

# ANTIQUe MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF AMERICA DIAMOND CHAPTER - ARKANSAS

Hi Everyone!

The last two weekends have been crammed full of motorcycle, motorcycles and more motorcycles! Along with making new friends it has been a lot of fun and a lot of work.

## Antique Motorcycles in The Park

Saturday, September the 11<sup>th</sup> was the day for the Big Bike show we put on once a year and it just gets bigger and better each year. This year we had a total of 93 bikes on display and the diversity was great.

We had a competition bike area for the first time and it was well received. The scooter section also grew by leaps and bounds.

As usual we had some stray showers but for the most part the sun was out and the crowd this year was enormous. From noon to 4'oclock it was wall to wall people.

The Vincent Black Shadow and the BSA Clubman Single as well as the early 50's Triumph Bobber were crowd favorites as well as Marvin Vaughter's Old Oil Cans!

The entire Club deserves a pat on the back for a great job

well done!



Club Members relaxing ! They deserve it!



A Blue sky for once! Look at the size of the crowd and it just got bigger!



Scoters and more Scooters!



It really does not much better than this! Check out the beautiful Norton Commando next to the Big Single BSA Clubman! To say the crowd was large is a massive under Statement!



Some where in this huge crowd are a lot of great Antique Motorcycles! Our Club did itself proud! Wow! Beautiful day and a perfect setting!

### CANNONBALL RUN

Only four days later The Cannonball Run came to Hot Springs and did we have fun!

Hot Springs was their only day of rest and our great Convention Center managed by Steve Arrison went out of its way to be a GREAT host!

The Cannonballers arrived late on Thursday afternoon and after displaying their great old bikes for a few hours they were all put in the air conditioned lower level of the Convention Center. Bike, trailers, trucks, EVERYTHING!

This one gesture alone got lots and lots of big thank you's from the riders and their support crews They could work on the bikes in a spotless and safe environment. Not in the 97 degree weather outside.

Hot Springs really rolled out the red carpet for this event and a cocktail party/banquet was held in their honor and was better than good!

Steve Arrison makes it all look easy!

Friday morning was a beautiful blue sky day and the riders started leaving for Danville and lunch.

The Diamond Chapter hosted a rest stop at the Forrest Service Park at South Fouche and they had the Park mowed and blown off and the rest rooms repainted and it sparkled. One if the Forrest Service people spent the morning with us and sure got a lot of thank yous for his efforts

The new Arkansas Highway Director sent two litter crews up 7 North to Danville and did it show! The highway was beautiful. Garland County mowed the shoulders of the road and it was great!

This kind of community and State effort can only have great repercussions for Arkansas and Hot Springs/

I constantly heard from the people on the Cannonball ask the question "Why does no one know about Arkansas?" "This is great!"

But the best one I heard time and time again was "I am coming back!"

All in all, most of us enjoyed Motorcycle Heaven for a Week!

Our Club outdid itself in helping anyway we could and it

really was appreciated by everyone concerned.

## CLUB MEETING

This Sunday at 2:00 at Perkins just before the overpass. September 26

If you have any pictures you want to share please bring them



Greg Dinger welcomed each and every rider to Hot Springs!



A 1911 Velie H-! Pace Car arriving in Hot Springs!



Hot Springs Convention Center and....Air Conditioning!



Great Excelsior Arriving!



The 1915 Harleys were the one's to beat!



John Hollansworth on the left . John was the only Arkansas Entrant .Yours truly, Ed Olds on the right. John had a beautiful Indian in the Event. Both men are members of the Diamond Chapter!



R&R



I wonder what this is! Oh well!

In closing I would like to say again what a great job our Club did on both of these events.

See you at the meeting!

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