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Upcoming events

Lakes Region camp and ride

Hosted by John Harrington

June 4 - June 7

Group rides Friday and Saturday

Potluck on Saturday night

Campfires every night

John & Joanne Harrington home

90 Holland Street

Moultonborough, NH

774-219-1886

Eliot camp and ride

Hosted by Peter Grace

June 25 - June 28

Group rides Friday and Saturday

Potluck on Saturday night

Camping fee - \$60 / weekend (no hookups)

Raitt Homestead Farm Museum

2077 State Road

Eliot, ME

207-451-7375

Yankee Chapter AMCA National Meet

Celebrating Indian's 125th Anniversary

July 24 - July 26

WAY TOO MANY EVENTS – here are a few

Friday – Dinner ride to downtown Greenfield (4:30 pm)

Saturday – Fun judging and dinner banquet

Sunday - AMCA judging

Everyday – Indian motorcycle anniversary display, parts vendors, Yankee chapter merchandise, food vendors and more!



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2026 AMCA Sunshine National Meet

By Sue Pino Chiccarelli

There are Yankees down south! This year, the weather up north was getting a bit overwhelming, so Joe and I decided to head south and check out the Sunshine Meet in Daytona with El Presidente Peter Grace. It felt incredible to be back in warm weather again. With it being Bike Week, there was no shortage of events and swap meets to explore—it made for a fantastic experience overall.

The show itself was great, with the highlight being the banquet dinner. One of the speakers was Jon Davidson Oeflein, the great-grandson of Walter Davidson. Rather than focusing strictly on motorcycles, his talk explored the history of the Davidson family, which made it especially engaging and fascinating. There was a book written by him and his mother, Jean, that the talk was based off of.

After the meet, Joe, Pete, Bailey, Monte, and I made our way to the St. John's Marina and RV Park, where we stayed for a few days—Pete stuck around for a few weeks longer. During that time, Gene and his son Dan joined us, and we took a ride out to Juniper Springs, a natural spring in the Ocala National Forest. One word sums it up: amazing.

Eventually, Joe, Bailey, and I packed up and started the trip home. Along the way, we stopped overnight at a Harvest Hosts location—the Keystone Tractor and Truck Museum in Colonial Heights VA. Walking in, you're immediately struck by the sheer number of tractors, but what really stood out was an Indian Motorcycle tractor. It was designed and built by Leonard Kanner in the early 1950s, powered by a military 1942–43 74 cubic inch flathead twin V-model 341 engine paired with a standard three-speed transmission. I've included the write-up and history of it in the photos.

All in all, it was a fantastic trip—and we're already thinking about doing it again next year!

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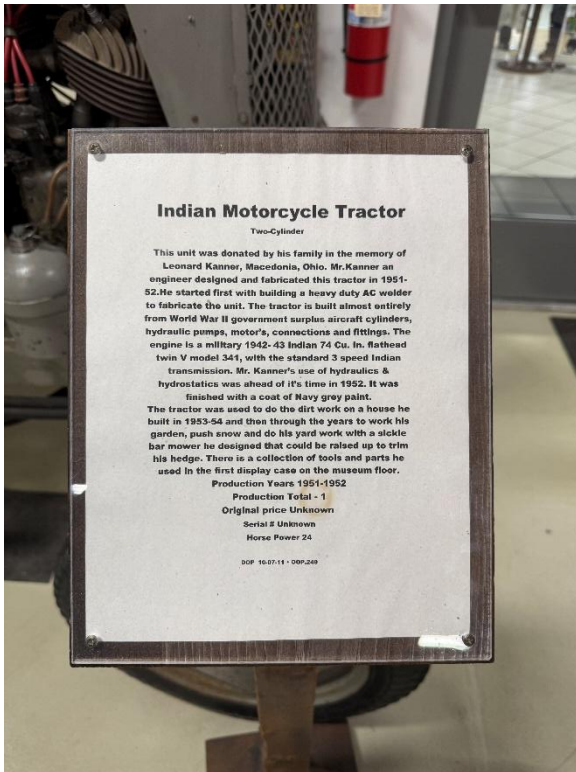
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2026 AMCA Perkiomen National Meet (a.k.a. Oley)

By Sue Pino Chiccarelli

Oley 2026! The Perkiomen chapter once again put on an incredible show. Many of us rolled in on Wednesday, and it was great to see such a strong turnout from the Yankee chapter. The weather cooperated beautifully on Thursday and Friday, with temperatures in the 70s—perfect after such a long winter and ideal for wandering the swap meet.

As always, Oley delivered with an amazing lineup of bikes, including some truly rare finds, plus plenty of parts to dig through. The Firehouse and the Yellow House seemed to be the go-to spots for dinner seeing many members there. Friday night featured the always-entertaining drag races, and afterward a few of us stopped by Jim Seidell's trailer to check out the banner he created for Indian's 125th anniversary, which we'll celebrate at our Greenfield meet. He even treated us to a bit of factory history.

By Saturday, the meet wrapped up, and we were already looking forward to next year. Oley never disappoints—it always feels like the kick off the riding season!

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Bill's Old Bike Barn and Museum

By Maurice Donini

Two hours north of Oley, PA is Bloomsburg, PA the home to Bill's Old Bike Barn and Museum. Bill Morris is a long-time motorcyclist and motorcycle shop owner. Over the decades he has collected quite a collection of motorcycles and other interesting pieces from the past. The bike barn and museum house over 200 motorcycles, but it's much more than a motorcycle museum. The museum is 55,000 square feet and two stories of historical items including a village with homes and shops called Billville. Below are some photos from a recent visit. Also check out their website which has additional photos and virtual tours.



You have arrived!



15 foot tall suit of armor

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Even a Virago has a place at this museum



Matching parent and child motorcycles



1914 Triumph

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Harley dragster



Rolls Royce pickup truck



A couple of photos from Billville's fire station

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Who wouldn't buy one of these?

WW2 Kettenrad – always on my Christmas list



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Moto Guzzi tracked vehicle – Mechanical Mule



Moto Guzzi scooter with sidecar



Wicker motorcycle – how long did this take to make? A “few” Matchbox cars



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CALLING ALL ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE RIDERS

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR

**THE ANNUAL
LACONIA ANTIQUE
MOTORCYCLE "RIDE IN"**

MEET: 8:30 am - 10 am

**WEIRS BEACH BLVD /
LAKESIDE AVE
LACONIA RALLY TENT**

**★ THURSDAY ★
JUNE 18, 2026**

(LIVE MUSIC)
FOOD & BEVERAGES
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

★ FOR RIDERS ★

- ★ DASH PLAQUES
- ★ 10% OFF FOOD
- ★ COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT

★ ALL PRE-1985 MAKES AND MODELS WELCOME ★

WE WILL RIDE BACKROADS FOR APPROXIMATELY
50 MILES AND END AT **TWIN BARN BREWING CO.**

THERE WILL BE A RESERVED LOT TO PARK
AND DISPLAY OUR BIKES, GATHER AND SOCIALIZE.

