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Tim, Marlene & Paul Update

Yep, there are some names added to the injured list. Fortunately all are healing up pretty well, considering the bodies involved are not teenagers.

Tim is attending meetings, holding seminars in his shop, and getting out and about a bit, although the aches and pains are still a big problem. He has not been back on a motorcycle since the accident, which for Tim is worse than any pain the injuries caused.

Marlene and Paul Bennett had their own bad tumble a while back. Bruised bodies and broken bones have made their spring season one reserved for healing up, which is complete except for some lingering aches and pains. I'm told Paul will join us at Hood River.

Chapter web site link: www.evergreenamca.org



The poke after the sting, Skagit River shake down run

From the Treasurer's Desk

10 Riders, 2 passengers and 2 banquet guests headlining the 08 RAD ROAD RUN. The vault holds @ \$6000 thanks to those early entries. Get your tickets while they're HOT!!!

It's not too late to join us for the beautiful Gorge run that John Stanley is hosting for the 3rd year. June 20, 21 & 22 in Hood River Oregon. Good food, friends and easy rides through some lush countryside. See y'all later – bubbs...back to my wallpapering the bathroom with all those greenbacks.

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Frank Mason's Museum, May meeting

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 EvergreenChapter activities.



Mark & Pete thinking real hard, Orcas shake down run

FROM THE EDITOR

The planning for the Annual Swap Meet and the Road Run in September has been moving along pretty well. The Swap Meet hasn't gotten much press lately but that will be changing soon.

Your hard working chapter officers and volunteers have been organizing The San Juan Islands-Mt Baker National Road Run which is coming up in September. Sure hope you are planning on attending. The runs are set, the food is cooking, the goodie bags are full, the t-shirts are designed and all we need now is good weather, ferries that don't break down, and lots of people to show up. Registrations are coming in at a pretty good clip. We have folks signed up (and money in the bank) from Texas, California, Oregon, Washington, New Jersey, and Canada. There was some worry about the gas gouge preventing a good turn out, but if the early sign-ups are any indication, this thing is going to hit the 85 attendee maximum in no time. Better send in yours, don't get left behind.

The Gorge run this month is always a favorite, and the headquarters motel is full. There are others so don't let that keep you away. John Stanley is a master at guiding us through the beautiful back roads on both sides of the Columbia around Hood River

Be sure to check out the **Evergreen Calendar Auction** elsewhere in this newsletter. It's your chance to be famous.

CLASSIFIED & LETTERS

Wanted: Door prizes for the San Juan Islands-Mt. Baker National Road Run.

We would like to have enough goodies so that everyone at the banquet walks out with a prize. To do that we need you to ask your local dealer, parts house or business associate for a donation. It could be a can of oil, a gift certificate, a vacation for two to Tonga, a coffee cup, darn near anything will do. Contact one of the chapter officers if you have something. Of course the business or individual making the donation will receive proper credit for making the donation at the banquet.

Got something you can't stand to have in the garage anymore? Need something that isn't already in there? Can't find it under all that junk? Have a speech but no soap box? This is the place to sell it, buy it, or talk about it. Send in your want ads or your two cents. If it's decent, we will print it. If it's cheap, I might even buy it. If it's not cheap, someone might love it enough to give it a new home.

Send it all to:
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The following was submitted by Evergreen Chapter member Mike Brown, with permission for use in the Evergreen Times

Indian Chief, 6 volt to 12 volt, or not.

When the Chief rolled into the yard twenty years ago, along with flat tires, blown up engine, missing parts, and a wife telling me I was insane.....a magneto was the only electrical system on the bike. Early on in the restoration I decided to get shed of the magneto and install a generator/battery electrical system. I had also decided this was going to be a rider, not a point's bike. So nine years later and \$16000.00 poorer, the Chief rolled back out of the garage not completely correct, but I figured I could put lots of miles on it without worrying about frequent breakdowns.

Setting up the six volt generator/battery system was a challenge. I figured how hard could it be getting this stuff to work well. After all, I am an electrician. The rebuilt generator came from Stark and was supposed to be a quality product. It sure did have the price tag of a quality product. Unfortunately, the rebuilt generator was not up to par. After many hours of adjusting and tinkering, I sent it to an old time generator guy who did another rebuild and got it working as well as it was ever going to. I ran the bike many years with pretty satisfactory results, except that on long rides, with the headlight on all day, it would start missing halfway through the day. Turning the headlight off when it started doing that solved the problem and I always got the bike "home". But gall dang it, I wanted the darn thing to run all day without doing the "trade this for that" dance. So I started thinking about the 12 volt conversion.

Ian Davidson had been down this road before, so after talking with him a bit, I ordered a 12 volt alternator with built in regulator from Industrial Electric in Bellingham Washington. Cost: \$140 plus shipping. It's a nice compact little unit so it's not too hard to hide down there where the generator used to live. Course nobody on this green earth makes a kit to mount the thing, so it was time to do a bit of design work.

I decided that I did not want to destroy the original Indian generator mounting casting trying to use it for the new mount. So I designed a few pieces that I could bolt on to the frame that would mount the alternator and provide belt adjustment, while keeping the original belt guard. Luckily, since I'm not a machinist, there is a local shop (Danzco) who could manufacture the pieces for me. I spent about \$150 on the new parts. One of them is a yoke that mounts to the seat post tube and provides the point where the belt adjustment bar mounts. Another is the just mentioned belt adjustment bar. The last piece is the alternator mounting bracket. This one attaches to the frame just below the seat, and the alternator hangs from it. Putting it all together took about an hour, and the result was pretty satisfying. From the carburetor side, you would never know anything was different. From the kicker side, the alternator sticks out like a sore thumb. Maybe a little flat black paint would help.

So now I'm riding a small nuclear power plant. Two huge improvements are most mentionable. The first is that I have a headlight that actually lights up the road, what a concept! The second is that the bike starts so much easier. I do have an electronic ignition, but after switching to the 12 volt system, that baby pops!

So the tally dollars wise? Including light bulbs, 12 volt coil, alternator, and brackets, I've got about \$350 into it. I imagine that could be reduced by shopping around for the alternator, and doing your own machine work, but for me it was money well spent.

I've got drawings of the brackets, the alternator model and number, and a few pictures of the job. If you want any of it, you are welcome to it, just send me a request.

Evergreen Chapter AMCA National Road Run

September 8, 9 & 10, 2008



MT. BAKER

Motel is the Ship Harbor Inn, Anacortes, WA, (800 852-8568), www.shipharborinn.com. We have reserved the whole place (28 units), so be sure to mention the AMCA Road Run or you won't get a reservation. The second motel is the Marina Inn (1-800-231-5198), www.marinainnwa.com, which is 4.3 miles from the Ship Harbor Inn. Camping (tents and RV's) is available .6 miles away at Anacortes' Washington Park on a first come first served basis.

Anacortes, Washington 98221

Join the Evergreen Chapter AMCA for three days of scenic riding in Washington State's Northwest corner. Ride up the historic Skagit river valley and atop the Diablo Dam. Ride through the beautiful forest roads of Mount Baker's National Forest. Take a ferry to beautiful Orcas Island in Washington's San Juan Islands. Top it all off with a water view Banquet. In the tradition of the West, the rides are 200+ miles first two days. Our Host

Registration Form

Rider: _____ AMCA# _____ Date of Birth _____
 Passenger _____ Date of Birth _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Telephone _____ Email _____ Chapter _____
 Year/Make/Model of Bike _____ Distance Ridden _____ Hauled _____

Cost: \$ 125.00 per Rider Commemorative Tee Shirt (a nice one) (circle size) S M L XL XXL XXXL
 (3 Lunches, Banquet, Rider Goodie Bag, Hospitality Center, Maps, and Ferry Ticket.) \$ _____

Cost: \$ 65.00 per Passenger
 (3 Lunches, Banquet, Hospitality Center, and Ferry Ticket.) \$ _____

Additional Commemorative Tee Shirts (a nice one) S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL _____
 \$25.00 ea. Qty \$ _____

Single Banquet ticket: \$30.00 per person x number of people \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Registration and payment must be received by August 10, 2008. This road run is limited to the first 85 participants. All participants must be current AMCA members. Bikes must be 35 years or older unless rider is 65 years of age or older.

Make checks payable to Evergreen Chapter AMCA, Inc. Mail this form and payment to:

Shaun Brown
 PO Box 723
 Tenino, WA, 98589

Additional information can be obtained from:

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Mt. Baker viewed from Mt. Constitution, and MC parking only, Mt. Constitution

2008 Chapter Calendar

June 14, OVM Thumper Ride, (503) 234-2337

June 21 & 22, The Gorge Run by John Stanley, headquarters at the Sunset Motel, Hood River, OR

June 21, OVM Longest Day Oregon Coast Run, (360) 944-1862

June 28, Chapter monthly meeting, Silver City Restaurant & Brewery, (360) 698-5879, Silverdale, WA

July 26, Chapter monthly meeting, North, TBD

August 2 & 3, Vintage MC Show & Swap by ABATE of WA, Centralia, WA, (360) 736-7138

August 15 & 16, 28th Annual Tenino Swap Meet and Chapter monthly meeting, Tenino, WA

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

September 27, Chapter monthly meeting, South, TBD

October 25, Chapter monthly meeting, North, TBD

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

December, Chapter Annual Christmas Dinner, TBD

Hello Evergreen Chapter members.

At our last chapter meeting it was decided to give a new idea a try: **create an Evergreen Chapter calendar**. It would be our way to show off our two wheeled treasures to each other, and to others, while raising money for the chapter. The calendar would be professionally printed, 9 X 12 full color folded 12 month format, similar to the AMCA national calendar. Each month would feature a picture of the month's sponsor, and his or her machine as the top page. The bottom page being the traditional month with reminders of important events.

Here is the plan

First there will be a write in auction where you bid to get that special month in the calendar that means so much to you for whatever reason. The bids would be sorted with the highest bidder getting first choice of that special month. The second highest bidder would get to choose from the remaining months and so on until all 12 months are accounted for. When the choices are all sorted out the winners will be contacted to make good on their bids in a timely manner and send in the picture or pictures they would like on their month's page to be admired all that month by all their fellow members. This would provide the publishing money so the club treasury would not have to be touched.

The calendars could then be sold at the T-9-O Swap Meet or any time until they are gone. If they sell fast we could get more printed as the printer will already have the digital info. We are hoping to get this completed before the Swap Meet so it will be a 2009 calendar.

This idea has worked very well for the last four years for the Lewis County ABATE chapter where I am Sgt. at Arms. Even the winners who paid for a month buy a couple of calendars and it painlessly puts money in the club bank account. The ABATE chapter sold them for \$20 each, and has sold over 100 every year. Just the bid money has always raised over \$1,000.00.

If you like the sound of this just jot down your first, second and third or however many choices of months you would like to have along with your bid. Also include any special dates in your month that you would like noted. Birthday, anniversary, the day you got that project bike done, or whatever. There will be meeting dates and other important club doings noted as well.

Be sure to provide your name, address, phone number, email address if you have one, and any other info you think will be helpful.

**All submittals should be directed to me, the project chairman.
"Bear" William Valonis, 2902 Crowder Ct. SE, Tenino, WA 98589
360-264-2696, mediabear@comcast.net**

Information for YOUR Club Calendar

MOST IMPORTANT.....YOUR BID \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

List choices of which month you would like in order from most favorite (1) to least favorite (12). High bid gets first choice, next highest bid will get their first choice if not already taken and so on until all 12 months are chosen. Remember this is all for YOU and YOUR club.

1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____

5 _____ 6 _____ 7 _____ 8 _____

9 _____ 10 _____ 11 _____ 12 _____

List any dates and events in your month that you would like noted.

For your picture or pictures you can send them via the internet to my email address as an attachment and I will put them on a CD to take to the printer. Please make sure they are a medium or preferably a high resolution for better replication. If you do not have digital photos that can be sent electronically I believe the printer can deal with that.

Bids should be sent in by June 30th 2008 . Time will be needed to tally the votes and send out notices to the winners. Upon receiving a winning notice please send your photos promptly .

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

\$12.00 Chapter dues (AMCA National membership required)

Do you want this information made available to other Evergreen Chapter members?
YES _____ NO _____

National AMCA member number _____

Evergreen Chapter membership: New _____ Renewal _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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FREE listing in the Chapter Directory

FREE ads in the Evergreen Times

FREE subscription to the Evergreen Times, the chapter newsletter that will keep you informed about the upcoming rides and events all over the Pacific Northwest.

Your motorcycles that you would like to be listed in the Chapter Directory

Year/Make/Model _____

Year/Make/Model _____

Year/Make/Model _____

Year/Make/Model _____

I would like to volunteer for Chapter events YES _____ NO _____

Return this completed form, with your check or money order, payable to the **Evergreen Chapter**

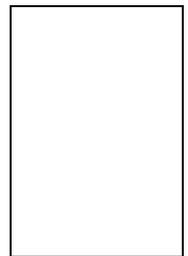
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