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Dan & Sue Doucette's friend Bandit, ready to ride

From the Treasurer's Desk

Hot off the griddle – T90's Swap Meet was a success, with a good turnout of vendors and awesome T-shirt sales. Jim Franco joined the National AMCA and Peter Maftciu joined Evergreen! With the City of Tenino's Park refund we cleared about \$1700.

Fifty-three bikes and 14 passengers are registered for the Anacortes Road Run. The weather forecast looks fabulous and the food and sights will be a little slice of heaven for everyone.

Adios amigos, Bubbs



Evergreen Chapter 2008 National Road Run: Mt Baker to Orcas Island

Don't let anybody tell you that it is easy to put on a national road run, if they tell you that, they haven't done it. The work that goes into putting on an event of this scale is not something you can measure in time or money or miles. In the end, you measure it by how it turns out. Was it a success, a failure, or something in between? But ultimately, the only reason it happens at all is because a few Chapter members step up to take care of the business of making it happen. You have Chapter members out there working everyday on this thing, in between what they do for a living, or their obligations to family, or giving up a day off to arrange a lunch, make a map, or buy a ferry ticket.

A complete report will follow the run, and then we will tell you who did it for you. You can thank them then. If you are one of those few who are doing the work, I'll thank you now. I've seen you at work, I know what is going on behind the scenes, and I know how frustrating it can be to get people to call you back, or get a receipt for the money you sent them, or wondering where the door prizes will come from. You are the bread and butter of the Chapter.

But coming together it is! This will be a national road run to remember, and to write home about. If for some reason you could not make it, hopefully we will be able to give you a post-run report that will do it justice.

Right now, there are 52 pre-paid registered attendees. The host motel is full; the backup motel still has some room. The t-shirts, maps, food, banquet, goody bags and door prizes are all set. Ferry tickets are in hand, now if the weather holds up and the ferry doesn't break down, we should be good to go.

Hope to see you in Anacortes! The Editor

Evergreen Chapter Officer Nominations for 2009

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The election will be held during the regular September monthly meeting on September 27th, at Skookumchuck Electric in Tenino. Also at the meeting we will review the pictures taken during the road run and pick the ones that will be used on the DVD which will be sent out to road run participants. Please plan on attending, your vote is important.

Are you a paid up Chapter member? Check the mailing label on the next notice from the Chapter. If the number next to your name is not (2008), you have not paid your dues. Dues are due in January of each year. Please take a moment to check, and insure you will continue to be included in Evergreen Chapter activities.

2008 Tenino Swap Meet

This is the 28th year for the meet, 17 of them have been in Tenino. Things got off to an early start Friday afternoon. We usually try to have it all set up by 6:00 PM, but got it done by 4:00 PM this time. Vendors were waiting for the registration desk to open as early as noon on Friday, so we were able to get them taken care of a bit earlier this year. Some vendors were camping in the park starting on Thursday. By the time it got dark Friday night, there must have been 30 or 40 vendors signed in and set up! The buyers were chomping at the bit. As soon as a rig pulled in and stopped at the registration desk, the “inspectors” would arrive like bees to honey, to see what was in the back, in the trailer, or under that tarp. So the swapping got started, and so did the fun. It was a very late night for some on Friday, and a slow start for a few on Saturday morning. Don Doody’s, (son of Howdy) alarm clock apparently didn’t go off till noon because his store didn’t open until lunch was history. Saturday got off to a good start with sunny weather (hot!), more vendors pulling in, and plenty of “citizens” stopping by to take a look, or to strike a deal. There was a pretty nice 48 Chief with a \$16K tag that did not sell, Terry Wolbert sold a bunch of rolling stock but took a very nice 68 Bonneville home with him, and a fairly rough Vespa that started out at \$800 left the yard for about \$600. Lots of other bits and pieces changed hands, some vendors doing very well, others not doing much. The unofficial count of vendors stands at 40, taking up 60 spaces of park real estate.

The Tenino Motorcycle Drill Team put on a great show at noon with their incredible precision moves. All of them on full size Harley’s. No radios for these guys, just hand signals and whistles to initiate the move. The Team does this for the chapter every year for free and adds a very classy touch to the meet.

Following the Drill Team show, the back roads ride started at 1:00 PM. There were about 15 riders to start off this year’s run which wound its way from Tenino, through Maytown, then up to the Mima Mounds Prairie, then to Rochester, and out the Independence Valley to Lincoln Creek. A stop in Galvin to visit with Dick Busek and tour his auto museum, then back through Centralia and up SR 507 back to Tenino. Along the way we found a couple of irrigation sprinklers to ride through for a bit of a cool down. There were no break downs, and no lost riders. Back in Tenino, some of the crew stopped in at the Landmark Tavern to test the temperature of the amber liquid before heading back to the meet. It was found to be at an acceptable level.

Most of the vendors stuck around Saturday night, so Sunday was a better swapping day than years past, even though on Saturday night the weather put on quite a show with thunder and lightning shaking things up pretty good. Tom Deem was looking out the door of his RV at one point and got knocked on his butt when one of the giant lightning strikes hit close by and blew up a utility transformer. Sunday was the annual meeting of the Quarrymen Car Club in the lower park. So to top off the long weekend, we got to stroll through and admire the hot rods and classic cars. The swap meet was pretty much done for by 3:00 PM Sunday. Good weather, good friends, good riding, and good swapping. It doesn’t get much better than that. See you next year!

And a special “thank you” to our regular vendors who support this event year after year, even though the money does not always meet expectations. Ziggy, Steve White, Jeff Coffman and others help to make this one of the best local antique motorcycle swap meets in the west.

On hand this year to help set the swap meet up, run the registration desk and monitor vendors was: Norm Gerlich, Tom & Sherri Deem, Otto Allison, John Crawford, Shaun & Mike Brown, Jill Loveless, Morry & Kathy Fox. If I forgot someone, my apologies. Let me know and I’ll make sure your name is included.

It’s not too early to start planning for next year’s meet. Put the date on your calendar. August 14, 15 & 16, 2009. This time, bring the good stuff ☺

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2009 Antique Motorcycle Club of America Calendar

It's time to send in that great photo of you, your bike, or you and your bike to the national organization so it can be included in the 2009 national calendar.

Send it digitally or otherwise to:

Greg Harrison

7801 Lewis Center Road

Westerville, OH 43082

AMCAeditor@gmail.com

**Be sure to include information about whom and what is in the photo. Deadline for submittals is
October 1, 2008**

How to recognize a STROKE

Submitted by Chris McDonald

If a stroke victim is treated within 3 hours, it is possible to totally reverse the damage. The trick is recognizing and diagnosing the stroke, and getting treatment within those 3 hours.

Remember the 3 steps, STR. Read and learn!

If you suspect that someone has suffered a stroke, ask these three simple questions:

S...Ask the individual to **SMILE**

T...Ask the individual to **TALK** and **SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE (Coherently)** (i.e. *It is sunny out today*)

R...Ask the individual to **RAISE BOTH ARMS**

If he or she has trouble with ANY ONE of these tasks, call emergency service personnel immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

One more test: Ask the individual to stick out their tongue...If the tongue lays to one side or the other, that is also an indication of a stroke.

2008 Chapter Calendar

September 8, 9, & 10, Evergreen Chapter National Road Run, San Juan Islands to Mount Baker, WA

September 27, Chapter monthly meeting, South, at Skookumchuck Electric's building in Tenino

October 25, Chapter monthly meeting, North, TBD

November 22, Chapter monthly meeting, Central/Seattle, TBD

December, Chapter Annual Christmas Dinner, TBD



Clock wise from top left: A couple of good friends at the 08 Swap Meet; Inside Busek's Auto Museum; Busek's Auto Museum Gas Station; the Back Roads crew testing the temperature of the brew.

Yet Another Cautionary Tale for Iron Horsemen (and Women)

By Vaughn Smith

Comparisons have often been drawn between cowboys of the past on their horses of flesh and blood, and bikers of the present on their horses of iron. The comparisons are inevitable and appear to have some merit. A subject that I would like to address however, may not seem related, but it is.

I love food – so let's talk about the cowboy's diet and how this could relate to us today. While going on large cattle drives the cowboys would usually be accompanied by a chuck wagon. A chuck wagon on the drive was considered a blessing by the cowboys, who appreciated the much wider variety, and hopefully a better quality of food that could be had without one. Without a chuck wagon on the trail a cowboy's diet most usually consisted of beans, hard tack, and coffee, with perhaps a little salt pork thrown in.

This diet in of it's self was not problematic for short periods of time. However, there was a potentially lethal problem that not many historians have addressed. The cowboy would put dry beans and water in his canteen in the morning so they could soak during the day. So far, so good; no problem! The problem arose when it was time to take a drink of water. One had to be quite careful to drink slowly and not disturb the beans soaking in the bottom of the canteen. If the beans flowed out of the canteen, with the water, and became lodged in the throat of windpipe, choking could occur. There were not always others around to offer a pat on the back and the Hymlick Maneuver was unheard of at the time. Statistics are scarce, but it has been estimated by some that as many as 60 to 80 cowboys had died out on the trail as a result of this problem.

So, Boys and Girls if you choose to more fully emulate our western heroes, who we have been compared to, beware! A camp meal consisting of beans, hardtack, and coffee may seem innocent enough, but please be mighty careful when you reach for that canteen, and take a swig of water. If disaster were to strike any one of you, you'd surely be missed the rest of us!



Busek's Auto Museum, Rough Rider



2008 Swap Meet

MOTORCYCLE WISDOM

Submitted by Tim and Jill

Four wheels move the body. Two wheels move the soul.

Most motorcycle problems are caused by the nut that connects the handlebars to the saddle.

Life may begin at 30, but it doesn't get real interesting until about 60 mph.

You start the game of life with a full pot of luck and an empty pot of experience....the object is to fill the pot of experience before you empty the pot of luck.

If you wait, all that happens is that you get older.

It takes more love to share the saddle than it does to share the bed.

The only good view of a thunderstorm is in your rearview mirror.

Never be afraid to slow down.

Sometimes it takes a whole tank full of fuel before you can think straight.

Riding faster than everyone else only guarantees you'll ride alone.

Never hesitate to ride past the last street light at the edge of town.

If you don't ride in the rain, you don't ride.

Never do less than forty miles before breakfast.

A bike on the road is worth two in the shed.

Respect the person who has seen the dark side of motorcycling and lived.

Young riders pick a destination and go. Old riders pick a direction and go.

Sometimes the fastest way to get there is to stop for the night.

Work to ride and ride to work.

Whatever it is, it's better in the wind.

The best alarm clock is sunshine on chrome.

Handlebars ate the best frame for a sunrise.

When you're riding lead, don't spit.

A friend is someone who will get out of bed at 2 AM and drive his pickup to the middle of nowhere to get your bike when it's broken down and won't ask you, "What the hell were you doing?"

Catching a yellow jacket in your shirt at 70 mph can double your vocabulary.

There's something ugly about a bike on a trailer.

Don't lead the pack if you don't know where you're going.

Everyone crashes. Some get back on. Some don't. Some can't.

Don't argue with an 18 wheeler.

If you ride like there's no tomorrow, there won't be.

Only a biker knows why a dog sticks his head out of a car window.

And finally: Never steal a slow horse!

HIDDEN HOGS

Get yourself a copy of the August 31st, 2008 issue of the Tacoma News Tribune or go to www.thenewstribune.com and look for the "Soundlife" section. Our friend and Chapter member Steve White is featured in a real nice article about the late John "Johnnie" Burgin's motorcycle collection in Spanaway.

Don't forget, this is YOUR newsletter. Got something to say, something to sell or give away, want to see something you don't see? Send me your stuff: articles, pictures, ideas, stories. The rest of us would love to have you share it with us!



The Tenino Motorcycle Drill Team

A Bit of History (and people making a difference)

The Evergreen Chapter usually sees the Drill Team during the annual swap meet in Tenino. But the team is busy the rest of the year performing in towns and cities all over Washington, and occasionally in states far from home.

Established in 1984 as a non-profit organization, the Team is the result of a few (6) original members thinking it would be cool to spice up the annual Oregon Trail Days parade in Tenino by joining as an entrant and putting on a show for the crowd. That first parade was the start of a legacy that has continued to the present and has grown to include the Team at times, as the only entry from Tenino in celebrations in towns and cities around the Northwest. This is the 25th year of the Team doing what they love!

Over the years, the Team has had over thirty members. Each year new riders come out and senior members retire. The Team has had women and a paraplegic as patch holding Team members. A “patch” signifying that the member has participated for at least one year, and has been approved by the other members as worthy of representing the Team.

The Team also gives back to the community by providing a scholarship to Tenino High School, giving \$3000 to \$6000 a year to deserving graduates. Money raised during the annual DO-WA-DIDDY held in Maytown goes to support the scholarship fund.

More information is available at www.t90drillteam.com or by contacting Chad Bowman at (360) 264-2000

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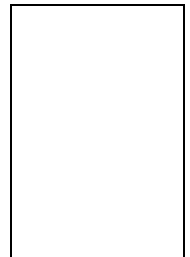
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