

# Trail Gazette

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## Meeting Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America November 25, 2017

*President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 11 AM at the home of Tom Krise in Salem, Oregon. The meeting was held in conjunction with the Oregon Air Head Club and their annual No-Turkey Tech Day.*

**Officers in Attendance:** Along with our Pres Jen were Vice President Chuck Hodson.

**Attendees:** Tom Krise, Tom Nielsen, and Bruce Reichelt.

**Minutes:** Reading of minutes were waived.

**Correspondence:** There was no reported correspondence.

**Treasurer Report:** No formal report this month; no significant expenses.

**Old Business:** National Rally Update: to hold a rally committee meeting in December or January. Jen reported the committee visited the restaurant, RV park, and motel after the October meeting in Cottage Grove. Need to establish sub-committees or key member leads for hotel and RV park, publicity, SWAG bags, and local business contacts. [these have all since been done or assignments made except for local business contacts]. The flyer rally was completed. Identified some sponsors: Tom Krise will contact Cycle Gear in Salem and Jen will contact Paradise Harley-Davidson in Tigard.

We have been in contact with The One Motorcycle Show. Organizers want to reach out to the antique bike community and agreed to have slots for eight bikes from OTC. OTC members have volunteered

to fill the slots. The One Show will be held February 9-11 at the same location as last year: the Old Pickle Factory, 900 N. Columbia Blvd, Portland.

**New Business:** A motion passed to purchase a brick to support Antique Powerland. Discussed need for "Pig Mats" to hand out to participants at rally to collect leaking oil. The mats will be included with SWAG bags and extras will be available.

The holiday party will be at the home of Bruce Reichelt. The club will provide appetizers. Bruce suggested that on the off years from the national rally to have a swap meet. Bruce will look into a venue and report back at next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned and members enjoyed the great food layout from Tom and Stephanie Krise and various potluck delectables.

Minutes by Tom Nielsen

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**Saturday, February 24, 2018**  
**11:00 AM**  
**Texaco Station at Powerland Museum**  
**3995 Brooklake Road, Brooks Oregon**

(from I-5 Exit #263, go ¼ mile west, turn north into Powerland, follow gravel road about ¼ mile to the Old Texaco Station)



## The Pres Letter-

Happy 2018 to all! Looking forward, our Club is going to have a very busy year. Here are some highlights.

- The **1 Motorcycle Show** is in **February (9-11)**, where we will have 6 bikes displayed.
- **June** is our **Election** Month.
- Our **National Rally** is going to be here before we know it, **July 26 -28**.
- The **Cannonball Run** will be finishing in Portland on **September 23rd**, and we are making tentative plans to meet them in Kalispell, Montana on **September 20th**, and informally follow the group back to Portland.

Add in a few garage crawls and a few club rides, and that spells busy!!

To catch all of you up on other happenings, **Tom Ruttan** is going back for a second surgery on Tuesday, January 30th. He will be at OHSU to have a tumor removed that is compressing his spine. He will be in the hospital for several days, and most likely in a rehabilitation center for several days before he returns home. Your phone calls and cards were most appreciated his first go-round, and I know he will appreciate them this go-round as well. His address is: 3761 SW Olson Ct, Lake Oswego, OR 97034. **Best wishes to you Tom!**

Speaking of **Tom Ruttan**, there is a photo of him on his '49 Triumph GP on the Month of November. Check it out!

With Tom needing to focus on his rehab, we will be filling his Treasurer position, at Tom's request. **Garrett Erickson** has generously offered to fill the position, starting in February. Thank you, Garrett, for helping out the Club.

Check out the Rally Update section for the latest news on our Rally. We will be having a Rally Committee Meeting in February, so there is still time to join the committee if you are interested. Just shoot me an email or text or give me a call, and I will happily add you to the committee.

Just a reminder to all: Our Club has a small number of active members, and we are hosting a National Rally. Our two previous Rallies have been well attended, and we are expecting a large turnout for our National. Do the math, and you see that WE ALL need to pitch in and help. So, as **Chuck Hodson** stated to me last week, "Let's plan

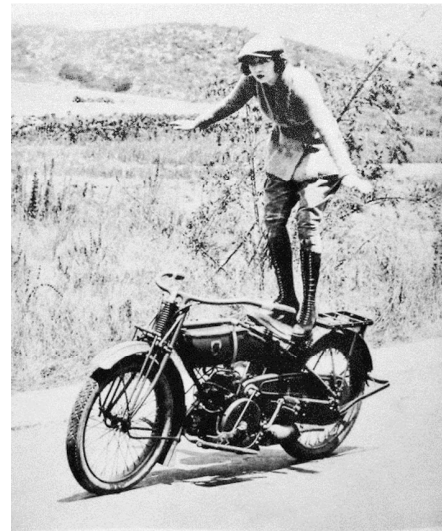
on coming to the meeting in February, toll up our sleeves, and get to work."

I hope to see many of you at the 1 Show, and many more of you at our **next Club meeting on February 24th, 11 AM** at the Texaco Station at **Powerland**.

Let's all keep **Tom Ruttan** in our thoughts and prayers.

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*"I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination."*  
Jimmy Dean



2018 Meeting Calendar Oregon Trail Chapter, AMCA	
Month	Activity
Feb 24	Meeting Texaco Station Brooks
Mar 25	Garage Crawl (location TBA)
Apr 28	Meet at Bavarian House in Mt Angel Ride to follow
May 19	Potluck at location TBD Elections
June 30	Meet at Texaco Station Brooks Rally final details
July 26-28	OTC Rally, Cottage Grove
Aug 25	Meeting/Display at local MC Dealer
Sept 29	Ride and Lunch (location TBA)
Oct 27	Garage Crawl (location TBA)
Nov 24	No Turkey Garage Day at Tom K's

## No-Turkey Tech Day At Home of Tom and Stephanie Krise, November 25<sup>th</sup>

The meeting was held in conjunction with the Oregon Air Head Club and their annual No-Turkey Tech Day. Besides the spread of awesome potluck dishes, Tom's garage had some interesting artifacts: his 1953 Indian Roadmaster 80 and a 1929 Indian frame and motor. The BMW aficionados had some bikes on lifts performing maintenance. And a special treat was to see Bruce Reichelt's new (to him) 1941 Indian Chief. It carries the moniker "Blue Bell" and was previously owned by the late Fred "Doc" Schuster. The engine rebuild on the old Indian is credited to the late Kenny Edmiston.



*Tom Krise and Chuck Hodson in foreground and Bruce Reichelt and Jen Nielsen in background in Tom Krise's garage at the No-Turkey Tech Day.*

## Christmas Get Together At Home of Bruce and Mary Reichelt, December 9<sup>th</sup>

We had a potluck luncheon at Bruce and Mary's home – thanks so much guys. The gathering was well attended by OTC members. Bruce gave a tour of his future garage. Today, it consisted of a concrete slab. But in a short time, it will be a large garage and shop to house, you guessed it, some antique motorcycles and various sundry projects.



*Bruce Reichelt and his 1941 Indian Chief "Blue Bell"*



*OTC Members at the Holiday Party: L-R: Tom Nielsen, Terry Wolbert, Chuck Hodson, Norlene Wolbert, Stephanie Krise, Tom Krise, Jennifer Nielsen, Rosie Singhose, Jim Singhose, and Bruce Reichelt.*



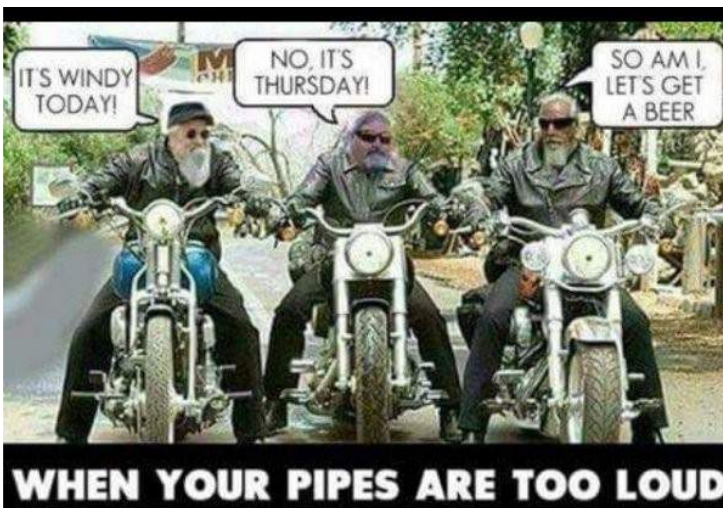


Tom Krise's 1929 Indian

## Our 2018 National Rally Update

Here are the updates for the Rally:

- ✓ We sent in the artwork for a full-page ad in the March-April edition AMCA National Magazine.
- ✓ Price negotiations with the Village Green are completed. Call in to reserve a room for \$69/night. Please note: CALL IN ONLY!! DO NOT register online.
- ✓ Registrations are starting to happen.
- ✓ There will be a committee meeting in February. We will send an email out when the date has been set.
- ✓ Come to the Club meeting February 24<sup>th</sup> ready to lend your support in the few remaining areas of need.



## Indian Army sets world record — with 58 men stacked on a motorbike

The Indian Army has set a new world record — with 58 men riding on a single motorbike.

The stunt was performed by Tornados, a motorcycle display team of the army's logistics arm, Army Service Corps.

Dressed in the colours of the Indian flag, they flanked either side of the moving 500 cc Royal Enfield, covering a distance of 1.2 km at Yelahanka Air Force Station in southern Bengaluru city.

The act was performed for the Guinness Book of World Records, Limca Book of Records and Unique World Records, according to local media.

"There are three riders who take charge," Major Bunny Sharma explained.

"First is the rider himself, who's controlling the mechanical parts of the bike such as gears and brakes and everything — the handle.

"Second is the balancer, who stays on the top and he ensures that all the people mounting the motorcycle while it's on the run are mounting at the same time because even a misbalance of a single kg [kilogram] would result in a catastrophe.

"So, and the third one is the navigator, who is immediately assisting the rider in where he is going."

The team pulled off the stunt successfully on the third attempt, after a rigorous training for six months, including a strict diet to maintain their weight. Research for the stunt began in 2013.

Setting a world record is not new for the Tornados, which was formed in 1982.

After Sunday's feat, their tally of records reached 20 and they broke their own record set in 2010 when 54 team members rode one moving motorbike.

The last world record, set in 2013, was held by a team of the army's military communication arm, Army Signals Corps, with 56 men on a motorbike.

**Source: Reuters,**

<http://madridjournals.com/2017/11/22/indian-army-sets-world-record-with-58-men-stacked-on-a-motorbike/>

## DUES ARE DUE

Please send your \$15 annual dues  
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## SUBMISSIONS TO NEWSLETTER:

Please submit article contributions, classified advertisements, photos, trip reports, and suggestions by the second Thursday of each month. Prefer Word or Adobe PDF for text and .jpg or PDF for graphics to [tomandjen@shadyapple.com](mailto:tomandjen@shadyapple.com)

*Thanks, Tom*

*PS: Sorry for late issue for Nov-Dec. Time got away, what with the holidays, new RV, and, wait for it, recent retirement !!! [tn]*

### Oregon Vintage Motorcyclists

OVM meets on the Second Saturday of Every Month at noon at Columbia River Brewing, 1728 NE 40th, Portland OR 97212  
<http://www.oregonvintage.org/>

### Vintage Motorcycle Enthusiast

Portland Chapter on the second Tuesday of Every Month at 7:00 PM noon at the Rambler, 4205 N Mississippi Ave, Portland OR  
<http://www.vmemc.org/>

## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
<b>Feb 9-11</b>	<b>One Show</b> 900 North Columbia Blvd Portland, Oregon <a href="http://www.the1moto.com">www.the1moto.com</a>
<b>Mar 9</b>	<b>OVM Banquet</b> Elks Club Milwaukie, Oregon <a href="http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php">http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php</a>
<b>Mar 17-18</b>	<b>Idaho Vintage Motorcycle Club Rally &amp; Show</b> Mallard Park Caldwell, Idaho <a href="http://www.idahovintagemotorcycleclub.org/">http://www.idahovintagemotorcycleclub.org/</a>
<b>April 28-29</b>	<b>Southern Oregon 2018 Swap Meet and Bike Show</b> Pottsville, Oregon <a href="http://www.abateoforegon.net/events/event/motorcycle-swap-meet-and-bike-show/">http://www.abateoforegon.net/events/event/motorcycle-swap-meet-and-bike-show/</a>
<b>May 19</b>	<b>OVM May Show Ride</b> <a href="http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php">http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php</a>
<b>May 20</b>	<b>OVM Swap Meet</b> 11 AM Benton County Fairgrounds Corvallis, Oregon <a href="http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php">http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php</a>
<b>July 18-22</b>	<b>Pendleton Bike Week 2018</b> <a href="https://www.pendletonbikeweek.com/">https://www.pendletonbikeweek.com/</a>
<b>July 26-28</b>	<b>Oregon Trail Chapter Jackie Colwell Memorial National Rally</b> Cottage Grove, Oregon <a href="https://www.antiquemotorcycleoregon.com/events.html">https://www.antiquemotorcycleoregon.com/events.html</a>



### Request for a Loaner

We received an inquiry from an AMCA member in Wisconsin who is planning to attend our 2018 National run. He is looking for someone to loan him a bike to ride on our run. In exchange he will loan a bike for their national run in 2018. His name is David Zigmont and can be reached at 847.401.4340. Their ride is just after Davenport, so someone can get a twofer.