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Editor's Note:

By being a part of the AMCA, I can help keep the history of motorcycles like these and motorcycling alive. Supporting the AMCA, local chapters, helping the youth come into motorcycling is a good way of making it grow. Combining our knowledge, resources and experiences will help pave the future.



1948, After World War II, the Potsdam Agreement of the USSR, USA, and the UK, prohibited BMW Aktiengesellschaft (AG) from building motorcycles. Later, this ban was lifted and in 1948 BMW produced its first postwar motorcycle, the 250 cc R24, which was based largely on the prewar R23. It was the only postwar BMW motorcycle produced without a rear suspension. BMW introduced the R25 model, with plunger rear suspension, in 1950. The last of the plunger models, the R25/3, was introduced in 1953.



1960, Harley-Davidson purchases a half interest in Aeronatica-Macchi, forming Aermacchi Harley-Davidson, a European division that will produce small, single cylinder motorcycles.



Presidents Letter:



Spring is here, and so is the rain, it puts a damper on riding for sure. Soon it will be hot and dry and good riding weather. Four of us (Dave, Joe, Raul and me) rode to Twisted Oz open house. No rain, but, it was 41° and didn't warm up much. The museum is a must see, only a couple of Harleys but a lot of rare bikes. They also had a bike show, swapmeet and food. I bought some gas tanks and a transmission case. I enjoyed seeing the Vincent Streamliner also a bike in the show with a hand built V-8 motor and a BMW transmission and drive shaft.

The only other event I attended was the Pete & Jake's open house, I took my 65 wagon which was in the bottom 10% compared to the beautiful cars that showed up, there were also a couple of bikes. There was an early Ford street rod convertible with an Ardun motor; this is a Ford flathead with an overhead valve Hemi chamber kit, the Chrysler hemi was (some say) designed from this motor in 1951, all in all a very good show. We should go next year and set up a Santa Fe Trail spot let me know if you would like to do this.

I'm still hearing positive comments on the last Lawrence bike show. I guess we did a pretty good job. With a little work we should do even better next year. The HOAME show is June 4th 10-2 at the Merriam market place Pavilion. We should try for a good showing as it's a good show and usually good weather.

Riding time is here if you have an idea for a ride bring it up.

See ya on the road

Jack



1897- By the late 1890's the Stevens brothers were riding around Wolverhampton, England on their first motorcycle, powered by an American 'Mitchell' engine. Later they founded A.J.S.

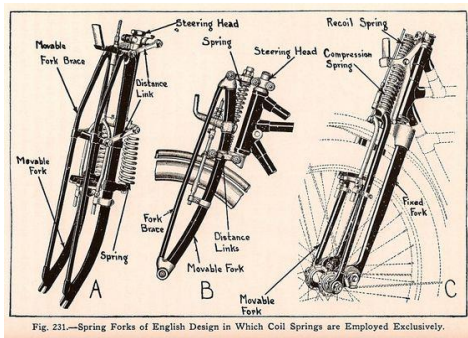
Wide Open 17: It was a good turnout for the Wide Open show, plenty of people showed up, and there were plenty of bikes. Thanks to Ralph Roades SFTrail would be there again. We managed to get 8 bikes there, Mike L. brought his HD flat head, Frank S. his 2 Hondas, a friend of mine Todd Rust brought his 77 HD FX, and Elizabeth and I a 47 HD Knuckle, 70 HD FL Shovel, 70 HD Baja and 73 Ossa MAR, we moved the bikes around to fill the space we had. Wide Open is mostly a bagger show with a lot of customizing, but, more and more Ralph is bringing in the antiques and classics to add to his venue, mixing the old with the new.





And in the end, Elizabeth gets her bike signed by Robbie Wolfe, of American Pickers.





NOV. 1955 DIRT TRACK AMA



DON REES BSA

JULIUS WALKER HD

SAM MACHINE HD

Twisted Oz Museum

I got up, looked out the window, the sun was bright; It was 70° **April fools! Really!** I got up, looked out the window, it was gray, the sun was hidden, and it was 40°! But still, Jack, Dave, Joe and I (Raul) met in Peculiar on April 1st, to ride to Augusta, Ks. Close to 180 mi. each way, for the first and hoping to be an annual, Twisted Oz Museum show and swap. Check out the video on the website at www.sftrail.org. Luckily the ride back wasn't as bad; it warmed up a little and the sun came out for a while. Over all I think the show was a hit and the museum is great, it's good to see more interest in displaying motorcycle history.



Motor was fabricated all by hand.



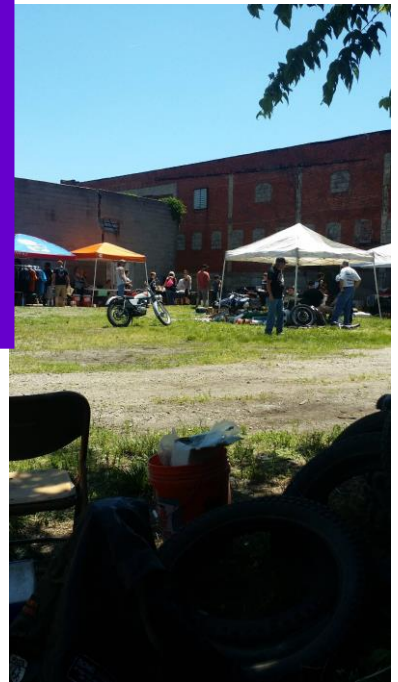
Vintage Iron 17:

It was great weather for Vintage Iron this year. There were a few bikes that made it under the event tent. The Vintage Iron guys had the grill fired up, they sold most of their tee shirts, and they had chips, water and coffee for sale. I have to say I haven't seen anyone use a Keurig coffee machine at an event before, but them Vintage Iron guys are unique. They set up some field events again, which we were happy to see. The plank races proved to be a challenge, and as always slow racing takes practice. The vendors set up along the walls, there were some good parts there for the swap-meet, and some of the stuff went very reasonable. Just a matter of time before this event becomes the thing to do.

Good job!



Elizabeth takes 2nd in Plank



The Plank Run

The Show





The Slow Races



The 7th. Annual Donnell's KCVJMC Vintage Motorcycle Rally

We were well aware of the fact that the weather reports called for rain but what can you do! It was raining when we arrived around 7:30am and continued raining till after 10am. We just assumed that the event would just be a failure, who goes to a motorcycle shows in the rain? The rain did stop after 10:30 and the sun actually came out. We had around 30 bikes show up while it was raining but as the ground dried more motorcycles rolled in. A little after noon it actually looked like a regular show with somewhere around 90 motorcycles being displayed. These guys must have really wanted to come! We ended up with a decent crowd and one member claimed that we went over 100 motorcycles but what mattered is that we had a good time. A Suzuki Demo ride truck was there which was fun and brought a few more people to the show. All in all the show turned out fine with lots of great vintage motorcycles on hand. For some reason we had an unusually large group of Hodaka's some of which came from Omaha. If anyone can give me a date in May of next year when the weather will be dry, please pass the information along, we would sure like to know.

Mark Bayer

The Suzuki Jeep was a 2 stroke rated at 27 HP.
dating from around 1970



Suzuki and BSA, still brand new as they were out of the crate



A Norton that showed up to see the bikes



Thank you Mark and Frank for supplying the pictures.

Up Coming Events:

- *Sun. June 4th Hoame show Merriam Market Pavilion 10-4
- *Sat June 10th Jerry Semler is put together a road run from Warsaw/Camdenton Mo. Thru- HaHa Tonka State Park back to Warsaw. Contact Jerry for more info 816-812-4149
- *Sat June 10th Lake side speedway flat track races
- *Fri June, 16th Antique motorcycle ride to Yellowstone national park bikes must be 35yrs or older contact Jack(El Presdente) for more info.
- *Sat July 15th Sedalia flat track races sponsored by Yeager
- *Sun Aug 13th Art of the Machine River Market

Heart of America Motorcycle Enthusiast
Presents its 26th Annual Rally and show
"35 years and Older"

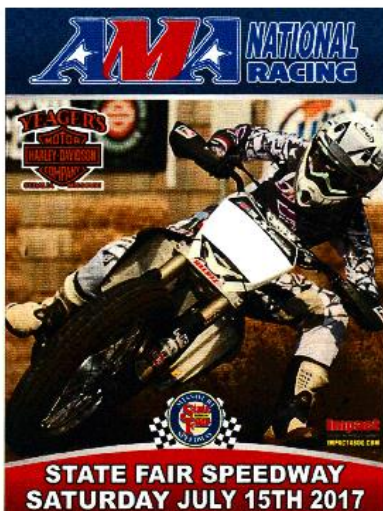
Sunday June 4, 2017
10am- 4pm
Merriam Marketplace Pavilion

Contact Kenny Howard 816-223-5008
or
Bob Peters 913-908-4530

H.O.A.M.E. Rally and Show



June 4, 2017
Merriam Marketplace Pavilion



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AMCA 2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

NATIONAL ROAD RUNS

June 20-22 Rocky Mountain Chapter Road Run, Black Hawk CO

July 24-26 Evergreen Chapter Road Run, Sequim WA

Sept 11-13 Fort Sutter Chapter Road Run, Lake Tahoe CA

Sept 20-23 Smoky Mountain Chapter Road Run Chattanooga, TN

NATIONAL MEETS

Feb 24-25 Omaha Chapter Fremont, NE

Mar 10-11 Sunshine Chapter New Smyrna Beach, FL

Apr 28-29 Perkiomen Chapter Oley, PA

May 19-21 Southern National Denton, NC

May 19-20 European Chapter Raalte, Netherlands

June 16-17 Viking Chapter St. Paul, MN

June 16-17 Fort Sutter Chapter Dixon, CA

June 30-July 1 Rhinebeck National Rhinebeck, NY

July 21-23 Wauseon Meet Wauseon, OH

Aug 4-5 Yankee Chapter Hebron, CT

Aug 25-26 Australia Chapter Bulli Show Grounds

Sept 29-Oct 1 Chesapeake Chapter Jefferson, PA

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Vintage 1940's-style motorcycle rally at the H-D Museum. The 15th annual Knucklehead Company Reunion hosts an antique motorcycle ride-in show and the AMCA Badger Heritage Chapter hosts authentic motorcycle field games like the slow race and plank ride.

If you never been to the Museum and want to go, this is a good time to see it. Bike show, field events and lots of entertainment and food.

Classified Ads

Contact me @ shovel7077@gmail.com to place a motorcycle related classified ad here include a description and photos.