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Yankee Beemers Motorcycle Club News

August 2015 Double Rally issue

DAMN
Yankees
August 7-9th 2015, Heath Fairgrounds

LIME ROCK'Z RALLY

August 14-16 2015

Lime Rock Speedway, CT

Breakfast August 23rd at the Quaker Tavern in Uxbridge Ma

A Visit to Phil's Phun Phactory



Aug 6– 9 20TH Damn Yankees Rally Heath MA.

Aug 14—16 Lime RockZ Rally Lakeville, CT.

Aug 23 Roving Breakfast Quaker Tavern Uxbridge MA.

Cover : Former YB Presidedent Phil Rose's Current projects

Below : BMW and other brands in Phil's " Shed Collection "
YES these ARE For Sale ! (At a-PH-ordable Prices !)

Next: > A snipping of photos from Phil's Phacebook Page

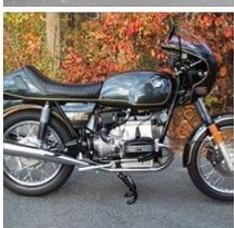


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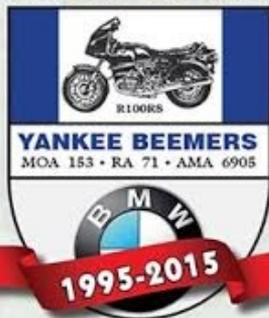
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AUGUST 7, 8 & 9 2015



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- Saturday Magical Mystery Tour
- Saturday guided rides, Paved or Dirt
- Saturday Night Live Entertainment
- Saturday Night Awards Ceremony
- Church Ladies Home Made Pie

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A SPRING-A-LEW PRODUCTION

Please join the Yankee Beemers for our Lime Rockz Rally Friday August 14th to Sunday August 16.

There is nothing quite like camping on a bucolic race course. During the day there is a ton of action with sports car clubs, skid pad antics, access to pits and the wonderful sounds of internal combustion engines. If you prefer to ride the area, including New York is filled with great twisty fast roads and wonderful scenery. Ah, but the evenings are just the opposite where the camping is on fine grass with new bathrooms nearby, the park is surrounded by hills and you may be serenaded to sleep by the sound of coyotes... Ride, Camp, Eat and Kick tires with the YB's at the 4th annual YB Lime Rockz Rally!

Camp out under a canopy of trees overlooking one of the most beautiful race courses in the East and is to the home of the Skip Barber Race Series Formula cars on the track. Experience an escorted ride on the racecourse where Paul Newman raced. Win a chance for a passenger hot lap. Enjoy a "Meet and Greet" with various racers and track officials. Explore beautiful ribbons of asphalt in North Western Connecticut and across the border into New York state and the Catskills. Visit the Motorcyclepedia museum in Newburgh, NY. Enjoy great dining at the Falls Village Inn and the famous Toymakers Cafe in Falls Village, CT. At Lime Rock Park you will have access to the Park, the concession and refreshment stands, the paddocks, hot showers and close-by restrooms. Saturday night we will provide a grill and we will have morning coffee.

Fee is \$40 in advance, \$50 at gate, via Paypal at
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Prez Says

By Ken Springhetti

Prez Sez, August 2015

It's easier to wipe off sweat than it is to wipe on skin. I said this to myself this morning as I put on my gear. Its been in the high 90's, the Boston snow pile was declared officially melted 16 days ago. Summer in New England is as intense as winter, wear the gear, you'll be glad you did. Once ya get moving, its not so bad.



Speaking of not-so-bad, last weekend we had our July Roving Breakfast at the Fairview. **Marc Waegemann** again led the hungry, sweating, unwashed masses to the beach in Brant Rock. A packed house of merry YB's ate, drank and enjoyed the best view in New England. Thank you to **Max BMW** and **Vanson Leathers** for the gift cards and T shirts that were donated as raffle prizes, and thank you to the Fairview Inn for hosting a bunch of rowdy, underwear tossing hooligans.. wait... what? Let's just say, it was an explosive moment in Marshfield ,and one for the history books.

After the breakfast **Dwight Nevins** led the crew on a tour of the south coast. You never sausage a thing! It was a WeinerPaloosa!

Speaking of sausage fests, coming up next weekend is the **20th Annual Damn Yankees Rally**. **Dana Lewis** is retiring after TWENTY YEARS of hosting the rally at Heath Fairgrounds. I want to thank him for pouring his heart and soul into this event for so long. By the way, its held on his wedding anniversary, so I would like to thank not just Dana, but his wife too! If you know Dana, he is not just our publisher, a Savant of the Pavement and a Rally Rat Extraordinaire, but a talented musician as well. He and his band of merry pranksters **Andy Morse**, **Paul Provost**, and some other men of mystery will be pickin, strumming and howling at the moon for your entertainment. I hope to see you all there.

Next we ride into Connecticut for **The Lime Rockz Rally**. **Jack Phelps** and **John Shields** again host the campout at Lime Rock Park. Camp out under a canopy of trees overlooking one of the most beautiful race courses in the East and arise to the hum of the Skip Barber Race Series Formula cars on the track. Experience an escorted ride on the racecourse where Paul Newman raced. Win a chance for a passenger hot lap. Enjoy a “Meet and Greet” with various racers and track officials. Sunday morning breakfast at the Toymaker Café. The Ghost of Paul Newman may even show up with some salsa !

See ya on the road, August and September have so much going on you can ride from rally to restaurant to rally if you want, often in the same weekend!. September brings the Gathering of the Clams, The Green Mountain Rally, The YB “Back To Jamaica” campout and the Finger Lakes Rally. It’s hard to find a weekend where there aren’t 3 club events in 3 different states. If only the season was just a little longer...

**BMW Motorcycle Club
Yankee Beemers**



So folks, please wear your gear, even when it’s hot!
You never know when something unexpected may be about to occur!





**Carl made a great little film at the July Breakfast
A montage of our BIKES and
INTERVIEWS with may luminaries
Sort of a YB version of Why We Ride !**

To find out WHY YB's RIDE . Lookup this URL :

<https://youtu.be/SVI-2C9-YY>



Secretary's Report

By Marc Waegemann

Roving Breakfast Fairview Finale ! Marshfield, MA

Lao-tzu, the 4th century founder of Taoist thought is said to have said "A leader is best when people barely know that he exists; not so good when people obey and acclaim him; worst when they despise him." I wonder if this concept could be broadened. This time of year usually has most of us spending long hours riding our motorcycles. Some ride alone others in groups. Some listen to the same old music, books on tape, or find some other distraction. I prefer to take the time to truly enjoy what I am doing.

The Starfish and the Spider: The Unstoppable Power of Leaderless Organizations by Ori Brafman is an exploration of the implications of the recent rise of decentralized organizations such as individual organizations, which eventually become more structured like Wikipedia and Facebook. The book contrasts them to highly top-down centralized organizations. The spider and starfish analogy offers the contrasting biological nature of the respective organisms, starfish having a decentralized neural structure permitting regeneration. The spider having its own specialized attributes of formal organization. The Yankee Beemers arguably are made up of these two groups. Some of you just show-up and make it work through your own efforts,

Morning view of the
'Starfish' at the Fairview Inn.





This July, for a motorcycle group to go to the ocean on a day when temperatures would top 90F, with the certainty of massive amounts of traffic, may not make that much sense. For those that attended, I hope you did enjoy the opportunity whether you relate more to one of the concepts or perhaps like to explore the "sweet spot", the optimal mix.

For our second roving breakfast, the Fairview

Inn was a huge hit and offered a different destination for some 60 riders as far away as the Berkshires. Anticipating a large group, our whoop-dee-doo south shore ride accommodated all. 28 riders left the Home Depot parking lot and seemingly every one of them made it to Brant Rock to eventually meet 32 more riders, and a few members who opted for a ride in the drop top or prudent sedan with air conditioning. Once we settled, the food was delicious with lovely culinary touches that left many members struggling for words, air, but none of them for a great breakfast!



With leaders of our upcoming rallies absent (Dana Lewis, Jack Phelps and John Shields), Ken told us of the finer points of the 20th anniversary Damn Yankees Rally and the following weekend's Lime Rock's Rally. More can be found regarding these events in the following pages. I very much encourage you to attend both!

New members and friends of BillC#2, Mathew and Emma (just got her license this week) were introduced. Next Mike Hudson and his wife Georgi, overnighted in Plymouth (live in CT!) definitely made the considerable effort to come. Mike rides a 98 1100R and Georgi has a Ninja! Telling tales of recent Tail of the Dragon follies made them fit right in with our band. Last, but not least Sandy Bedford told us about his K75, F800 and "some other stuff" we look forward to seeing soon. Welcome!

The 50/50 prizes included 2 X \$80 cash prizes and 4 X \$50 Max BMW gift cards. There were a few more of Vanson's custom Father's Day T-shirts. During the distribution of the prizes, your Secretary thought to speed things up with a self-proclaimed "T-Shirt Canon", which in hindsight was not the most starfish like approach, especially as his enthusiastic throw had him later replacing some ornate lighting units. Thankfully there were no injuries, just minor property damage. I have said that many members feel the Fairview Inn is too nice for us, and perhaps this is another testament to the sentiment. Everyone seemed to enjoy the Fairview's location, food, and ambiance.



Mark Grabowski and daughter Alyssa-she only picks winners for the 50/50



After the meeting, our Editor Dwight Nevins, took those that dared, on a trip around the cranberry bogs that covered America's Home Town, the Enchanted State Forest, Edaville/Thomas Land, Sippican, the State Prison sewerage plant and finally the Sausage Festival at Dwight's home; once dubbed "Burning Woman". News of kids selling lemonade being surrounded by a group of riders with a nervous father coming out to see what all the ruckus was about created another smile producing moment. All who attended had an excellent time-thank you Dwight for taking the lead on the way out!



Alas, as the Fairview owners are moving on, this past July was the last of our visits. Next year's July breakfast will be somewhere else. By the time this hits your mailbox most of summer will be over. Don't let too much pass between what you want to do and what you should be doing or you might find yourself a starfish out of water.



So, if you cut off a spider's head, it will die; if you cut off a starfish's leg it grows a new one, and that leg can grow into an entirely new starfish. Are starfish changing the face of the world? Are the Yankee Beemers more of a starfish or a spider? 21 years ago I stumbled upon The Burning Man festival, which happens yearly in the Nevada desert, is known for eclectic costumes, rave music and a host of naked people on drugs. It's started out a 24/7 decentralized experience. There were two main decentralized qualities to Burning Man. The first is that there really weren't many rules. The fact that nothing cost money and it was based on a gift economy. You provide things because you want to, as a way to contribute to the community, not because you expect anything in return.

Burning Man, outside the mainstream, holds a crucial lesson. When you give people freedom, you get chaos, but you also get incredible creativity. Because everyone tries to contribute to the community, you get a variety of expressions. This year Burning Man tickets run between \$390-800 with additional fees upon arrival; the website a compendia. A far cry from the original charter. On the other hand there is the 20th Damn Yankees rally. Volunteers are still needed to assist, the price has not really gone up in relationship to costs, the spirit remains the same, so I encourage you to sign-up on the volunteer board and take on your own little project. Our club is always changing and growing in the pursuit of the right mix. The Damn Yankees is our sweet spot, so if you have not already, sign-up and enjoy the fun you make!

Roving Breakfast #3 August 23 - Quaker Tavern

Join us at 8:00 am for a roving breakfast at Quaker Tavern. 08:30 for breakfast. The usual breakfast options will be provided along with a few special things you will only know about and be able to enjoy if you attend. Where is the Quaker Tavern? 466 Quaker Hwy (exit 2 off Route 146), Uxbridge, MA 01569.



Editors View By Dwight Nevins

How we spent our Summer Vacations

I went downtown—to look for a job.

Well not really, the job sort of found me. I left my position with a large financial firm in Feb 2013. EARLY RETIRMENT ? SOUNDS SWEET ! Well that jig was up in July 2015 when my former employer made me an offer I couldn't refuse, (well, My Wife wouldn't let me Refuse) .

So that meant my dreams of Billings and Arkansas and the 4 corners and Baja Mexico were.... unh delayed a bit. I am glad that many other YB's got to see the Wild Wild west on their vacations :

Ken Strubel spread his good friend Bob Easmo's ashes at some of the high points of his journey to Billings and beyond



Victor, Phil, Don, Tom, Mo and Kurt enjoying the Colorado Highs

Jess and Tobi were wheeling it West , and meeting Chris for the remainder of the tour , I'm only sorry I don't have a 3UP picture to share .



Larry the “Hiway Magician” and his wife winged west and picked up some Rent a Wrecks , Not Sure they made it to Billings , But I bet they hit the CORN PALACE on their temporary mounts :



Editors View (cont)

Jim Sanders was Camp Director at the Rally , and still managed to collect and process YB payments/receipts remotely ! Good job Jim ! I'll bet he passed thru Le Grand Tetons again : I wonder what that translates to in FRENCH ?



Ken and Kate headed west too, but they weren't shooting as far as Montana , Pres and Kate Work-Cationed in Beautiful PITTSBURGH PA. With a stop in Punxatawny thrown in for good measure !

Rick Muir went to Wisconsin for an undisclosed mission—Fresh Cheese ?





Good News ... All was not lost for me , I managed to have a pretty good time before the looming return to my old desk aboard the Good Ship State Street. We met some old friends from the Midwest on the South Coast of Mass. We made some new friends on the Mystery Ride after



the Fairview breakfast , and made it to a Bluegrass festival in Maine , It wasn't the GRAND tour, I had hoped for , but even a little touring is FAR Better than NO TOURING .



I was also afforded an opportunity to visit my old Yankee Beemer Mentor Phactory Phil Rose, at his place on Bay Road to see his collection of over twenty bikes, mostly Beemers or derivatives, a few sexy Italians , plus a sampling of the best Japan has offered over the past 40 years.

About the only common thread of his collection is the quality of the bikes he has. Approximately 66% are complete perfect examples of their species, the other 33% stand ready to become the same. Three of his bikes were offsite, because they're on display at the Larz Andesen Museum in their "Beauty of the Beast" display
Our Larz European Motorcycle day is coming up Sunday Sep 13 BTW .



The Garage holds 7 bikes ready to roll at a moments notice (next to his rare Vintage 633 coupe) Notably a Krauser MKI , A Silk Blue BMW K1, An MV Brutale, Rick Muhr's last R1150R , a low mile R80 (his current favorite), an HD XR1200 , and a Monza Blue /5 big tank .

? IF I had to pick one for a joy-ride ?

I'd like to see just how brutal the Brutale is ? Or maybe the slash5 so I could see how much better his runs than mine does ? Or the K1 ? Or the ...

Now on to the Work-shop :

This room is where the magic happens, bikes sit quietly waiting to be called up to the Group W Bench. On top during my visit was a slash 6 , nearly complete , just like his /5 except with disc brakes. His custom Magni framed r100 (Magni was one of the finest chassis you could buy at the time) and a pair of Ducati 750s also lay in wait for their turn up on the bench.





Stepping outside to a large shed , we find The SHOWROOM !
Most of these machines are available for purchase. Two Hondas: From a '68 305, to a 2014 CBR250. Both priced to *MOVE* ! Or maybe an Orange Kawasaki Z1000 (first year) ? He uncovered a beautiful red Triumph Thruxton , thought for a minute , and said "NFS Maybe I'll put this one back in the riding rotation" Phil thought I may be most interested in the GS1100ES , with many extras, a sleek Greer fairing, an aftermarket exhaust and fresh tires. Unfortunately my wife isn't very receptive to adding to my meager collection (" SIX motorcycles isn't ENOUGH Dwight ?). But maybe your financial advisor is ?
If so, give Phil a shout at phactory@yahoo.com He needs SPACE !



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Dec 20, 2015

June - July - Aug—Sept will be Roving Breakfasts



A John Deere Model 420 basks in the early evening glow of the sodium lights. I'll bet she's a-wishing someone would drive her up closer to the SILO so she could hear the band a little better

ROCK That SILO Fellas

ROCK IT

ONE MORE TIME !

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September 13	European Motorcycle Day Larz Anderson
Sept (TBD)	Foodies In The Foothills
Sept (TBD)	The Whacky Hat Rally

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October 31, 2015	Gould's Sugar House by Dana Lewis

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