

Trail Gazette

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OTC Website Update

We decided to move back to our old website instead of being hosted on the National web page. Reasons are that the old site better reaches a non-member audience – thus it is a better for recruiting. On our chapter site on the National web page, you had to know where to look to find us.

For managing the website, the old website is much easier to navigate and edit. Additionally, the host (GoDaddy) of the old site offers 24/7 technical support.

Next Club Gathering:

Chapter Rally July 15-18

Check-in Monday, July 15 noon to 4 PM
Rides July 16, 17, 18

Meals: Mon registration pizza, Tues Burger night,
Weds Mexican, Thurs July 18 Banquet

HQ at Tim's

See attached registration form
for details

Volunteer(s) Wanted

July 16th, 17th, or 18th

To drive the recovery vehicle with
trailer at the Cottage Grove Rally.

If you are available and willing to help,
contact James McQuiston or Tim Burns



The Prez Letter

Greetings all,

June is in full swing and warm weather is upon us. As summer progresses, we have more events planned. In July we have our three-day Rally in Cottage Grove. This will have two loops (one north and one south) near Cottage Grove. It will also include a loop to the coast and back. Two of the rides are approximately 140 miles, give or take. The coast loop can be longer, nearing 190 miles, but feel free to adjust. The idea is to enjoy and not get beat up! Tim Burns and Chet Turner have scoured the countryside for some of the most unique back roads without a lot of traffic, and with a lot of great scenery. This includes covered bridges (which Lane County is known for), small logging towns, lakes, and rivers. You are sure to enjoy the rides and the casual atmosphere.

On another note, we were just made aware our relief trailer driver is unable to assist, so we now need a volunteer(s) to help. If you can (legally) drive a pickup with trailer to help out 1, 2, or 3 days we will make it worth your while. We have a trailer and a pickup. We provide gas and tools and a lift for the unfortunate soul(s) whose ride fails. Most of us have been there. If so, let me or Tim Burns know and we can go over the details.

We have prepared and planned, and it is approaching fast. At this time, we would ask if you are planning to attend, please register so we can advise our vendors so they can prepare. Don't wait until the last minute. Also, you might want to secure accommodations as required. A copy of the registration form is at the end of the newsletter.

James McQuiston
OTC President
Bend, OR



Our Prez, James McQuiston riding his 1972 Triumph Bonneville 650 on the Steel Stamped track.

Boring Cornfield Concourse Invitation to OTC Members

The Oregon Moto Guzzi Owners Club and I want to extend an invitation to the AMCA Oregon Trail Chapter for an event we have planned for August 17. This date coincides with the regular OMGOC meeting held on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

I have a big backyard and I grow sweet corn and the OMGOC is grilling the dogs and burgers.

This invitation has been extended to the Norton guys and local OVM too. We thought it would be fun to get a few different groups mixed together.

We are thinking we might see 40-50 people. I hope to see you there.

Thank you,
Andy Franklin

See attached flyer at end of newsletter

Steel Stampede, May 4th & 5th Deschutes County

The Steel Stampede was held at the Deschutes County Fair & Expo Center. On Saturday, May 4th, they held American Historic Racing Motorcycle Association sanctioned trials and on Sunday, May 5th, they held vintage motorcross racing. OTC had a booth and some OTC members participated in the races. Here are some photos from the event by Danny Podkowa.



Two Harley JDs in vintage race.



OTC Booth at the Steel Stampede.





Steel Stampede (cont'd)



OVM Show May 19th, Salem

This years' Oregon Vintage Motorcyclists Show and Swap Meet were held at the Salem Fairgrounds. The marquee brand was Harley-Davidson, although there were fine bikes of many brands.



Andrew Meislin's 1932 Harley-Davidson VL



Tom Nielsen's 1946 Harley-Davidson UL



1959 Harley-Davidson Sportster



Tom Ruttan's 1950 Triumph Trophy TR5, 500 cc. The square barrel engine was only produced for two years.



1958 BSA B33, 500 cc.



1967 Honda Dream 305 cc



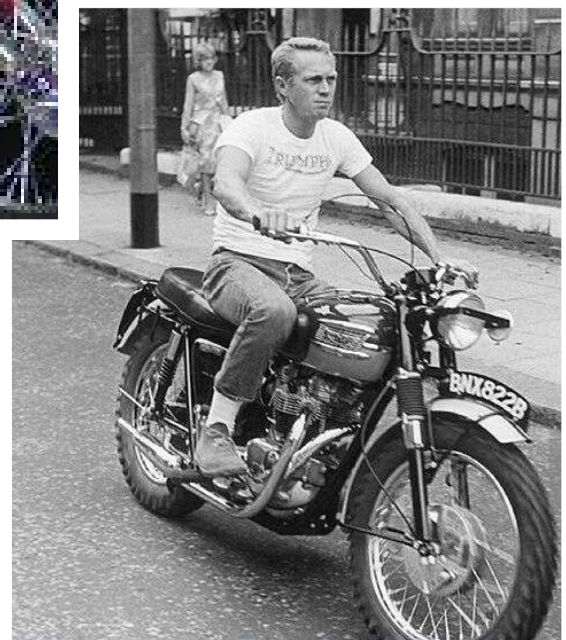
Buzz Saw Ride, June 8th, Bend By James McQuiston

We just had a nice ride in Bend with about 20 riders. We met at a local donut shop and then rode to the High Desert Museum. Our group split with about half going on to the mountains. The remainder hung out in the parking lot, taking pix for a while. The Saw was not running so we headed to Sun River for a windy loop up to the Elk Lake resort for lunch. The weather was perfect, not much traffic, and the scenery was spectacular. While it was mostly locals, Dan and Nils did make a presence from Portland. This loop was a little over a hundred miles and with stops, allowed us to enjoy most of the day. Overall it was a great time.



Celebrities on Motorcycles

Who are these familiar faces on two wheels? Answers on page 8.





OTC Schedule of Events 2024

Date	Event
July 15-19	OTC Rally/Road Run – Cottage Grove See registration form at the end of the newsletter
Aug 10	Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum fly-in & Muscle Car show, Hood River *
Aug 16-17	Swap Meet - Evergreen Chapter, AMCA, Tenino, WA*
Aug 17	Boring Cornfield Concourse See flyer at the end of the newsletter
Aug 24	Hot Pipes Bike show in Bend sponsored 6-Volt
Sep 9-13	OTC 3-Day Club Ride, John Day, OR
Oct	Lunch at Kelly's Olympian, Portland – TBD
Nov	Museum (NWVCM) Help Day, Brooks – TBD
Dec	Holiday Party - TBD

Dates shown where known. As schedules firm up, dates will be posted in newsletter

* Event of interest, not OTC sponsored.

NWVCM - Northwest Vintage Car & Motorcycle Museum

Celebrities on Motorcycles

From page 7

Upper Right: Warren Beatty
Center Left: Miley Cyrus
Lower Right: Steve McQueen

Vintage Motorcycle Enthusiast

Portland Chapter on the third Saturday of Every Month at noon at See See Coffee at
1642 Sandy Blvd., Portland, OR
<http://www.vmemc.org>

DISCOUNTS FOR AMCA & OTC

One Moto Café

(formerly See See Coffee) gives **10% off** to all OTC/AMCA members. Just show your AMCA member card. Good for beverages and food.

Oregon Vintage Motorcyclists

OVM monthly meetings at noon on second Saturday of month at Horse Brass Pub in Portland.
<http://www.oregonvintage.org>

SUBMISSIONS TO NEWSLETTER:

Please submit article contributions, classified advertisements, photos, trip reports, and suggestions. Prefer Word or Adobe PDF for text and .jpg or PDF for graphics to

Thanks, Tom Nielsen, Editor

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2016 Honda CRF250L Dual Sport. 520 miles. Clear title.

Tom in Portland metro

WANTED:

Oregon motorcycle license plates. Top dollar paid.

Panhead or generator Shovelhead motors, frames, forks, transmissions, etc.

Tim in Cottage Grove (408) 687-0635

Posting in our Classified Ads

OTC members get one, half-page ad with a photo for motorcycle related items each newsletter issue. Additional half-page ads and non-OTC members are \$10 each. Ads run for two issues.

Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America May 14, 2024

Meeting called to order by President James McQuiston at 7:04 pm.

Officers in Attendance: James McQuiston Pres., Tim Burns VP, Danny Podkowa Secretary, John Davey Treasurer.

Other Attendees: Chet Turner, Tom and Jennifer Nielsen.

Treasurer's report:

One membership renewal. One new member – Pat King. More rally registrations (five). GoDaddy website and Vast conference call expenses. Balance remains in the black.

Correspondence: None reported.

Old Business:

✓ Web transition

- New OTC website is within the AMCA national website, not how we anticipated it being built. Difficult to navigate, challenging for admin user to make edits, and lacks responsive customer support.

- Motion to keep GoDaddy for website presence. 24/7 customer support and system is user-friendly. Motion passed.
- Tom will renew SSL ("secure site"), dismantle parts of the AMCA/OTC domain, re-direct the national link to the OTC domain, and provide feedback to John Markley and Keith Kizer.

New Business:

✓ 2024 Events

- **April 19th -21st h The One Motorcycle Show Recap**
 - Incredibly well received and a great location inside the venue.
 - 28 total antique and vintage bikes.
 - James Radway did a great job marketing the club at the OTC table at the show.
 - A few builders expressed interest in joining OTC.
- **May 4th – 5th Steel Stampede**
 - Deschutes Co. Fairgrounds. New track laid out by Fairgrounds.
 - Terrible weather; cold, rainy, and windy - blew down the tent!
 - Saturday: Trials. Sunday: Motocross.
 - Pretty good turnout for participants, not so much for spectators. Maybe 4 to 5 people came up to the booth.
 - So many cool vintage bikes: British, Japanese, JDs, and vintage dirt bikes.
 - Danny made short videos and posted them on the OTC Instagram page.
- **May 18th - 19th OVM Spring Ride, Swap Meet, and Show**
 - Tom N and Danny plan to attend.
 - Tim B will have a vending booth.
 - Tom Ruttan will transport club banner and pop-up to set up OTC booth.
- **June 8th: High Desert Museum Ride**
 - Sawmill to Elk Lodge ride in Bend. James made flyer.
 - 9:30 a.m., meet at Richard's Donut Shop and ride to the High Desert Museum. Then, ride through Sunriver, have lunch at Elk Lake Lodge, and finish the loop.
- **July 15th – 19th: OTC Rally in Cottage Grove**
 - Mexican dinner (Wednesday @ 5 pm). Banquet dinner (Thursday night). Registration night at Tim's.



- Room for a few trailers and tents at Tim's.
- Tim's neighbor (Mason Lodge) has parking available, but likely no hook-ups available: \$15/night.
- Tim drove one of the routes and will tweak a little (too much gravel).
- John checked out one of Chet's routes, and it will be nice!
- Chet provided a rundown on one of the routes. Approximately 143 miles. James recommended stretching it out.
- James will digitize maps once routes are final. Chet will try to have all routes final by June 8th.
- **August 10th: Ride to Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum (WAAAM)**
 - Meet at 10 am in front of WAAAM in Hood River: 1600 Air Museum Rd, Hood River, OR.
- ✓ **Future Discussion**
 - **August 16-17: Tenino Swap Meet**
 - Run by Evergreen Chapter of AMCA
 - **August 31st (NEW DATE): Hot Pipes Motorcycle Show**
 - Organized by 6 Volt Cycle.
 - Bend, OR at the Open Space Studios, 2 p.m. – 10 p.m.
 - Morning ride from Richard's Donut Shop?
 - **September 10th: John Day Club Ride**
 - **October TBD**
 - **November TBD: Workday at NWVCM**
 - **December TBD**
- ✓ **Other issues/concerns:**
 - Business cards are on order for Danny P., and Jen will make interim cards for him.
 - Next newsletter will be sent in June.

Next phone call: June 11th at 7 pm.
Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.
Minutes by Danny Podkowa.

Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, June 11, 2024

Meeting called to order by President James McQuiston at 7:03 pm.

Officers in Attendance: James McQuiston Pres., Tim Burns VP, Danny Podkowa Secretary, John Davey Treasurer.

Other Attendees: Tom and Jennifer Nielsen.

Treasurer's report:

One new rally registration. GoDaddy and Vast expenses. Balance remains in the black.

Correspondence: None reported.

Old Business:

✓ N/A

New Business:

✓ 2024 Events

- **June 8th: High Desert Museum Ride Recap**
 - Great ride and turnout. About 25 riders: chopper, FXR, Triumph, BMW. Met at Richard's Donut Shop and rode to the High Desert Museum. The saw wasn't running, continued to Elk Lake Lodge and had lunch. James and a few others continued up to Prineville and Redmond for about 150 miles. No breakdowns!
 - Danny posted a few pictures on Instagram and sent pictures to Tom for the newsletter; James has written an article and will send it to Tom.
- **July 15th – 19th: AMCA Road Rally in Cottage Grove**
 - Total pre-registered: 7. James can reach out to interested individuals who haven't signed up.
 - John ordering shirts on 6/12; Danny has extras if needed.
 - Mexican dinner (Wednesday @ 5 pm). Banquet dinner (Thursday night). Registration night at Tim's.
 - Three rides cemented: Lake, Coast, and North.
 - Lake Route: See most of Lane County's covered bridges (~5). Head S, a little bit of gravel (~1/2 mile), then back on the pavement. Go through Oakland and Sutherlin, cut under I-5 on the 138, and end up in Elkton. Head E towards Drain, cut across via Hayhurst, and that wraps around the southern edge of Drain with two-lane mountain roads.



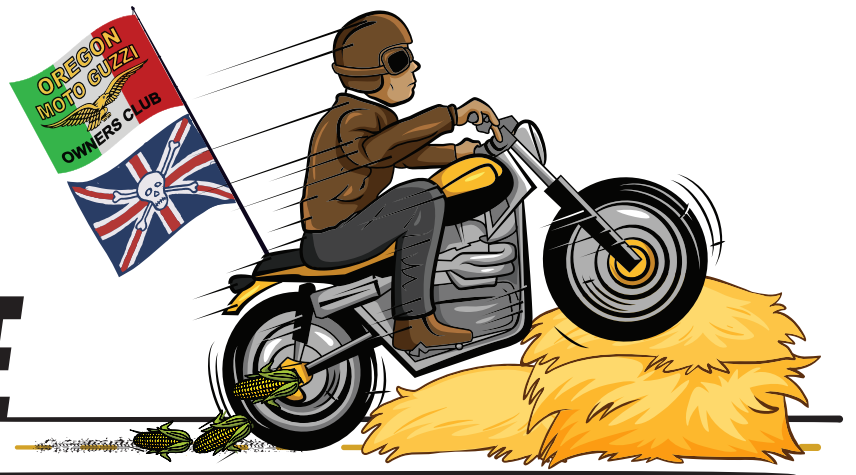
- Coast Route: Similar to the 2018 national – worth doing again; spectacular scenery the entire time! Follow the Umpqua River out to the Coast, head N along the Coast, then follow the Siuslaw River towards Eugene, cut over in Noti and pass through the towns of Vaughn and Crow (mountain and logging operations), and head down Territorial Hwy with pretty views, not much traffic, and great riding roads. The entire loop is roughly 180 miles – gas is available in Drain, Elkton, the Coast, Florence, and possibly one in Crow. John will check on gas availability in Crow this weekend and report back.
- North route: Starts at Tim’s, N to Pleasant Hill via Sears Rd, continues through Jasper, Mohawk, Marcola, and then heads W via Crawfordsville and Brownsville; cuts across I-5 to Peoria before heading S through Harrisburg and Junction City; slightly W to Franklin, S down through Veneta and Crow – via Territorial Hwy – to Lorane before heading back E towards Tim’s house in Cottage Grove. Many places for gas and food.
- James will begin putting together maps and handouts with an agenda of activities. Will work with John offline about printing options.
- James is considering obtaining a full-size state map to display on an easel. Tom suggested having maps of the Forest Service Roads – very helpful!
- **NO CHASE TRUCK!** James will solicit a chase truck volunteer when sending email reminders. Tim has a trailer for hauling bikes and a truck (if needed).
- Tim is actively working on obtaining tables and chairs for registration night.
 - **August 10th: Ride to Western Antique Aeroplane & Automobile Museum (WAAAM)**
- Meet at 10 am in front of WAAAM in Hood River: 1600 Air Museum Rd, Hood River, OR.
- Tom spoke with w/someone who is local to the area, and they suggested a route

that parallels WA SR-14: Washougal River Rd to Salmon Falls Rd. It starts in Downtown Washougal (‘City Center,’ 1st roundabout exit off WA SR-14 heading E) and ends at the Salmon Falls/Cape Horn Trailhead parking intersecting with WA SR-14, roughly 14 miles (reverse directions if you want to take the route on the way back from the ride to WAAAM). However, Tom is unsure of the route and suggests that riders take WA SR-14 directly to WAAAM.

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 - **December TBD: Christmas dinner**
- ✓ **Other issues/concerns:**
 - Tom and James to talk offline about the schedule for the newsletter.
 - The newsletter will be sent in the next couple of days for June.

Next phone call: July 9th at 7 pm.
Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.
Minutes by Danny Podkova.

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Registration Form

Oregon Trail Chapter Rally

Three Days of Riding: July 16, 17, 18, 2024

Check-in July 15th from 12 PM – 4 PM. Banquet July 18th

Pre-Registration closes July 1, 2024

Headquarters: Tim Burns 78341 Snauer Ln. Cottage Grove, OR 97424

Best Western Motel 1601 Gateway Blvd. Cottage Grove, OR 97424 (541) 942-1000

Cottage Grove Inn 845 Gateway Blvd. Cottage Grove, OR 97424 (541) 767-3100

Relax Inn 1030 North Pacific Highway, Cottage Grove, OR 97424 (833) 342-0465

Camping: Masonic RV 33322 Row River Rd Cottage Grove, Or 541-942-2447

Schwartz Park 34909 Shoreview Dr, Cottage Grove, OR 97424 (877) 444-6777

Baker Bay Park 35635 Shoreview Dr, Dorena, OR 97434 (541) 942-7669

Rider	AMCA# (required)	Birthdate	T-shirt size (M-XXL)
Passenger	AMCA# (required)	Birthdate	T-shirt size (M-XXL)
Address	City	State	Zip
Email		Phone	Chapter
Year/Model Bike	Insurance # (required)	Miles Ridden	Miles Hauled

\$125 per rider (Monday Registration Pizza nite, T-shirt, Tuesday Burger Night, Wed Mexican dinner, Thursday Banquet)

\$115 passenger (Pizza, T-shirt, Burger night, Mexican dinner, Buffet banquet)

After July 1st and for day of, on-site registration, add \$10 for rider or passenger. Additional tickets for banquet-only available for \$40 during on-site registration.

Rider \$ _____

Banquet Only _____

Passenger \$ _____

TOTAL _____

**** Submit this form by June 12th to ensure desired T-shirt size can be ordered in time for the rally.**

To Register, Mail form and check made out to Oregon Trail chapter Attn:

John Davey, Treasurer, 2165 Norwood St, Eugene, OR 97401, ph: 541-852-8023 john@riverroofing.com

Make checks payable to **Oregon Trail Chapter, AMCA**

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