



# Chief Blackhawk

## The Presidents Corner

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Hello, my name is David Lash. I am the new president of Chief Blackhawk. Some of you will remember me as C.B.H.'s Deputy Judge and have worked with me on Sunday at Davenport. I am looking forward to continuing and expanding this relationship.

I would like to thank all the members of the chapter for their support. I follow in the footsteps of some of the best men I have had the honor to meet and hope that my service to you the members of Chief Blackhawk meets your expectations.

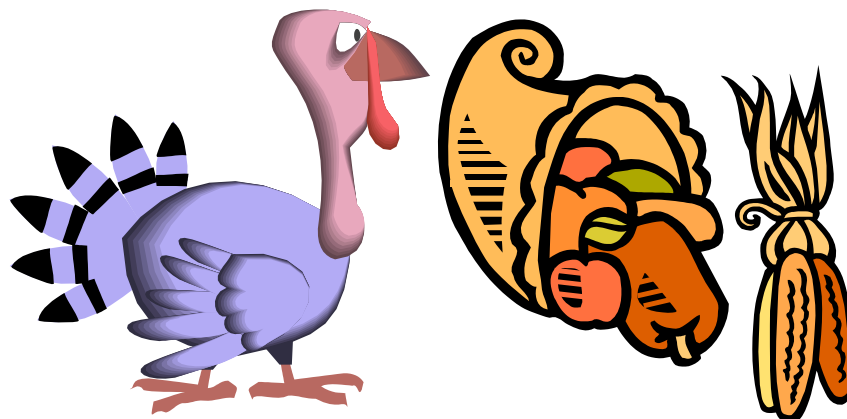
At this time I would like to thank Charlie Finny for his dedication and tenacity in the task the chapter presented him with, Charlie you have the chapters and my personal Thank You!

2011 is almost over with and what fun we had! As most have already heard the Davenport meet for 2012 will not be a national meet but will be a regional. What this means is that there will not be Judging on Sunday. Is anything else changing? No! All other venues and activities that have always been found at davenport - Friends, Parts, Antique bikes, more Parts, Bikes in the display building, Your buddy's Parts, RUNNING antique bikes, camping, what's this? more Parts, seminars, antique bikes for sale, movies on Thursday night, OH MY- there's more Parts, races on Friday night, more friends, the famous Banquet, and 878 1/2 spaces of PARTS !! (you with the half space, we know who you are.)

Our national president does not seem to be making many friends around our area, but he is making members sit up and notice that the way the national board is selected needs to change in a way that allows representation of the membership. The damage to the clubs name in the judging arena and the loss of some of our most knowledgeable members from the national board last year only highlights the situation. I like my predecessor am also calling for his resignation or maybe some members of the board will partially redeem themselves and vote him out.

Hoping everyone has a great Thanksgiving holiday and looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting. Anyone with ideas or suggestions may contact me at any time via phone or email. Contact information above.

David Lash



CHIEF BLACKHAWK CHAPTER, AMCA  
REVISED BYLAWS OF THE CHIEF BLACKHAWK CHAPTER,  
THE ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

There has been some misinformation circulating about the change in CBH bylaws. Here are the current bylaws. In red is what was omitted everything else is unchanged from 9/20/99.

Section 1. NAME

The name of this Chapter shall be the CHIEF BLACKHAWK CHAPTER of the ANTIQUE MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

Section 2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Chapter is to preserve, restore, and display motorcycles, motorscooters and powered cycles that conform to the rules, regulations and by-laws of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, Inc.

**Section 2A A primary function of the Chief Blackhawk Chapter is to hold an annual Nation AMCA Meet, in accordance with AMCA rules and schedules.**

Section 3. MEMBERSHIP

Each member of the Chief Blackhawk Chapter MUST be a member in good standing of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, Inc. Chief Blackhawk Chapter members are expected to participate in chapter activities.**(and to be available to assist with the annual Chief Blackhawk National Meet.**

Section 4. MEETINGS

The Chief Blackhawk Chapter will hold regular meetings on the first Tuesday of each month to plan and schedule the annual AMCA Meet and other chapter activities. The October meeting is specifically used to elect officers for the following year. Current chapter officers and directors will determine meeting time and place. Any changes in meeting time or location will be communicated to members at least 1 week prior to the next scheduled meeting. In addition, Board Meetings (of the officers and directors) may be called as needed to review chapter bylaws and other matters.

Section 5. OFFICERS

Chapter officers will be elected from the membership and shall be members in good standing. Positions to be occupied are President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Officers shall be elected for a one-year term and may serve successive terms. In addition, there will be 5 Directors elected from the membership. Directors will be elected for 2 year terms which are staggered so that 3 directors will be elected in one year, and 2 directors the following year. The chapter member designated to handle Vendor Registration will also sit in on board meetings, as a non-voting member.

Section 6. NEWSLETTER

A newsletter will be published twice a year, or as deemed appropriate by the newsletter editor. Newsletters are to be sent to all Chapter members in good standing and to others as specified by the Antique Motorcycle Club of America. Copies shall be available to other chapters on an exchange basis. The newsletter editor is a voluntary position, selected from among chapter members in good standing.

Section 7. FINANCES

The Chapter shall be operated as a non-profit organization. Annual dues are \$6.00. Dues amount may be revised by a majority vote of members at a general business meeting,

Section 8. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these bylaws may be made at a general business meeting. Any member in good standing may propose an amendment so long as the amendment is consistent with the policies and bylaws of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, Inc. In addition, the Board of Directors may propose amendments. Proposed amendments will be adopted by a simple majority of members present at a general business meeting.

Bylaws amended July 10, 2011.

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Tommy and Christina Caldwell hosted a Halloween Party for Chief Blackhawk Members on Sat the 29<sup>th</sup> of October. There was a 50's theme so there were a lot of pink ladies and leather jackets. The decorations were outstanding including an animated man in the bathroom entryway with a machete waiting for unexpected visitors. The kids had a great time.





## DAVENPORT, IOWA MEET WAS TREMENDOUS

By Ted Hodgdon

When Rich Schultz, the president and guiding light of the Chief Blackhawk Chapter at Davenport, Iowa, asked me to come out there for the first national meet our club has ever had in Davenport, I agreed I would. And am I glad!!!!!!

The date was September 30 - October 1, and the place was Davenport City Fair Grounds.

I had to go on three different aircrafts to get there, but it was well worth the fifteen hundred mile trip from Florida.

Saturday a.m. I went out to the Fair Grounds and beheld a sight to gladden the heart of any old-time motorcycle enthusiast. The portion of the Davenport City Fair Grounds set aside for our meet couldn't have been better! It was adjacent to the race track, which we were free to use, and there was ample grass area for parking and riding around--as well as numerous driveways and roadways to ride on--surely an ideal set-up for the antique and veteran motorcycle riders. And--in case of rain, one of the immense Fair Ground buildings was open to us--big enough to bring all our bikes indoors if the rain had hit us. However, the weather was perfect for the meet and the only time we were indoors was when the lunches were served to us by the ladies of the Blackhawk Chapter--yes--free!!

It was real fun to sit on the grass in the sun, eating a picnic lunch, and see beautiful antique bikes parked all around us--and hear the pop and chuff of some of the "oldies" as well as the throaty purr of some of the Fours as their owners would--apparently--rather ride than eat.

Because Rich Schultz and his committee were on the ball, there was a quiet but capable looking police officer watching with sharp eyes the whole picture and as the day wore on, I noticed that he wasn't so serious--but had kind of a grin on his face as he had finally sized us up as a real bunch of family people just having a ball with the antique motorcycles.

## SIXTEEN BRANDS REPRESENTED

To give you an idea what a pretty sight it was, there were sixteen different brands of antique motorcycles parked or running around the premises. They were as follows: Indian, Harley-Davidson, Yale, Arrow, M & M, Ariel, Matchless, Cotton, MV Augusta, Triumph, BSA, Excelsior, Servicycle, Evans, ABC, and a P & M. It was a real thrill and very, very interesting to walk among all these different brands of antique motorcycles and see some of the beautiful restorations. We must tell you that among the most beautiful restorations there were two Indian Fours owned and restored by Rich Schultz himself and a beautiful black Indian Four owned by Neil Dawes--the same one

The next few pages are a find from Roger Duffey at the Wauseon Meet this year. Article is the write up for the first Davenport meet in the Winter 1972 issue of the Antique Motorcycle Magazine. Thanks Roger for sharing this with us!



that got first at Medina. And you could not possibly walk by the beautiful 1914 Yale, and 1937 Indian Chief restored by Howard Hielman of Indianapolis, or the really superb 1929 Indian Four owned by Paul Pearce of Oxford, Michigan.

There were two distinctly different or unusual machines there, which were positively one-of-a-kind. First, there was the midget Indian Four brought by Bob Deering. There is a picture of it herewith. And second, there was a beautiful big Indian Four with a set of trainer wheels on it which were retractable, brought by Ray Harvey. There is also a picture of that machine herewith.

#### GOT SOME RIDES ON OTHER FOLK'S MOTORCYCLES

Having come over fifteen hundred miles on the airlines to get out here and take the pictures and write the story for the meet I was in luck--got a few rides, and the first ride was on the 1912 Twin cylinder Marsh-Metz Twin, unrestored, and owned by Rich Schultz. It was quite a thrill to ride this old machine around the grounds. Next, I had a ride on the Excelsior Twin owned by David McClean of Wilton, Iowa. Later in the day I had a ride on the 1928 Indian Four owned by Paul Pearce. I had to chuckle when I rode the Four, realizing that in the year 1928--when the machines was manufactured--I was advertising manager at the Indian factory. Art Sigal, our president, was up to his usual speed--riding anybody's motorcycle he could use. Art sure loves to ride motorcycles!

There was quite a flea market which occupied almost everyone's attention, at least once around the grounds.

At this point I want to mention the sign which was unmistakably prominently posted at the gate to the Fair Grounds. It was a large four-foot reproduction of the AMC Emblem--the wheel with the wings on it. Inasmuch as I personally designed this emblem back in 1954, I got quite a kick out of seeing that the Chief Blackhawk Chapter had made a large reproduction of it so that we antique buffs would know which gate to go in. It was a beautiful thing and the club should be commended for it.

Everyone had a perfectly wonderful time at the grounds in the afternoon and when it came time for the banquet, which was held in a very fine downtown hotel, we counted eighty-three at our dinner.

Our president, Art Sigal, had journeyed all the way from Pennsylvania out here and he officiated at the dinner, and prevailed upon me to exhibit my color slides of various makes of old motorcycles which I had restored. Some of the slides went through upside down and caused considerable mirth but in each case I was able to rectify it.

Sunday morning everyone was out at the Fair Grounds early looking forward to another good time. The morning fairly flew, and before we knew it we heard the loud speaker announcement that all machines were to go to the judging area. As soon as possible I counted the machines in the judging area and there were fifty-three



beautiful antique motorcycles in there. This presented a tremendous job for the judges who were Earl Chalfant, James Lucas, and Rich Schultz. However, they succeeded in completing the judging in less than an hour, and that included every machine judged making a complete lap around the track.

RESULTS OF JUDGING

ANTIQUUE CLASS

Best Restored	1910 Harley-Davidson	Russell Hickethier
Best Runner Restored	1924 Indian Scout	Richard Ulrich
Oldest Motorcycle	1909 Arrow	Floyd Egger
Best Runner not restored	1914 Two-speed H. D.	Hal Bruce
Longest Distance Award	1918 Military Indian Power Plus	Ernie Biddle
Most Unique	1919 ABC	Whitney Snyder

POST ANTIQUUE CLASS

Ridden Longest Distance	1930 Indian Scout	Ben Chesney
Most Original	1942 Indian Shaft-Drive	Steve Tetterton
Best Restored	1934 Indian Four	Rich Schultz

SPECIAL INTEREST CLASS

A Special award was made to Bob Deering for the cut-down midget 1928 Indian Four which was formerly a circus motorcycle.

There was an additional award, Best Special Interest, and it went to Dean Washburn for his Ariel Square Four.

Yes, it was really a wonderful meet, enjoyed by many, many club members and their close friends. We say HATS OFF to the Chief Blackhawk Chapter for the best meet we have attended for some time. A GOOD JOB by Rich Schultz and his committee. We hope it will be a National Meet next year!

Pictures in this story taken by Ted Hodgdon



The unusual Cotton 250 owned by Lee Cowie of St. Louis



The winners of all classes taken right after the awarding of the trophies

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DAVENPORT MEET  
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Jim Lucas starting off for a ride on the P&M Panther



The 1918 Excelsior belonging to David McClean of Wilton, Iowa



Beautifully restored 1936 Indian Four belonging to Louis Baettry



Ray Harvey with his 1941 Indian Four having trainer wheels!





Whitney Snyder, an executive of American Motors, with his British ABC built by Sopwith Aircraft, in 1919



The three judges: Lucas, Schultz and Chalfant, having a hard time selecting the winners from fifty-three machines



Bob Deering with the tiny 1928 Indian Four. Yes, it has full-sized engine



Howard Heilman with his 1914 Yale



**Chief Blackhawk  
Business Meetings**

December 6 meeting begin gathering around 5:30 PM and meeting starts at 7:00 PM at the Welcome Inn in Milan, IL.

**Special Events of Chief Blackhawk**

Looking for suggestions from members

November 19 Chief Blackhawk Christmas Party 6 PM at CASI 1035 West Kimberly Road, Davenport, IA.

**In Our Backyard**

Save A Life: Grace Lutheran Church is offering CPR training on Thursday, November 10 (6:30-9:30 pm) or Saturday, November 12 (1:30-4:30 pm); or Sunday, November 13 (1:30-4:30 pm). Cost will be \$25 per person or \$30 per couple. You can contact Hollie Swain at 322-0769 or Marty Brunsvold at 391-8104 or [mlbrunsvold@gmail.com](mailto:mlbrunsvold@gmail.com). This is for anyone who has grandchildren or loved ones you care about, to be prepared in case of an emergency.

**Upcoming  
2012 National Meets**

Omaha Chapter  
Fremont, NE  
2/24-2/25

Sunshine Chapter  
New Smyrna Beach, FL  
3/9-3/11

Perkiomen Chapter  
Oley, PA  
4/27-4/29

Southern National  
Denton, NC  
5/18-5/20

European Chapter  
Den Haag, Netherlands  
5/25-5/27

Rhinebeck National  
Rhinebeck, NY  
6/8-6/10

Viking Chapter  
St. Paul, MN  
6/15-6/17

**November Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Happy Birthday Wishes to the following members with birthdays in November:

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| Teri Hollingsworth | Randy Peck     |
| Janet Keppy        | Del Schumacher |
| David Lash         | Kent Seyb      |
| Steve Marxen       | Greg Shipman   |
| Bonnie Mounce      | Michelle Spies |
| Jerri Otis         | Lisa Sumner    |

Happy Anniversary Wishes to the following couples:

- Jeff and Beth Carstensen
- Art and Nancy Mc Cannan
- Mike and Marge Mefford



**Chief Blackhawk Christmas  
Party this month November 19<sup>th</sup>  
at CASI in Davenport Iowa.**

**1035 West Kimberly Road  
Davenport, IA**

**Gather at 6:00 P.M.**

**Dinner at 7:00 P.M.**



**15.00 deposit per person should be sent to  
Hollie Swain at 611 Wisconsin Ave. Davenport,  
IA 52804**

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Chief Blackhawk welcomes several new members who signed up at the meet:

Ronald Kingsley  
Todd Bertranf  
Benny Gueulette  
Brian Smith  
John Brand  
Steve and Sandee Dawdy  
Tom Reese  
William Jacobs  
Joe Lichtenstein  
Stephen Reimers  
Greg McFarland  
Stanley Miller



We hope that you will be able to attend some of our monthly meetings and fun events we have planned through the year.



A promotional graphic for the Sunshine National Meet 2012. The background is a photograph of a red motorcycle. Overlaid on the image are three logos: the Antique Motorcycle Club of America logo on the left, the Sunshine Chapter A.M.C.A. logo in the center, and the Silver Sands Bridle Club logo on the right. The text 'Sunshine National Meet' is at the top in a large, bold, yellow font. Below the logos, there is a list of features and the event location. At the bottom, there is contact information for more details.

**Sunshine National Meet**

Antique Motorcycle Club of America

SUNSHINE CHAPTER A.M.C.A. EST. 1971

Silver Sands Bridle Club

Featuring a new and exciting venue • More events and local rides  
Easy access • Motor Home Hook Ups • Camping area  
Silver Sands Bridle Club  
625 Tomoka Farms Rd. (C.R. #415) • New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168  
For more information contact [Sunshine@SunshineAMCA.org](mailto:Sunshine@SunshineAMCA.org)

## The Sunshine National Meet (Also known as “Eustis”) 2012!

- New Location – Silver Sands Bridle Club  
625 Tomoka Farms Rd  
New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168
- New Dates – March 9<sup>th</sup> thru March 11<sup>th</sup> 2012

**MARK YOUR CALANDER SO  
YOU DON'T MISS OUT!**

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## AMCA Sunshine National Schedule of Events

	<b>Wednesday March 7, 2012</b>
<b>2:00 pm</b>	Participant gate opens for check in until 7:30 pm
	<b>Thursday March 8, 2012</b>
<b>7:00 am</b>	Participant gate opens for check in until 7:30 pm.
<b>8:00am</b>	Free pancake breakfast for the early arrival participants.
	<b>Friday March 9, 2012</b>
<b>7:00 am</b>	Participant gate opens for check in until 11:00 am. Late check in can easily be made by special arrangement.
<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>The Sunshine National begins!</b> Spectator gate opens! Main office opens, for on-site judging registration – Banquet tickets – Event T-shirts – Pins - Information
<b>5:00 pm</b>	Spectator Gate Closes
<b>7:30 pm</b>	Movies and popcorn at the main office area.
	<b>Saturday March 10, 2012</b>
<b>8:00 am</b>	Spectator gate opens!
<b>10:00 am</b>	Line up for road run. Location: Meet along road at the Check in Pavilion
<b>2:00 pm</b>	Field events: Normal AMCA field events. Any bike 35 years old or older may enter the fun. Plaques awarded to the winners. Location: East Arena
<b>4:00 pm</b>	Judging Seminar – Main office building
<b>5:00 pm</b>	Spectator Gate Closes
<b>6:00 pm</b>	Banquet Social Hour – Meal at 7:00 pm
	<b>Sunday March 11, 2012</b>
<b>8:00am</b>	Spectator Gate Opens!
<b>8:00 am</b>	AMCA Judges' Breakfast – Main office meeting room
<b>9:00 am</b>	Motorcycle Judging Begins Presentation of awards upon completion of judging. Location: Outside Main office area (if good weather) Inside Main Office area (inclement weather)
<b>12:00 pm (noon)</b>	Spectator Gate Closes
<b>3:00 pm</b>	Gates closed till next year!