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Schedule of Events

NOTE: Board of Directors (B.O.D.) meetings are open to all members. When held at a chapter members home, please notify the host ahead of time.

Sept 10 (Sat) – Viking Chptr Ride to Wings & Wheels 8:00 am - Kerry Rasmussen's 9282 Stonebridge Trail N. Stillwater, 651-492-0735

Sept 14 (Wed) – B.O.D. Meeting 7:00 pm - Tom & Judy Jones' 6516 Ronald Place Brooklyn Center, MN 763-533-9163 - *Non Board Members Please RSVP in Advance*

Sept 18 (Sun) – Viking Chapter Fall Swap Meet - 6:00 am to 2:00 pm - Minnesota State Fairgrounds North Parking Lot

Sept 21 (Wed) - September General Meeting 7:00 pm - Fury Motors 740 N Concord Ave South St Paul, MN 651-251-8230

Oct 8 (Sat) – Fall Mystery Ride Leaves from Rick & Nancy Wyatt's 11:00 am 7515 Knollwood Dr Mounds View, MN 763-784-4086

Oct 12 (Wed) - B.O.D. Meeting 7:00 pm Deb George & Jim Petsch's 1345 Cohansey St. St Paul, MN 55117 651-487-1723

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RADEMACHER'S RAMBLINGS

by Dave Rademacher

Well, here it is the end of August already. Wow what a year. We had the spring ride, the Presidents ride into darkness, our National meet, the show at the VA Home, along with the feeding frenzies at the BBQ. There is still have a lot to go before the snow balls start to fly. The Davenport show and swap meet are coming up along with our fall swap meet and the fall mystery ride. Also the General meetings and the Mid American Auction where we as volunteers push bikes for fun and profit, and getting the word out about our club.

Speaking about events, those of you who were at the BBQ know we have elections coming up and have some great nominations to fill the opening spots. But.. just because we have had nominations that does not mean that if you are interested in running for a position it's not too late to get your name in. The openings are as follows: President, 2 Board of Director openings, and the Treasurer. This last position has not as yet been filled and we hope someone will step forward to fill it. Without the treasurer we are in a real bind, so please think it over and help out. Remember this club cannot and does not run itself we need you!!! to make it run.

As I have mentioned we have been very busy this year with events. They all seem to have gone over quite well but!! We are always looking to find ways to improve on what we have done. If you have any ideas for improving a show, ride, or any event please contact a board member or better yet show up at a board meeting and we can hear what you have to say. The board has already heard a number of great ideas that we will be working on, so come on down and talk to us. Along with improving our events, if you would like to lead a spring or fall ride somewhere please contact us, we are always looking for new places to go to or see.

Please keep an eye on the Club website for events coming up. There are garage get -togethers in the future and if you would like to sponsor one let us know so we can get it on the calendar. Even if you do not have time to sponsor one this fall think about this next spring or summer. It's not too late to get it listed. The new calendar for 2012 will be coming out just after the first of the year so let's fill it up.

In closing for now start getting your parts together so you can get that new project going this winter and on the road in the spring. I would like to see a lot more older bikes on the rides. We have been getting somewhat thin on that side and that is not what the club is really about. I do realize that sometimes you can't ride the old bike but please do when you can.

I hope to see more of you at the meetings (remember elections at the Sept mtg), lets fill the chairs up and make standing room only.

Editors Note

Cool weather is just on the horizon so plan to get out and ride before it's too late. Good time to start making plans for those "Off-Season" projects as well. Take some notes and pictures as you clowns work on bikes over the Winter and plan to share your exploits with the club through the Re-Cycle.

As always, THANK YOU to all the members that contributed content for this issue.

Schedule of Events (continued)

Oct 15 (Sat) - MidAmerica Fall Motorcycle & Auto Auction
9:30 am- 1:00 pm Minnesota State Fairgrounds Grandstand
 651-633-9655

Oct 19 (Wed) - October General Meeting 7:00 pm Bob's
 Cycle Supply 65 West Viking Drive St Paul, MN (651) 482-8181

Nov 9 (Wed) - B.O.D. Meeting 7:00 pm Taste of Scandinavia
 (Festival Foods) 401 West 98th Street Bloomington, MN 952-
 358-7490

Nov 16 (Wed) - November General Meeting 7:00 pm Leo's
 South 6375 Kenrick Ave. Lakeville, MN 952-435-5371

Dec 14 (Wed) - B.O.D. Meeting 7:00 pm Dave Rademacher's
 10642 Madison St NE Blaine, MN 763-755-8520

Check out the NEW Events Calendar at vikingmc.org

Web Master/Master Chef

Earlier this year, our own WebMaster Doug Nelson was caught wearing an apron. Who knew he was a Closet Chef and was invited to delight the palates of patrons of Bogus Creek Eatery in Stockholm WI. Being an antique bike guy as well, is there such a thing as the "Old-Iron Chef" competition? Move Over Bobby Flay! Doug, will there be a repeat event this Fall?



Kennedy High Open House

Must have been a good time - Studybaker Bob was there...



MidAmerica Motorcycle Auction

Viking Chapter members are once again being asked to volunteer at the MidAmerica Annual Twin Cities Fall Classic Auction on Saturday, Oct 15, 2011, at the Minnesota State Fair Grounds Grandstand in St. Paul, Minnesota. Able bodied members interested in handling vintage motorcycles for sale should contact Trudi Johnson-Richards at

The Viking Chapter receives a \$500 contribution for assisting at the auction. Thank you!

Count DeMoney

Due to increased responsibilities (Power of Attorney for aging Father), Dena Natins (our current Viking Chapter Treasurer) will not be seeking a second term. We are looking for volunteers for the local Treasurer position be put on the ballot for a vote by the membership for a two year term starting January 1st 2012.

Remember, there is now a membership chair (Kathi Rimnac) so the treasurers duties are not as labor intensive as they had been in the past. Attendance to the board and general meetings are strongly suggested to make sure that everyone knows the financial health of the club.

Our six years of financial data is held in the Quicken software and software will be provided to you. If you are not familiar with the product Dena will show you how to use it (it's easy) and run reports.

I hope you will consider volunteering as the club only exists because of the volunteers.

Presidents ride into Darkness

By Dave Rademacher

The band of adventures met at the Perkins restaurant near Stillwater for another adventure. I had been debating if we even should try for the ride that day. The temperature was high along with the humidity and a even higher heat index. It did not take long to decide "lets ride". Off went 9 bikes and 10 fearless (or is it mindless) riders.

Bill Potter and Keith Peters ventured out in the heat just to have breakfast with us and bid us a fond farewell. The riders were as follows. Dave Rademacher 1974 BMW, Kerry Rasmussen 1946 Indian, Gary Kloss 1976 BMW , Dave and Cathy Edie 1981 Kawasaki KZ650, Marty Kaib 1981 Kawasaki GPZ 1100, Paul ST. John 1990 Harley, Cal Spooner 1998 Honda Valkyrie , Stan Mewhorter 2004 Harley Sportser, Jack Enghahl 2007 Moto Guzzi.

South from Stillwater to Prescott, then along the river for a bit on 35. A slight change in direction took us up to Hwy 10 which we followed east through Ellsworth changing highway numbers a few times until we came into the town of Elmwood. Now heading north we rode to Spring Valley and to the final destination the famous Crystal Cave!!!!



After a refreshingly cool tour into the inter bowels of the earth by our guide Brian, we ventured back into the heat and made our way to "Sneekers Pub and Eatery" in Spring Valley for food and drink.

After leaving "Sneekers" we went our separate ways home. Some following a slower scenic route and others hitting the super slab and taking 94 back to Minnesota. From what I heard all had a great time. We had no break downs that we could not handle and nobody got lost in the cave.

I hope more can make our fall ride which is always interesting.

Until next time, keep the green side up and keep eyes open, there out ta get ya!!!

Vets Home Recap

29 bikes made it out to the VA Home in July to gas with the Vets and cool down with some Ice Cream. Great Turnout!



Craig Kotval brought a treat to the VA for our favorite Cupcake Tom Nordmeyer in celebration of yet another one of his Birthdays.

Viking Chapter Meet National Recognition Awards

submitted by Trudi Johnson-Richards

Date: June 12, 2011

OLDEST MOTORCYCLE on the field:

Mike Crane, AMCA #4127, 1911 Levis

MOST UNIQUE MOTORCYCLE on the field:

Arlen Anderson, AMCA #12369, 1955 BMW R60

LONGEST DISTANCE RIDDEN to the Meet - 1st:

Matt Olsen, AMCA #536, 1936 Harley-Davidson Knuckle-head, 330 miles

LONGEST DISTANCE RIDDEN to the Meet, - 2nd:

Carl Olsen, AMCA # 1270, 1939 Harley-Davidson Knuckle-head, 320 miles

LONGEST DISTANCE RIDDEN to the Meet - 3rd:

Jack Engdahl, AMCA #17092, 1973 Honda L350 KS Scrambler, 40 miles

PERIOD MODIFIED #3: N/A

PERIOD MODIFIED #2: N/A

PERIOD MODIFIED #1: N/A

CENTURY MEDALLION:

Mike Crane, AMCA #4127, 1911 Levis
Don Frauendienst, AMCA #62, 1911 Thor IV

VIKING SPECIAL AWARDS

OLDEST RIDER RIDING ANTIQUE BIKE TO MEET:

Carl Olsen, AMCA #1270, 58 years old

YOUNGEST RIDER RIDING ANTIQUE BIKE TO MEET (25 & under): N/A

JUDGES CHOICE – Pre-WWII:

Theresa Gadbois, AMCA #2654, 1938 Indian Scout

JUDGES CHOICE – Post-WWII:

Ted Moran, AMCA #812, 1962 BSA Theodore Moran

PEOPLE’S CHOICE:

Don Frauendienst, AMCA #62, 1911 Thor IV



STURGIS 2011

by Paul Meisel

The gang met at Hill Top restaurant as usual, some bound for Sturgis, some wanted to ride only part of the way with the club, and a few planned to use Sturgis as a stopping point and then ride further west.

Tom Jones and Harvey Berquist surprised everyone with their rides: Tom on a 49cc scooter and Harvey on on a 80cc motorcycle. They rode at an average speed was 35 mph all the way! Harvey complained that the seat was hard, but the two appeared to be having so much fun that that wasn't a big issue.

Fewer club members participated this year than usual. We noticed the crowd was also down at Sturgis.

Jerry and Trudi Richards hosted the club on Monday with Chili, pop and beer. Jerry said he would have extra chili to send home with people because of fewer guests than he expected.

Perhaps this being the 71st year might explain the crowd being down, or perhaps the state of the economy played a part. Either way, the weather was the best anyone can remember and a good time was had by all.



Tom Jones and Harvey Berquest rode “under 100cc” machines.



Bob and Laurie Zick used Bob's campaign signs for their moisture barrier at the KOA campgrounds in Deadwood.

Annual BBQ Picnic

A hungry crowd showed up for the Annual Picnic at Fireman's Park in Chaska on Aug 21st. In addition to all the tasty food, 29 bikes made the parking lot appetizing as well. Thanks to our Grillmaster Jerry Richards (Gene helped too) and all the other fine cooks that brought vitals.



This event is highlighted by nominations for the 2012 Board of Directors with voting to be held at the September 21st General Meeting at Fury Motors. The following positions are open Jan 1st and nominations were accepted for :

President - Dave Rademacher, Ron Spargo, Kerry Rasmussen

Treasurer: OPEN

Directors (2 reqd): Andy Decker, Craig Kotval, Bob Hopf

Get Involved! Get Nominated! Don't forget to show up to vote! This is your club, so contact Dave Rademacher NOW!

Bearded Lady Bike Show

Tom Nordmeyer takes home Best European Bike at this years event with his 1950 Ariel Square Four.



First Indian (female) on a Harley

Bangalore-based HR professional Sheeja Mathews became the first woman in India to own the iconic cult motorcycle, thus breaking the stereotype of only tattoo sporting muscular hunks riding the bike.



The 34-year-old, who has been riding to her office on her husband's Yamaha Rajdoot 350 for the past 10 years, is now looking to cruise the new 'Iron 883' to her workplace at least once a week.

"I didn't know that I was the first woman to buy a Harley Davidson in India till the company people told me. I thought of upgrading to a Harley when they opened a showroom here," Mathews told PTI.

When asked what prompted her to go for a Harley Davidson, she said: "Well, I have been riding my husband's bike for the past 10 years and I thought it was high time I upgraded."

Mother of a 7-year-old son, Mathews said even her son is excited about the new bike, on which the family has spent about Rs. 8 lakh in total, although the ex-showroom price of the bike is Rs. 6.5 lakh.

"Oh, he wants me to drop him to school on the bike so that he could show off his mother's bike to his friends," she said, adding, she would be taking the bike on long rides on weekends.

A self-proclaimed foodie and a shopaholic like any other woman, Mathews said she has been a drag racer as well.

"I do drive a (Tata) Safari and (Chevrolet) Cruze but I love bikes," she said, adding, her businessman husband chipped in 20 per cent of the amount for her Harley Davidson.

The American cult bike maker started selling its bikes in India from last year and announced to set up an assembly plant in India in order to cater to demands here.

The Iron 833 model is one of the two models to be assembled at the Bawal facility in Haryana. The other model is the Super Low.

The company offers a total of 15 models in India priced between Rs. 5.5 lakh to Rs. 38.66 lakh (ex-showroom Delhi).

Rusty Tanks

submitted by Jim Geisler

I tried out electrolysis on my rusty fuel tank and it cleaned right up. For those of you on a budget, it will cost you next to nothing to clean your tank.

First of all, you will need a plastic 5 gallon bucket, add 1/2 cup of Arm and Hammer Washing Soda. This is important; washing soda NOT baking soda. Fill the bucket with water and mix it well. Pull the tank and drain the fuel. Remove the petcock and wash out the tank with lots of water. Fashion a cover to block the petcock orifice. I used a strip of 1/8" aluminum and used an old inner tube as a gasket. I set the tank on a piece of carpet and blocked it up to get it as level as possible. I then filled the tank with the washing soda solution. Then I took a coat hanger and fashioned the sacrificial anode.

You say what???? Ok, this is the trickiest part of the procedure. Here's a little background on how electrolysis works: Its really very simple. As current passes through an object, it moves from negative to positive, so what you are doing is passing a current through the rust on the tank. This breaks its bond, and the rust then flows and attaches itself to the positive charge on the sacrificial anode. Or at least it releases the rust from the tank and floats around in the washing soda solution. The key with the sacrificial anode is to insure that it does not touch the tank anywhere. You must ensure it only comes in contact with the washing soda solution, or you will have a direct short.

For my project I found a nice little plastic cap and drilled two 1/8" holes in it about 1" apart. I then took the coat hanger and bent it over and over until I had four loops on one end that spread about 1" when grouped together. Think about the business end of a fork that you eat with, that's what it should look like. Then about 4" back from the business end of the fork make a 90-degree bend in the two wires and run them up through the plastic cap.

Put the sacrificial anode into the tank and spin it around to insure the anode is not hitting anywhere on the tank (no short circuits). Then using a 12-volt battery charger hook the positive lead to the sacrificial anode and the negative lead to the fuel tank. I used the mounting flange that sits under the seat.

Let it cook for several days. Mine took three days. I pulled the anode twice a day and cleaned it with a wire brush. I have a small battery charger so it may take less time with a larger charger. Anyway, my tank is back on and this morning I rode her into work and she never skipped a beat.

Update: Some of you have asked what did you coat the tank with to stop further rusting? Nothing. It's bare metal. Some of you guys have suggested two ways of coating the tank:

1. Use phosphoric acid and slosh it around to coat the tank.
2. Use POR-15, I have heard this is the stuff to use.

I was also advised to stay away from Kreem.



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SWAP MEET



September 18, 2011 - 7 am to 4 pm

Sponsored by the Viking Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America Inc.

North Parking Lot of the Minnesota State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, MN
corner of Snelling and Hoyt

- **All Brands, All Years!** **Vendor Spaces are FREE!**
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Motorcycle Word Search

by Dave Rademacher

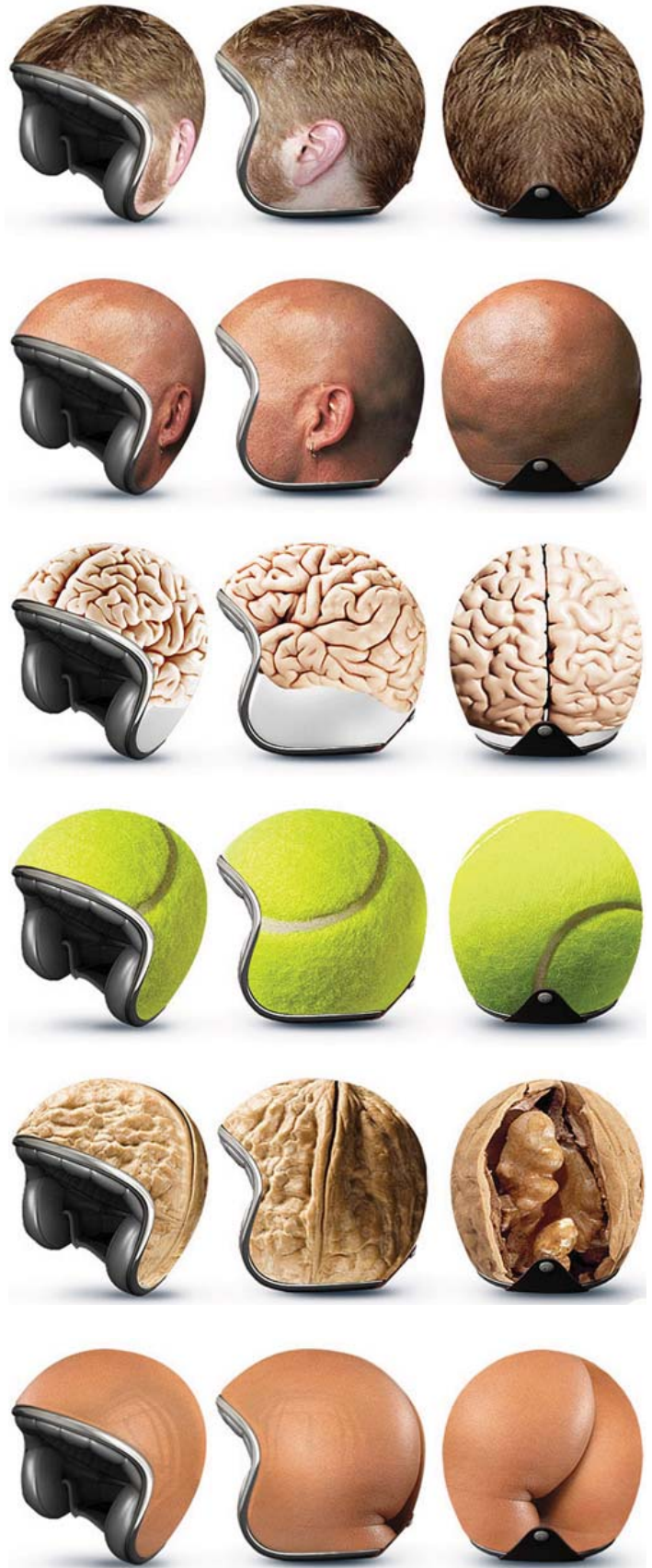
New Helmets for 2012

submitted by Paul Miesel

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For Sale:

Sandblasting cabinet Harbor Freight metal unit. Medium size, upgraded with wood stand and Ace Blasting foot control w/gun, also light on top. First \$99.00 Dave 763-755-8520



Lighted Sign Includes two (one pictured) Indian lamps decoration (not wired). Asking \$45 for everything. Paul 952-836-5899 or paul@meiselwoodhobby.com.

Wanted:

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