



Yankee Chatter



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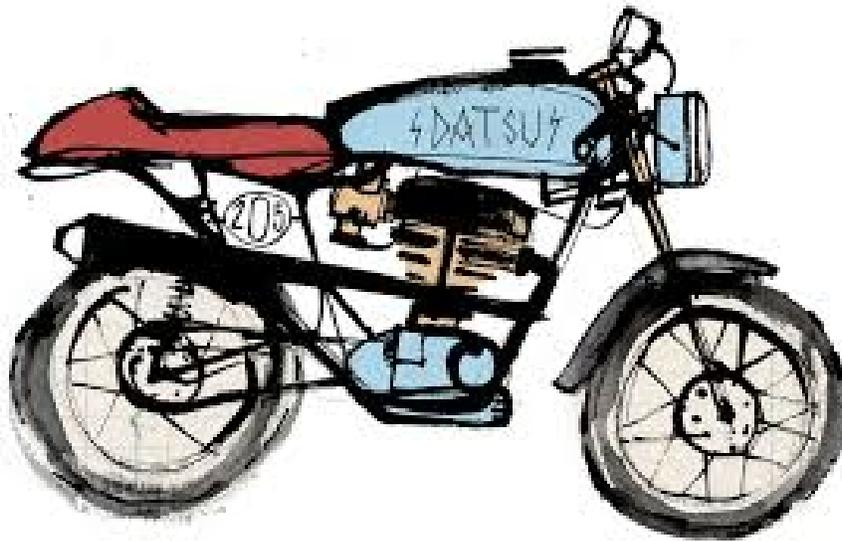
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Winter 2020 President's Message

In November your Board of Directors got together to talk about how 2019 went. We spent most of our time reviewing the good and bad of Terryville. Fortunately, there was very little bad to discuss so most of the meeting was centered around making 2020 even better. In 2018 and 2019 about thirty-five Yankees did most of the work throughout the year. Stating the obvious, we hold our National Meet and other events to have fun socializing and buying or selling unobtainium parts. I sincerely hope thirty-five additional members contribute a few hours of their time this year so the people that keep carrying most of the load can have the same opportunity.

Speaking of socializing and Terryville, several people have asked that we look into having a band play Friday evening after our banquet. If you know of a group that we'd enjoy please send me their contact information.

More than 80 people came to our Christmas Party at the Uxbridge VFW post. The Uxbridge hall is slightly larger than we're accustomed to so we fit in nicely. As in years past there was an abundance of food so no one went away hungry.

The business part of our party saw Critter (Don Salisbury), Peter Grace and Ken Hershfield unanimously re-elected to serve three more years as directors. Voting for our Yankee Spirit Award was by secret ballot prior to the Christmas Party. When the ballots were counted the award went to Chris Lenox. Congratulations, everyone. BTW, I'm told the voting was quite close.

Financially, 2019 was a good year. After all our bills were paid, we ended up with a \$500 net profit. Because of this small profit and our strong financial reserves, the Board set aside \$1,500 for charitable donations. At member recommendations Peter Grace will be making the following donations.

- \$500 to Saint Jude Hospitals
- \$100 to Cross Roads House in Portsmouth, for Childrens Holiday Gifts
- \$100 to send flowers to Marty Hansen's memorial service
- \$500 to The Diabetes Foundation
- \$300 to The Salvation Army

2020 looks like it will be our busiest year EVER! TomTom, Jim Gorman and Jim Seidell confirmed they will be sponsoring their traditional Camp & Rides. George Kyler (Doctor George) will be hosting his second Eastern MA Camp & Ride. Jim Seidell has invited us to join him for a week long vintage tour of all of the New England States. Besides these multiple day gatherings, we will have quite a few one-day events. The time, dates and places for these events will be published in upcoming editions of the Chatter. If there is an event you think we would enjoy please let Greg know so he can post it in future editions of the Chatter.

Do you have a favorite story or picture from 2019? If you do please send it with Greg so he can share your memory, with everyone in the Chatter.

On a final note, Last year I included a letter from Dan Margolien about his health in my winter message. This year Dan drove himself to the Christmas party. He is undergoing chemo and immunity therapy with some positive results. His condition is stabilizing so he is looking forward to being more active this year. Welcome back, Dan!

Ted



Meeting Minutes

Yankee Chapter AMCA Board of Directors Meeting

November 17, 2019

In attendance: Ted Smith, Diane Stoyanovich, Peter MacMurry, Peter Grace, Charlie Gallo, Sandy Gallo, Critter and Barbara Salisbury, Phil Mathews, Chris Lennox, Greg Ravizza, Ken Herschfield, Tom Covill, Darryl Cutter, Dan Margolien

The meeting was called to order by Ted at 1:30pm. Diane Stoyanovich gave a review of last year's goals and summarized that the Board and members were successful in addressing the issues. Most issues were about tweaking what worked last year at Terryville and finding solutions to what didn't work at the meet. What worked: PA system was purchased (was not brought to event) , Porto-Johns brought in (need more), Banquet menu changed (menu great, but ran out of food) , Better sign-age (but we still need to tweak this), Charlie did an awesome job on the artwork for Event T's and flyers, Vintage Bike parking across in front of Yankee Chapter Tent, Pre- event volunteer sign up- Thank you to all that helped out!, improved camping in the Leper Colony, Ted addressed on site issues with Lion's club, adjusted vender entry procedure, selling T shirts during National judging, National judging ran smoothly, Lions Club and Yankees work well together .

Peter Grace gave the treasurers report. The club is financially stable. A profit was made, taxes and bills have been paid. There was a discussion on the invested portion of the club's money that has previously been in CD's and now is in an investment account with Edward Jones. Ken was concerned not regarding our management of the funds but the protection of the funds. Sandy suggested to move it to a federally insured account; either CD or money market account. Peter M suggested a small study group to look at what we want to accomplish and what our financial goals are. After some more discussion the BOD agreed to have Peter talk with the representative for Edward Jones, let him know our issues and needs and to get back to the BOD with the best option for the Chapters funds. Peter has a full report if anyone is interested in seeing it.

Tom brought up the Charitable fund and all members felt this is still something they would like to continue if funds are available. Last year at the December meeting we did not award any money to a charity, but there had been several checks sent out to members in need during 2018. Tom motioned for the club to set aside \$1500 for charitable funds if needed. With \$500 limit per request. Sandy 2nd the motion and BOD approved. This will be brought up at the December meeting for member recommendations.

Ken Hershfield gave the membership report. We are currently around 300 members. Ken does not want to have to chase delinquent members, please take a few minutes and renew your membership at the December meeting, Terryville meet or anytime through out the year. If you are renewing for multiple years, Ken will send out your membership card with the expiration year on it.

Peter MacMurray gave a report on recent National issues: remember an individual is required to be a member to vend. Insurance and waiver issues.

Terryville:

Daryll mentioned that at times he is not available due to his job, but he is certainly willing to help with vending portion of the meet. Pre-registration will be available online after the 1st of the year.

Charlie brought several pieces of artwork for 2010 T shirts. They were all great and a choice was made. He will do the adds for magazine, fliers etc. Dan made a motion to have a \$350 budget for advertising- this was 2nd by Daryll and approved by the BOD. Board members will all do a share in advertising for the meet. Ideas were local business, Facebook, event pages in newspapers etc. Charlie mentioned that the road run is a struggle for him as he does not know the roads in the Terryville area. Greg will put a memo in the Chatter asking for help with the Road Run. Recommendation made to have music Friday evening.

Volunteers needed for: field set up, the gate, Escorts for vendors Yankee tent sales, Saturday t-shirt sales in judging area, banquet set up, service and clean up

Nominations and voting for the Yankee Spirit award is currently taking place. Greg has sent out memos and Sandy is accepting votes. Nominations are: Mike Brown, Chris Lennox, Jim Gorman, Greg Ravizza. There has been concern that at the end of the year there is a scramble to get nominations and ballots out. Greg will include information in the Chatter newsletter throughout the year. Hopefully this will be a great reminder to members to nominate a worthy Yankee.

Board of Director positions up for reelection are: Critter Salisbury, Peter Grace and Ken Herschfield. All individuals' have agreed to stay on if reelected.

Chris Lennox is looking for volunteers for the January 2020 show in Springfield, Ma.

***Note- New Location**

***Annual Christmas Party and Meeting to be on December 8th at the Uxbridge VFW- 13 Cross Rd, Uxbridge, Ma**

Sincerely Submitted by Diane Stoyanovich

Meeting Minutes

AMCA Yankee Chapter Christmas Party and General Chapter Meeting

December 8, 2019

The Yankee Chapter held their Annual Christmas Potluck and Chapter Meeting at a new venue - The VFW Post 1385 in Uxbridge, Mass. When Yankee members arrived they were met and Welcomed by The Post Commander. Our hosts had the hall set up and the kitchen was ready and available for our use. There was much hustle and bustle in the kitchen and plenty of help in the dining as the Yankees arrived and set out their dishes of appetizers, soups, casseroles, main dishes and desert! Yankee merchandise was for sale for perfect Christmas gifts!

By the time our Director Ted Smith called a quick meeting to order there were 80+ members gathered. Ted introduced the BOD. Peter Grace, treasurer, gave his year end financial report. Overall the club has enough savings for a 2-year buffer for operating expenses. Peter has financial and bank statements available to anyone that wants to see them. Sandy Gallo made a motion to accept the report as read, 2nd by Jim Costa and approved by all.

Ken Herschfield gave a membership report. At this time there are 300 paid up and active members. He wanted to stress the reminder to all to keep your National membership up and renewal of Yankee Chapter membership as well. Annual membership for Yankee chapter is \$10 which includes an associate member and an email copy of the Chatter. For \$20 you will also receive a paper copy of the Chatter. Peter Mac mentioned that there is a multi-year discount for National membership.

Greg Ravizza is accepting articles for the newsletter. Next issue articles are due late December for the winter edition.

Diane Stoyanovich read the minutes from the November 17, 2019 BOD meeting. Highlighting the goals that were set and met this year.

Three Board of Directors positions were up for election- With no new nominations, there was a motion by Bill Cawley to reelect the current board members. This was 2nd and Critter Salisbury, Peter Grace and Ken Herschfield were reelected to serve on the Board for another 3 years.

Chris Lenox is once again willing to organize a Yankee Chapter Bike display for the Springfield Motorcycle Meet. This will be held Jan 18-19,2020 at the Big E. Please get in touch with Chris.

Tom Covil is gearing up for another spring camp and ride- May 15-16, 2020 at the Tavern on the Hill, 809 Nooseneck Hill Rd, West Greenwich, RI.

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Chris Lenox will also plan a day ride TBA.

Charlie has been working on the artwork for the T-Shirts and flyers for Terryville 2020.

There was discussion by members re: Terryville- what worked what didn't. A lot of the kinks have been addressed and there are a few that still need more adjusting. *Mainly comments on pre-registration for vendor sites. PayPal will be set up and ready after the first of the year. Billy Campbell mentioned being able to pre-register for the following prior to leaving the event.

The Board of Directors can't thank the volunteers enough for help at the event. There are plenty of openings!! Contact a board member to sign up.

Sandy Gallo had the honor of presenting the Spirit Award 2019 to Chris Lenox. Congratulations Chris!

The Chapter was able to make several charitable donations this year. Peter Grace asked for \$100 to buy Christmas gifts for homeless children served by Cross Roads House in Portsmouth NH. Sandy Gallo suggested to send \$500 to the American Diabetes Association in honor on Marty Hansen who recently passed. Jim made a motion to send flowers to the funeral home for Marty. This was 2nd and \$100 will be available for this. Members also approved \$300 towards the local Salvation Army and \$500 towards St Jude's Children's hospital.

We had a moment of silence to honor members no longer with us.

The meeting was closed, and dinner was served!

Ride Em' Don't Hide Em'

Happy Holidays

Diane Stoyanovich

Yankee Chapter

Antique Motorcycle Show
And
Swap Meet

Terryville Lions
Fairgrounds
Terryville, CT



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MUST
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Editor's Page

It's now officially Winter, and I have to assume that most of you have your projects started so that when that first warm spring day arrives, your bike (or bikes!) will be ready for it's initial test ride. I can also surmise that there is a subset of members who never put at least one of your bikes away so you can take a putt whenever the roads are dry and clear. I typically put some Stabil or Seafoam into my tank beginning in November as those days dwindle in number so that the ethanol doesn't gunk up the fuel injectors between rides, as that could potentially be a few weeks or more. Yep - that's right, fuel injectors. As long as the battery is maintained, my Vstrom cranks right up and is typically ready to ride with little to no drama. The vintage bikes I have all seem to be cold blooded, and I don't (yet) have the luxury of a heated garage or workshop, so cranking them up from recent sub-freezing (or even zero degree) weather is more trouble than it's worth. I store two of them in my shed with the tanks topped off with a fuel stabilizer and the downdraft carburetors on my Yamaha Vision drained. The CB500T seems to tolerate fuel in the bowls as long as stabilizer is present, as it cranks up easily in the Spring.

If the temperature is below fifty, the amount of layering starts to be such that needed freedom of movement gets compromised. Last winter, not being employed, finding temps above fifty during the day presented more opportunities than this year will, as I'm now gainfully employed and limited only to when that happens on the weekend. Occasionally, I'll head out for an hour or so if it's below fifty and all the other required conditions occur (dry roads, minimal sand and sunshine!) as the heated grips on the Suzuki make that more possible, especially as the riding Jones grows from weeks of not riding.

Because I don't have a heated space to work on bike related projects, I only get a few hours during warm spells to poke at them in the evenings. I finally made some progress on my LeMans in the fall; it's only been six years sitting in the garage, so the first step was to ensure the engine hadn't got stuck - it shouldn't have as I lubed the cylinders a couple of years ago when I realized how much time had passed. It spun, so I started taking inventory of what needed to be tended to and ordered a bunch of parts. Between starting a new job in September, the unusually cold November we had and then the holidays, I didn't get as far as I wanted to, but I'm expect that project to be ready for at least a test firing of that beautiful V-twin this Spring!

As you may or may not know, I'm not much of a mechanic. I've never torn a motor down, or even removed one from the frame, so my projects are limited to replacing bolt-on parts, and some basic wiring, essentially. At some point, I'd like to rebuild a motor and maybe even a transmission, but at this point it probably won't be until I actually retire and have a bit more time. In the mean time, I do appreciate those whom I've reached out to with various issues I've encountered, and anticipate that will grow as I get a bit deeper into my current bikes or add new ones.

I had intended to take some photos and write something up on the LeMans for the new "My Motorcycle" feature, but didn't, so I'm just going to put a placeholder in the Chatter for now. I could use some help - please consider submitting something for it by sending me some photos and a brief outline of where it is (project-wise) and what your intentions are, and I'll work with you so that I can publish it. Or write it up yourself and I'll edit it, as needed and post it.

I do have an entry for the new "Tarmac Therapy" feature, but again, your contributions will surely be appreciated.

To paraphrase our motto, "Write 'em, don't hide 'em"...

Greg



My Motorcycle

HELP WANTED: I KNOW THERE ARE LITERALLY HUNDREDS OF BIKES OUT THERE WITH ALL KINDS OF INTERESTING STORIES AROUND OWNER HISTORY, HOW THEY WERE ACQUIRED, HOW THEY WERE PUT BACK ON THE ROAD AND MUCH MORE - PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO LET ME KNOW ABOUT THEM.



THIS BIKE IS THE PITS!

Tarmac Therapy

by Greg Ravizza

Being a Yankee, among many other great things, is the geography of our base region – New England. Unless you live in Boston or some other more urban areas along the coast, getting to decent secondary roads can usually be accomplished in ten minutes or less. Another ten or fifteen minutes can usually put you on some very fine motorcycling routes with little to no traffic lights and an abundance of yellow signs with various formations of simply “S” on them, indicating some twisty fun ahead. Because of how the population has been distributed, many roads have a fair number of various driveways; it is more rare to have miles long stretches of pure forest or farmland, but it’s all rather bucolic all the same. Just be aware of the rare and unwary cager backing out of a driveway, or another that hasn’t properly assessed an intersection.

I live in the small town of Durham, Connecticut, home of the famous Durham Fair that takes place at the end of September each year. The Fair just celebrated its one hundredth anniversary in 2019, and is noted as one of the largest agricultural fairs in the region. It’s also a good time to avoid CT Routes 68 and 17 that lead to the fair and the traffic that comes with it. The same routes are typically jammed with rush hour traffic during the week both in the morning and late afternoon into early evening, connecting the larger towns of Wallingford and Middletown and access to I-91.

Because I live less than a quarter mile from Route 17 south of “downtown” Durham, I have access to various routes that can provide anywhere from a ten mile loop that can easily be expanded to a nice forty to fifty mile loop. The ride can include two traffic circles and less than ten traffic lights for a nice two hour getaway that doesn’t require any planning other than understanding whether or not you need to stop for gas or not.

The essential loop is to head north on 17 about a mile and a half or so to get to Meeting House Hill Road, which connects 17 to Route 77. From there head north again on 77 and take an immediate right onto South End Road, and another immediate right onto Sand Hill Road that intersects with Route 79, which most folks familiar with the area is the route to Hammonasset Beach State Park. Heading north on 79 takes you back to Durham and Route 17, so instead head south for about three miles or so until you see Route 148 on the left. My brother and I had been introduced the curvy rhythm of 148 when our dad took us to visit his Aunt Mary, who lived out on Route 145, which we’ll see more of a bit later.

Route 148 starts in Durham near the Killingworth line and heads mostly south east with easily over forty or fifty curves on a comfortably narrow two lane country road for the first twelve miles intersecting at Route 81. There are many homes (and driveways), and cross roads, the vast majority of which are narrower two lane roads that can take you on a number of smaller loops where doing more than forty can be done, but I prefer a slower pace on such roads. The posted limit on this portion of 148 is twenty five, and in the literally hundreds of times I’ve been on it, I’ve never seen a speed trap; be advised of a statie patrolling the road, however and if followed you probably risk a ticket if you hit anything more than thirty. I typically carve the curves around forty, and some spots deserve some throttle as a fair curve unrolls into a quarter to half mile straight where it’s somewhat safe to “see what she’ll do”! There are a couple of tight curves with slight rises that I know some folks take an “adrenalin opportunity” to scrape some pegs as the intersection of Route 81 looms ahead in a mile or so, but I usually take the relaxed approach and gently ride through them.

The first stoplight (of two) on this loop is encountered at the intersection of 148 and 81, which runs north into Higganum and south into Killingworth and onto Clinton, down by the Sound. Again, either way provides a variation on the basic loop I’m taking you through. Straight continues 148 to Chester, a small, eclectic and artsy town near the Connecticut River. Once across 81, 148 widens a bit, and the posted speed varies from forty to forty five with a minimum of driveways and cross roads that require more attention. About five miles down the road, before Cedar Lake, a town owned small lake with a beach for residents and the home of the YMCA’s Camp Hazen, is Route 145 on the right, so right we go. 145 connects 148 with Route 1 between Clinton and Westbrook, intersecting Route 80 which runs east/west. 145 to 80 is a short four or five mile ride heading south that takes you past the Chester Airport, a couple of small industrial companies and a small number of homes, and then an unpopulated stretch running through some wetlands in the town of Deep

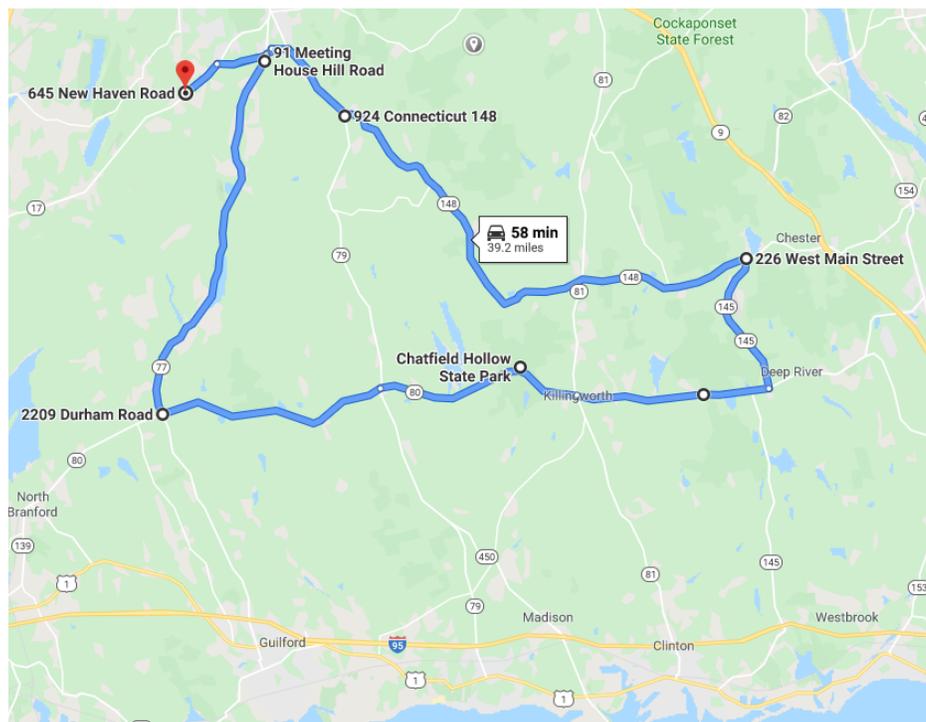
River. Past the wetlands is a nice mile or two undulating road that intersects with 80 by a small local church.

Taking a right on 80 takes you west (and continues 145 down a half mile or so where it heads south by going left). You can cruise along on Route 80 at an aggressive pace, if you want, as the posted limit runs from forty five to fifty; it's a nice, adequately wide two lane road with varying elevations and slow sweeping curves. After five or six miles, you encounter the first traffic circle at the intersection of Route 81 (crossed earlier on 148). Take care as it's small circle that was larger, but reduced to address the overall speed in the area. Continue on 80, where you'll pass Chatfield Hollow State Park as you head into Madison, and the traffic circle there where Route 79 intersects 80. You can maintain the same pace on this part of 80 as the road is similarly posted for speed limits for the next eight miles or so, where we'll now hit Route 77 in Guilford. At the second traffic light on this loop, we'll go right and north on 77, which is another delightfully curvy road that takes you past several farms, "The Little Store", a fair sized volunteer fire house, and then past Lake Quinnipaug on your right. As you head up the west coast of this small community lake, slow down significantly as you approach the town beach and crosswalk, as the Guilford black and whites may be waiting there or just beyond to ensure the safety of the residents enjoying the lake. Continue up 77 past more curves, hiking trail parking and a number of small farms past the Guilford/Durham line; here the smooth and relatively straight tarmac provides for one final opportunity to "twist the wrist" as you near Meeting House Hill Road which will take you back to Route 17.

Depending on how aggressive you ride it, the loop typically comes in around an hour or so, and runs about forty five miles.

The first time that I heard that much of New England is actually a rain forest, a lot of stuff clicked for me, as this loop is probably ninety five percent thickly wooded land with spots of clearings to accommodate homes, industries and the occasional restaurant and gas station. It also forms the basis of hundreds of variations that can help divert some of the familiarity that is probably ninety nine percent of my riding. Once the need to work has been addressed, longer, more challenging and different rides will hopefully impact that ninety nine percent significantly!

In summary, a thirty nine mile, hour long, two wheeled therapy session with only two lights and two traffic circles. If you're in the area, take Dr. Greg's prescription for some fun!



If you would like the directions for this route, please send me an email at "azzivar@gmail.com"

Yankee Chapter Spirit Award

I first found out about the Yankee Chapter Spirit Award last year from a post that I received by Dan Margolean last year:

"Some years ago we created a "Yankee Chapter Member Award". I think it is nick named the "Yankee Spirit Award" because we take nominations from the chapter members who want to recognize a member that exemplifies the spirit of the Yankee Chapter. You may define your own characteristics, but we have looked for helpful, sincere, committed chapter members that have done something special, or have had continual involvement with the chapter.

Any member may make a nomination. Simply write in 100 words or so "I nominate person X because..."

Here's how the Yankee Chapter Spirit Award works:

- March 30, Spring Edition of the Chatter - Announcement of this year's Yankee Spirit Award by sending your nominations in by September 15th
- June 30, Summer Edition of the Chatter - Republish the announcement of this year's Yankee Spirit Award by sending in your nominations by September 15th
- September 30, Fall Edition of the Chatter - Publish the list of Yankee Spirit Award nominees received; send in your vote by the deadline, December 1st
- Yankee Spirit Award winner announced at the Xmas Party/Annual Meeting to those in attendance
- December 30, Winter Edition of the Chatter - Yankee Spirit Award Winner published

The 2019 Yankee Spirit Award winner is...
(drum roll, please!)

CHRIS LENOX!!

Congratulations, Chris! We all appreciate your efforts as the Chapter's webmaster as well as all the help and support you provide at our events!



Member Remembrance

I received an email from Sandy at the beginning of December the subject line "Sad News" and it contained the following:

"I got a sad phone call today. Longtime Yankee and former Board member Marty Hansen has died."

A few days later, Sandy forwarded a link to his obituary; a partial rendering of it follows:



Martin James Hansen, aged 69, died peacefully Dec. 3, 2019, at Hartford Hospital after a long illness.

A lifelong resident of Manchester, Marty was predeceased by his parents, John R. Hansen, and Elinor (Dougan) Hansen. He is survived by his son, Nathan Hansen; and his former wife, Maureen O'Connell, both of Manchester. He also leaves his close friend, JoAnn Lessley; sister, Andrea Hansen Clancy and her husband, Patrick Clancy, and their families; cousins; an aunt; uncles; and many friends who will miss him dearly.

Marty was a lifelong member of Boy Scout Troop 25 and was a 1969 graduate of Manchester High School. Mechanically inclined, he could fix anything - the older the motor was, the better he liked it. He was a member of the AMCA - Antique Motorcycle Club of America. Marty enjoyed travel and especially enjoyed time near the water. He was a gifted storyteller. He had a rich interest in and knowledge of history, and could speak with authority on early Manchester and the U.S. He loved his family and spending time with them, especially during the holidays. Marty had a calm and steady outlook on life that was an inspiration to others. His philosophy was always "The journey IS the destination". We hope you enjoy this next journey, Marty. Ride on!

Upcoming Events

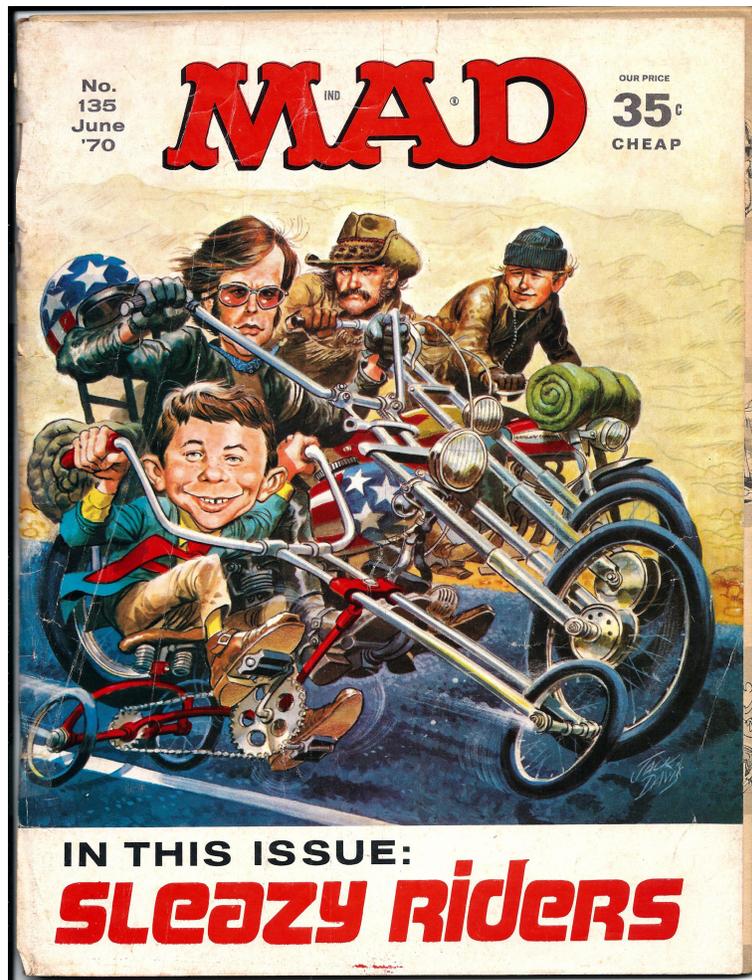
* Yankee Chapter or National Sanctioned Event ** Other

January 18-19 2020 - [Springfield Motorcycle Show*](#), Big E Springfield Mass.

Our usual bike display, contact Chris to volunteer and bring display bikes etc:
webmaster@yankeechapter.org

From the Xmas Party minutes above - more potential events; look for more in the Spring edition of the Chatter!

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Miscellaneous

FOR SALE OR SWAP/WANTED, OTHER EVENT NOTICES, STORIES, ARTICLES OR PICS

For sale : 1950 Harley Hummer project. Rolling chassis, but includes engine. Missing original gas tank. Selling as is - \$1,500.

Call any time - lets talk! Bike is near Concord, NH.

Jessie Bumor (603) 748-5603.



Please send your contributions or requests to me at:

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