



AMCA EUROPEAN CHAPTER NEWSLETTER
"Having fun with old motorcycles"

August 2022

Hello AMCA Europe Members,

It's another packed program this time, as life starts to come back to normal and we all try to attend motorcycle Meets. We have news from four events in Germany, Italy and England to report.

Thuringia Meet 08-10 June, Germany

Claudia Krause reports:

This year's Pre66 Meet from June 8 - 10 was also called the "Uwe *Lucky* Illgner Memory Run" as it was only shortly after his burial and the Pre66 Meet in 2021 was one of the last meets where he showed up. Over three days with great weather we had more than 50 visitors there with Pre66 bikes. Mostly Harleys but also Indians and one Triumph.



**Darmstadt Velodrome Board Tracking, Germany
18 June 2022**

Thomas Kern, the organizer of the Darmstadt Velodrom, sent Claudia these words:

Well over 100 motorcyclists came again, who presented their great historical treasures to the public and made it possible to experience a living museum with a unique atmosphere in the Darmstadt Velodrome. The oldest motorcycle was a TRIUMPH Model H, from 1915.

Divided into ten classes according to year of manufacture and performance, things got really busy again. Approximately 1000 spectators also got their money's worth and experienced unique demo show runs and unforgettable insights into petrol talks in the open paddock.



On the pictures you can see Thomas Trapp on his Harley and Thomas Bund on his Excelsior as well as Peter Württenberger, Bertold Karpf, Michael Schneider and Christian Börner on their Indians.



*Peter Württenberger
Bertold Karpf
Michael Schneider + Christian Börner*

Oil Leakers Party 24-26 June, Italy

Fabio Costamagna and partner Cristiano Pelganta own Patina Garage and organised this Meet, also forming a new Italian AMCA Chapter in the Cuneo/Turin area. Claudia reports a lot of fun, good weather, and lots of old motorcycles:



Eric Mathieu from France came in on his 38 EL

New member Julien Junghäni and his wife rode all the way there from Switzerland on their 1947 knuckle:



Julien Junghäni and his wife Siugin on their 47 Knucklehead

International West Kent Run 13 August

This year our friends in the VMCC were nearly back to full strength, with great weather, 250 old motorcycles, and a well marked 74 mile run through the Kent byways. This started and finished at the Priory near Ashford, with a civilised stop for morning coffee, another for lunch, and then afternoon tea on return. This is actually a four day Meet, and I saw numerous continental visitors who had come to make a weekend of it. I was on the 1954 Nimbus, having found the Henderson too high geared and too heavy on the Banbury Run.



Here is a field full of old bikes at the lunch stop:



And this is a Matchless V-Twin:



And here is a typical line-up, with a Triumph at the front.



This is a Malaguti, which I had not heard of before:



And this 1929 Harley J had London plates and used to belong to the rider's grandfather:



It's always good to see a 1930 Indian 101 Scout:



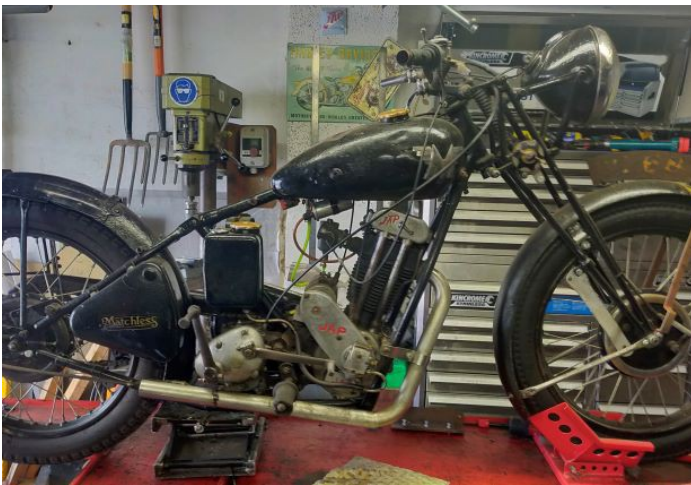
And these Hondas and Suzukis are now antiques as well:



For our US readers, remember the VMCC has correct period loaner bikes for AMCA members, so make the contact and I hope to see some of you over here next year.

New Members

We have two new UK members to report, with others to be shown next time. Here is David Binding's current project, a 1933 Matchless with a 250 cc JAP Sport engine. He also has a Harley Panhead bobber to build.



And Mark Johnstone is shown next with his 1965 Harley Panhead and 1943 UL flathead.



2022 Events

Below is our latest timetable for the year. The AMCA events are firm, but some of the others are provisional, and will be updated as more information is received. Please advise me of any corrections, or additional events you would like to see included. Any events cancelled or postponed are marked with an asterisk (*). Please check with the organisers before travelling any distance.

2022 AMCA National Meets

February 25-26, Omaha Chapter, Fremont, NE
March 3-5, Sunshine Meet, New Smyrna Beach, FL
April 22-23, Perkiomen Chapter, Oley, PA
May 27-28, European Meet, Raalte, NL
*June 03-05, Empire Chapter, Trumansburg, NY
June 10-11, Viking Chapter, St Paul, MN
June 17-18, Fort Sutter Chapter, Dixon, CA
June 24-25, Colonial Chapter, Harmony, NJ
July 15-17, Wauseon Meet, Wauseon, OH
July 30-31, Yankee Chapter, Greenfield, MA
August 27-28, Australian Chapter, Sydney, AUS
October 01-02, Chesapeake Chapter, Upperco, MD
October 14-16, Southern National, Denton, NC

2022 AMCA National Road Runs

September 06-08 Driftless Chapter, La Crosse, WI
September 14-16 Music City Chapter, Dickson, TN
September 19-21 Evergreen Chapter, Colville, WA
September 26-28 Fort Sutter Chapter, Tahoe, CA

European 2022 Events

Austria

September 06-11 European Bike Week, Faaker See
www.europeanbikeweek.com

Belgium

May 07. Tour for pre-1966 American Motorcycles.
Commijn 43A , B-1547 Bever 1-5 pm
acme.pajol@gmail.com

Denmark

May 26-28, Skagen Run, this time Copenhagen to
Skagen, for pre-1935 bikes. Details from
michael_pedersen76@hotmail.com
July 22-24 34th Windmill Rally, Hobro for pre-1941
bikes. wwww.windmillrally.eu

Aug 29 Laholm Beach Jutland, pre-1947 beach racing
and partying www.romomotorfestival.dk
(provisional)

Finland

April 16 Oldtimer Swapmeet, Tampere, about 180 km
from Helsinki

France

Linkert Attacks – *cancelled for 2022**

24-26 September, beach racing pre-1947 cars and
bikes in Ouistreham, Normandy*
www.normandybeachrace.com *moved to 2023*

Croatia/Slovenia/Italy

to be announced FIVA World Motorcycle Run,
www.fiva.org

Germany

March 12/13 Technorama Kassel www.technorama.de

April 23/24 Technorama Ulm www.technorama.de

April 21-24 May Retro Classics Stuttgart www.retro-classics.de

April 29-May 01 Veterama Hockenheim
www.veterama.de

May 21/22 Technorama Hildesheim
www.technorama.de

June 10-12 Pre-1966 Meet Thuringia
amca.europe@aol.de

June 18 Velodrom Racetrack Darmstadt, board track
racing www.vollgas-rennspess.de

Oct 07-09 Veterama, Mannheim. Biggest European
swap meet. www.veterama.de Our AMCA stand is
open to all members who want to sell their own parts.
Greece

Italy

March 11, Harley and Snow Hillclimb, VALS, Ski
Resort Gitschberg Jochtal
www.harley.bz.it/de/harley-snow

May 06-08 ASI Motorcycle Meet, Parma

June 24-26 Oil Leakers Party, Maria delle Surie.
Amca.europe@aol.de

Jan 26-29 2023 Motor Bike Expo Verona, custom
bikes www.motorbikeexpo.it

Netherlands

June 10-12 Silent Gray Fellows Meet, Oosterhout.
17th meet for pre-1966 American bikes.
www.silentgrayfellows.nl

August. No Old Timers Club International Rally this
year.*

July 29-31 International Indian Rally, Borculo.
[https://www.indian.nl/evenement-registratie/?
action=evrplusegister&event_id=37](https://www.indian.nl/evenement-registratie/?action=evrplusegister&event_id=37)

Norway

Poland

All events pending

Romania

July 14-18 FIVA World Motorcycle Rally, Bucharest
<https://retromobil.ro/fiva-moto-2022>

Slovenia

June 10-13, HOG International Rally, Portoroz
[Harley-Davidson HOG Rally, Portoroz, Slovenia, 2022 | Tour1](#)

Sweden

June 1-5 Harley Superrally, Oland. www.superrally.se

Switzerland

April 23/24 Swiss Historic Vehicle Days
<https://shvf.ch/de/>

April 29 – 01 May Goudron Bike Days
<https://www.goudron.ch>

May 01 GP Mutschellen www.gpmutschellen.ch

May 21/22 Arbon Classics www.arbon-classics.ch
May 27-29 Swiss Classic World
<https://www.swissclassicworld.ch>

June 10–12 Motor Classics Lenzerheide
www.lenzerheide-motorclassics.ch

June 10-12 Harley Davidson Mountain 4StarWeekend
Arosa <https://www.waldhotel.ch/de/harley-davidson-mountain-weekend>

June 17–19 Kerenzerberg Race Mollis
www.kerenzerbergrennen.ch

July 01/02 Hangar Rocking in St. Stephan
www.hangarrokin.com

August 06 Klausenmemorial
<https://www.diavolomotorclassic.ch>

United Kingdom

April 23-24 Stafford classic bike show and auction
www.staffordclassicbikeshows.com

June 19 Banbury Run, Gaydon, 450 pre-1931 bikes
www.vmcc.net

July 16-17 Festival of 1000 bikes, Mallory Park
www.vmcc.net

Aug 04-08 International West Kent Run, 310 runners
at The Friars, Aylesford, ME20 7BX www.vmcc.net

September 10-11 Beaulieu International
Autojumble/Netley Marsh motorcycle jumble

Oct 09. Pioneer Run, 350 pre-1915 bikes, Epsom
Downs to Brighton.

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www.staffordclassicbikeshows.com

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Please volunteer if you would like to be representative for a country not mentioned. You just need to know what bike-related events take place in your country, and answer occasional Email questions.

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www.antiquemotorcycle.org

And keep me up to date if you change Email address.

The next newsletter will probably be in October, so please keep sending me articles and photos on bike related items, and safe riding until then.

Stay safe, wishing you happy riding, and best regards,

Steve Slocombe,
President AMCA European Chapter

