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## **EMPIRE CHAPTER**



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Pauline Lichva (deceased)

## **From Your AMCA National Board**

We had eight hours in our Davenport Board meeting last Thursday, 2 September, with another 100% turnout of our Directors. Here are the highlights:

### **2011 Board**

This was at the end of the meeting, but I know you will want to know the results. Myself, Jim Moore and Kevin Valentine stood down after 12 years Board service, and Del Schumacher after eight. We elected Steve Dawdy, Fred Davis, Lonnie Campbell and Roger Smith to serve from January 2011. The first three are Chapter Presidents in Iowa, Ohio and South Carolina, while Roger, who will leave his present position as Secretary to the Foundation Board, hails from Michigan. That gives us a younger Board, with better geographic balance and interests in all makes of antique bikes. As to Officers, Ray Dhue will remain as Treasurer, but Richard Spagnolli takes over from me as President, Trudi Johnson-Richards takes over from Del as Vice President, and Steve Slocombe replaces Trudi as Secretary. These are big changes from when I first came on the Board, and I believe I leave our Club in safe hands.

### **Judging**

Chief Judge Steve Dawdy presented the AMCA Judging Handbook and Policy and Operating Procedures for the Judging Committee, and these were approved. We also approved a resumption of the Judging Seminar program, with a 2011 session at Anamosa, Iowa, penciled in before the next Davenport National meet. We also agreed on new judging awards for next year which are just as prestigious as the previous trophies, but carry the judging history on a single plaque and are less costly to produce. Jerry Richards, Dave Lash and Don Spence were promoted to National Deputy Judges. We also voted to return to our \$10 preregistration fee, to discourage owners from over-registering bikes which then did not turn up on the judging field.

### **Financials and Membership**

Our membership is holding around 10,000, and the economies we instituted earlier in the year mean we have continued to manage without a dues increase. We know the economy is pretty brutal out there, and we'll continue to make sure every dollar of your money is spent carefully. The current membership survey will give us a good basis on how to prioritize expenditure over the coming years, and I urge all members to complete it this month.

### **Web Site**

We saw an early version of the new Website demonstrated, and were very impressed. That should be available to everyone now, and I recommend you navigate the site and check out all the cool features we have added. Emeritus President Pete Gagan has volunteered to take on Kevin Valentine's duties as our new Webmaster.

### **Internal Audit**

Raymond Dhue runs a tight ship, but wants to prove it to you, so we are setting up a three person Internal Audit Committee to show that the money is spent wisely and that correct accounting procedures are followed.

### **Operations Manager**

You've probably heard me complain that we deal with a lot of small operational stuff at the Board meetings, so we have added Operations Manager to the several hats worn by Bill Wood with help from the editorial team. This will cost \$25,000 per year, which we hope to see back in improved coordination and more fruitful use of Board time.

### **Volunteer Group**

We are always looking for volunteers to donate time to the Club, and believe there are many skilled people we have yet to contact. The membership survey will give clues, and we plan for a Director to assess relevant skills and match Club needs against volunteer availability.

### **National Meet and Road Run Allowance**

We had planned to discontinue these effective 1 January 2011, but heard several representations that this was a bad idea. We listened, debated the topic at the Board, and decided to reinstate the allowance at \$500 each for National Meets and Road Runs (was \$400 for Meets and \$800 for Road Runs). While the sums are not large, and many Chapters are in a comfortable financial position, we want to continue to emphasize National support for the Chapters. We would prefer the money be spent on advertising your event. For small Chapters holding their first event, and for coalitions of Chapters holding big events, we shall continue on request to front up money for publicity and organization which is repayable when the registration fees start rolling in.

### **New Chapters**

Your Board gave final approval to a new Great Lakes Chapter, and to the Motociclette Americane Harley and Indian Club in Italy. This is an existing small Club becoming an AMCA Chapter, and we expect others to follow. First approval was also given to a potential Roosevelt Chapter in North Dakota.

### **Presidents' Meeting**

On Saturday 4 September, 31 Chapter representatives met with Del Schumacher, myself, and other National Board members for a couple of hours discussion of financial reporting and other issues. We are now getting used to each other and I believe these meetings are starting to improve Club communications as intended.

Best regards, Rocky Halter, President Antique Motorcycle Club of America.



Calendar updates and message from our President

9-25-10 FALL BUSINESS MEETING

SLATERVILLE, NY FIRE DEPARTMENT-Dick White arranged for a room and Ladies Aux will put on the meal. Located South of Ithaca on Route 79

ADGENDA:

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

VOTING ON RHINEBECK PARTICIPATION

???? ROAD RUN FOR 2013

2011 SCHEDULE

CHARITY FOR 2011

MEETING STARTS AT 11 AM. PLEASE BE THERE IF YOU CAN THERE IS A LOT TO COVER AND YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED.

OCTOBER 1 & 2 CHEASAPEAKE CHAPTER MEET--WHITE ROSE.

CALL ANY OFFICERS FOR INFORMATION. VISIT THE WEB SITE FOR EMPIRE CHAPTER FOR LIST OF OFFICERS. PASS THIS ON TO OTHERS THAT MAY BE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHAPTER. YOUR POSITIVE ATTITUDE WILL BRING IN OTHERS TO OUR CHAPTER.



## Ads from members, Fall 2010 "Gaslines & Backfires"

Ads are free to Empire members. Submit ads to the Editor.

- FOR SALE: H-D Model #52 generator, 6 volt, good condition....\$250.00  
H-D Model # 48 generator, 6 volt, two-brush fan cooled....\$250.00
- TRADE: H-D p/n 4405-40 N.O.S. Battery Box ( no lid ), will trade for H-D p/n 4404-29 Battery Box ( fits 1929-52 solo 45's) in equal condition. 4405-40 fits 1940-1963 Servi-Car.
- WANTED: H-D p/n 2260-30 Gear Box Cover (starter side) for 1930-34, 45's.  
H/D p/n 2035-30 Countershaft Sprocket (16 teeth) for 1930-34, 45's.  
H-D p/n 2251-26 Gear Shifter detent plunger, for 1929-37, 45's  
H-D p/n 3502-30A Gas /oil tank (left side) for 1930-31, 45's  
H-D p/n 2300-32 Countershaft for 1932-36 (3-speed) 74 & 80's Prefer N.O.S. but excellent used would be acceptable.  
H-D p/n 3801-25 Primary Chain Cover, 1925-29, 61 & 74's  
H-D p/n 2653-30 Fork Top Triple Clamp for all 1930 Twin Cyl.  
H-D p/n 2653-29 Fork Top Triple Clamp for 1929, 61 & 74's  
Rear Stand for 1920-23 Indian Scout  
Chain Guard for 1928-31 Indian "101" Scout  
Chuck Darling, R.D.#1,Rte. 88, Sodus,N.Y. 14551
- FOR SALE: NYS motorcycle plate; 1963 good condition, \$150.00.  
Early chief trans. Case (bevel drive) with NOS shifter top \$400.00.  
1920 Indian scout trans. Complete with usable gears, main shaft, shifter top/shifter, inner and outer primary cases, make offer.  
1940+earlier sport scout trans. Case \$250.00.
- WANTED: NYS motorcycle dealer plates (plates have a D prefix): 1929 to 1947 must be in at least restorable condition, original paint preferred, good prices paid. Original AMCA magazines 1960-69.
- TRADE: My 1948 NY motorcycle dealer plate for a 1947 dealer plate.  
Al Strobel 315.429.9002 E-Mail: [kingkong@capitol.net](mailto:kingkong@capitol.net)
- FOR SALE: Indian tall head bolt kits for most models 1936 to 1953. Head bolts for Twins and Fours. King clutches for Twins, Fours and Hendersons. Electronic Ignitions for Twins. Easy installation \$150.00. Chief Overdrive Transmissions (call for price) Replace the felts in wheels and drums with modern seals Kit for 37-45 Chief (8) seals \$28.00. Kits for 46-53 (5) seals \$20.00. Ed Glasgow, Tully, NY (315)696-8076; ed53ind@aol.com
- FOR SALE: - AMCA Mags. 1974-1997 (94 consecutive issues 23 years) sold in one lot!  
- Odd AMCA mags. 1970-2007  
- AMCA Membership Rosters 1961-1994  
- AMA Mags. 1957-2007 Motorcyclist Post 70's,80's,90's

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- Mixed Motorcycle Mags. 1950-2000  
- Automotive Tour Books 1915-1933  
- The Antique Automobile 1955-1986  
State Your Wishes!! Curt Bunce (315)822-5874 or Cell (315)525-2304  
email [curt50ind@yahoo.com](mailto:curt50ind@yahoo.com)

FOR SALE: -1972 harley sprint sx350 orig.paint-yellow-and fair condition..\$400, also have 1972 ny plate, \$50 with bike.  
-Velo Solex parts – BIG LOT \$200.  
-250cc Benelli OHV single engine \$250.  
-1960 Sears 125 ? cycle 808.895403 \$100.  
-50 Jap bikes. Mostly Hondas '69 to '80. Parting out or \$75 each or deal on lot.

- Large lot of ' 76 Gold Wing parts \$200.  
WANTED: Harley 165-175 Hummer "as is". Thanks Ken.  
Ken Krauer (10 miles from Rhinebeck), 573 Clinton Hollow Road, Salt Point, NY 12578. 845.266.3363

WANTED: Indian Princess sidecar frame. I've got the body.  
Al Sorenson 315.469.3420



## DEADLINES FOR GASLINES AND BACKFIRES



ISSUE	DEADLINE	MAILING DATE
SPRING	Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup>	March 1 <sup>st</sup>
SUMMER	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	June 1 <sup>st</sup>
FALL	Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup>
WINTER	Nov. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup>

## EMPIRE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2010

September 25 - Fall Business Meeting – Slaterville Fire Department. (South of Ithaca on route 79).



Some photos from this year's Brookfield meet.



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