April.

I am still looking to borrow copies of the 1984 editions of *Yankee Chatter*, any Yankee newsletters prior to 1984, and any *Yankee Chatters* that might fill the apparent gaps in the list below. In the list below, the edition number is equivalent to the season (1 = Winter, 2 = Spring, 3 = Summer, and 4 = Fall/Autumn). Some are combined editions and some "missing" editions may never have been published. Still, I am pleased to note that we will soon have 83 editions of the *Yankee Chatter* available on the web site. If you have any leads on older copies, please contact me (info inside front cover).

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^{*} Pending PDF production, estimated to be complete April 30, 2013.

Also included in this issue of the Chatter is as complete a listing of all Yankee Chapter Meets and Road Runs going back to the 1972 meet occurring the year before Yankee Chapter came into official existence. If you have any photos or stories of these "old days" of the Chapter that you would like to share with other Yankees and you can mail them to me, I can include them in upcoming issues as we celebrate Yankee's 40th anniversary. E-mail material to editor@yankeechapter.org, but you may also send mail to me at: Mark Hunnibell, 1230 Grinnell Dr, Yellow Springs, OH 45387. If you would like any material returned after it is scanned, please include instructions. Also, please provide captions for photos, if possible.

UPCOMING YANKEE CHATTER PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

YANKEE CHATTER EDITION	DATE
Spring 2013	May 18, 2013
Advance Notice to Editor of Intention to Submit Material	Sat, Apr 13, 2013
Deadline for Submission of Draft Material	Sat, Apr 27, 2013
Final Deadline for All Material	Sat, May 11, 2013
Publication/Mailing Date	Sat, May 18, 2013
Hebron National Meet Flyer	Wed July 4, 2013

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Director's Message

by Dan Margolien

I hope the motorcycle gods were good to you this past winter and blessed you with time to work on your projects, good parts that came in the mail, and friends to help with the heavy lifting!

YANKEE CHAPTER

The Yankee Chapter of AMCA is good and strong, with new membership as well as renewed memberships. Whenever talk is

about clubs, I wonder why we join clubs and what people want from their club. What can I or the BOD do to make the club more enjoyable, useful, or valuable to its members? People tell me they like meeting other people and seeing their friends at the meets that they would not see. Some people like doing things to help others and some like having things done for them. I find the guys that volunteer are happy with the club. It's kind of upside down. The folks that volunteer do not complain about it; they enjoy it, and do it for its own reward.

2013 Meet and Road Run Schedule: We have found over the years that providing the meets and rides is the forum the members like the best; a chance to hang out and get to know each other a little better. We are pretty much done lining up activity throughout the season. You will find more details within, but I'm proud of the volunteerism that gets all this stuff done, so I want to share the 2013 Calendar of Yankee Chapter activity (see page 20-21 for the Yankee, Local, and National Calendar):

- RI Camp & Ride: May 17-19 will have a camp and ride in Rhode Island. The first spot Chris Duffy and Ed Morinho found blocked us out, but with Tom Covill we have another location. We have not been down in RI for a while, so this could prove to be a nice change of pace (see page 18).
- <u>Tumbleweeds Vintage Motorcycle Day</u>: June 2nd brings the Tumbleweeds Vintage Motorcycle Day in Taunton MA at the Star Drive in. TC and Dave make this a great free one-day show; You must bring your bike out to show your support! The Tumbleweeds are one of the oldest riding clubs in the USA, and many of their members are Yankees. We've had a symbiotic relationship of support (see page 19).
- Rhinebeck National: Next up is Northeast Super Grand National at Rhinebeck the 14th and 15th of June. Look forward to the typical scene with the Wall of Death, bands, parts, etc. If you are a vendor, set up noon Thursday, then come up to the main buildings where you can get a hot dog and a soda. Your Northeast Coalition Reps are Shawn Brown, Darryl Cutter, and me. I strongly encourage you to VEND, to SHOW your bike in the timeline, and to JUDGE your bike or help out judging others.

Also, note that Ted Doering is opening up the Motorcylepedia Museum on Thursday 13th and offering a special \$8 rate. It's just a 40-mile ride from the fairgrounds. The museum of 450 bikes and an Indian from every year plus MORE is usually closed on Thursday, but this special opening gives you a chance to check it out while being so close to go to Rhinebeck.

• <u>Vermont Road Run</u>: We also added a new June 28, 29, 30th ride in Stowe Vermont. The last time the club had a ride in the Stowe area was 1989. We have a new member named Pierce Reid who is helping set up the ride- he lives "up there" and in conversation with him one day he was "pointing out" that we don't do enough up north. I challenged him to set something up, and here we are!! This one has hotels and all the civilization you want or you can camp on his farm in a tent- the full spectrum is available. Also see Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/460226594036559/ (see pages 22-23 for information and registration form).

- We catch our breath in July. There is the big <u>Wauseon Meet in Ohio</u> I'd like to make this year, never have and want to.
- Yankee National at Hebron: August brings the big Yankee Chapter National Meet 2nd and 3rd of August. This will be the Yankee Chapter 40th anniversary- we will have special awards for all 1973 motorcycles- so bring 'em out! We had a nice meet last year and a great write up in the AMCA magazine which should help bring others to the meet. Judging will be on Saturday afternoon- you can stay on the grounds Saturday evening, but there is no actual meet activity scheduled for Sunday. Come on folks- VEND, SHOW, JUDGE and RIDE the field games!! Note that the band will be back. The "Carbtones" will take the stage both Friday and Saturday nights. You are encouraged to bring your instruments and join in for a jam. Of course we'll have the banquet Friday night- and we'll be presenting the Spirit of the Yankee Award. So, get your nomination in to Mark Hunnibell. Check his email and phone inside the front cover.
- Indian Summer Mohawk Valley Camp and Ride: Finally, we get to some slightly cooler weather September 20, 21, and 22 for our ride with the Seidell's out in Charlemont MA in the Berkshires. This ride offer curves and hills and very little traffic.

Road Runs Are Fun: I would like to make a point that all of the rides can be just one-day events if that's all the time you have. You can show up in Charlemont Saturday morning, ride with the groups, and then go home Saturday evening if that's all the time you have. And if you don't have a tent or sleeping bag (you DO have a tent and sleeping bag, don't you?) then most of the places can set something up, are near a motel, etc. This is really a great way to ride and meet people and have fun.

<u>Club Bylaws</u>: Another topic to touch upon is our effort to develop the chapter bylaws- we will be circulating bylaws for your review and vote in the next 60 days. To put the new bylaws into effect, it is essential to have a good response from the voting. Based on a few votes we've done by mail ballot previously, I doubt this will be a problem!! The idea behind the bylaws is to put a bit more structure into the club operation and give it a longevity that can be handed down to future membership.

<u>Membership Recognition Award</u>: I want to remind you about the Spirit of the Yankee Member Award. Look around, who has helped make your club experience special? Who is chugging away doing things at the meets? The idea of the Spirit Award is to provide a platform for the membership to notice the efforts and behaviors of members that exemplifies the "Spirit of the Yankees"- whatever that means to you! Write up a nomination in 150 words and send it over to Mark Hunnibell. He'll publish them all for review along with a ballot to vote for your 2013 Yankee Member of the Year- the Spirit of the Yankees (see page 11 for more information).

<u>Help a Bike Find a New Home</u>: If any of you are in the education industry, work in or near or at a school system, or have access to anyone who does: Our member Bill Campbell has asked us to find a home, such as a youth program, for a Harley Sportster he will give to a meaningful program. Contact me or Darryl Cutter and we'll help put you in touch with Bill.

BE SAFE! Check your tire pressures, your kickstands, your axle nuts and cotter pins and keep an eye on the road. There have been a number of accidents on road runs and rides inside and outside our chapter.

John Pierce has provided a heartfelt piece on Jim McClean's passing in December (see page 12). Jim was at our meet last year vending along the main circle. He was a judge on Sunday morning. He was lost in a car/bike accident in Mexico in December.

BE CAREFUL out there! You are important to me and others!

-Dan

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Secretary's Report Yankee Chapter Annual Membership Meeting

December 2, 2012

Yankee Chapter Director Dan Margolien opened the meeting by greeting members old and new. We had a large gathering of approximately 75 members and guests and array of food to satisfy all. Dan asked members if there were any issues or concerns regarding the Secretary's report from the BOD meeting in November. A motion was made that, since the members had received the last newsletter and had read the secretary's report could we dispense with reading it again and accepting it as written. This was seconded and approved unanimously.

Next, Yankee Treasurer Rich Corriea walked us through his financial report. He did provide copies for those interested in following along. In 2012, we learned that we had both Connecticut and Federal income taxes due covering the last three years. Richie was able to work with the tax consultant and took care of the issue. Despite this unexpected expenditure, we are still financially stable. AMCA did pick up the penalty to the State of Connecticut, but we will continue to need to pay taxes going forward. Dan mentioned that \$4000 was put back into the Rhinebeck Coalition account as the Yankee's portion of "seed money." A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as read. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Richie for a clear and concise break down of the 2012 finances.

Dana Faucher gave the membership report. He reported that the multi-year membership has been successful and well received. Members should check the lower right-hand corner for your Yankee Chapter renewal date. Per AMCA National requirements, he also wanted to remind us that you must be an AMCA National member in good standing to be a Yankee member. Check your AMCA magazine mailing label for your expiration date and within the magazine for renewal by mail or online. Separate letters for renewal by AMCA National are no longer being sent out. Unlike the Yankee Chapter which is by calendar year, the AMCA renewal is on a rolling 12-month renewal schedule based on your initial date of AMCA membership. Dana was available throughout the day to take Yankee renewal memberships.

Mark Hunnibell, our newsletter editor, brought up that this is Yankee's 40th anniversary. He would like to do a timeline for the newsletter. He is interested in getting older newsletters prior to '95 and also has a gap in newsletters from 2007 until recently (2011) when he took over as editor. Please contact Mark if you have items that you can share with him.

We have National meet status again for 2013 and will have a two-day (Fri and Sat) event planned at Hebron. We will work out a calendar/agenda to include all events over the two days. These are to include a road run, banquet, National judging, band in the evenings, field games, etc. Richie was able to get our first weekend in August date back. Though we were informed that there will be a flea market on the grounds, we are still working on the details of this and will have information at a later date.

Tim Gottier mentioned that last year was the Yankee's 20th year at Hebron and feels we should certainly promote the lastibilty of the Yankee tradition.

Dan asked if there were any thoughts, ideas or needs that we can offer or do to improve or promote the Hebron event. A member suggested we invite other groups. In the past we have asked to have open vending for guests but again it comes back to the need to be an AMCA member to vend.

Mark Hunnibell suggested that we reach out to vendors via post card reminder. In the past, Dan has done a lot of promotional events, postings on biker websites and in publications as well as flyers. All these were seen as good ways to reach out to members, vendors and interested individuals.

Rhinebeck 2013: This event continues to be a huge discussion point with members. All in all if nothing else we can consider this event to be an avenue to introduce others to AMCA and antique bikes. Members want to know where the money goes. A lot of the expenditures go into the Wall of Death, advertising, entertainment and/or whatever is voted on by the Coalition as to what they feel is needed to make this event a success. Kevin Valentine took over the financial management of the event after chapters experienced difficulty receiving timely and complete reporting of Coalition finances. We do have Yankee Chapter members that participate and enjoy volunteering their time for this meet. Chapter members who have attended Coalition planning meetings include Dan Margolien, Darryl Cutter, and Shawn Brown. Throughout the discussion, motions were made and retracted on the subject as to whether to stay or withdraw from the coalition. The membership-wide referendum in 2011 was mentioned as showing strong support for continued participation that has likely not diminished. General consensus was that another referendum after the 2013 meet might be helpful. As usual, there is no finite solution.

Next on the agenda was preparing a calendar of events for 2013. Several ideas were advanced. Each event that the Yankee chapter has sponsored has been well received and enjoyed by those in attendance. The May event in Sterling has been put on hold for 2013 due to uncertain circumstances at the campground. Several members have offered up other ideas including a camp and ride in Stowe, Vermont. Dan will continue to get more information on that and a ride in Jamestown, Rhode Island that Chris Duffy was working on. TC also mentioned a lighthouse tour would be a nice ride. Jesse would be willing to plan a southern Vermont and New Hampshire ride. Jesse and Mike are willing to switch off Maine for Vermont if it made sense. Dana agreed that there is so much to offer in New England it would be nice to rotate sites and individuals to plan out road runs on a specific weekend. So we could either add a date or we could have specific dates and switch off venues. After discussion, we decided on Jamestown, RI on May 17-19, contact is Chris Duffy; Rhinebeck in June, Vermont, June 28-30, contact is Dan; Hebron on Aug 2-3; and Berkshires - September 20-22, contact Jim Seidell.

Billy Campbell has a '77 Sportster he would like to donate into some type of youth program. If anyone has an idea please contact Dan.

Yankee Chapter Bylaws are in the process of completion with counsel from a lawyer. The draft will be reviewed by the Board and the membership will vote on ratification of the Yankee Chapter Bylaws.

The next item on the agenda was a question if any person was in need of a charitable donation. A member shared about a coworker (single mom with two disabled children in the hospital was in a car accident and now does not have transportation to visit them). A motion was made to donate \$1000 and was seconded. During debate, it was noted that we have donated both within the club and to others in need the donation, but no one could recall a donation exceeding \$500. However, the motion was on the floor and a vote was taken. The vote passed 34 to 11 to donate \$1000 to this family.

Charlie Gallo wanted to recognize two members that participated in and finished the Cannonball Run, both on their Hendersons: Richie Correa and Dan Emerson.

Charlie was also recognized for receiving the Yankee membership recognition award.

Dan summed up the year and thanked everyone for their support, input and attendance throughout the year.

Submitted by: Diane Stoyanovich, Yankee Chapter Secretary

Ed. Note: The dates and venue for the Rhode Island Camp & Ride have changed since December. Check the Calendar on page 20-21 in this edition of the Yankee Chatter for the most current information.

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YANKEE CHAPTER MEET AND ROAD RUN HISTORY

Following is a list of all 114 known Yankee-sponsored meets and road runs since 1972. The idea of a Yankee Chapter of AMCA was born at the 1972 AMCA National Meet and became a reality on April 8th the following year. Since 2013 is the 40th anniversary of the Yankee Chapter, we'd like to feature stories and photos from our history, especially those early days. If you have something you'd like to share, contact the editor@yankeechapter.org.

1972

- AMCA National Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA September 9-10, 1972 1973
 - Chapter Official Organizing Meeting Brookline, MA April 8, 1973
 - > Chapter Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA May 27, 1973
 - National Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA September 8-9, 1973

1974

- Chapter Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA May 26, 1974
- > National Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA August 17-18, 1974

1975

- Chapter Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA May 25, 1975
- > National Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA September 6-7, 1975

1976

- National Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA June 19-20, 1976
- Chapter Meet Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA September 18-19, 1976

1977

- > National Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT May 14-15, 1977
- Chapter Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT August 27-28, 1977
 1978
 - > Chapter Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT May 13-14, 1978
 - Edaville Railroad Meet Edaville Railroad, Carver, MA June 25, 1978
 - > Chapter Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT September 23-24, 1978

1979

- > National Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT May 12-13, 1979
- Edaville Railroad Meet Edaville Railroad, Carver, MA June 24, 1979
- Chapter Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT September 22-23, 1979 1980
 - National Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT April 26-27, 1980
 - Edaville Railroad Meet Edaville Railroad, Carver, MA June 29, 1979
- Chapter Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT September 20-21, 1980
 1981
 - National Meet Thompson International Speedway, Thompson, CT April 25-26, 1981
 - > Chapter Meet YMCA Camp, Moosup, CT September 9-10, 1981

1982

- National Meet YMCA Camp, Moosup, CT June 12-13, 1982
- > Chapter Meet YMCA Camp, Moosup, CT September 18-19, 1982

1983

- Chapter Meet Deerfield Fairgrounds, Deerfield, NH May 7, 1983
- National Meet YMCA Camp, Moosup, CT June 11-12, 1983
- > Chapter Meet Deerfield Fairgrounds, Deerfield, NH October 8, 1983

1984

- National Meet Acton Fairgrounds, Acton, ME July 28-29, 1984
- Chapter Meet YMCA Camp, Moosup, CT September 22-23, 1984
- > Autumn Foliage Ride New Hampshire September 29, 1984

1985

- National Meet Acton Fairgrounds, Acton, ME June 29-30, 1985
- Chapter Autumn Meet Claremont Speedway, Claremont, NH October 12-13, 1985

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1986

- ➤ Chapter Meet Acton Fairgrounds, Acton, ME June 21-22, 1986
- National White Mountain Road Run Fox Ridge Resort, North Conway, NH July 24-27, 1986
- Chapter Autumn Meet Cheshire County Fairgrounds, Keene, NH September 27-28, 1986

1987

- > National Meet Waterford Speed Bowl, Waterford, CT April 11-12, 1987
- ➤ Chapter Meet Acton Fairgrounds, Acton, ME June 13-14, 1987
- Chapter Autumn Meet Cheshire County Fairgrounds, Keene, NH September 27, 1987
 1988
 - National Meet Acton Fairgrounds, Acton, ME June 25-26, 1988
 - Chapter Autumn Meet Cheshire County Fairgrounds, Keene, NH September 25, 1988

1989

- > Chapter Meet Stafford Springs Fairground, Stafford Springs, CT April 9, 1989
- National Green Mountain Road Run Top Notch Hotel, Stowe, VT July 27-30, 1989
- ➤ Chapter Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 9-10, 1989
- > Chapter Meet Cheshire County Fairgrounds, Keene, NH September 24, 1989

1990

- Chapter Meet Acton Fairgrounds, Acton, ME June 23-24, 1990
- Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 8-9, 1990
- Chapter Road Run Keene, NH September 22, 1990

1991

- > Chapter Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA May 18-19, 1991
- National Meet Bethlehem Fairgrounds, Bethlehem, CT August 3-4, 1991
- Chapter Meet Cheshire County Fairgrounds, Keene, NH September 22, 1991

1992

- > Chapter Meet Acton Fairgrounds, Acton, ME June 13-14, 1992
- National Twin-State Road Run Lake Morey Inn Resort, Fairlee, VT July 30-August 2, 1992
- Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 12-13, 1992 1993
 - Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 10-11, 1993
- Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 11-12, 1993
 1994
 - Chapter Meet Stafford Springs Fairground, Stafford Springs, CT April 17, 1994
 - National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 29-31, 1994
- Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 10-11, 1994
 1995
 - National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 28-30, 1995
- ➤ Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 9-10, 1995
 - National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 2-4, 1996
- Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 7-8, 1996
 1997
 - National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 1-3, 1997
- Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 13-14, 1997 1998
 - National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 31-August 2, 1998
- Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 12-13, 1998 1999
 - National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 13-15, 1999
- > Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 11-12, 1999 **2000**
 - National White Mountain Road Run Red Jacket Inn, North Conway, NH June 17-21, 2000
 - Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 4-5, 2000

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2001

- National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 3-5, 2001
- > Chapter Autumn Meet Hamilton Rod & Gun Club, Sturbridge, MA September 8-9, 2001

2002

- Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 2-4, 2002
- Chapter Autumn Meet Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 7-8, 2002

2003

- National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 1-3, 2003
- > Chapter Autumn Meet Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 6-7, 2003

2004

- National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 30-August 1, 2004
- > Chapter Autumn Meet Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 10-12, 2004

2005

- National Berkshire Mountains Road Run Econolodge, Lenox, MA June 19-22, 2005
- ➤ Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 29-30, 2005
- ➤ Chapter Autumn Meet Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 9-10, 2005

2006

- National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 4-6, 2006
- Chapter Harvest Gathering Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 8-10, 2006

2007

- Rhinebeck National Meet Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY June 8-10, 2007
- ➤ National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT Aug 3-5, 2007
- > Chapter Harvest Gathering Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 14-15, 2007

2008

- ➤ Vintage Motorcycle Day Sisson's Diner, So. Middleboro, MA June 1, 2008
- > Rhinebeck National Meet Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY June 13-15, 2008
- ➤ Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT Aug 1-2, 2008
- > Chapter Harvest Gathering Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 5-7, 2008
- Vintage Motorcycle Road Run So. Middleboro, MA September 14, 2008

2009

- Rhinebeck National Meet Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY June 12-14, 2009
- Chapter Down East Road Run Belfast Harbor Inn, Belfast, ME June 16-19, 2009
- > Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT Aug 7-8, 2009
- ➤ Chapter Harvest Gathering Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 12-14, 2009

2010

- Rhinebeck National Meet Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY June 11-13, 2010
- ➤ Chapter Maine Camp and Ride Indian Rivers Campground, Eliot, ME July 9-11, 2010
- > Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 30-August 1, 2010
- ➤ Chapter Harvest Gathering Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT September 10-12, 2010
- Chapter Berkshire Mountains Camp and Ride Charlemont, MA September 17-18, 2010

2011

- Chapter Camp and Ride Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT May 20-22, 2011
- Rhinebeck National Meet Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY June 10-12, 2011
- Chapter Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 29-31, 2011
- Chapter Berkshires Camp and Ride Charlemont, MA September 16-18, 2011

2012

- Chapter Camp and Ride Sterling Park Campground, Sterling, CT May 18-20, 2012
- > Rhinebeck National Meet Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY June 8-9, 2012
- > Chapter Maine Road Run Indian Rivers Campground, Eliot, ME June 29-July 1, 2012
- National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT July 27-29, 2012
- > Chapter Berkshires Camp and Ride Charlemont, MA September 14-16, 2012

2013

- ➤ Chapter Camp and Ride West Greenwich, RI May 17-19, 2013
- > Rhinebeck National Meet Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY June 14-15, 2013
- Chapter Vermont Road Run Stowe, VT June 28-30, 2013
- > National Meet Lions Club Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT August 2-3, 2013
- Chapter Berkshires Camp and Ride Charlemont, MA September 20-22, 2013

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Yankee Spirit

When all is said and done, when all the parts are put away, and the bikes are cooled off, our club is about its members and the relationships we build with each other. Last year, we created a way to recognize those members that make a difference to the club, that help others, that go the extra mile. The award has this stated purpose:

Annually recognize a club member that exemplifies "the Spirit of the Yankees."

Charlie Gallo was presented the inaugural award at the Hebron National Meet last year and it's time to make nominations for this year's award. As a reminder, here is the process:

- Any Yankee member may nominate any other Yankee member and include a statement up to 150
 words supporting the nomination that recognizes a member's contribution to the club. It's up to
 you to decide why a member should be recognized there are no formal criteria. You may make
 as many nominations as you'd like.
- The nominations must be sent or emailed to Mark Hunnibell, our Yankee Chatter editor, by May 11 (tear off or just mail the info below). Mark will publish all the nominations and statements in the Spring Chatter for mailing on May 18.
- A ballot will be mailed separately a week later so that each member will have time to review the nominations and make your vote by return ballot mailed to the Chapter Secretary. Our Chapter Secretary, Diane Stoyanovich, will count and record all the ballots received by the deadline, June 15.
- The nominee receiving the most votes will be awarded the perpetual Yankee Member Recognition Award at the Hebron 2013 National Meet Banquet.

We encourage your participation in this process - if not by nominating someone - then certainly by voting.

Yankee Spirit Nomination (email info to editor@yankeechapter.org or mail to Mark Hunnibell, 1230 Grinnell Drive, Yellow Springs, OH 45387)		
Nominee:	Nominated by:	
Statement supporting nomination (15	50-word maximum):	

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Remembering Jim McClean

April 5, 1951 - December 3, 2012

Friends, again the day finds us that we are not so many as we used to be. Jim McLean's love affair with antique Harley-Davidsons has ended. At his second home in Mexico where he and his wife Kathie spent the last several winters, Jim was out for a ride with several friends on their enduro bikes and a careless driver hit him. Jim was thrown 150 feet, suffered a broken and dislocated leg, a dislocated shoulder and numerous bangs and bruises. Two days later in the hospital, he had an embolism and was gone.

Twenty-five or so years ago, we met at Oley, PA at the Antique Motorcycle Club of America's Perkiomen National meet. Jim was passing by our swap meet spot, looked parched and we invited him to have a beverage with us. This became a ritual. He was a good man, generous, kind and fastidious. No detail was insignificant. You'd have to try hard to find something coarse to say about him.

Jim was a tool and die maker by trade from London, Ontario, Canada and often took trips out of the country to troubleshoot equipment his company made and sold. A few years after we met, knowing I was from New Hampshire, he asked if I knew of a particular manufacturer in the state. I did. The location was near me and the man who ran that production line was also at the meet. I introduced Jim to "Buck."

Jim became a more frequent visitor over the years and after his work was done, Jim, Buck and I would ride together with Jim riding one of my bikes. The three of us would often go out for dinner. On one such occasion, Buck planned a winter barbecue for entertainment. Another friend, Chuck, had just purchased a mandolin and was learning how to play it. Jim asked if he could try it and we were stunned to discover that Jim was an accomplished musician. He played it like he was born with it. We found out he had earned a living for a while as a Blues guitarist favoring the Fender Telecaster played through a vintage Peavey amp. Jim was also an accomplished slide guitarist. Though he was a very humble man, from time to time, we would uncover another one of his talents.

Jim shared a story of a trip he took in the early '70s with me. He and a friend took a bus from Ontario, Canada to the south side of Chicago to see Blues legend Howlin' Wolf perform at the Blue Flame Liquor and Lounge. Howlin' Wolf's lead guitarist was the famed Hubert Sumlin, one of Jim's favorites. The two saw that they were the only white people in the lounge. After the first set, the Wolf came off stage and sat with the pair from out of town. Back on stage, he introduced the two as his personal friends who had come all the way from London, Ontario to see him play. After the show, Jim and his friend planned to take a bus to the YMCA to stay the night. The band's piano player--another Blues great--Pine Top Perkins, asked where they were headed. When he heard their intentions, Perkins, who already had two guests in the front seat, told them to ride in the backseat of this Cadillac. Perkins insisted they would not make it otherwise.

Twelve years ago, Jim was in the process of finishing a '36 EL restoration. He sent me some pictures and it looked great but when I got to go over it in person, it was indeed exceptional. Jim was a very talented restorer. Among his other concours restorations were a 1942 WLC, a 1918 J-model, and his regular ride, a 1957 FL.

Four years ago, Jim and his wife, Kathie, retired and moved a few miles down the street from me in southeastern New Hampshire. Still Canadian citizens, they would spend several months here, stay briefly in Canada and enjoy the winter months in Mexico. During the summer, Jim, Kathie, my wife, Mary, and I would spend Sundays driving around New Hampshire and Maine. Other times, Jim and I would go riding on our Harley-Davidsons. He would urge me go out and enjoy myself, remarking that my work would still be here the next morning.

Three years ago, Jim's blood pressure was high and he was on a diet, eating a lot of soup. I watched Jim, who was losing weight, unable to kick-start his FL, blaming the carb, points or timing, then having me start it for him. Jim thought it was the carb; I suggested more Twinkies, ice cream and beer in his diet would fix the problem.

Ironically, Jim helped me out this past summer when I went for a tumble. He was right behind me during the accident and saw me off to the hospital. Jim and two other friends, Craig and Pat, kept a close eye on me until my wife, Mary, came. Only true friends can be there in times like that, or overlook my sarcasm. The roads we shared will not be the same.

Recently, Jim helped my friend, Dave, and I detail a '41 FL. Jim was a great asset to us when we did the final assembly. Saturdays would find him driving up with a pocketful of hardware, neatly bagged and labeled, or bringing a piece we didn't know we needed. He had a way about him where he would cock his head back, make eye contact, rock his left knee, and thoughtfully say, "Did you know..." or "Have you seen one of these?" The explanation would be followed with a slight chuckle.

One time, he gave us a piece of "Fish Paper" for the brake light terminal plate switch. We didn't even know this piece was missing but Jim had one and installed it. If he were comfortable with you, he would always share his succinct knowledge. Those of us lucky enough to have a good friend like Jim understand what it is I'm saying.

Like the Waylon Jennings song says, "Teardrops and Laughter Pass Through This World Hand in Hand." If there is a final lesson to take away from this tragedy, it's this: We are invisible on a bike. When a car approaches a stop sign, don't assume that it will stop. Ride like it will not.

May the sun be warm on your back, may you feel a light breeze on your face, and may you never hit reserve. Rest in peace, Jim. You will be missed. --J.P.

-John Pierce

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AMERICAN POLICE MOTORCYCLE MUSEUM

"To Protect and Preserve"

194 Daniel Webster Highway Meredith, NH 03253 http://AmericanPoliceMotorcycleMuseum.com 603-279-6387

info@AmericanPoliceMotorcycleMuseum.com

Imagine a time when there were no cars and most people that wanted to travel any distance rode the train. Country roads were simply paths cleared and maintained by years of being trampled by horses with wagons. The city streets were not as primitive but weather more than construction dictated their condition. As the 1890's came to a close, the combustible engine was developed and soon; inventers

were putting wheels on engines.

As the century turned, the automobile and motorcycle gained in popularity with the primitive road system unable to handle the increased traffic. No stop signs, speed limits or even simple rules of the road, like which side of the road to drive on were established. Accidents commonplace and most roads were still impassable by automobile. The motorcycle, which at the time was no more than an engine fitted to a bicycle, could negotiate these old wagon trails by traversing over and around the hazards. City police departments found that these inexpensive machines could also be used



to cut the response time to crimes, control the traffic and move squads of mounted officers quickly to volatile situations. Lawmakers attached fines for offenders and found this to be an excellent revenue source outside of taxes. Early police motorcycle officers and motor vehicle inspectors were heralded when they were the top revenue takers for ticket writing. As the revenue grew, so did the size of the



motorcycle squad. Most State Police Departments were formed from the motor vehicle inspectors created to control the early motorized traffic. The very rural residents were now able to get emergency help as there was virtually no place the motorcycle could not go.

Not all speeding automobiles were joy riders, as criminals found the new invention convenient for fleeing crimes and also to take without the owner's permission. Mounted officers as they were called, pursued these offenders without knowing the reason. No radio to communicate and usually alone without back-up, the early police chase usually ended with gunfire or vehicle breakdown. The officers were trained to start shooting at the

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offenders as soon as they started to flee. Through the roaring twenties and the depression years of the early thirties, the motorcycle was the primary method of transportation for police departments. The men that rode them were rugged pioneers whose history we herald within this museum. They rode these early machines year round in all kinds of weather and for the most part, never knew what they were dealing with till after the fact. Many lost their lives riding these machines at high speeds chasing autos or responding to calls for help. It was reported in the mid thirties that one in fourteen motorcycle officers with the city of Los Angeles lost their lives while operating motorcycles. In many instances, search parties were formed to locate the missing mounted officer who had not returned to the station.

My wife and I had been thinking about creating a museum dedicated to the history of the police motorcycle for several years. Shorty after the motorcycle was invented, its use by the police was found to be a wonderful marketing tool for Indian and Harley Davidson. The heroics and the dependability of each brand were heralded in their literature. We sought to chronicle this history by displaying photographs, literature. uniforms, equipment, artifacts and motorcycles in use during each decade. A movie viewing area with motorcycle films from the teens to present helps to visualize the rich history of motorcycling from a unique perspective.

Our pride and joy within the museum is the children's area. If they pledge to read every night, obey their parents and refrain from bullying; each child is presented with a junior police badge and ID card. Almost all of these fifty plus motorcycles run



Our 300th Junior Officer Receiving His Badge

and are outfitted with radios and correct accessories through time. There are several motorcycles on loan from gracious owners including George Yarocki's 1929 Indian 101 scout with sweetheart sidecar. We hope to build a new bike every few years in a period looking shop we created in the lower level. A 1948 Indian Chief was built as a Laconia Police motorcycle and is available with period correct police motorcycle uniform for a souvenir picture. For 2013, we are proud to feature our new exhibit which is the tribute to the Female Motor Officer.

-Frederick Douglas

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Membership Roster

CONNECTICUT (66)

- George Abele & Helen Young
- William & Cynthia Baker
- > Jim Barnard
- Joshua Bednarski
- David & Jay Berard
- > Bruce Blanchone
- > William Brauch
- Dennis Brilla
- Steven Bristol
- Duane & Linda Brown
- Timothy Castelvetere
- Ralph & Linda Covino
- Michael Curley
- Peter & Diana DePizzol
- Dan & Karen Emerson
- Stephen & Linda Emerson
- Peter & Andrea Esposito
- Dana & Jim Faucher
- David & William Foster
- Jim Friedlander
- Charles E Funk III
- Charles & Sandy Gallo
- Neil & June Geldof
- Gilbert & Karen Gervais
- Gerald A Goodale
- Gary & Monica Gosselin
- Tim Gottier & Josey Manzo
- Martin & Nathan Hansen
- Steve Job & Jaye Mabesoone
- John Jones
- Tim Kallberg
- Stanley Kasparewicz & Leslie Lerner
- Joe Kontos
- Andrew & Zack LaRoche
- Gene Levesque & Joyce Thompson
- > Jim Malt & Nicole Maletta
- James & Carol McCauley
- Jean Montminy
- Roy & Debra Morin
- Dan Negri
- Eric Nelson
- Jim Nowik
- Brian O'Neil
- Alex & Deborah Olearos
- Will Paley & Elaine Beun
- Thomas L Payne

- David J Perillo & Linda Halliday
- Louis & Kim Piette
- Gerry & Pete Powers
- Tom Reichert & Allen Chemerka
- Anthony, Valerie, Patrick, & Ryan Rutledge
- Edward & Carolyn Rutledge
- Don & Barbara Salisbury
- Patrick & Celeste Santos-Rivera
- Maury Schold & Yvonne Lanagan
- Lou & Deb Serignese
- Dale & Patti Seymour
- > Tom Sideleau
- > Robert S Simmons
- > Travis & Judy Sirrine
- Charlie Smith
- Wanda Stone
- > Stuart & Diane Stoyanovich
- Don Switter
- Beverly Twine
- John Yushkevich

MASSACHUSETTS (53)

- > Stephan & Victoria Allison
- > Paul Gabriella
- Rob Babcock
- Andy & Valerie Bagas
- > Hap Mark Bernard
- Scott & Wanda Bogon
- > Dennis Bolduc
- Doug & Tonya Lynn Campbell
- Robert E Carew
- > Tom Carlson
- James & Linda Casev
- Joel & Phil Castleman
- > Richard & Barbara Correia
- Darryl Cutter & Cortney Oliver
- Alex & Kathy Duffus
- ➢ Brian R DuFour
- Robert Frink
- > Ted Goodreau
- Birdie Guzman
- Ken & Dylan Herschfield
- Michael & Sharon Hickey
- > Roland R Houde
- Sara & Eric Kurz
- Garry & Richard Lamothe
- Christopher Lenox
- John & Susan Lingley

- Scott Longvall
- Peter MacMurray
- Steve Marves & Zack Priesing
- Dennis McCarthy & Tracy Gaudet
- Arthur McCormack
- Raymond Melanson
- Cindy Mesmer
- Carl Messina
- Richard & Dawn Kelley-Miller
- Thomas D & Thomas P Moran
- Paul M Murray
- David & Seri Neault, Sr
- Robert O'Gagne
- > John Henry & Melissa Patterson
- Edward Popowitz & Virginia Stenquist
- James Robertson
- Harry H Roy
- Lou Rubbo
- Jamie Seidell & Jen Goselin
- ➤ Jim & Dawn Seidell
- Donald Skarp
- > John Sr. & John Jr. Smedes
- Bob Stevens & Dick Rattner
- Kenneth & Mae Thompson
- Randy & Joan Walker
- Glen Wiglesworth
- > Carl & Dorothy Wold, Jr.

NEW HAMPSHIRE (20)

- Jessie Aikman & Miké Lingley
- Brian Alexander & Nancy Ray
- Curt Avery
- Craig & Patricia Buxton
- Paul & Linda Cavanaugh
- Roark Cox & Jackie Heuser
- Brian Golden
- Gerry Griffin
- Rodney & Sharon Hansen Jr.
- Robert W Holt
- David & Shelley Hudson
- Brian & Alex Keating
- George & Kristine Kirk
- Marcel & Priscilla Leveille
- C J Lundergan
- Dan & Carol Margolien
- Ron & Jared Roberts
- Peter Stimson & Meredith Bickford
- Kent A & Carol Thompson
- Clark & Addison Thyng

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RHODE ISLAND (19)

- Scott & Paula Anthony
- Joe & Audrey Carey
- Dave Ciccalone
- Smilin' Jim Costa
- Tom & Deb Covill
- Mark & Betty Dereniuk
- Ron & Cameron Dickson
- Christopher & Clinton Duffy
- Gary C Gagne
- Russell Luther
- William & Sandra Luther
- Ed Morinho & Celia Weigold
- Karl & Marilyn Nagy
- David Nigri
- F. Shane & Jacqueline Rose
- Dave Ross
- Pete Triolo
- Robert Viveiros & Kathy Charest
- Luke Walker

MAINE (15)

- Joel Bergeron
- Paul & Mona Bergeron
- Peter Bergeron & Linda Allen
- ➤ Kenneth Carville & Nanci Breau ➤ David & Joann Scherk
- Mitchell & Diane Duncan
- > James H Galipeau
- Jim Garrett
- Norman & Verna Gordon
- Jerry & Gail Gould
- Peter Grace
- Mark Hutchins
- Joseph Moulton & Rosemary Marc-Aurele
- ➤ Eileen & Jeremy Nuppula
- ➤ Gary & Susan Rollock
- Dennis & Florina Willette

VERMONT (4)

- Miles & Patrice Mushlin
- ➢ Brian L Pease
- Pierce Reid

FLORIDA (1)

Brad & Lisa Nelson

ILLINOIS (1)

Earl & Julie Reichmann

MARYLAND (1)

Ward Wright

NEBRASKA (1)

Michelle Spies

NEW YORK (3)

- Steve & Joan Decosa
- Jonathan Henken & Julie vonWettberg
- Virginia & Scott D Walsh

OHIO (2)

- Mark & Isaac Hollingsworth
- Mark & Laura Hunnibell

AMCA National Wants to Hear From YOU

Fred Davis, AMCA's Director of Chapters/Consumer Affairs, recently sent an email to Chapter presidents asking for input from the general membership of AMCA on the following subject:

"What, in your opinion, could/should, the AMCA National Board of Directors do to improve relations between AMCA National and local Chapters, or provide better support to local Chapters of AMCA? As you know, AMCA BoD will be facing many challenges in the coming years. It is my desire to include input from local Chapters in our decision making. Thank you for taking the time to respond to this important issue."

Fred's email address is frednan3@aol.com, and his complete contact information is on the AMCA web site here: http://www.antiquemotorcycle.org/index.php?page=who-we-are

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RI CAMP & RIDE

May 17 - 19, 2013

Location: Nutz on Nooseneck, 809 Nooseneck Hill Road,

West Greenwich RI 02817

Join us for a ride along the Rhode Island shoreline with a couple of light house stops.

Large field behind the Inn for camping. A shower will be available. Limited electric and water.

Directions: From 95N and 95S, take Exit 5A to Rte 102 South. Travel $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to intersection with Rte 3. Take a left onto Rte 3 North and follow $1-\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Inn will be on the left.

Alternate directions: 3955 Connecticut to Exit 88,

Rte 14A, travel east 14 miles to intersection of Rte 102.

Take a right onto Rte 102 S for approximately 10 miles to intersection of Rte 3. Take a left onto Rte 3 North and follow $1-\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Inn will be on the left.

For info: Call Tom Covill (401) 397-2584; cell (401) 241-5606

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VINTAGE MOTORCYCLE DAY

SUNDAY JUNE 2, 2013 NOON TO 4 PM



205 Myricks St East Taunton

On Rt 79 off of Rt140

ALL MAKES OF MOTORCYCLES ARE WELCOMED 1983 AND EARLIER FOR DISPLAY

> Stock bikes, Bobbers, Choppers, Rats, two or three wheeler Homemade, whatever you have, bring it and show it NO ADMISSION - GREAT FOOD AVAILABLE THIS EVENT IS SPONSORED BY

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THE YANKEE CHAPTER OF THE ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF AMERICA For more info email: tumbleweedmc@comcast.net

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2013 Events Calendar

Apr 19-21, 2013	European Chapter International Meet 'Het Uilenest' Gijzenrooi, 5661 PA Geldrop – the Netherlands http://www.amca-europe.eu/
Apr 26-27, 2013	Perkiomen National Meet Oley, PA - 610-948-4553 oleyfleamarket@comcast.net
May 3-5, 2013	MotoGiro-East Jiminy Peak, MA http://www.motogiro-usa.com/motogiro-east.html
May 17-19, 2013	Rhode Island Camp & Ride (see page 18) West Greenwich - Contact: Tom Covill, Home: 401-397-2584, Cell: 401-241-5606
May 17-19, 2013	Southern National Meet Denton, NC - 417-838-4777 http://www.amcasouthernnationalmeet.com
Jun 2, 2013	Vintage Motorcycle Day (see page 19) Star Drive-In, East Taunton, MA tumbleweedmc@comcast.net
Jun 9-17, 2013	Laconia Motorcycle Week Laconia, NH http://www.laconiamcweek.com
Jun 14-15, 2013	Rhinebeck National Meet Rhinebeck, NY - 518-622-8519 http://www.rhinebecknationalmeet.com
Jun 14-15, 2013	Fort Sutter National Meet Dixon, CA - 209-748-5126 http://www.amcafortsutter.org
Jun 14-16, 2013	Viking National Meet St. Paul, MN - 952-941-4997 http://www.vikingmc.org
Jun 19-21, 2013	Rocky Mountain Chapter Road Run Ouray, CO - 303-514-3600 jeff.alleman@nrel.gov
Jun 28-30, 2013	Yankee Chapter Vermont Road Run (see page 22-23) Stowe, VT - (Evenings) 802-253-2230 2013ridethroughtime@gmail.com
Jul TBD, 2013	Pioneer Valley Indian Motocycle Rally Chester, MA
Jul 19-21, 2013	Wauseon National Meet Wauseon, OH - 419-929-0291 http://www.wauseonnationalmeet.org
Aug 2-3, 2013	Yankee Chapter National Meet Lion's Fairgrounds, Hebron, CT Dan Margolien 603-458-5013

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Aug	5-7, 2013	Evergreen Chapter Road Run White Pass, WA - 360-516-6101 http://www.evergreenamca.org
Aug	12-15, 2013	Empire Chapter Road Run Vernon, NY - 315-365-2639 http://www.empirechapter.com
Aug	29-Sep 1, 2013	42nd Annual Chief Blackhawk Fall Meet Davenport, IA - 563-381-4015 http://www.chiefblackhawk.org
YANKEE CHAPTER	20-22, 2013	Yankee Mohawk Valley/Indian Summer Berkshires Camp & Ride Charlemont, MA Contact: Jim Seidell 413-527-0421
Sep	22-25, 2013	Fort Sutter Chapter Road Run Sacramento, CA – 916-452-9847 http://www.amcafortsutter.org
May	3-5, 2013	Pewter Run Hillsborough Center, NH http://pewterrun.com
Oct	4-5, 2013	Chesapeake Chapter National Meet Jefferson, PA - 410-692-9291 scott.english@us.army.mil
Oct	7-9, 2013	Neshaminy Valley & Seaboard Chapters Road Run New Hope, PA - 215-539-3423 http://www.neshaminyvalleychapter.com
YANKEE CHAPTER	8, 2013	Yankee Christmas Party and Business Meeting VFW Post 5663 Hall 20 Federal Hill Road, Oxford, MA 01540

"Working in the Garage" with Rusty Nuts

I got a neat Christmas present I want to tell you about: A Drill Doctor. The Drill Doctor is a simple machine for sharpening your drill bits. When bits get dull they don't cut well, you have to press too hard, and the holes are not neat and have a lot of burrs. The Drill Doctor at www.drilldoctor.com is about \$100 bucks, and is available at Sears among other big box stores. It has simple tooling to set the bits, and is real easy to use. It makes a big difference and if you have a bunch of old bits can return them to new drilling condition.

I've been painting a bit and have really improved my base by using etching primer first. The etching primer really bites into the bare metal and provides much better adhesion than putting the primer onto the metal first. So I have been sanding and preparing the metal, then applying phosphoric *Prep & Etch* that I got at Home Deport. This chemical removes any rust and leaves a clean surface with tooth for the etching primer. Its especially useful if the metal has pits. The chemical gets into the pits and removes the rust and leaves a coating to prevent rust and promote adhesions. I scuff it on with red Scotch Brite pads which are like sink scrubbers or non metallic steel wool. After this is dry use the etching primer, then go with the filling/building primer for the paint base. Sand real well, take off a lot of the primer first coat. If I break through to bare metal, I spritz on a little of the etch primer, then more primer. When sanding wet add a few drops of liquid soap to the water to help keep the paper from clogging. I always clean the surface before priming and painting with SEM SOLVE and on my last project I used something from PEP BOYS from Rustoleum called Wax & Tar remover. It really does a good job cleaning off the primer residue from sanding and of course you don't want body oils from your hands so use latex or Nitrile gloves, wash the part down, let it dry, tack it off then spray away. Use a mask. Don't breath the fumes, especially the 2-part catalyzed paints.

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The Yankee Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America 2013 "Ride Through Time"

Friday, June 28 to Sunday, June 30, 2013 Stowe, Vermont

Welcome to the 2013 Ride through Time in Stowe Vermont!! It promises to be a fun weekend.

The event is an AMCA Road Run, sponsored by the Yankee Chapter. You have to be an AMCA member to participate, but we can sign anyone up (and the magazine alone is worth the dues!)

The event is located in the resort town of Stowe, Vermont. Stowe is a resort community which is host to arts and crafts shows, a balloon festival, and many other special events as well as many outdoor activities such as skiing, hiking, and biking. For more information about the town, go to http://www.gostowe.com.

Friday, June 28	 Registration 10:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Golden Eagle Resort Rides – two (2) options available – About 10 miles to Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory. Tour, treats and a visit to the flavor graveyard visit that no-longer-available favorite flavor. Through Smuggler's Notch which is for those who are confident in their riding ability and their brakes. A twisty notch road past Vermont's Highest Peak with spectacular scenery. This can be a factor of about 40 miles.
	be an 'out and back' ride of about 10 miles each way or a loop of about 40 miles. • Meals – all meals are on your own this day
Saturday, June 29	 Registration: 7:00 am – 8:30 am Ride – to the Shelburne Museum near Lake Champlain – about 40 miles each way. Departure time 9:00 am. The ride will include back roads and some sections of dirt road (we will provide alternate routes for those who want to stay on pavement). The museum will have special parking and tickets will be included in the meet registration fee. Meals
	 Breakfast – on your own Lunch - on your own at the Shelburne Museum Dinner – Pig Pickin at The Vintage Garage in Stowe – Carolina style with all the fixing. Live band as well. BYOB. Cost of this event is included in the meet registration fee. This event will be more than just antique MC folks. We will have a wide array of 'motorheads' and like-minded internal (and external) combustion fans including the Silver Ghost Association, Steam cars, a few pieces of live artillery and perhaps a tank. The BBQ is our 'mixer' and brings together a diverse array of fun stuff.
Sunday, June 30	 Ride – dawn patrol to Elmore, Vermont – about 20 miles each way. Return to Stowe by 10:00 am Meals – Breakfast/Brunch Buffet– cash Meet over at Noon

<u>Lodging</u>: We have arranged a special room rate at the *Golden Eagle Resort*. There is lots of trailer parking and will save 'outside' room parking for bikes (<u>www.goldeneagleresort.com</u>). There are also about 40 other hotels/motels/campgrounds in Stowe - something for every budget from Four-star to cheap motels. There is also an outstanding campground called Nichols Campground.

Your registration package will include maps and directions, a meet gift and some coupons and information on the area.

Registration Fee: \$65 per motorcycle*/rider and \$35 per guest:

Please send check and registration form to: Pierce Reid, P.O. Box 488, Stowe, Vermont 05672

*A couple of people have asked if they can bring more than one motorcycle for the registration fee ... the answer is yes! Registration covers one rider and as many bikes as you want to bring. Guest registration is to cover cost of the Shelburne Museum ticket and pig pickin.

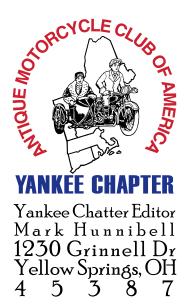
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