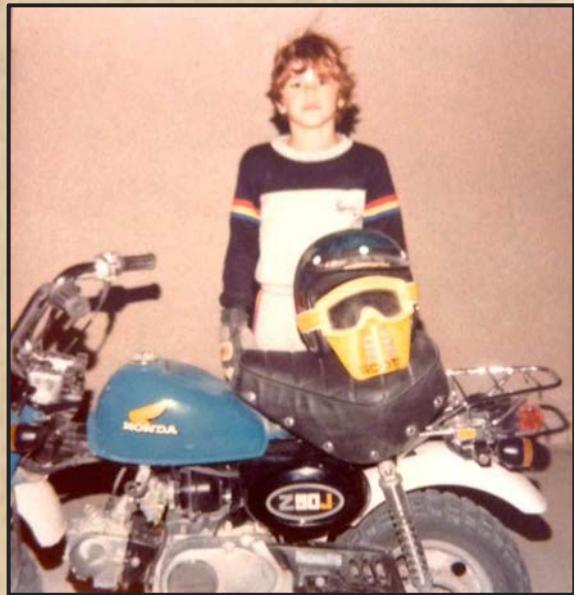


### From the Chapter President



Vic Hugas with his first motorcycle, the blue Honda Z50.

Hello, Cherokee Chapter AMCA!

Texas Fandango 2024 and the Cherokee Chapter National Road Run in the Ozarks are both in the rear-view mirror. If you attended either of these events, you know how much fun they were. These events were put on by Cherokee Chapter members for both our enjoyment and the enjoyment of other antique motorcycle enthusiasts. Without the combined efforts of so many Cherokee members, these events and others would not be possible. The Cherokee Chapter Board of Directors works hard to coordinate and schedule events throughout the year. However, it is the Cherokee members that step up and help at these events that make them possible. As the president of Cherokee Chapter I could not be prouder of the men and women that make up this club. Your constant willingness to assist each other and be cordial host to others that attend our events is second to none. With so many members involved it is hard to take the time to thank every person for their efforts no matter how big or small.

The National Road Run in the Ozarks celebrating the AMCA's 40th Anniversary of National Road Runs was an excellent event and very well organized. I would like to thank and recognize our National Road Run Chairman Rodney Sterling and Cherokee Chapter Director/Secretary Rosie Sterling for their tireless efforts in planning and organizing the road run. They had a talented team of volunteers and coworkers that worked around the clock during the road run to ensure that everything from registration, hospitality, parking, merchandise, road routes and safety were managed properly.

In typing this, the names and faces of all of those that played major roles in putting on the National Road Run and Texas Fandango run through my mind. There are too many to list so please accept my humble appreciation for all that you do. Thank you, thank you, thank you!



Vic Hugas with his father, Mario Hugas (also Cherokee member) in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia around 1979 or early 1980s

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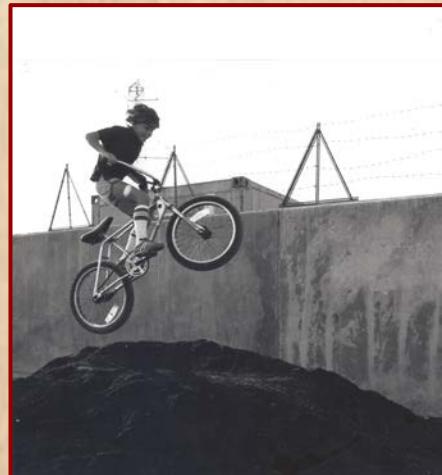


With all the hard work and effort that so many have put into this club, it is important to remember that we are all here to have fun and enjoy each other's company. As a child I spent weekends riding motorcycles in the desert with friends and family. I daydreamed in class all week about drifting across the sand dunes in anticipation for the weekend. I can still remember every motorcycle I have ever owned and the joy they brought me and the relationships and fun that centered around them. Today I continue to daydream about motorcycles, upcoming rides and working on bikes. I can close my eyes and feel the heat of the desert sand, the smell of two stroke oil and the pure joy that riding a motorcycle gave me as a child. If you are not having a fun time, stop and close your eyes and take yourself to that place in your motorcycle memories and remember we are here to have fun. I am looking forward to getting to spending my weekends riding and enjoying the company of others who share the same passion of old motorcycles.

See you on the road, Vic.



Photos from Dhahran, Saudi Arabia around 1979 or early 1980s (we lived there from 1978-1986).



## 'WILD COTERIE'

Hi everyone, here's this year's scholarship raffle quilt! 84.5" X 87", she comes with 100% cotton sashing, batting and backing. Everyone knows how comfortable cotton t-shirts are, and well here she is, sporting 18 of them. Comfortable and cozy and machine washable.

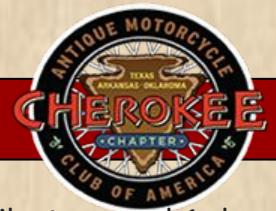
Your support to this scholarship program is greatly appreciated. Obtain your opportunity tickets on line at the AMCA website or from Rosie at multiple events throughout the rest of the year. Raffle to conclude and winner ticket drawn at our Cherokee Chapter Christmas Party.

1 ticket for \$5, 5 for \$20, 14 for \$50 and 30 for \$100.

Thanks again for your continued support. – Rosie Sterling



# Kiwi Mike's Texas Adventure



I always enjoy Fandango as everyone is so warm and welcoming. After every Fandango I like to spend 1 day riding around Fredericksburg and 3 days riding in the 3 Sisters area. It just never seems to get old. A long time ago I did the Cherokee Road Run in Big Bend National Park and always wanted to get back there but never did. This year at Fandango Blue Jay Murphy stopped by and said if you are ever in Alpine come stay with us. I knew Alpine was near Big Bend so I said I'd love to after riding the 3 Sisters. He and his wife Joy were so accommodating and even made dinner for me, not sure what time I'd arrive. You see, when I get on the road I like to wander and stop to take in what sights, people, or things that pop up along the way, and not be under any deadline. The deep SW Texas is pretty barren and for the most part almost lunarscape except for some scrub. I love the remoteness and wide open areas of the SW of America.

The Murphy's have a beautiful spot and Joy cooked a wonderful breakfast before I left for Big Bend.

I spent the day wandering around Big Bend on my 48 Chief. There were not many people in the park and maybe it was because a big storm was supposed to hit the following day. From what I understand it didn't happen at least down in this part of the country.

After leaving Big Bend, the road to Presidio following the Rio Grande River and US/Mexico border was amazing. I'd put it on my top 10 roads to ride in America.

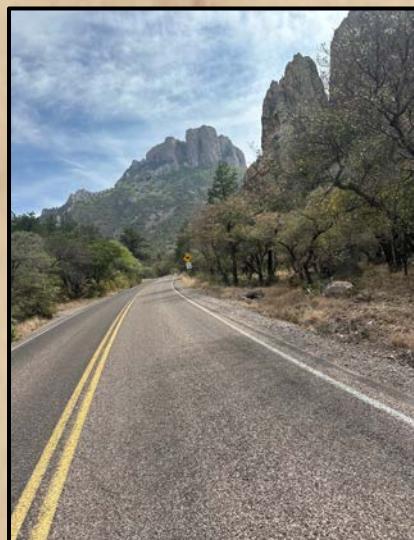
A big shout out to everyone in the Cherokee Chapter who, every year, makes my stay so enjoyable. You have a special Chemistry in your Chapter that I have not found in any other Chapter in the U.S.



Thank you  
everyone. See  
you in 2025.

Kiwi Mike Tomas

Kiwi Indian  
Motorcycles and  
Parts



I arrived in Kerrville prior to the Lone Star Vincent meet-up for the Fandango, forgoing the cold spring snow in Colorado for the lovely temperate Texas spring. Hosted by the Allen's, I was able to go, contrary to the most famous tip in the world, and stare directly at the sun for several hours. You don't get that excuse often. This is typed in Braille. (Ha! For those that missed the eclipse, check my 1-minute video: <https://rumble.com/v4oea1n-eclipsesx.html> Mark)

Come Friday, Peter Allen, Evan Conachay and I rolled into the Inn of the Hills to meet up with the gang. Dave Hartner, Dan Farr, Richard Green, Dave Roberson, Shawna Brader, and Paul Kopiar were all present in body, and mostly mind, with bikes. Kudos to Dave and Shawna for getting their Comet ready for the event, I'm sure there were a few late nights involved (with the bike). Dave Edward also stopped by, unfortunately, he had forgotten his Vincent(?)

Thursday, Peter led an excursion on some various little-known roads. I missed that ride unfortunately due to other commitments.

Friday took us out to the Lone Star Museum to enjoy time with Debbie and the wonderful machines of the past, then on to the Bend Rim in Leakey for lunch. Vanderpool to Leakey is a fabulous twisty road and I enjoyed keeping the Comet on the boil and trying not to use what brakes it has. After lunch was a leisurely meander back to Kerrville. Shawna set us up for dinner at Fanciscos. Very enjoyable food, company (Debbie Johncock joined us), and ambiance. The evening ran late by the pool solving motorcycle and world problems.

Come Saturday it was the big Fandango day. It was a nice ride over there in the morning. Peter tricked us all into riding miles on a dirt road, I loved it! However, it made our bikes look like a gymnast's hands, or Scarface at the end of the movie. "Say hello to my little friend!" So at Fandango everyone could see our oil leaks as we were lined up with the show bikes, I believe it helped our street cred. We ride! Bikes, babes, and old crustys abound. Choppers on the dirt. German sausages, swap meet of parts we don't want. The usual stuff and all good fun. Russ Becker was there, the second event in a row. We will have him on a Vincent soon, I hope. In the evening we strolled over to the sushi bar and enjoyed another nice meal, then back to the pool area for more deep thoughts.

Lastly, probably the biggest news, is Peter's new Vincent Python. As Mark mentioned, "What a find!". Sure to addle Peter's mind for years to come. Based on his previous restorations it will be a special piece when it is on the road, which thankfully is the only place Peter would want it to be.

Great meet-up, I really enjoyed it, and seeing everyone. Also, as a first-time guest at the Inn Of the Hills, I thought it was a pretty cool spot.

Till the next time!

We Ride!

Jonathan





Image Courtesy of: Danny Crowe



Image Courtesy of: Danny Crowe



Image Courtesy of: Suzi McKay



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Image Courtesy of: Suzi McKay



Image Courtesy of: Kim Unruh



Image Courtesy of: Randy Neal



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## National Flat Track Race Results - **Tankshift Heat 1**

- 1 - Luke Garrett
- 2 - Danger Dan
- 3 - Randy Neal

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- 3 - Danger Dan



#780 Luke Garrett  
Image Courtesy of: Brian Helm



#22 Danger Dan  
Image Courtesy of: Brian Helm



#38 Randy Neal  
Image Courtesy of: Brian Helm



#25 Greg McFarland  
Image Courtesy of: Brian Helm

### 2024 Fandango Bike Show Winners

**Early Riders** - Tim McGrath, '13 Excelsior Model 7C  
**20's** - Joe Burch, '29 Harley-Davidson JD  
**30's** - Mike Kane, '30 Indian 4  
**40's** - Jim Howser, '48 Harley-Davidson Panhead  
**50's-up** - Robert LaGuarta, '53 Nimbus Model C  
**Japanese 500cc & under** - Robert Kennedy, '73 Honda 350  
**Japanese 501cc & up** - George Romero, '82 Kawasaki Z1000ELR Eddie Lawson Replica  
**Mini Bike** - Gary Schaaf, '77 Honda Z50  
**Dirt Bike** - Scottie Parks, '80 RM400 Suzuki  
**Flat Track** - Ron Anderson, '72 Bultaco Astro  
**European** - Bobby Pickard, '71 Ducati 450 Desmo  
**Scooter/Commuter** - Super Dave Baamonde, '53 Vespa 125  
**Barn Find** - Greg Seago, '41 Harley-Davidson WLA  
**Best Bultaco** - Darryl Norman, '65 Bultaco Metralla  
**Best of Show** - Steve & Teresa Littlefield, '22 Hazelwood w/ sidecar  
**Chris from Grease and Gears TV's pick** - Merle and Tawny Tully's '49 Harley-Davidson Panhead



**Cherokee Members** - Do you have throwback pictures you'd like to share? A project bike that you're working on or have completed? Have you attended an AMCA event or gone on an adventure and are willing to share a recap and/or pictures with your fellow Cherokee members?

**What would YOU like to see in the Newsletter next time? Send your suggestions, newsletter<sup>6</sup> information, and pictures to Kim Unruh at: [cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com](mailto:cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com)**

## All Things Fandango - 2024, continued...



We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the attendees, vendors, and racers who took part in the Texas Fandango. Y'all rule! Thanks to the Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA members and all of the volunteers whose exceptional efforts made this event a success. Your hard work and commitment are deeply appreciated! Our gratitude also goes to the team at Gillespie County Fair & Festivals, Inc. for their warm hospitality and for contributing to a delightful experience.

We'd like to thank the following for sponsoring the Texas Fandango:

Javelina Harley-Davidson  
Gruene Harley-Davidson  
Simpson Motorcycle Helmets  
Whiteknuckler Brand  
Lowbrow Customs  
Biltwell Inc.  
Cheap Thrills Good Times  
Brown's Cycle  
Just Kickers  
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CHEROKEE CHAPTER OF THE AMCA

Part of the core Fandango staff having a relaxing time after a great event! Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA!

Thanks to everyone that volunteered, helped and joined us in this amazing Fandango 2024!

Until next year!

Everyone be safe and enjoy the roads! Rosie Sterling



Please join us in congratulating Brooks Blanton on being the recipient of the President's vendor award. As noted by Vic Hugas, "Brooks is a vendor who consistently provides an impressive selection of vintage parts and has demonstrated a strong commitment to professional growth over the past several years." In recognition of this achievement, Brooks received a set of deluxe Lowbrow Customs ratcheting tie-downs equipped with soft straps, as well as a custom White Knuckle Brand, Texas Fandango knife.

### Chopper Drag Results

**HAND SHIFT:** Danger Dan

**Other:** Zane Smith



### Chopper Show Results

**BEST IN SHOW:** - #19 Luke Morris - Chop Merch - 1949 PAN

**PEOPLE'S CHOICE:** - #21 Todd Asin - 1948 Knuckle

**CHEAP THRILLS:** - #49 Ben Paul - 1952 Pan

**SIMPSON:** - #43 Talon Isom - 1972 Shovel

**AMCA:** - #36 Terry Richardson - 1966 Shovel

### Bicycle Chopper Show Winners

**PEOPLE'S CHOICE:** CB4 - Emerie Guadarrama

**BEST IN SHOW:** CB1 - Ellis Marr

**CHEAP THRILLS:** CB3 - Nixon Knight



Emerie Guadarrama



Ellis Marr

Mark your  
calendars NOW



Ellis Marr - Best in Show

Fandango...if you haven't gone - you're really missing out on an amazing experience! Fandango has something for everyone - parts for antique to late-model motorcycles, basket cases to complete bikes, tires, riding gear and apparel, leather goods, all things chopper, and so much more. Enjoy great food, cold drinks, watch flat track racing, chopper drags, mini bike races, and get some new ink. Take advantage of seeing world-class motorcycles of all makes and models. Catch up with friends and meet like-minded motorcycle enthusiasts (fanatics?). Don't miss out on the Fandango experience - save the date for the 2025 Fandango - April 4 - 6th! See 'ya there! KU

# AMCA - Cherokee Chapter - 40th Anniversary Road Run Banquet



Rosie and Rodney Sterling



40th Anniversary Road Run Quilt  
created by Rosie Sterling.



Cherokee Secretary Veronica Kilpatrick



Cherokee Merchandise Expert Tawny Tolley and Jade Tolley

The Cherokee Chapter surely had an amazing Road Run!! I hope you were able to follow the action on Facebook for all of the updates, photos and recognitions.

First and foremost, let's give a round of applause to all of the 56 Cherokee members registered. A big thank you to those who volunteered and all of the members that attended as Riders and Passengers who contributed in making this a magnificent run. A few members had to miss it due to unforeseen circumstances and they were surely missed.

Eureka Springs, Arkansas was a great Host City in the beautiful Ozarks with great Host Hotels and staff, making it a very comfortable stay for AMCA members, representing 31 Chapters. Among them, four AMCA board members and five current and past members of the Motor Maids. Every day coffee and pastries, catered lunches, and socials made for a very pleasant time to catch up with old and new friends. This also made it a great time to gain membership for the Cherokee Chapter, with 8 new members onboard. The daily routes were full of sweeping curves and beautiful scenery. Every catered lunch stop was historical and quaint and had great photo opportunities.

The wonderful grand finale was full of awards and recognitions for many deserving members. Not to mention the magnificent banquet, the Best Western, Inn of the Ozarks did a great job with everything requested.

The Cherokee Chapter Scholarship Program received great support; a whopping \$4,946 dollars was raised. Thanks to everyone that donated items for the silent auction, those that placed their so generous bids and won, and thanks for obtaining opportunity tickets for the Christmas Raffle Quilt.

It was a great honor for the Cherokee Chapter to have been the host to this successful 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the AMCA's National Road Run Celebration. -Rosie Sterling



40th Anniversary Cake



Randy Neal & Jo An Enk managed the 50/50 raffle to benefit the Scholarship Fund.



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AMCA National Road Run 2024



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## Awards

**Longest Ride to Road Run:** Jon Lindeman, ND

**Most Unique:** Jerry Ottaway, KS - Indian 6

**Hard Luck:** AJ Bengoa, TX - Broken Frame

**Youngest Rider:** Joe Preston, OK (30 years old)

**Oldest Rider:** Jerry Ottaway, KS (87 years young)

**Best Represented Chapter:** Sunflower Chapter

**Chairman's Award:** Buzz Green

**President's Award:** Rosie Sterling, TX

**Special Award:** Joe Skaggs, CA - 'Total disrespect & abuse of lumber for Antique Motorcycles'

**Trophies created by Pat Olson, New Braunfels, TX**





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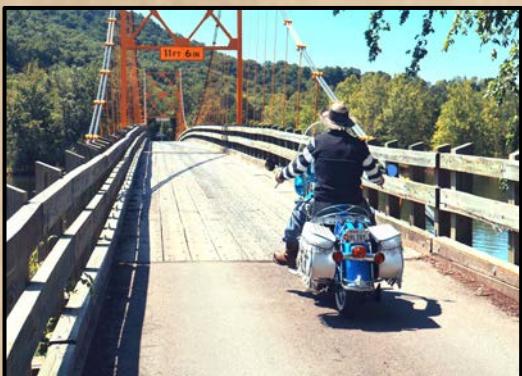
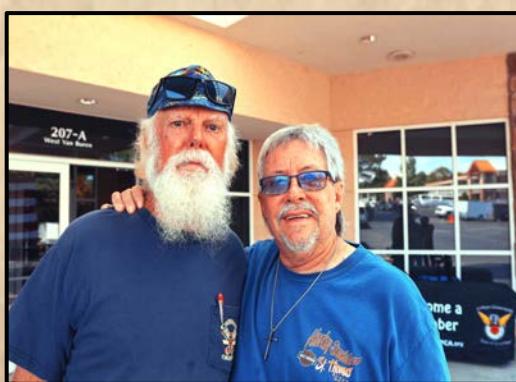


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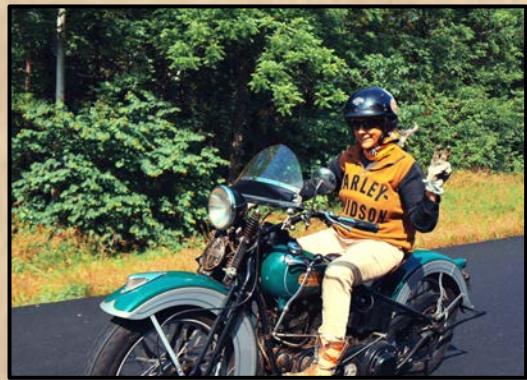


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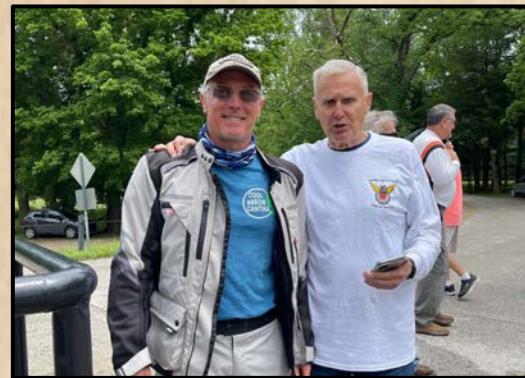
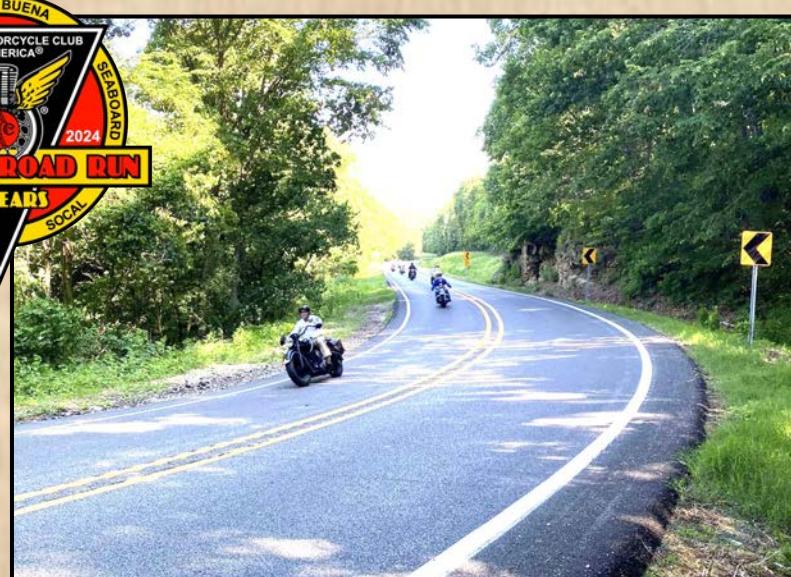
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Images Courtesy of: AJ Bengoa, Rosie Sterling, Steve Klein







Images Courtesy of: AJ Bengoa - Jason Smith - Cherokee Facebook Page Contributors

## AMCA - Cherokee Chapter - 40th Anniversary Road Run Banquet

The culminating event of the epic AMCA 40th Anniversary Road Run hosted by the Cherokee Chapter was the Awards Banquet. Cherokee Vice-President Steve Klein served as emcee for the evening.

After a heartfelt Thank You to the staff of the Inn of the Ozarks for their outstanding hospitality, and an entertaining event featuring Linda, from the Inn of the Ozarks, Steve Klein, and lots of whipped cream, Steve introduced Keith Kizer, the Executive Director of the AMCA.

Keith announced that, out of 89 U.S. AMCA chapters and 120 chapters Worldwide, 31 chapters of the AMCA participated in the Road Run, including 57 Cherokee Chapter members, 32 members of the neighboring Sunflower Chapter, and 29 members representing the Badger Heritage Chapter. Four AMCA Board Members attended the road run, Jim Graultry, Greg McFarland, Joe Preston, and Don Dzurick. Current and past chapter presidents were also recognized, while everyone else in attendance was encouraged to "step up" as a leader in their chapters.



A view of the antique cycles and riders preparing to depart from the Marriott in Golden, Colorado at the start of the Rally.

Photo from the first AMCA Road Run held in Colorado in 1984.



*My buddy Jerry Ottaway (87 years young) road his 1928 Harley JDH, with his sweetheart Randi, 160 miles today. This year marks the 40th anniversary AMCA national roadrun. This motorcycle was on the first road run in 1984 and did it again today. [OB] What a great day! (Kelly Modlin)*

A very special presentation by Jerry Ottaway, Sunflower Chapter Member, was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Jerry participated in the very first U.S. AMCA Road Run in 1984, named the American DJ Rally, from Denver to Grand Junction, Colorado. What made this accomplishment even more special, was that four bikes that participated in this first Road Run were also ridden in this 40th Anniversary event, a 1945 Indian Super Six, 1929 Cleveland Four, 1930 Henderson, and a 1928 Harley Davidson.

Ottaway, a youthful 87 year old from Kansas, entertained the crowd with tales from the first run 40 years ago, beginning with the hotel sprinklers going off the first night. There were 32 motorcycles on the run, with the biggest mechanical issues credited to magneto trouble.



1929 KJ Henderson - Ottaway Collection



Cleveland 4 - Ottaway Collection

## Jerry Ottaway, contd...

The first day of the ride was a chilly 42°F with rain on the 75 mile trek from Denver to Copper Mountain, via Loveland Pass. About 10 bikes broke down along the way, and there was a flat tire on a clincher rim that had many giving advice on how to fix it - finally Herb Ottaway, Jerry's dad, changed the tire while everyone else "supervised".

Day two was a 175 mile ride under clear skies to Grand Junction, Colorado. Jerry pointed out that there were no tow vehicles following the riders. A special memory from the first Road Run was custom pewter belt buckles created by jeweler Charles Lamoreaux, that featured an engraved map of the ride.

Following a tremendous round of applause for Jerry, Keith Kizer mentioned that there were 3 generations of the Ottaway family on the inaugural ride, Jerry's father Herb, Jerry, and Jerry's son Scott. For more information about the first AMCA Road Run, check out the 1984 Fall issue of the AMCA magazine that can be found in the magazine archives.



*Jerry and Randi on the 1928 JDH that was ridden in the first AMCA Road Run.*



*Bert Dawson, Herb Ottaway, Doc Patt*



*Bud Cox - Jerry Ottaway  
of Host  
Sunflower Chapter*



*What an honor it was to ride Herb Ottaway's, Indian six today on the 40th AMCA road run. Herb rode it on the 1st roadrun in 1984. This is the first Indian six in the world. Thank you Jerry Ottaway! - Kelly Modlin*



*1929 KJ Henderson - Ottaway Collection*



*Ottaway Racer*



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Immed. Past President*

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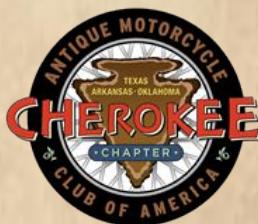
Want to check out the AMCA Magazine Archives to see even more historical pictures and information? Follow this link:

[AMCA Archives](#)

## Chairman Rodney Sterling Presents the Chairman's Recognition Awards



Bill Page and Blue Jay Murphy spent countless hot hours parking 70+ trailers and managing overall logistics.



Brian Ballard was a dedicated Road Captain every day & was watchful and ready to help.



Paul Buzz Green was a great route consultant from the beginning planning stages.

Steve Klein is all hands on deck. From checking out the town of Eureka Springs and the host hotel, the signage design and strategies started. Thanks for all the planning, signage design, installation, and teardown.

Recognition is well deserved with that beautiful engraved knife.

A big Thank You for all of the early days and late nights, with your mind always at work. We absolutely appreciate Joan being right by your side as your support, as well as ours, every step of the way.

A beautiful 4-tiered cake celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the AMCA Road Run was presented to the crowd. Everyone enjoyed various types of cakes served by several of the Cherokee members. Keith Kizer thanked everyone who worked above and beyond to make this momentous road run such a success. In his words, they "Knocked it out of the park".

Cherokee President Vic Hugas announced that it was because of the Cherokee Board and Members, that he was able to show up and enjoy the event. They consistently go above and beyond without any direction. Vic recognized the three Cherokee Chapter Honorary Members that were present, Jon Neuman in spirit, John Nixon, a fourteen year president of the chapter, and former Membership Director Shelby Withrow. Vic explained that the Honorary Members are now lifetime Cherokee Members and have a "seat at the table" for everything the Chapter does.

Since Shelby Withrow was not able to attend the annual Cherokee Christmas Party when his Honorary Membership was announced, Vic invited Shelby up to receive his award.

Shelby was the Membership Director at a time when there were about 20-30 members. Through his and his wife Gloria's efforts, the Cherokee Chapter grew to around 300 members.



Seth Cunningham was recognized for constantly looking to help in any way, makes sure that everything is done, and also for his role as Sweep Truck Driver.

Vic thanked Rodney for serving as Chairman for the Road Run. Rodney said "YES" to the request after only one phone call. Rodney was given a special commemorative knife created by White Knuckle Brand Knives, for the 40th Anniversary National Road Run.



Rosie Sterling, Cherokee Chapter Secretary (and much more), was recognized for "doing most of the work" and was presented with a gift of appreciation.

**Thanks to everyone that posted and/or shared pictures of the Road Run and shared information for the newsletter! Every effort was made to give credit for photos, however, with the number of pictures commemorating this event, some credits may have been missed.**

Gary Shorman, AMCA Member and Sunflower Chapter member from Kansas, shared a very important message with all in attendance.

While Gary was riding in the 2019 Cross Country Chase, he scheduled a prostate biopsy, after a PSA test indicated something could be wrong. A few weeks later, Gary learned he had prostate cancer. After having his prostate removed, radiation therapy, and follow-up treatments, Gary is living every day thankful to be "Alive 2 Ride" and enjoy all that life has to offer. Alive 2 Ride was established to encourage men to get their PSA tested and the importance of catching prostate cancer early.



Fellow AMCA and Sunflower member Kelly Modlin also shared his journey with cancer and emphasized the importance of testing.

Kelly is another example of living life to its fullest.



Visit the [Alive2Ride](http://Alive2Ride) Website for more information.

# Destination Piney Woods! - Fall Road Run and Flying G Motorcycle Museum

Along with the Shiner Fall Run, set for the 1st weekend of November, Cherokee Chapter is including another fall run option, based out of Center, Texas, and in collaboration with Flying G Museum's Grand Opening in Joaquin, Texas!

Long-time Cherokee members, Dennis Leggett and Luke Garrett, call the Piney Woods home. A long-planned vision has come to fruition and the Grand Opening of Flying G Museum is happening, Saturday October 26, in Joaquin, Texas.

Details are in the works, but here is the main scoop:

Planned riding days include October 24, 25, and 26th. the run will be based out of Center, Texas. Center is well equipped with hotels, a couple of RV parks and many restaurants. Possible runs to Nacogdoches and Natchitoches on Thursday and Friday, with a Saturday morning ride ending at the Grand Opening of the Flying G Motorcycle Museum.

We are excited to have Jerry Morgan, the Area Ambassador, ready to work with Luke on the best routes possible. A chase truck will be made available for the group and we'll be having some door prizes.

The museum will have the Wall of Death as one of their attractions for the celebration along with food trucks and entertainment.

Keep an eye out for the Evite in your email.

Please respond for a better planned event for all.

-Rosie Sterling

Cherokee Secretary



In 1911 a lot of motorcycle shops were on main streets in downtown areas. Walking by on the sidewalk, you'd see shiny new bikes, elevated a bit, displayed behind glass; jewels in a showcase. This 1911, or one like it, was there. A "silent gray fellow" with crisp, bright pinstriping, gleaming nickel plating, and a fresh leather saddle. Now, more than 113 years later, this example has found its way to beautiful downtown Joaquin, Texas and will be on display this summer. [Flying G Motorcycle Museum](#)

Do you have a project that you are willing to share in an upcoming edition of the Cherokee Chapter Newsletter? Do you need help writing an article to showcase your build? Send your pictures and project details to Kim Unruh at [cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com](mailto:cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com) and we'll work together to create an article to share! You can submit completed projects, or we can showcase your project each quarter as a "work in progress".



# Cherokee Chapter 2024 Event Calendar

Hey Gang!

Here is the fun we have left to enjoy for 2024! 2 big events at the Yellow Rose Canyon, Mt. Enterprise, TX in October. First, the North Texas Norton Owners Association (NTNOA) annual Land O' the Pines rally on Saturday, Oct. 5. Second, the weekend of the 18-20 will host the big annual Born Free Texas! weekend.

Cherokee members, Luke Garrett and Dennis Leggett, have just announced that they will be opening their brand new Flying G Motorcycle museum in Joaquin, TX the weekend of the 24-26 of October. This East Texas location will make for a great 3 day road run event, climaxing at the official Grand Opening party of the museum on Saturday. The party will include the "Wall of Death" and several food trucks. More details soon!

Cherokee member, Graeme Ford has put together another Shiner brewery tour weekend run for us the weekend of November 1-3. The run will be on Saturday which will include the brewery and a lunch stop. Several hotels are in nearby Columbus and 12 RV spots have been reserved at the Thousand Trails Colorado River campground (under Cherokee). Reservations (888)846-3139, [rvonthego.com](http://rvonthego.com) or general campground info. (979)732-8229.

Christmas party details are still in the works so stay tuned! –Jason Smith

October	5	Land O' the Pines Rally (NTNOA)	Yellow Rose Canyon, Enterprise, TX
October	18-20	Born Free Texas	Yellow Rose Canyon, Mt. Enterprise, TX
October	24-26	Flying G Motorcycle Museum Grand Opening/Fall Road Run	Joaquin, TX
November	1-3	Shiner Run	Shiner/Columbus, TX
November	9	Pistons & Paint Car & Bike Show	Denton, TX
December	TBA	Cherokee Christmas Party	TBA



## AMCA 2024 National Events Schedule

June	14-15	Fort Sutter Meet	Dixon, CA
June	21-23	Can-Am River Meet	Waddington, NY
July	19-20	Wauseon Meet	Wauseon, OH
July	26-28	Yankee Meet	Greenfield, MA
August	13-15	Badger Heritage Road Run	Eagle River, WI
August	24-25	Australia Meet	Bulli, Australia
September	6-8	Colonial Meet	Harmony, NJ
September	23-25	Yerba Buena Road Run	Napa Valley, CA
October	4-5	Chesapeake Meet	Upperco, MD
October	7-9	Seaboard Road Run	Hamilton, NJ
October	11-12	Southern National Meet	Denton, NC

**Register  
For AMCA  
Events  
[HERE](#)**

## Membership Renewals

To renew your Cherokee membership online, visit [Cherokeeamca.org](http://Cherokeeamca.org)

To renew **both** AMCA and Cherokee memberships online, please go to

[AMCA Renewal](#)

Contact Lecil Morgan for any membership questions:

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# 741

I love a good swap meet. I love rummaging through boxes and crates of motorcycle parts. It can be a real educational experience!

“What does this fender fit?”

“How many miles do you think it has?”

“Really, who would buy that?!?”

There were hundreds of carburetors at the Texas Fandango in April. Vendors had crate after crate of them. Stacks of them and I tried to look at them all.

Amal - Bendix - Kehin - Mikuni

And of course the one I’m after, Linkert. I’m looking for a Linkert carburetor, a VERY specific one. The 741.

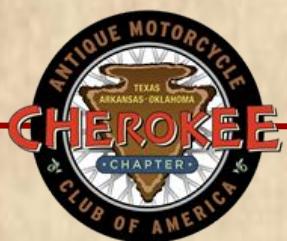
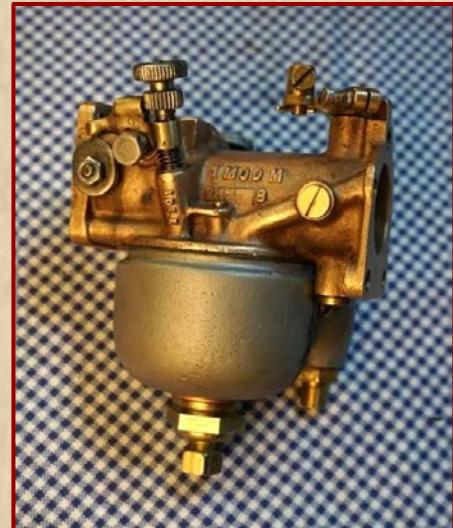
Linkert didn’t make very many of them, but I believe that somewhere in a stack of old carburetors, there’s a 741 waiting for me. So I continue to seek, and visit, and laugh, and find treasures that someone else wants. Maybe that person is holding a 741 wondering what it might fit.

This is how life can be sometimes. We spend a lot of time looking for things. The right church, the right spouse, the right bike. These things are incredibly important!!

Don’t give up the search, but remember to enjoy this journey God has put you on. Visit with the people around you and find out what they are looking for!! As believers, we have the good news that everyone needs. Don’t get so fixated on YOUR 741 that you miss the interesting things all around you!! The world is full of people looking for something. You have what they really need. Share it with them!!

Grace and Peace,

Larry Martin



## The Cherokee North Texas Lunch was a Success

Eleven of us met at Crows Country Cafe in Anna, Texas on a lovely Saturday at 11:00. It was fun to hear about trips we’ve taken and trips we are planning!

We drooled a little over Perry Robbin’s low mileage Shovel Head and actually set a date for next month!! It’s always nice to see old friends and meet new ones. You should definitely come visit us next month!

We’re going to be back at Crows enjoying good food, good service and good stories!!

Ride if you can, drive or Uber! We don’t care how you get there, bring your spouse and a good story.

The next lunch will be June 15th at 11:00. –Larry Martin



**SAVE THE DATE FOR FANDANGO 2025 - APRIL 4 - 6TH**

# Southern Throwdown

AJ Bengoa

If you thought the National Run was a good time, wait till I tell yall about a weekend of roaring engines, classic rides, and good times at the Southern Throwdown Vintage Motorcycle and Van Show, hosted by the legendary tattoo artist Oliver Peck and renowned artist Audra Cabral. It was held the weekend following the National Road Run in Arkansas. This event was a celebration of all things vintage, with a focus on pre-1984 motorcycles, hardtail choppers, and pre-1985 decked-out vans.

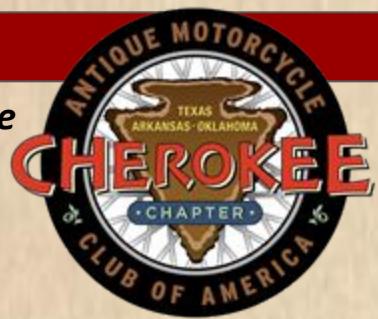


Beyond the spectacle, the Southern Throwdown is about celebrating the community that surrounds vintage motorcycles and vans. It's a chance for enthusiasts to connect, share their passion, and create lasting memories. So, mark your calendars and gather your friends and family, dust off your vintage ride, and head down to the next Southern Throwdown 2025 for a weekend of fun, excitement, and nostalgic thrills.



## Cherokee Chapter AMCA Honorary Members

*For outstanding contributions, dedication, and service to the Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA.*



2022

**Jon Neuman**



2023

**John Nixon**



2023

**Shelby Withrow**

## Welcome New and Returning Cherokee Members!

Odelo 'Pete' Pitre

Reed 'Pete' Hubert

Conrad Ledrig

Kelly Modlin

Bart Grelinger

Returning Member:

Jon Lofgreen

Gary Shorman

Tony Crowder

John Bliss

Danny Crowe

Joe B Wilcoxin

James (Tommy) Freeman

Joseph Hobbs

Monte Jernigan

Josh King

David Pilgrim

Daniel Trahan

Jade Tully

Michael Verastegui

Dave Williams

Kevin Zinder

## New AMCA Membership Form Effective July 1st

Effective July 1, 2024, the Antique Motorcycle Club of America will begin using a NEW Membership Form. This form reflects a slight increase across the board, and also includes a new Active Military Discount.

Contact Lecil Morgan for any membership questions:

Email: [lecelv@yahoo.com](mailto:lecelv@yahoo.com)

Call or Text: 940-391-9570

**Please Note: This is NOT the complete Membership Form - it is included for informational purposes only. The new form will be available on July 1, 2024.**



**Antique Motorcycle Club of America**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

New Membership

Renewal  
AMCA Member# \_\_\_\_\_

Or Mail this completed application to:

AMCA  
c/o ClubExpress  
1051 Perimeter Drive, Suite 350  
Schaumburg, IL 60173 U.S.A.

Active Military Discount

3-Years (\$115)

2-Year (\$80)

1-Year (\$45)

Join online at:

[www.AntiqueMotorcycle.org](http://www.AntiqueMotorcycle.org)

Membership (check one):

U.S. Residents

3-Years (\$125)

2-Years (\$89)

1-Year (\$49)

Associate Member (Worldwide)

Junior (Virtual \$10 Worldwide)

Outside the U.S.

(Including Canada & Mexico)

3-Years (\$180)

2-Year (\$120)

1-Year (\$65)

1-Year (\$8)

2-Year (\$16)

3-Year (\$14)

Membership Sub-TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to the Antique Motorcycle Foundation

\$10  \$25  \$50  \$100  Specify amount to right \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$10 First-Time Enrollment Fee (New members only or expired 60 days or more) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**



As I'm sure many of you can relate, there always seem to be more projects to be completed than there is time. This 1946 Servi Car has been in the project line-up for, let's just say, several years. I think it's finally moving up on the list! The plan

is to include progress updates in upcoming issues of the newsletter. Do you have a current or past project bike to feature in the newsletter? Send your story to me, Kim Unruh, @ [cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com](mailto:cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com)

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Hello fellow members, I'm looking for a little help with my 1975 Harley sx 175 Aermacchi street and trail bike. It's a complete original piece that I've had for 30 years +. It's been sitting around for years. If this is a bike you are familiar with I'd love to hear from you. I could use some help getting it going again this year. Thanks for your consideration, I'm James Freeman at [hdman1910@gmail.com](mailto:hdman1910@gmail.com) Have a great summer to you all.

**The deadline for the Fall 2024 Issue is August 20, 2024!**

**Please send newsletter information to [cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com](mailto:cherokeeamcanews@gmail.com)**

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Kim Unruh

Greetings Cherokee Members! Summer has arrived in South-Central Kansas! So far, this has proven to be a great year for antique motorcycle enthusiasts - Fandango kicked things off in spectacular fashion. It's always a fast and furious trip, action-packed with the Unruhly guys setting up and manning the PVP Cycle vendor space, shopping, visiting with family and friends, and another fun wine adventure with Shannon Unruh and Cindy Butts!

In what I am calling my Mother's Day gift(s), George & I found a couple of Honda CT90s - a 1968 & 1969. Contrary to our typical finds, these were only about 20 miles from home. I rode the '68 home - top speed about 40, except when the wind was pushing me or I was going downhill - I hit 45 a couple of times. I plan to use the '68 for my grocery getter in town and as my swap meet scooter - I have a milk crate ready to strap on the back!

I finished the school year off on May 17th - then George, Daisy, and I headed to Eureka Springs for our next adventure - the Eureka Springs National Road Run. Sadly, George broke his foot about a week before the run, so no riding this time. I forced him to do a little sightseeing with me on Wednesday - Eureka Springs is beautiful!

My daughter Amy and I took off on May 31st for Omaha, Nebraska with the Good Times Motorcycle Women Riders, along with 30+ other women. This group never lacks in the fun department - we enjoyed great company, good food & drinks, and attended the musical, Moulin Rouge.

Time to sign off and go for a ride...before it gets too hot!



*My new wheels - I'm claiming the '68 on the right - '68 is a great year!*

