

## July 2013 Newsletter

### 6th Annual Antique Motorcycles in the Park



The 6th Annual Antique Motorcycles in the Park will be held Saturday September 7, 2013, 9:00 am until 4:00 pm at Hill Wheatley Plaza down town Hot Springs, during the Hot Springs Rally. The past two years we have had over 100 vintage and antique motorcycles on display. 100 or more is our goal for this show.

Our friends from the Cherokee Chapter of Texas will be bringing some great bikes to show. Steve and Joan Klein from the Cherokee Chapter were in town for a couple days. They had some great ideas for the show.

I will be talking to the Confederate Chapter, NTNOA, and OVMA of north Arkansas as well about showing some bikes. We will need all the help we can get so please volunteer to help in some way. It is a lot of work to put this show together and September will be here before you know it.

[Click here for the flyer.](#)

[Click here for the entry form.](#)

Entry forms can be emailed to [safari100usa@yahoo.com](mailto:safari100usa@yahoo.com) or mailed to Michael Thomson, 143 Leta Lane, Hot Springs, AR 71913. For questions or comments call Mike at 501-525-9833, cell # 214-557-6012. All motorcycles need to register by August 25, 2013. The sooner the better as it takes time to make plaques. A \$10.00 entry fee per bike for the first two bikes, more than two are free to show. See flier and entry form.

The next club meeting, July 28 at Perkin's 2:00 pm will be very important to work out details so try to make the meeting. We need ideas and plans for lay out and set up so bring your ideas to the next meeting.

Please print out flier and make copies. Get them out to bike shops, car part stores, or any place that might have an interest in the show. We also need things for goody bags for people who display bikes, Ride guides, maps, pins, discount coupons at restaurants, museums, shows etc.

If you have old motorcycle pictures please get them to Linda so we can make posters to cover the parking meters. This is the clubs one big event so we need every member to participate. Nonmembers are welcome to help. Remember this is yours and the clubs show so let's do a great job and make the 6th Annual Antique Motorcycles in the Park the best show ever. This is a display of vintage and Antique Motorcycles only. No judging, no trophies, just a fun day with Antique motorcycles and great motorcycle people.

Thanks for your support,  
Michael Thomson, President Diamond Chapter

#### **July 28, Diamond Chapter Meeting:**

The July club meeting will be at Perkin's (3630 Central Ave.) Be there at 1:30 to eat, meeting at 2:00 pm. Please try to make the meeting. We have a lot of details to work out on The Antique Motorcycles in the Park.

A short ride is planned before the meeting. Met at the transportation depot at noon. We will leave shortly thereafter for a 40 mile ride on the back roads. You can ride any bike you want. Ride will end at Perkin's for the meeting. So get that bike running and have a fun ride. Weather permitting.

#### **Diamond Chapter Officers:**

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**Birthdays: Emma Perkins**

#### **Diamond Chapter AMCA June Minutes:**

The regular meeting was called to order at 2pm at Gulpha Gorge after the 3rd Annual Historic Downtown Hot Springs Mini Road Run. There were 15 members present with 12 riders.

The Mini Road Run was a great time riding together through beautiful downtown Hot Springs and West Mountain. The smallest award went to James Sandage with his 1953 Simplex 125. He also received the oldest smallest for the same bike.

Russell Plunkett received the oldest award for his 1948 Mustang, which was also the recipient of the coveted people's choice NEATO award. Nice plastic cups went to Brandon Sandage for being the youngest rider, Larry Edwards for riding most of the run standing up on his 1972 OSSA 250. Deserving much more than a couple of plastic cups were our chasers, Butch and Pat Jones, who graciously followed and hauled a couple of bikes. A big thanks to you both. The weather and snacks were great, making this 3rd Annual Mini Road Run a success. Thanks to all.

Mike Parker had trivia questions. We thank Mike for the time he invests to entertain us in this way. Greg Bright was the winner.

Mike Thomson reported on a trip to the Wheels Though Time Museum in North Carolina.

Larry Edwards reported on the HS Village Scooter and Motorcycle show. There were lots of Tricks and about 80 bikes in all. Thanks to Larry for the Back Straight stories in the newsletter.

The May minutes were accepted as presented.  
Treasurer report was presented and accepted.

Mike announced that Kay Burns has stepped down from the Secretary position leaving an opening. Please be thinking of someone to fill this job.

Remember Gordon Smith and Greg Dingler and their health issues.

**Events:**

**July 28 Club Meeting at Perkin's, 2:00 pm**

**August Meeting TBA.**

**Sept. 7 Antique Motorcycles in the Park. Hill Weathley Plaza**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Lina Bright, Treasure**

[Click here](#) for The Back Straight: by Larry Edwards

**Mini Road Run**



Linda pretty much said it all in the minutes (see above). We had 12 riders and a chase truck. Two bikes broke down, just too much high speed I guess, 1 Cushman and my HD Sprint .The Sprint would not start at the last stop, turned out to be a bad battery. I have not heard from James on what went wrong with the Cushman.

Thanks again to Butch and Pat for the chase truck. Linda did a fantastic job of getting all the Mini snacks and drinks together, awards were also mini, 3 x 5 I think. It was a great ride, the weather was great and fun was had by all. Looking forward to next year's run. Nice picture in the Sentinel Record Thanks to Beth Bright.

**FYI:**

Please pay your dues \$15.00 per person so we can spend the money on you and the members.

Texas Road Run April 2014, will keep you to date as things progress.

American Pickers has been showing them in Arkansas at Johnny Ramsey place.

Philly Troddle on Friday night 10:00pm on the discovery channel. motorcycle restorers

What's in the Barn, Tuesday's at 10:00 pm, DirecTV 281, Dish 364, and Comcast 844.

AMCA pictures for calendar need to be sent in before Sept.

Barber's Vintage festival tickets now on sale, I will be going and have a camp spot.

Check out this web site: <http://www.jockeyjournal.com/>

**Things My Motorcycle Has Taught Me:**

1. Motorcycles don't leak oil, they mark their Territory.

2. Thin leather looks good in bar but it won't save your butt from road rash if you go down.
3. Kansas: home of the highway with 318 miles and 11 curves.

### Work Shop Tools:

#### Electric Hammer



#### Chain Saw



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July 28 - Ride before meeting, met at the transportation depot before noon. 40 mile ride on the back roads, ending at Perkin's for the meeting.

July 28 - Diamond Chapter July meeting at Perkin's, 3630 central ave. 1:30 to eat, meeting at 2:00. Please try to make to meeting as we have a lot of details to work out for Antique Motorcycles in the Park.

Aug. 3 - Sam's Club motorcycle event. Fund raiser for children's hospital.

Aug. 25 -Diamond Chapter August meeting TBA. Last meeting before Sept. Show.

Sept. 7 - Antique Motorcycles in the Park.

Sept. 5-7 Hot Springs Rally. <http://www.thehotspringsrally.com/>

Oct. 3-6 NTNOA Lake o the Pines. <http://www.ntnoa.org/>

Oct. 10-13 Barber's Vintage Festival. <http://www.barbersmotorsports.com>

**For Sale:**

Thomson's Antique Motorcycles for Sale (revised) Mike at 501-525-9833, cell # 214-557-6012

Click here

1970 Triumph TR6 Tiger, Club Project Bike, rebuilt and restored. call 501-525-9833. Also listed on Ebay.

**Closing Remarks:**

Antique Motorcycles in the Park is only a few weeks away and we have a lot of work to do. Please print and make copies of the flier and start handing them out, Bike shops, Auto Parts, Restaurants, any place you can think of. Call or Email anyone who has a vintage or antique motorcycle made before 1980 (some exceptions) and ask them to put their bike in the show.

We need new members so ask your friends to come to our meeting and the Sept. show.

Ride em, Don't Hide um.

Michael Thomson

President, Diamond Chapter of Arkansas, Antique Motorcycle Club of America

