
Trail Gazette

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Meeting Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America February 24, 2018

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 10:56 AM at the Texaco Gas Station at the Powerland Museum, in Brooks.

Officers in Attendance: Along with our Pres Jen were Vice President Chuck Hodson and Treasurer Tom Ruttan.

Attendees: Gene Walker, Tom Nielsen, Tim Burns, Paul Wright, Chet Turner, Terry & Norlene Wolbert, and Bruce Reichelt.

Guests Jay Challender and Martin Doerfler

Minutes: Reading of minutes were waived.

Correspondence:

- ✓ Tom R shared renewing our name with the State of Oregon-cost \$50.
- ✓ Jen shared correspondence from prospective Rally participants and calls with the Village Green amending the rate to \$69/night.

Treasurer Report: Tom R provided a Treasurer's Report. Tom is working with Gene and Garrett to update signature authority on the Club checking account.

Old Business: National Rally Update:

- ✓ The Rally Committee presented our To-Do list and some people stepped forward to help with a task or two.
- ✓ Tim shared sample of messenger bag.
- ✓ Tim Burns spoke with Cassie, head of the Aviation Museum in Cottage Grove. OTC is sponsoring the pancake breakfast on Saturday-at a cost of \$150. The Aviation

Museum will provide tables and chairs for our use during the Rally.

- ✓ We are requesting rental of the hanger from the Aviation Museum, which will grant us tent camping, the use of bathrooms, showers, and electrical outlets. Cassie will present our request to their Board of Directors.
 - ✓ We will begin riding routes in March. All further club meetings will be held in Cottage Grove, with the focus on riding routes.
 - ✓ Registration to date for the Rally is 10 total-1 from OTC.
 - ✓ Tim Burns is working on parking while at our Banquet.
 - ✓ Tim Burns has a lead on a second trailer and SAG wagon driver.
 - ✓ Raffle gifts count is 33. We want to get at least 80, as we anticipate a higher turnout for the Rally, because it is a National.
- 1 Show:** The club had five bikes at the 1 Show. Jen assisted with Registration. While registering participants, she handed out 2 applications and 40 business cards.
- ✓ Jen reminded us to remember to be grateful we have bikes at the show and not be so wrapped up where our bikes are placed.

New Business:

- ✓ Tom Nielsen will act as Interim Secretary.
- ✓ We discussed driving our bikes out to Idaho to meet the Cannonball Run drivers arriving, then following them to Portland.
- ✓ Je has been unable to contact Haggerty's unit regarding the Texas Hurricane donation. We voted to suspend the donation.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20. Minutes by Tom Nielsen.



Meeting Minutes of the Oregon Trail Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America March 24, 2018

President Jen Nielsen called the meeting to order at 11:26 AM at the home of Tim Burns in Cottage Grove.

Officers in Attendance: Along with our Pres Jen were outgoing Treasurer Tom Ruttan, incoming Treasurer Garrett Erickson, and interim Secretary Tom Nielsen.

Attendees: Tim & Diane Burns, Paul Wright, Chet Turner, Jim & Rosie Singhose, James Roy, Larry & Melinda Sargent, Dave Robinson, Tom Krise, and Gene Walker.

Welcome to new members Larry & Melinda Sargent and James Roy.

Minutes: Reading of minutes were waived.

Correspondence:

Jen received 2 calls and 3 emails with Rally Questions.

Jen is working with Keith to send out a Rally email to all AMCA members within our geographic region.

Treasurer Report: Tom Ruttan provided his final Treasurer's Report.

Old Business:

National Rally Update:

- ✓ A second hotel is being added for lodging.
- ✓ Our headquarters is being relocated to the Air Museum-this will be safer and we will not compete with autos.
- ✓ We have rented hangar space (\$250) from the Air Museum-this provides us with bathrooms, showers, electrical outlets, refrigeration, and storage space.
- ✓ Tent camping will be available at the Air Museum for \$10/night.
- ✓ Five Club members registered for Rally.
- ✓ Travel Lane County is sponsoring the purchase of our messenger bags and will provide maps and other fun stuff to do in the area.
- ✓ Latus HD in Eugene is providing a per bag donation for the Rally.
- ✓ We are up to 42 Raffle donations-still trying to get to 80. Contact Jen to get a copy of the Donation Request Letter and/or Rally Flyer.
- ✓ There will be a half-page ad for the Rally in the June AMCA magazine.

New Business:

- ✓ Cassie, Director of the Aviation Museum in Cottage Grove, stopped by our meeting and

gave an overview of their mission and support to our Rally.

- ✓ *Be sure to register for the Rally by June 1 to get guarantee on jacket size.*
- ✓ *\$150 to Powerland for members memory brick-we approved but need to purchase the brick.*

Meeting adjourned at 12:09 Minutes by Tom Nielsen

The Pres Letter-

Hello OTC! As of my writing this letter, some important numbers come to my mind. 15, 55, 26, and 101.

15 is for June 15th-the day I am going to place our order for Rally Jackets. This is giving you 2 additional weeks from what we discussed at the March meeting. If you have signed up for the Rally by this date, you will be able to select the size jacket you want. If not, you will be getting one of the sizes available. This day is 55 days from now.

26 is for July 26th, the opening day of our Rally. It happens to be 101 days from the time of my writing this letter. Our Rally is drawing nearer, and I only see nine (9) people from our club signed up for the Rally. Please, get on the website at AMCA and signup!

While you have your checkbook or card out, please remember to renew your National and Club dues. Garrett was kind enough to send out a reminder, check your inbox or mailbox for details.

Our next meeting is April 28th in Cottage Grove. Our focus will be riding routes. I look forward to seeing you there.

Jennifer

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"You have enemies? Good. It means you've stood up for something, sometime in your life." Winston Churchill

**NEXT MEETING:
Saturday, April 28, 2018
11:00 AM**

Cottage Grove, Oregon

Home of Tim Burns

(I-5 to Exit 174. Left on row River Rd approx. 1-1/2 miles. Right on Snauer Lane. First house on the left. Next to Mason Lodge)

The One Show By Tom & Jen Nielsen

This year's show started at 7:00 AM for Jen. Tom was waiting for inspectors for a few projects at the house, so he dropped me off along with Tom Ruttan's honeymoon bike. Once again, Jen helped with checking in the participants and handing out the goodie bags to builders. As in the past, it was a lot of fun to meet the variety of builders from all over the country and all manner of machines, from strictly stock to outlandish customs. Sportsters were probably the most common, fewer choppers this year, and many more older bikes.



Tom & Jen-hanging out in front of the bike photo

As is the custom, the SWAG bags were Santa-worthy, containing, depending on your bag, an LED headlamp, a Leatherman tool, sweatshirt or thermal long-sleeve tee shirt, Red Cloud coasters, numerous stickers, Harley tin coffee mugs, and Stumptown One Show blend coffee.

This year's event was in the same location as last year, the Pickle Factory. It previously was a foundry and OTC's own Michael Tillson worked their when he was in high school. Appropriate he got to show off his BMW and sidecar!

The layout had multiple food purveyors, motorcycle accessory vendors, and artists spread throughout the facility. Sponsors included Harley-Davidson, BMW, Danner boots, ICON, See-See Coffee, Alta Motors, Red Cloud Collective, Bell, American Flat Track Racers, and Iron and Air Magazine.



Michael Tillson's 1969 BMW with a 1953 Stieb sidecar

It still amazes me how the transformation of an old foundry into a Moto-art gallery happens. The bikes were spread in different wings and floors of the building. There were over 10,000 attendees viewing the approximately 230 motorcycles. Motorcycle brands included Ariel, Honda, Velocette, Triumph, Buell, Honda, Norton, Indian, Husqvarna, Saracen, Alta, Bultaco, Cappa Montesa, Maico, Vespa, Suzuki, Hodoka, Yamaha, Harley-Davidson, Indian, Moto Guzzi, Kawasaki, BSA, BMW, and Ducati. Besides OTC, OVM, and the Mount Scott club also had bikes on display.



Tom Ruttan's 1940 Triumph Speed Twin – The Honeymoon Bike



The One Moto Show (cont'd)



Garrett Erickson's 1957 HD FLH & Tom Krise's 1953 Indian Chief



1926 Indian Scout



1978 Honda CB



Vahan Dinihanian's 1966 Bultaco Matrella



1919 Indian Racer & 1920 Harley Davidson Racer



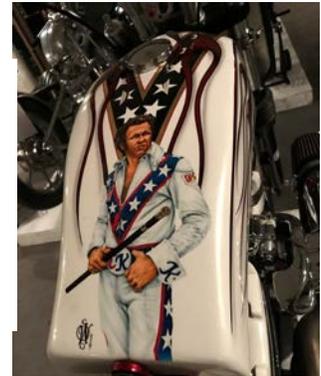
1977 BMW R100



1964 Harley Davidson Pan-Shovel



Amazing custom paint job on 1997 Harley-Davidson Sportster



You'll never know who you'll find at the One Show—
Club Member Terry Wolbert

OTC Member Bikes at the One Moto Show

- 1940 Triumph Speed Twin – Tom Ruttan
- 1953 Indian Chief – Tom Krise
- 1957 Harley-Davidson FLH – Garrett Erickson
- 1966 Bultaco Matrella– Vahan Dinihanian
- 1967 BMW with 1953 Stieb sidecar – Michael Tilson

DUES ARE DUE

Please send your \$15 annual dues
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Get Your Laugh On...

- ❖ Keep your bike maintained. Motorcycle boots are NOT comfortable for walking.
- ❖ Sometimes it takes a whole tankful of fuel before you can think straight.
- ❖ A bike on the road is worth two in the shed
- ❖ Catching a yellow jacket in your shirt @ 70 mph can double your vocabulary.

A motorcycle patrolman was rushed to hospital with an inflamed appendix. The doctors operated on him immediately. When he came around he was relieved when they told him all had gone as planned, and he was going to be fine. However, the patrolman kept feeling something pulling at the hairs on his chest. He was worried that something may be wrong but he was still too weak from the surgery to do anything. Eventually, he managed to pull his hospital gown down enough to check what was causing the discomfort. When he looked down at his chest he saw three wide strips of ultra-adhesive tape stuck firmly to him. Written on it in large black letters was the message: "Get well soon... from the nurse you gave the ticket to last week. I'll be round to remove the tape later."



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

Thanks, Tom

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
April 28-29	Southern Oregon 2018 Swap Meet and Bike Show Pottsville, Oregon http://www.abateoforegon.net/events/event/motorcycle-swap-meet-and-bike-show/
May 19	OVM May Show Ride http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php
May 20	OVM Swap Meet 11 AM Benton County Fairgrounds Corvallis, Oregon http://www.oregonvintage.org/calendar.php
June 3	46TH MOTO GUZZI NATIONAL OWNERS CLUB NATIONAL RALLY AND MOTO GUZZI FESTIVAL AT Sumerian's Brewery & Pub Woodenville, Washington www.GuzziFest.com
June 15-16	Fort Sutter Swap Meet Dixon, CA http://www.fortsutteramca.org/cms/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/2018-Dixon-mailing-Flyer-1.pdf
July 15-16	2018 Tall Timber INOA Rally Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds, Elma, Washington hosted by Northwest Norton Owners http://nortonrally.com/
July 18-22	Pendleton Bike Week 2018 https://www.pendletonbikeweek.com/
July 26-28	Oregon Trail Chapter Jackie Colwell Memorial National Rally Cottage Grove, Oregon https://www.antiquemotorcycleoregon.com/events.html



Tom & Jen having fun riding with the dogs!

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.

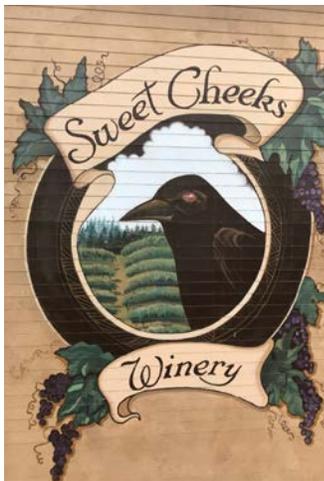
**March Meeting Photos -
March Meeting Photos &
Photos Along a Rally Route**



Sweet Cheeks Winery-one of the stops on Thursday's route



Talking shop in Tim Burn's, wait for it..... shop



Checking out the Air Museum

King Estate Winery-Another stop on Thursday's route



*Please register for
our Rally—we don't
want to miss you,
and you don't want
to miss the fun!!*