



Editor's Corner

Ha! We haven't had this in a while – a **newsletter!**

But honestly, these last few summer months have been rather hectic, stressful and very often annoying for me, so much that I could not muster sitting down and taking the time to write a newsletter. I am afraid, it is not getting much better in the short run, so if anybody has the passion to do a better job, please step up and take over the newsroom!

At least, there was motorcycling! And in spite of the fact that we had to cancel our planned trip to Maine – something we had been looking forward to – there were some great activities to engage in. Most of them involving some of you guys, one way or the other. Although we did not make it to any of the rallies – not even closer ones - we were able to log a few miles this year.

For the first time, I had to limit my riding to a few select bikes as my hips bothered me just too much to even get on some of the ones with a more "aggressive" riding position. Well, there will be next year. Having decided to face the inevitable and get hip replacements, I should be as good as new come next spring.

Heck, it could have all been worse! Our friend Larry Meeker had his riding season cut short by a terrible accident in PA during the Cannonball Run. It put him out of commission for the rest of the year. And it is not the first time he had a real bad motorcycle accident! Get better quick, Larry!

So, we take it as a lesson and always look at the glass half full!

See you all around!

Mike

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Towards the end of September, most of the rallies are behind us. As of this writing, a few of us are still out on the road, dragging their tents to fairgrounds or bunking up in rustic cabins but in a few days everybody should be home.

Since the last newsletter, we had a summer picnic at Susan and Jim's (Pierce) house, which they graciously opened for a bunch of rambunctious bikers. Good food and a lot of tall stories, as usual! Jim provided a little cruise on his ship on the adjacent lake for entertainment.



A few events are coming our way:

Sunday, September 29, ride to Malabar Farms after breakfast. Annual Ohio Heritage Days Festival.

Saturday, October 5, Club Fall BBQ at the Vair residence in Randolph. See separate flyer/announcement. We are trying to finalize a list for side dishes. This Sunday, September 29, at breakfast

Sunday, October 13, Algonquin Mill Festival in Carrollton, ride after breakfast.

And for sometime late October or early November, our expert on nice trips, Jack Fetzer, is working on a proposal for an **overnight event**. This will be a car trip for most, most likely.

Finally, the date for the club's **Christmas party** is set for **December 21!** We will have to assign jobs for support functions. Make yourself available.

Recipe of the month: Another one from Leigh Summers, ---just in time for the BBQ party.....

Fruit Magic (dessert)

1 can cherry pie filling (or any flavor)

1 pkg yellow cake mix (Jiffy 9 oz.)

1/4 cup margarine

1/2 cup chopped nuts

Spread pie filling in square pan 8x8. Sprinkle dry cake mix over filling – pat lightly. Dot with margarine.

Cover with nuts. Bake at 350 for 45 to 50 minutes.



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Hello Club Members:

I am glad, we have a picture of me on top of this column, so you all still know what I look like, as I have been a rare sight for many of you...It is a little fuzzy, because it has been too hard to catch me for a decent photo.

I have been on the run to get my share of rallies "under my belt" (or on my bike's odometer) this year.

Here are some updates regarding club business:

We still DO NOT have an officially accepted logo. After BMW's/MOA's disapproval of our last proposal, we are making another try.

During the September club meeting a decision was made to sell the club trailer, which we only use for the Poker Run. Several members got together and cleaned the trailer out and prepared it for sale. A buyer was found quick in John Bebout's son Mark! The Treasurer reports:

*" I will be depositing the proceeds from the sale of the club trailer. The addition of this \$1500 brings our total bank balance to: **\$5483.69.***

John Bebout"

Last and not least, I do not want to miss to welcome two new club members:

Jim and Zack Campbell, a father and son "team". Zack occasionally brings his girlfriend Tara for a Sunday excursion to help improve the gender balance a little.

Dana