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Impressions from the ride to Parkersburg.
Photos courtesy of Jack Fetzer.



Editor's Corner

August it is and it used to be that around this time the riding season was slowly winding down already. The two big Ohio motorcycle events, AMA Vintage Days and AMA Superbike racing are behind us and so are the BMWOA International and the Sturgis Rally. Almost a little exhausted, one was still looking forward to a few nice riding days, but nothing too exciting. In recent years, however, weather hasn't been all that good until almost end of June and we all depend on at least two great months *after* August in order to get our annual quota of riding filled. Inspired by the great weekend ride to Parkersburg that Jack Fetzer put together and was chaperoning, I hope we can have another one, similar than this, still this year. Some of course are all set to go to the Finger Lakes Rally and the Rally in the Poconos or both. As far as official club activities are concerned, we will have our Pig Roast next month and Bill and Donna's If nothing else, we will see you there! Let's all hope for great weather!

Please welcome **Jim Pontius** as a new member to the club! Jim was officially accepted into the club during the August meeting!

Upcoming Events:

SUFFEST POKER RUN Saturday, August 16 Mogadore Moose Lodge 1082 4095 Mogadore Rd., Mogadore
First Bike out at 10am-last by Noon

42nd Four Winds Rally August 15 - 17, **New Bethlehem**

34th Annual Finger Lakes Rally August 29th to Sept 1st.
Watkins Glen

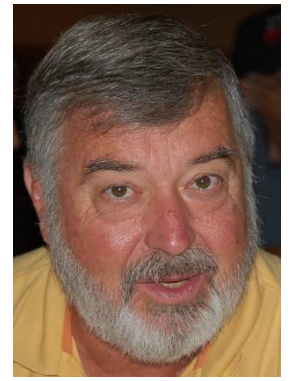
4th Rally In The Poconos September 26 - 28, **Indian Head Camp**

The Moose Lodge in Mogadore will not be able to accommodate us for the Christmas Dinner as planned. We need alternate suggestions. If you have an idea, please contact Mike Blum, Fred Myer or the newsletter editor.

Good news for shorter riders: BMW offers factory low suspension option on F800S, F800ST, F650GS and some R-models. On the F800s, it will drop the seat height to under 30 inches.



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A Presidential Address:

As my July remarks began I have to repeat myself: "**What a great club!**" Just read the *Extrablatt* detailing our club members' accomplishments at this year's Mid Ohio AMA Vintage Days. Four bikes entered, Two **FIRST PLACE** and three **SECOND PLACE** awards! Try to top that, all you vintage fans! Plus recognition and compliments from Craig Vetter (designer of the Triumph Hurricane) when he spotted Dana's bike - what a weekend!

Then, Aug 9th an overnight trip to Parkersburg for a really great ride and weekend - *thanks Jack.*

Mark your calendar (*in ink!*) on **Sat Sept. 13th** for our **Pig Roast** (flyer to follow). Now **PAY ATTENTION**, it was decided to hold the **Sept. club meeting** at the pig roast, no excuses.

One last call for suggestions regarding our website by Sun Aug 17th, please, and we are looking for a facility to hold our Xmas Party - **HELP.**

Fred

Ride Safe Mike